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Chapter 601: All-Out Battle

While Fafnir was desperately absorbing Nether from the mountain's infected underground, a huge sword pierced his chest, shattering his own dragon heart at the same time!

BAAAAAAMMMM...!

"UUURGGHH...?!"

His red eyes glanced in horror at the spirit goddess titan descending from the skies, her eyes glowing menacingly...

"Your end is now, Fafnir!"

His face distorted in agony, pain, frustration, anger, and madness. His eyes constantly twisting and growing blacker with each passing millisecond...

"My end is near, you SAY?!" He roared with fury, grabbing the huge sword, and throwing it away, the huge wound left behind was letting his guts fall off his body... "Hahahaha... HAHahaha! As you can see... Even if I am pierced by such powers, I cannot easily DIE!"

Fafnir was not a living being any longer after all. His resurrection transformed him into a powerful Undead being thanks to the powers of the Demon King of Death!

"Thanks to my King's powers... I am IMMORTAL!!!" Fafnir roared, opening his jaws, and firing several beams of darkness and death flames against Planta and her friends, all while his body started absorbing more and more Nether.

BOOM! BOOM! BOOM! BOOM! BOOOM! BOOOM! BOOOM!

"We can't let him absorb anymore Nether!" Said Nieve. "Use my Ice! At full power!"

"Got it!" Planta nodded, gathering the powers of Nieve into her huge body, and combining them with her weapons and Gram, materializing a huge spear of ice!

FLUOOOSH!

Ding!

[The temporary fusion of dozens of spirits and your weapons with Gram have temporarily created the [Divine Dragon-Piercing Frost Spear: Skadi]!]

"RAAAAHHHH!!!"

Planta roared with all her fury and soul as she descended from above, her spear swiftly pointing down at Fafnir as it pierced his body cleanly, his barriers or attacks being pretty much useless!

CLAAAAASSSHHH!!!

FLUOOSH!

The moment it pierced his body, an enormous surge of frost encompassed his entire body, slowly freezing his flesh, muscles, bones, and everything!

"AAARRGHH...!" Fafnir gave out a loud scream before his entire body stopped moving. The soil beneath him quickly froze as well!

"TAKE THIS!!!" Nieve's voice echoed, as the spear quickly pierced his frozen body several times, consecutively, cutting him down to pieces!

CLASH! CLASH! CLASH! CRASH! CRASH! CRAAASH!

FLUOOOSH!

However, a shockwave of phantasmal energy surged from the frozen parts, as the souls of all the fallen dragons kept flowing back into his shattered body parts, their corpses, bones, and rotten flesh surged from underground, merging with his body parts in just a split of a second!

"ROAAAAARRRGHHH...!"

A huge mass of monstrous rotten flesh and bones emerged in the slight shape of a dragon, countless tentacles and red eyes spread across his monstrous aberrant body...

"I WON'T DIE! I CANNOT DIE!!!"

Fafnir roared with utter fury; his greed was endless! Mustering the supernatural powers given to him by the Demon King of Death, he transformed into an aberrant being.

"The fucker just revived himself?!" Jenny angrily said.

"He seems to be drawing power from the Demon King himself!" Mark said.

"T-This damn bastard!" Achlys groaned in frustration, her darkness gathering into thousands of spheres. "[Dark Novas]!"

BOOOM! BOOOM! BOOOM! BOOOM! BOOOM!

Huge explosions of darkness and void covered Fafnir's monstrous, mutant body, as the holes and wounds left behind quickly regenerated with more rotten flesh and bones!

"ROAAAAARRRGHH!"

His body shapeshifted, creating several huge fists that hit the titaness entire body several times, covered on his sharp and hard black scales!

CLASH! CLASH! CLASH! CLASH! CRAAASH!

"Uuurrggh...! The barrier's about to break again!" Brisingra cried, the rainbow hair that the barrier had become was already at its limits.

"Use my powers!" Acorn said. "Maybe it can help!"

"Acorn's powers?!" Planta quickly realized his potential could help much more! "I see!"

FLAAAAASH!

The connection with his soul strengthened, as a blazing divine beastly power surged from within him and was swiftly imbued into the huge titan made of wood.

Its entire body shape changed a bit, making it resemble a half-beast maiden, with golden fur growing over a few parts of her body, and a long beastly tail. Long claws surged from her arms, gleaming with the divine power of Gram!

"ROOOAARRR!"

CLASH! CLASH! CLASH! CLASH! CLAAASH!

Her claws swiftly received Fafnir's blows, cutting down his several arms. However, he attacked right after with huge spears and spikes made of bones, attempting to pierce the titaness body and tear it apart!

However, her tail swiftly moved towards his blows, imbued with infernal flames and darkness, it managed to block most of the hits while letting out explosive projectiles of flames made out of wood.

BOOM! BOOM! BOOM! BOOM! BOOOMM!!

"UUURRGHHH...!"

Fafnir stepped back as his body started decaying more and more. He quickly realized his Nether energies were depleting once more. The soil around him was completely frozen, and even plants were growing everywhere else, purifying the Nether and Miasma.

He couldn't drain any more energy from the soil, and his regenerative powers started weakening more and more...

Planta and her friends took this opportunity right away, as their elemental powers converged together once more into a huge sword summoned out of the titaness' very wooden body, and then...!

"[Heroic Legendary Sword Arts]: [Divine Sword Slash]!"

Planta imbued all her leftover energy and power into this version of Gram, swinging it vertically against Fafnir's monstrous and mutated body!

"Y-YOU...! STOP! STOP IT!!!"

SLAAAAAASSSSHHH!!!

Fafnir screamed, asking her to stop, but it was too late! Without energy and regeneration, his Health Points swiftly depleted as his entire body was cut down into two perfect halves, which quickly exploded and turned into ashes!

BOOOOOOOOOOMMMMMM...!

"T-THIS IS... IMPOSSIBLE...!"

His draconic soul screamed in agony, struggling to keep itself "alive" as it began to slowly dissipate before the divine, dragon-slaying might of Gram!

Silence and stillness quickly came, as the entire dragon nest was left a huge mess, dozens of cracks and crater spread everywhere, the ceiling constantly collapsing, and smoke everywhere...

FLAAASH!

As their bodies finally separated when the 3-minute transformation ended, everybody opened their eyes in shock and awe as they heard a System Notification.

Ding!

[Congratulations! You have defeated the [Great Evil Dragon King of Greed: Fafnir: Lv180]!]

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Ding!

[Congratulations! You have defeated the [Great Evil Dragon King of Greed: Fafnir: Lv180]!]

[You received: [Great Evil Dragon King of Greed's Corrupted Draconic Heart (S Grade)] x1 [Crystalized Dragon Soul Fragments (S Grade)] x25 [Great Evil Dragon King of Greed's Meat (S Grade)] x250 [Great Evil Dragon King of Greed's Bones (S Grade)] x250 [Great Evil Dragon King of Greed's Claws and Fangs (S Grade)] x250 [Great Evil Dragon King of Greed's Draconic Eyes (S Grade)] x2 [Great Evil Dragon King of Greed's Draconic Blood (S Grade)] x50 [Great Evil Dragon King of Greed's Internal Organs (S Grade)] x100 [Great Evil Dragon King of Greed's Fafnir Invincible Scales (S Grade)] x50 [Great Evil Dragon King of Greed's Soul Orb (S Grade)] x1 [Great Evil Dark Dragon Egg (S Grade)] x1 [Unique Potential Cubes (A Grade)] x30 [Unique Gear Enhancement Scroll (A Grade)] x30]

[You earned 30.000.000 EXP!]

[LEVEL UP!]

[Your Level has increased from Level 99 to Level 100!]

[All your Stats have increased!]

[You earned Stat Points and Skill Points.]

[You earned +25000 Bonus Community Points from showcasing the might of your Territory.]

[You earned +10000 Bonus World Boss Points from defeating a very powerful Boss Monster!]

[Your have reached Max Level! Congratulations!]

[You can now Evolve and Rank Up your Class and Subclass!]

Planta smiled in relief. Although she didn't get any new equipment piece out of Fafnir, nor any of the other Dragons, she got a lot of amazingly high-quality materials. Equipment were very rare as drops to begin with, and this game's players usually had all their equipment crafted out of materials, which the game encouraged.

However, recently, Dungeons have begun appearing, different than hunting areas such as the Dragon Nest, Dungeons have treasures and the boss monsters tend to drop equipment. However, this has only been a very recent addition.

"Hahhh... Finally Level 100, took a while." Planta sighed in relief. "Now, we should quickly go back to the city. A lot of people is injured... We have to get there and quickly heal everyone!"

"You're right." Mark nodded. "I am just as worried."

"Hahh... I can't believe Fafnir has finally been defeated." Brisingra cried a tear of happiness.

"Ugh, I need a break, this game's a bit too demanding sometimes." Jenny sighed.

"For now, let's-"

"You may have slain my dragon, but his sacrifice will be worthwhile."

A terrific voice suddenly spoke inside of everybody's minds, at the same time as they instantly felt their bodies growing several times heavier.

Before they could react, they sensed the entire world around them becoming black and foggy, engulfed by shadows and... screaming souls twisting endlessly.

When their eyes were directed to the origin of this power, they found that Fafnir's soul was twisting in midair, what barely remained of him, opening a large black portal, which nobody had noticed until now.

And from within, a large skull could be seen glancing at them...

"KNEEL."

A single word from this menacing entity was enough for his powerful authority to quickly force his already weakened foes to kneel- no, to fall into the ground head-first.

"Ungh?! W-What the...!?" Rita groaned. "T-That damn skeleton bastard is here?!"

"T-This again?!" Mark panicked, recalling something similar that happened back in the Forest of Beginnings with the previous Demon King!

"Urgh...! Thanatos!" Planta roared in anger, gritting her teeth as she glared directly at the skull.

"Hmph, no matter the world, you're still a tough cockroach, Yggdrasil." Thanatos spoke with a lugubrious, terrific voice. "However, thanks to my servant's noble sacrifice, this will be as far as you go!"

His claws quickly pierced the portal, widening it slowly and beginning to quickly crack space itself. The system started failing as it couldn't stop him from breaking the boundaries!

Crack... crack...

CRAAASH!

DING! DING! DING!

[WARNING!]

[WARNING!]

[WARNING!]

[Foreign, unauthorized entity is beginning to trespass the boundaries of the System!]

[ERROR]

[ERROR]

[ERROR]

"You might have been able to free yourselves from a similar pinch when you fought my predecessor, but that time, it was because he was weak and you held still some energy." Laughed the Demon King of Death. "But I made sure you were very, very weakened first!"

CLAAAAASSH!!!

A huge skeletal claw surged from within the portal, hitting the ground, as the other hand was trying to get through, but the portal was still too small!

"It seems I'll have to kill you with a single arm... It doesn't matter anyways!" Laughed Thanatos, suddenly, his enormous skeletal arm, which was as huge as thirty meters, summoned an even more titanic relic, a huge black scythe composed of millions of twisting souls!

"Come! [Scythe of the Underworld: Hades]!"

FLUOOOOSH!

A huge scythe towered over everybody else, their eyes shocked with utter disbelief... Yet at the same time, they were all trying to escape! Obviously enough, they couldn't log out, which confused Jenny a lot.

And to make things worse, their MP, and Satiation were almost completely depleted. Planta's Terrain was being instantly killed by the Death Aura of Thanatos, so they weren't even able to recover energy!

And the worst part, the power that allowed them to fight against the Demon King of Miasma before, Spiritual Essence, was nowhere to be found! All because they had spent it all already.

However, even as Planta and everyone else tried to open their Inventories to retrieve consumable healing items, they couldn't.

And the reason was the very empty eyes of the Demon King of Death.

"W-We can't even move?!" Achlys cried. "Fuck, fuck, fuck!!!"

"I-It is as if my soul is being clenched tightly, my body simply doesn't respond!" Nieve cried.

"AAAARGH...!" Acorn was screaming in agony; he couldn't take the pain in his soul as good as the others.

"Wondering why you can't move?" Laughed Thanatos. "My [Eyes of Soul Control] can tightly clench the souls of pitiful mortals like yours! As long as I am looking at you, your souls are permanently sealed! Your bodies are mere puppets without strings now! Hahahaha!"

His scythe glowed with deathly nether energy, as Thanatos' skill suddenly distorted into a creepy smile...

"I'LL REAP YOUR SOULS!"

"D-Dammit!" Mark gasped for air, trying to do everything he could to free himself. "E-Elayne! ELAYNEEEEE!!!"

The huge scythe quickly descended towards Elayne, whom Thanatos wanted to eliminate first before anybody else, and now that he had a good clench at her soul, there was no time to waste!

"You're the most dangerous of them all, Yggdrasil! Now that I have your soul tightly clenched in my hands, I won't let you go!!!" Laughed Thanatos.

"Dammit! What do I even do?!" Elayne panicked. "Even the Great Spirit's sleeping now?! Should I use Pathway?!"

Planta was constantly thinking a million things at once, until she noticed in between the many error notifications, a different system notification!

Ding!

[A Special [Unique Evolution] has become available with the Materials you've collected!]

[Necessary Materials]:

[Tame a True Dragon]: [1/1]

[Ten Scales Of Five Different Great Dragons]: [50/50]

[The Blood Of Five Different Great Dragons]: [5/5]

[Flesh And Bones Of Five Different Great Dragons]: [500/500]

[Two Eyes Of Five Different Great Dragons]: [10/10]

[The Soul of a Dragon King]: [1/1]

[Do you wish to Evolve into this [Unique Evolution]?]

"YES!!!"

Without hesitating Planta didn't even gave it a thought!

"PERISH!!!"

SLAAAAAASSSSH!!!

Ding!

[Your Evolution has Begun!]

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Chapter 603: Evolution

(Elayne's POV)

Having defeated Fafnir, we thought things would finally calm down, but they only became worse. Utilizing the last fragment of his soul, Fafnir summoned a Portal to the Underworld, where the Demon King of Death emerged from within, manifesting himself!

His might and power were frightening, and because we were all weakened, we were unable to fight against his pressure and magic powers. Our bodies were paralyzed, and our souls tightly clenched by his cold skeletal claws.

I didn't know what to do in that moment, constantly thinking and panicking. The Great Spirit was in a dormant state after I overused her strength, and to make things worse, because we were paralyzed, we were unable to bring out anything that could help us recover our health or mana from our inventories.

I panicked, I grew fearful, even after all the amazing things we accomplished... to be taken down so easily like that, out of nowhere...

I hated it so much, I hated to have such a fate.

To be thrown around, to be crushed like garbage, to be persecuted by these monsters. It made me frustrated not only with fate, but myself.

As I was about to burden my soul even further by utilizing [Pathway], my last hope, as if the Gods themselves willed it, a System window appeared in front of my eyes.

Ding!

[A Special [Unique Evolution] has become available with the Materials you've collected!]

[Necessary Materials]:

[Tame a True Dragon]: [1/1]

[Ten Scales Of Five Different Great Dragons]: [50/50]

[The Blood Of Five Different Great Dragons]: [5/5]

[Flesh And Bones Of Five Different Great Dragons]: [500/500]

[Two Eyes Of Five Different Great Dragons]: [10/10]

[The Soul of a Dragon King]: [1/1]

[Do you wish to Evolve into this [Unique Evolution]?]

I couldn't even think straight as I felt my soul being tightly clenched by Thanatos, but I knew that this was big... Whatever this Evolution would be, I needed it, it was my last resort!

For everyone, for Mark... I needed to protect them.

I won't let this monster destroy their souls!

"YES!!!"

Without hesitating, I instantly accepted the evolution option. I saw as all the materials flew into my body, merging with my own flesh, blood, wood, and soul!

It was a strange, burning feeling, as if I was being burned into ashes to be reborn again. It was completely different than when I evolved into an Yggdryad... It even hurt!

Ding!

[Your Evolution has Begun!]

"PERISH!!!"

Thanatos arm swiftly swung his huge scythe towards me, aiming to utterly destroy my soul with it. As my body started to transform and evolve, its slashing force managed to hit my soul before it could be completed.

SLAAAAAAASSSSH!!!

Urgh!

I felt utter agony as my soul was sliced apart, my consciousness slowly faded away.

It felt as if my entire being was being slowly drowning in endless darkness.

Is this how it feels to have my soul destroyed?!

No... my soul can't just be destroyed like that!

I still...

Have everyone...

Rita...

Lily...

Mark!

My daughter!

I cannot... give up.

Even if my soul is destroyed, I cannot die yet!

FLAAASH!

Suddenly, I sensed a burning sensation covering my soul, I saw that within the darkness, golden flames started spreading everywhere, consuming the darkness.

What is this?

Two eyes suddenly opened within the darkness, in the middle of these fiery flames.

They glowed with golden and green light, resembling two huge stars in the night sky.

"Awaken your true form, Yggdrasil!"

True form?

"After all... the Guardian of the World is not just an inert tree!"

Huh?!

"Awaken your TRUE potential! Fight for your loved ones, fight for the innocent lives you cherish!"

Suddenly, the monstrous being extended a huge claw towards me, covered on golden scales, and wrapped around endless vegetation.

"Grab my hand! With the last might I hold... You must become my successor!"

"W-Who are you?!"

Without hesitating, I grabbed his huge claw, as he slowly began to lift me from within the darkness...

"I am the one they once called Yggdrasil Tree, the guardian of this world, and the son of my dear mother, Gaia!"

As he spoke, my soul slowly started to repair itself, fusing back together with the fiery golden flames that covered me entirely.

"However, some of the Ancients called me... Yggdragon, the World's Guardian!"

FLAAAAASSH!

When I opened my eyes, I saw that my body had grown several times larger! I found everybody behind me, being protected by my huge body. However, this time it wasn't some transformation, or nature assimilation, or anything of that.

It was just a natural new form of my body! And it was huge! Almost as big as the whole titanic skeletal arm of the Demon King of Death himself.

My shape was similar to that of Fafnir, a huge dragon, with large arms and legs, and two enormous pairs of wings. My composition seemed a mix of both flesh and wood, with clear golden scales beneath an armor of endlessly growing vegetation.

I couldn't see my face, but I felt it was huge and heavy, and I had... four eyes now, for some reason.

Ding!

[You have evolved into an [Yggdragon]!]

"P-Planta?!" Brisingra cried.

"That's Elayne?!" Rita screamed.

"E-Elayne..." Mark was surprised too.

"Lady Planta! You've become a huge dragon!" Acorn was excited.

"Milady..." Nieve was flabbergasted.

"E-Eh?!" Lily couldn't even muster a word.

"WHAT?!" The Demon King screamed, his eyes flaring furiously within the portal opened. "How come you were able to avoid the destruction of your soul?! My Relic is invincible!"

"Doesn't look that invincible to me!" I roared. My entire body suddenly glowing with bright divine light. A powerful draconic aura surged from within it, expanding around everywhere.

It felt as if whatever new Abilities I acquired could be activated almost automatically by just willing it. My entire body exuding a powerful draconic aura!

FLAAAAAASH!

"URGH? AAAGH...!"

The Demon King screamed in agony as his entire arm started burning by the light, his hue scythe began to gain a few cracks, even, and the endlessly expanding Nether coming from the portal quickly came to halt, being constantly purified by my presence.

So this is the power of an Yggdragon!

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"Whatever you've become, it is USELESS!" Thanatos roared, as he suddenly managed to get his other arm through the portal, while his huge skull started trying to fix in.

Crack... crack... CRAAASH!

Space itself kept shattering. If I let him get away with what he's doing, this entire place will end being left on ruins! I have to kick him back right where he came from!

I quickly grabbed Gram and Gaia's All Purpose Tool, both which adjusted their sizes to my own larger form easily, dual wielding these two with huge and muscular dragon arms might be better than just using my plain claws!

"RAAAAAAAHHH!!!"

I roared with mighty draconic fury, feeling as if this power was driving my own mind into becoming wilder. It is as if my own personality and thoughts were being filled with the desire for battle. Is this how dragons think?!

"[Heroic Legendary Sword Arts]: [Divine Sword Slash]!!!"

SLASH! SLASH! SLASH! SLASH! SLAAASH!

I unleashed several slashes using both of my weapons at once. The Gaia's All Purpose Tool simply transformed into a beautiful golden sword by absorbing my Aura and powers naturally.

Meanwhile, Gram glowed with divine and heroic might, both swords' slashes were imbued with my divinity, and quickly hit the Demon King's arms, beginning to spread several cracks across them!

Crack... crack! CRAASH!

"UNGH?! Y-YOU CAN HURT ME?!"

Thanatos was clearly shocked; he didn't thought I could harm him. After all, he's a Demon King who is even stronger than the previous one. He's at least Level 250, if not higher.

"Go back where you came from, Thanatos!"

I roared furiously, flying across the air and evading several beams of darkness and death fired towards me, while swinging my swords and unleashing more Divine Slashes, which started beginning to slice through his arms!

SLASH! SLASH! SLASH! SLAAAASH!

Crack, crack! CRAASH!

"URGH...! IMPOSSIBLE!"

Thanatos extended his powers more and more, as a legion of phantasmal beings emerged from within the portal!

"[Phantasmal Legion]! ATTACK!"

FLUOOOOOSH!

"That won't work on me anymore!" I roared.

I felt it within my, the power of not just nature... but Light! The Legendary Element said to be able to vanquish darkness, and even death!

"RAAAAH!!!"

While gathering my powerful Aura into my swords, the aura changed and shapeshifted, revealing two huge roaring dragons made of light and divine energy, spiritual powers converging into draconic might.

"ROOOOAARRR!"

"SHAAAAAHH!!!"

They resembled the souls of the Viper Drake Queen and the Blue Dragon King! Which combined with my sword slashes, and easily sliced and exorcised the Legion of Phantoms with ease!

SLAAAASH! SLAAAAAASSH!!!

"UOOOGGH...!"

"GYAAAH...!"

"UUAAGH...!"

The screams of the monstrous phantoms being destroyed one after another echoed across the caves. I sensed everybody's gazes, their hopeful eyes driving me further, and further!

FLAAASH!

My chest began glowing brightly, as it suddenly revealed a beautiful golden crystal in the shape of a heart! Is this... my Dragon Heart?!

"I-IMPOSSIBLE! How come you can destroy my legion?!" Thanatos was being flabbergasted with each second. "FINE! I'LL JUST KILL YOU WITH TWO ARMS!"

His two arms quickly flew towards me, suddenly being encompassed by darkness and nether, gaining countless black tentacles and red eyes, and even monstrous jaws.

CLASH! CLASH! CLASH! CLASH! CRAAASH!

I parried both enormous arms with my skeletal claws using the [Heroic Legendary Sword Arts]: [Heroic Parry], which generated explosions of light with each blow!

However, their combined strength was tremendous with that huge scythe added into the mix! I was being slowly pressured back, pulled further and further away!

"Use our might!"

"You can do this, Lady Yggdragon!"

"Please, defeat that monster!"

"He and Fafnir imprisoned our souls into Undead bodies for many years!"

Suddenly, I heard the voice of four beings echoing within my very heart. Their appearances surging from within my Aura...

I wasn't wrong at all! It was really THEM!

The Viper Drake Queen, the Cave Drake King, the Blue Dragon King, and the Red Dragon Queen. Their souls have somehow become part of my own body through the evolution.

And they said their souls were imprisoned?! So they weren't actually just wild monsters at the end of the day!

"You are on my side?!" I was shocked.

"We are no strangers anymore!" Laughed the Viper Drake Queen. "Planta! Beat that bastard! SHAAAH!"

"Of course we are! You're an Yggdragon! The Divine Ruler of all Dragons has finally been reborn!" The Cave Drake King roared.

"Our souls were long ago imprisoned after Fafnir defeated us in the past. He turned us into Undead Slaves." Said the Blue Dragon King. "When you defeated us, you were able to extract our souls, and once you evolved... It seems we've become part of you."

"It is a bit confusing!" The Red Dragon Queen said. "But you have to know that we're in your side, Lady Planta!"

"USE OUR MIGHT!" They roared at the same time.

"Okay!" I roared. "RAAAAAAAAAHHH!!!"

Their four Souls converged into my own body, as I felt their power surging through my entire body once more. Their Auras roared and furiously transformed into my power, their heads surging behind me as if I had become a hydra.

"W-What are those souls?!" Thanatos panicked. "D-Don't tell me! Those are Fafnir's slaves?!"

"They're no longer slaves!!!" I roared. "And you'll PAY for what you've done to them!!!"

I flew directly towards him, evading his huge arms while the four dragon souls constantly attacked them, biting them and tearing their bones apart one after another.

Explosions of darkness, flames, earth, and poison emerged constantly, they were attacking and cooperating with me as if they had become... Spirits! Dragon Spirits!

"I don't know what this sensation is but... It is as if we've been reborn anew!" The Viper Drake Queen laughed, using her long body to paralyze one arm from moving.

"We've been reborn with the mighty power of the Ruler of All Dragons!" The Cave Drake King roared, using his huge and heavy spiritual body to crush the arm that the Viper Drake Queen was paralyzing!

CLAAAAAASSSH!

"We're together again, my beloved!" The Blue Dragon King roared, his darkness magic firing hundreds of spears against the other arm!

CLASH! CLASH! CLASH! CLAAASH!

"Yeah! For all eternity, we'll always stay with one another!" The Red Dragon Queen danced with her beloved Blue Dragon King, her flames bombarding the second arm with huge blazing explosions.

BOOOM! BOOOM! BOOOM! BOOOM!!!

"NOW!" They all roared in unison, as I quickly grabbed both swords and unified them with my draconic powers, and the spirits constantly emerging around me. "[SPIRIT FUSION]!!!"

FLAAAAASH!

Suddenly, I sensed a faint presence flying towards me, small, pink colored fragments fused with both swords as they merged into a single spirit.

Is this... Titania's Sword Fragments?!

"Please... Take whatever power I have left!" I heard a faint voice.

Ding!

[You have temporarily summoned the [Heroic Divine Relic Sword Spirit: Ragnarök]!]

A huge golden sword emerged, overflowing with draconic and spiritual power, as I quickly utilized it to pierce the Demon King's skull!

CRAAAAAAASSSHH!!!

"GRYYYYYAAAAAAAGGGHHH...! I-IMPOSSIBLE! AAAARRGGH...! M-MY HEAD! UAAAARRGGH...!"

His scream of agony echoed across the entire mountain! No, the entire world! His forces and mighty aura quickly retreated, as the arm holding his scythe swiftly moved back to his Realm, while the other was cut down and left behind hurriedly, and the portal slowly closed!

"Begone from the Realm of the Living, Thanatos!" I roared.

"I-I'LL HAVE MY REVENGE... THIS ISN'T THE LAST OF ME, YGGDRASIL!" With a furious and resentful voice, he escaped!

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Chapter 605: Thanatos' Arm

FLUOOOOSH!

The huge portal that opened within the Realm of the Underworld quickly closed, as the huge Demon King of Death was quickly thrown back into the Realm of the Dead, with his skull half broken, and the phantasmal core keeping his soul within inside his skull having gained several cracks.

BAAAAAMMMM...!

His huge body fell over the Underworld, the many Undead and Generals that served him panicked, screaming, and running to his side.

"My King!"

"What has happened?!"

"Have you failed?!"

"That damn Yggdrasil!"

The Demon King was quickly surrounded by his retainers, his family. And his many soldiers. With a pained groan, he slowly sat down and touched his skull, which was falling apart.

"Uuuurggh... M-My Soul Core...!" He muttered, feeling the agony of his crystalized soul having been damaged to this extent. "Damn that Yggdrasil..."

"My Lord! Your skull is...!"

"How horrendous! Call the lesser undead! Become our lord's parts! Repair him!"

His retainers quickly brought countless skeletons that started slowly merging with the Demon King's body, their souls mixing with his own, slowly trying to repair his many wounds.

"My Lord, what happened there?!" Suddenly, the voice of someone dear to him spoke at his side, although she wasn't there anymore, and was instead on Earth.

"Just when Fafnir valiantly gave out his soul to bring me there and end her... That woman evolved... She became even stronger! That damn tree!" Thanatos roared. "And my arm... No, this is good, actually."

"Good?" Wondered another retainer.

"We need to take revenge! But the gates to the surface are still closed..." Sighed another.

"My lord, what are you planning?" Asked another.

"Let us help you!" Said a fourth.

"Calm down, my retainers. What I did was on my own accord. Your job will come later on." Thanatos spoke. "For now, I do have a great idea... That damn Yggdrasil, if I can't kill her, then I'll make sure to kill everyone she couldn't protect!"

His entire body glowed with nether and divine power, combining together into a monstrous force that was directed to the surface world, using a "catalyzer" of his own power to manifest his might once more.

"I'll make sure to crush you, the hopes of the living... All of the world of Arcadia shall one day fall to my might. I won't let... the tragedies of my past repeat themselves. This time..." He glanced at his many retainers, his dear family. "I will make sure that our Kingdom doesn't fall to the hands of the wicked! I will protect it! Fafnir, Phantasmos, Gustaf, my brave friends, your sacrifices will not be wasted!"

FLAAAAAASSH!!!

A dark power flew out of the Underworld, reaching the world of the living...

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(Elayne's POV)

"Phew... D-Did we do it?" I wondered, looking around.

The battle was intense, and even after evolving, I didn't thought I could be capable of pushing him back. If it wasn't for Gram and those fragments of Titania's sword fusing with the spirit I created temporarily, things might have ended much different.

The four Dragon Spirits appeared around me, seemingly rather tired, as they looked like they were more transparent than before. Are they going to disappear or something?!

"Hahh... My soul feels exhausted. Being a spirit is not all that good." Sighed the Cave Drake.

"For now, we must rest." Said the Blue Dragon King. "Yggdragon, the Demon King of Death has only been fend off, but his might and resentment are near endless, he will come back. We must prepare for such a moment."

"However, I am so tired..." Sighed the Red Dragon Queen.

All four of them flew into my Dragon Heart, the big golden crystal in my chest, and seemingly stayed there, resting...

"O-Okay then... I guess we can talk about it later- Wait!" I quickly glanced back into my friends.

"Everyone! Are you alright?!" I ran on my dragon form, making the entire mountain tremble.

"Mark! Rita! Lily! Jenny! Everyone!" I cried, as I noticed everybody panicking when I moved towards them. They seemed fine though, but why were they screaming?

"W-Wait, Elayne! Behind you!!!" Cried Rita.

"Eh?" I glanced behind me, as I noticed a huge, over forty meters long skeleton arm covered on Nether, tentacles, and eyes quickly attacking me!

"DO YOU THINK THIS IS OVER, YGGDRASIL?!"

CRAAAAAASSH!

My body was lunged down into the floor by the huge skeletal arm, that slowly started to transform and become a huge centipede-like abomination. The attack really hurt too, my body wasn't regenerating as fast as before, and the wound was quickly infected with nether.

Urgh, it hurts like hell too!

"RAAAAH!" I roared with fury, opening my jaws, and unleashing a dragon breath almost automatically, a powerful explosion of golden flames hit the huge centipede!

BOOOOOOMMMMM...!

"UURGGH...! GRAAARGH!"

However, the centipede quickly shapeshifted around the wounds and suddenly recovered quickly, using the Nether it had already absorbed! My body felt heavier with each passing second, I just couldn't fight any more in this state!

"While you're weakened, I'll kill you YGGDRASIL!!! YOUR SOUL SHALL BE MY DINNER!!!"

The giant skeletal arm roared furiously, attacking me with its huge claws!

CLASH! CLASH! CLASH! CLASH! CRAAASH!

"AAARGGH...!"

My barriers instantly shattered, and I was unable to spread my Terrain because the Nether constantly stopped me. He knew of my abilities and constantly worked to stop them!

"NOW, ALL OF YOUR FRIENDS SHALL WATCH AS YOU'RE MASSACRED!!!"

The skeletal hand shapeshifted into a huge spear-like form, rushing down towards my chest, attempting to shatter my dragon heart!

I desperately lifted my arms and spread more and more nature, trying to defend myself from the impact, I was too slow and heavy to evade that!

CRAAAAAASSSSH!!!

I closed my eyes instinctively, expecting the worst... However, no attack reached me. In fact, it never hit me. And when I opened my eyes, I saw a huge figure in front of me, made of wood and orange-red flames.

It had the shape of a gigantic phoenix, with dragon-like features as well, and a beautiful, protective aura...

"ENOUGH!" Roared the phoenix. "I won't let you hurt her anymore... I WON'T!"

It was Mark's voice!

Did he evolve too?!

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Chapter 606: Powerful Evolutions

"YOU?!" The voice of Thanatos echoed from within the huge skeletal hand, which already has become something similar to a centipede beast made of bones. "You've become... a PHOENIX?! Impossible! You were merely a Blazing Ent!"

"Blazing Ent?" Mark roared, his entire body constantly growing larger, his surroundings constantly being engulfed by divine spiritual flames! Is this an evolution caused by the Divine Guardian Skill's buffs?

"Sorry, but that's already a thing of the PAST!!!"

His huge claws quickly slashed against the huge Bone Centipede, the slashing blows spreading explosive spiritual flames across its huge body, tearing it down to pieces!

SLAASH! SLAASH! SLAAASH! BOOM! BOOM! BOOOM!!!

"GRAAAAARGGHH...!"

The huge centipede groaned in agony, quickly beginning to back down as its many eyes glanced at the utter giant that Mark had evolved into...

Ding!

[Divine Guardian: Mark] has assimilated with the Crystalized Phoenix Flames, and his many Spirits to evolve into a [Blazing Infernal Phoenix Treant]!

H-He really became a Phoenix?! Is that even a thing?!

"[Spiritual Revitalizing Phoenix Flames]!"

Mark quickly flew towards me, covering my body with golden flames that healed my wound and purified it from the nether infecting it!

"Mark!" I cried in happiness, hugging him with my huge draconic body.

BAAAAM!

"Elayne, are you okay?!" He wondered. "Ugh, can you not hug me so tightly?"

"I-I'm alright, but most of my energy is depleted..." I sighed.

"For now, rest and take an elixir!" Mark said. "We can't let this bastard get closer to the city... I'll protect you as well. I don't want to see you being hurt anymore... I love you!" He roared with frustration. "I can't let you bear all the burden anymore! I won't!"

"Mark..." I felt taken aback by his words, I felt like I was falling for him even more. "A-Alright! I'm counting on you!"

"What are you babbling about, bastards?!" The giant centipede quickly started rushing back at us. "YOU WILL ALL PERISH NOW!!!"

Its hundreds of red eyes started glowing brightly, firing terrific beams of destruction from them by the thousands!

"RAAAAAAH!"

Mark quickly spread out his wings as they blazed with powerful divine flames, and then he closed them tightly around his own, titanic body, tanking all the beams at once!

BOOOM! BOOOM! BOOOM! BOOOM! BOOOM!

His body was tearing down to pieces, but his blazing red feathers and his wooden flesh continued regenerating almost endlessly. Is this the might of a Phoenix?

"[Infernal Blazing Phoenix Magic]: [Purgatory Blazing Feather Rain]!!!"

He quickly spread out his wings beautifully, as thousands of huge feathers made of flames flew directly towards the gigantic Bone Centipede, bombarding its huge body, countless pieces of bones and black colored flesh started falling off it!

BOOM! BOOM! BOOM! BOOM! BOOM! BOOOM! BOOOM!

"GRUUUAAARRGGHHH...!" The Bone Centipede roared furiously, its entire body shapeshifting as it was being torn down to pieces. "YOUUUU!!!"

Its huge legs transformed, becoming longer, and aiding it on moving much faster, quickly surrounding Mark, and jumping towards his back! Flames and all, it resisted them, trying to bite him to pieces with his huge claws!

CLASH! CLASH! CRAAASH!

Mark valiantly defended himself by kicking it with huge legs, which had dragon-like claws, slashing the centipede's body, and covering it on explosive flames!

Although he was really strong, he seemed to be limited in what he could do on his new evolution. Or maybe he was just as exhausted as us! The two were on a stalemate!

"Hey, are you forgetting about me, you bastards?"

Three enormous beams of darkness and void hit the Bone Centipede, throwing the beast down with huge explosions, shaking the entire mountain!

BOOOOOOMMMM!!! BOOOOOOMMMM!!! BOOOOOOMMMM!!!

The origin of this attack and the voice that just spoke was of someone very dear to me, echoing right behind us! A quick glance was all I needed to easily learn who she was.

I watched as a beautiful Dark Elf Woman wearing a black dress made of pure shadows emerge, floating in midair!

It was Rita!

However, her appearance had changed a lot, her dark skin had become almost as black as charcoal, with silver tattoos spread across her beautiful body. Her long hair became silver as well, longer than her own body, and waving around beautifully.

She gained a pair of black horns in her forehead, which grew long, glowing with magic power. And in her forehead, there was a red jewel imbuing her with even more magical might... Her long ears gained a few red scales, and so her wrists and a few parts of her neck.

Without a doubt, she had evolved...

Ding!

[Divine Guardian: Rita] had absorbed the power of the Great Dragon Scales and evolved into a [Abyssal Draconian Elf Sorceress]!

Wait, what?! "Draconian"?!

"RITA!" I cried with a smile.

"Hey!" Rita smiled. "I ain't letting you guys steal the entire show!"

"UNGH...! YOU PESTS! How come you've all evolved now?!" Thanatos screamed in shock from within this vessel, the already very wounded Bone Centipede.

"[Malice Abyssal Darkness Magic]: [Shadow Void Dragon's Breath]"

Rita didn't even played along, she was dead serious. Her eyes glowing redder as she summoned a huge magic circle that created the huge head of a dragon made of pure darkness, opening its jaws and unleashing a devastating breath attack!

TRUUUUUUMMMM...!

The powerful beam of darkness and void impacted the Bone Centipede head-on, blasting a third of its entire body. Its huge body was thrown down into the floor, rolling over it and slowly tearing itself apart more and more...

"G-GRAAAARGHH...! T-THIS CAN'T BE...!" The monster groaned. "I must...! I HAVE...!"

Suddenly, the Centipede summoned several Undead Dragons from the ground, spreading out his Nether everywhere, the Dragons quickly merged together into huge masses of bones, attacking Mark and Rita!

"ROOOAARRR!"

"RAAAARGGHH!"

"SHAAAAAH!"

"Dammit! This bastard's still got energy to summon more undead?!" Rita panicked, firing countless beams and dragon breaths with her magic, while chains of darkness wrapped around the monsters' huge bodies, stopping their movements.

"I won't let you harm Elayne, nor anybody else!!!" Mark roared, unleashing an infernal storm of blazing feathers everywhere, which quickly consumed a whole titan bone dragon chimera!

FLUOOOOOSH!

However, it seemed the centipede wanted just that, distracting us enough for him to quickly rush towards the Dwarven City, spreading a toxic, black colored gas everywhere.

"I MIGHT NOT BE ABLE TO KILL YOU... BUT I'LL KILL EVERYONE HERE!"

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Chapter 607: Desperate Battle!

Dammit! I can't let him harm the dwarves anymore than that!

Mustering barely any strength I had, I quickly popped out an Elixir from my Inventory and drank it slowly and weakly.

Thanks to Mark and Rita's help, I was protected enough time to do this!

Ding!

[You have drank a [Greater Spirit Elixir (S Grade)]! Your HP, MP, Satiation, and Spiritual Essence are fully recovering at a super-fast speed!]

FLUOOOOOSH!

I felt my vitality and energy finally coming back to me, as I moved my huge body much easily and faster than before. I could probably become small again, but that would be a disadvantage in this moment.

I ran towards the rest of my friends as Mark and Rita took down the Giant Bone Dragon Chimeras that kept emerging from a huge pool of Nether left by the Bone Centipede.

"Everyone! Are you alright?" I asked, grabbing everyone with my big wooden claws and lifting them off the ground, generating a barrier to protect them from the black gas left behind by the Bone Centipede.

"W-We're fine!" Acorn said, gasping for air. "Urgh, what is that black smoke?! It seems poisonous!"

"I feel exhausted... My soul still hurts." Nieve cried.

"Hahh... I feel completely fine, actually!" Lily said, standing up and glancing at the Bone Centipede.

"J-Just what the heck was that Elayne?!" Jenny asked fearfully. "It scared me shitless!"

"I think we can explain later, we first need to stop that thing, or thousands of lives will be lost!" I said.

"But they're just game characters, r-right? Why does it matter so much to you?!" Jenny wondered, feeling strange. "W-What is going on?!"

"...Jenny." I sighed. "I know this sounds crazy, but this game... this world, it's all real! Your soul... it was almost destroyed, for real!"

"E-EEH?! ARE YOU DELUSIONAL?!" Jenny panicked.

"The reason you can't log-off yet is because of that!" I sighed. "I can explain later, dear... Jenny, so please, just calm down. I'll make sure to protect you no matter what, you're my dear friend after all!"

"E-Elayne..." Jenny was only more and more confused. "Ugh... What the hell! Okay, let me do something about this thing too!" She suddenly armed herself with bravery, jumping off the barrier and beginning to absorb the smoke.

FLUOOOOSH!

"URGH! It tastes like shit! But it doesn't affect me!" She groaned. "It seems to be some sort of pathogen mixed with poison! Does that centipede wants to kill everyone in the city using it?!"

"That's really bad!" Acorn cried. "We have to hurry! Ugh..." He was very tired.

"Y-Yeah!" Nieve nodded, just as exhausted.

"My city... my people..." Brisingra cried, her ring had stopped working, and was no longer glowing. She seemed just as tired. "Please... Planta... Save them! Please!"

"Leave it to me!!!" I nodded, spreading my wings, and instantly flying towards the city, chasing down the Bone Centipede. "Mark, Rita! I'll chase down the Bone Centipede! Join me once you're done!"

"O-Okay! But don't get too ahead of yourself!" Rita cried.

"Please be careful!" Mark cried. "If I lose you... I...!"

"Don't worry dear!" I gave him a wink on my huge dragon form. "I've gained my second air!"

"Second air?" Mark looked at me surprised, and then laughed. "Fine! I trust you! Raaaah!"

Suddenly, he grew two huge arms out of his bird-like body, looking more like a gryphon than a phoenix, and quickly smashed the large skull of a Giant Bone Dragon Chimera!

CRAAAAAASSSH!!!

As that happened, I flew across the air, rapidly reaching the Bone Centipede, and beginning to charge Spiritual Essence into my jaws...

"YOU AGAIN?!" The Bone Centipede panicked. "I thought you were all weakened and exhausted! YOU PEST!"

"ROOOOAAAARRRRR!!!"

Without hesitating, I unleashed yet another Dragon Breath, which I felt was like combining my Spirit Beam with my Beam of Destruction, charged with the unique power of my Dragon Heart. A beam of golden flames quickly impacted the Bone Centipede's tail!

BOOOOOOOMMMMM!!!

The explosions shook the mountain, leaving a huge crater in the floor, where the stone started to melt into lava. The Bone Centipede barely maintained itself alive, leaving behind another half of its body melting on the molten rock.

Its entire body started shapeshifting, no longer resembling a Centipede but a spider, moving even faster because it became lighter!

"Y-YOU WON'T CATCH ME!" He roared furiously, opening his jaws. "And you won't be able to SAVE them either! GAHAHAHAHA!"

FLUOOOOOSSSH!!!

An enormous amount of black gas, which was named Necrotic Toxin, flew into the city, entering it and engulfing it on a black mist!

"NOOOO!" I cried, rushing towards the huge Bone Spider, and smashing it with my claws. "YOU MONSTER!!!"

CLASH! CLASH! CLASH! CLASH! CRAAASH!

His body started being torn to pieces, but each piece simply transformed into a smaller spider, a huge swarm of them quickly emerged out of nowhere! And from within the ground, huge draconic bones constantly protected them!

"ROOOOAARRR!"

Three huge Giant Bone Dragon Chimeras attacked me at once, pushing me back further and further. I used gram to slash their limbs, but their huge bodies and weight kept forcing me to step back, all while the swarm of spiders kept getting closer!

"DAMMIT!!!"

As I screamed while fighting the Giant Bone Dragons, I suddenly noticed somebody was missing from the people I was carrying inside of my wooden body!

FLAAAAAASSSH!

A huge explosion of light surged from behind the Bone Dragons, as a huge entity made entirely out of stone and bright crystals emerged, crushing the spiders one after another with its weight and body!

CRAASH! CRAASH! CRAAASH!

It was Lily herself, who had somehow evolved, and became a huge titan made of stone and crystals... It left us all speechless!

Ding!

[Player: Lily] has assimilated the Materials of the Cave Drake King, evolving into a [Earthen Spirit Brownie Titan]!

The tiny Brownies had the potential to evolve into Titans this whole time?!

"I won't let you enter the city!" Lily roared furiously, manipulating the earth and creating huge walls protecting the entire city!

"ARGHH! J-Just how many of you will keep pestering me?!" Cried one of the largest of the spiders as it evaded Lily's attacks, it held within a shiny black jewel.

"Catch that one! Anybody!" I cried.

"MEEEEHEEE!"

Suddenly, I heard the voice of Belle... She and the rest of my Familiars finally caught up to us after fending off the Undead Army!

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Chapter 608: The Final Struggle

"MEEEHHEEE!"

Belle and the rest of my Familiar Army finally arrived, and what a way to do that! All of them finally caught up to us after eliminating almost all of the Undead Army that was swarming the other side of the city of dwarves, and quickly joined the battle.

"ROOOOAARRR!" Silver flew across the skies, using her mighty dragon breath to attack the Bone Dragons and give me some support.

BOOOM! BOOOM! BOOOOM!

"Guuuuuu!"

At the same time, Mimy showed up on her smaller, dark knight form, swinging her cursed blade, part of her own shell as a mimic, and slashing apart the limbs of the Bone Dragons one after another!

SLASH! SLASH! SLASH! SLAAASH!

"MEEEEHE!"

Belle led the army, charging while running in midair, her entire body thundering with mighty divine lighting, impacting the chest of a Bone Dragon and destroying it, making it explode into pieces!

CRAAAAASSSSH!

At the same time, I noticed Saphee and Huginn catching up with the larger Spider, attacking it with Huginn's Shadow Feather Projectiles and Saphee's Materialized Poison Attacks!

CRASH! CRASH! CRASH! BOOM! BOOM! BOOM!

The earths shook before their bombardment, the spider evaded some attacks, but ultimately had its entire torn to pieces, leaving behind a small, black jewel behind, overflowing with the power of a million souls within.

Is this something like a Soul Core? A part of the Demon King! It was just his whole arm, but it ended bringing way too much trouble... Does it means that every limb he has possess such a power?

"LILY! CRUSH IT!" I cried, as I constantly pummeled my way through armies of Undead Dragons, who became smaller and smaller as the black jewel lost its energy to summon stronger ones.

"ALRIGHT!!!" Lily roared, running towards the Black Jewel, and materializing a huge hammer out of stone and ores. "[Spirit Titan's Mighty Hammer: Atlas]!!!"

TRUUUUMMM...!

He enormous hammer descended from above, reaching the black jewel, as the millions of souls screamed the moment it was hit and shattered into pieces!

CRAAAAAAASSSSHHH!!!

"NOOOOOOOO...! UUURRGH...!"

"HUH?!"

However, Lily's hammer was suddenly shattered into pieces as she was pushed away, the crystal was destroyed, but the millions of souls were all still obeying the Demon King, fusing together into a gigantic, phantasmal monster resembling a dragon... A Ghost Dragon?!

"GROOOOAAAARRGH! MY... FURY CANNOT BE CLENCHED! MY... RAGE CAN'T BE CONTAINED! I MUST DESTROY... I MUST KILL!!!"

The mass of souls combined into a faint, ghostly dragon resembling Fafnir, as it swiftly flew towards Lily, attacking her with its huge claws!

"[Divine Earth Spirit Walls]!"

Lily defended herself by conjuring huge walls which were completely shattered into pieces one after another by the huge Ghost Dragon's phantasmal claws!

CRASH! CRASH! CRASH! CRAAASH!

"T-This is bad! I'm running out of Mana!" Lily panicked.

"Familiars!" I cried.

Belle and company quickly swarmed the Ghost Dragon before they could reach Lily. Divine lightning struck its huge form, destroying dozens of its souls at once, shadow feathers slashed its body, cursed blade attacks cut it down even further, ice and water magic bombarded it entirely, and even powerful poisonous magic detonated upon contact!

BOOM! BOOM! BOOM! BOOOM!

"RUUUUAAAARRGGHHH...!" The Ghost Dragon didn't falter even as it was bombarded by powerful attacks, swinging its entire phantasmal body, and unleashing powerful blows while spreading Phantasmal Flames everywhere!

BAAAAM! BAAAAM! BAAAAAAM!

My familiars were all swiftly overwhelmed, Silver, and Saphee were thrown away like ragdolls, Huginn was kicked through midair, Mimy was crushed into the ground, and Belle who resisted the most was quickly engulfed on phantasmal flames, falling into the floor unconsciously.

"YOUR SOULS SHALL FEED MY POWER!" The monstrous Ghost Dragon was about to kill them all, attempting to suck their souls out of their bodies!

"STOP!!!"

However, my claws reached its body faster, as I punched the Ghost Dragon into the floor, its huge body suddenly losing a big part of itself as hundreds of souls were destroyed on impact!

BAAAAAAMMM...!

"URGGH...! YGGDRASIL!!!"

The Ghost Dragon suddenly shapeshifted its body, gaining over four more heads, resembling a monstrous hydra! All heads fired deadly dragon breaths at once, blasting my entire body with huge explosions.

BOOOM! BOOOM! BOOOM! BOOOM! BOOOM!

"URGH...!" I was forced to step back, feeling overwhelmed again even though I was finally beginning to spread my Terrain. Those beams hit directly through my soul and left huge scars on it! My barrier resisted some of the damage, so I can't even imagine how much it would have done normally!

"RAAAAAH! DIE!" The huge Ghost Dragon shapeshifted its form once more, turning into a huge, massive draconic head, and attempting to devour me whole!

"I WON'T LET YOU!"

CRAAAAAASSSSH!!!

A huge blazing wooden fist hit the Ghost Dragon directly, spiritual phoenix flames exploding and spreading around, burning through the entire phantasmal monster!

"Mark!" I cried, finding out he had finally come to help once more.

His form had changed, as he slowly took a more humanoid form, while still keeping his bird-like appearance, standing upright, with two huge and muscular wooden arms, and wings behind. His head resembled that of his Ent self, but with a huge phoenix-shaped helmet.

"I'm back! Sorry for taking so long!" Mark said.

"GGRRRHHHH...! DETESTABLE!!!"

The Ghost Dragon didn't even let us chat, its entire body shapeshifted once more into a hydra-like form, firing several Ghostly Dragon Breath Beams against us!

"Careful, those can hurt your soul really badly!" I said, flying around and trying to evade the beams.

Mark followed me around, but seemed slightly more confident, bringing out the Berserk Sword I had gifted to him once more, and imbuing it with his powers.

"Don't worry!" He roared. "[Infernal Phoenix Blade Arts]: [Soul Burning Slash]!"

SLASH! SLASH! SLASH! SLASH! SLAAAASH!

BOOOM! BOOOM! BOOOM! BOOOM!

Using his blazing sword, Mark intercepted each beam and destroyed it before it could hurt our souls, while flying around in midair valiantly.

Oh wow, he's so cool when he really wants to!

Ugh, no! I cannot distract myself!

"ROOOOAAAARRRGH!"

The Ghost Dragon shapeshifted into a faster, flying form, resembling a serpentine dragon, and flying directly towards us while opening his jaws!

"I'LL EAT YOUR SOULS!"

"Not on my watch!"

However, another dragon head emerged above the skies, made of shadows, and unleashing a terrific draconic beam of shadows and void, blasting through the Ghost Dragon's body!

BOOOOOOOOOOMMMM!!!

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Chapter 609: It's FINALLY Over...

Rita arrived just in time, her powerful magic attack blasting a huge hole through the Ghost Dragon. Without wasting any more time, Mark and I started attacking it with our swords!

"[Infernal Phoenix Blade Arts]: [Soul Burning Slash]!"

"[Heroic Legendary Sword Arts]: [Divine Sword Slash]!"

SLAAAAAASSSSH! SLAAAAAASSSSH!

Both of our combined attacks reached the Ghost Dragon at once, slashing through its entire body, and dividing its mass of souls into two perfect halves!

"GRUUUUAARRGGHHH...!"

The aberrant Ghost Dragon screamed in agony, both of its halves were quickly engulfed on Golden Flames and Infernal Phoenix Flames, destroying thousands of souls every second.

The mass of souls that the Ghost Dragon had become weakened further with every soul that was destroyed, its two halves barely managed to unify, while crawling away pathetically.

"Oh no, you won't!" Lily roared, suddenly appearing out of nowhere, and raising her huge hammer, crushing the Ghost Dragon several times. "GANG ON IT!"

"ALRIGHT!" We roared in unison, we started punching, kicking, slashing, stabbing, and blowing the monster several times, without stopping.

It felt almost nasty...

But we were all tired of Thanatos' bullshit, so there was no mercy!

CRASH! CRASH! CRASH! CRAASH! CRAAASH! CRAAAASH!

"GRUUUAAAARGHHH... Y-YOU... ACCURSED... MORTALS...!"

With those last words, the entity finally, FINALLY, died!

"PHEW..."

We all dropped over the ground, finally without sensing any more threats, we relaxed for at least a few seconds, our bodies went back to their smaller forms, this included my draconic form, Mark's huge phoenix form, and Lily's titan form.

My evolution helped a lot but... Without everybody else's help, I doubt we would had been able to accomplish all of this.

I'm grateful to have such reliable friends at my side.

"Lady Planta! There's no time to rest! We have to see if the city folk was affected by the toxin!" Acorn reminded me, as I quickly nodded. "Wait a bit though!" I quickly ran towards my Familiars, they were barely alive. "You poor things... You fought really well!"

I quickly dropped my blood sap over their mouths, feeding them this healing elixir, which seemed to work several times better with my Familiars.

They slowly drank it one after another, as they instantly felt better, although still covered on scars, they regained their energy.

"Meeeeheee!"

Belle quickly started licking my face, while the rest of my familiars seemed just as happy, licking, biting my hair, and sniffing me a bit.

"I'm glad you're all alright... Ugh, we need to go back to the city, quickly!" I rode Belle with everybody else, as we swiftly made our way there.

Lily opened the big stone walls she created, and Jenny started to quickly absorb any other toxin left behind rapidly. We moved to where everybody was taking refuge, finding them alive.

However, they weren't really well. Most of the people was groaning on the floor, unable to move. Some resisted the toxin better and were walking around, bringing any medicine they could find.

Richard joined us on the way, feeling shocked.

"Cough... Ugh, it is beginning to affect me too! But this is bad... This toxin is that monster's last gift..." Richard sighed.

"Father!" Brisingra ran towards her father, the King, who was sitting over a bed inside a small tent. The guards were happy to see her, but were just as sickly.

"M-My daughter... you're alive?!" The king coughed sickly. "Is the monster... vanquished?"

"It is! It was really hard... He summoned the Demon King himself! And then that damn arm of his became another monster, and then another! We never had a time to relax..." Brisingra cried.

"O-Oh..." The King was left taken aback. "But this... Cough... That monster left behind this toxin... Everybody is being greatly affected, the children and the elderly are the most affected... Richard! Call him, tell him to find some sort of cure... please!"

"Don't worry, it won't be only on Richard, dad!" Brisingra smiled confidently.

"We're here to help!" Acorn said. "I have healed many sicknesses before! I won't fail this time either. Lady Planta, please help me out! Richard too!"

Acorn seemed blazing with confidence and conviction.

"Okay then!" I nodded with a smile. "I won't let that Demon King take any more lives from us..."

"I-I am blessed to have... such reliable allies..." The King coughed. "Ungh..."

"F-Father, hang in there!" Brisingra cried. "How can we make the cure?!"

"We first need to test if simpler medicines work!" Acorn said. "I've readied a couple of them, King, please take them!"

Acorn feed the king a couple of medicines, but none seemed to work, even the strongest of tonics, or A Rank Elixirs. At the end, we needed to make a special cure.

This disease was called "Necrotic Disease" and was caused by undead pathogens made into that black gas. It didn't affect us players at all, but NPC were really weak against it.

It seemed that Brisingra, Acorn, and Nieve were unaffected due to their strength, but Richard was already coughing blood, it was really bad!

"How about we use these?" I asked, showing Acorn the black colored jewel fragments. "I remember we used the cores of miasmic monsters back then to solve that disease as well!"

"R-Right!" Acorn nodded. "Maybe that could actually work! Let's try that!"

Like that, with Acorn and Richard's help, and Mark, Rita, and Lily's assistance, we started to make a cure. We mixed various materials, most of them from Fafnir, the dragons, and the undead.

The King offered himself as our test subject, and we tried four different iterations of the elixir we made hurriedly. If it wasn't for Acorn's amazing alchemy skills and my Alchemy Spirits helping us out, it wouldn't be possible to make this so quick.

And at the fourth iteration of the elixir...

"Hm? Oooh?!" The King suddenly stood up from the bed, feeling revitalized. I used my Eyes to quickly find out the necrotic pathogen trying to eat him up from the inside disappeared completely, as if it was purified!

"The Fourth Iteration Worked!" Acorn celebrated. "I never thought that adding the ashes of purified undead bones would work!"

"Alright, let's mass produce these right away! We won't let anybody die!" I nodded.

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Chapter 610: Foiling The Demon King's Evil Plans

The Demon King of Death, Thanatos, laughed within the Underworld while sitting over his gigantic throne. His eyes glancing at a blue orb that projected to him what the souls serving him saw...

"Hahahaha! Fight all you want; your people will die horribly!" He laughed mercilessly.

He glanced as Planta and her friends fought against the Bone Centipede desperately, fighting with the Undead, and the monster's many transformations endlessly...

Until the final showdown, where its last form, a Ghost Dragon, was finally and completely vanquished.

Yet he didn't feel any frustration or anger, he had already completed his goal way before that, and all of those battles were merely to distract them and make them suffer.

"Well done, Yggdrasil, excellently done, indeed!" Thanatos laughed. "However, you're too late. Your people will perish, and you won't be able to do a single thing about that... You'll feel my pain, you'll go through the same things I went to..."

His pained and tormented soul recalled those memories of his past, when he was known only as just Thanatos, the King of the Kingdom of Sorrow.

Those times when his small Kingdom was attacked by barbarians, employed by the neighboring Kingdoms.

When his people was killed and ravaged, and when all he had was taken away from him.

That day when he lost everything he worked so hard to accomplish and reach thanks to the greed of the bastards that betrayed the Human Kingdom Alliance.

When he lost his precious daughter, his wife.

And his life...

"Yggdrasil, your accursed existence will finally know the pain of losing everything you love and care for..." He laughed. "You'll know the pain I went through... You'll- Huh?!"

However, Thanatos was quickly shocked, as he saw just an hour after the Ghost Dragon was vanquished that most of the people of the Dwarven City were already...

Fully healed!

"What the...?! IMPOSSIBLE!"

He hit the ground furiously, shattering the floor, as countless souls and nether endlessly surged from within, groaning in agony.

Thanatos' empty eyes glanced in shock and awe as more and more people emerged healed. A little squirrel-kin boy magically used an incredible level of Alchemy, with Planta's aid, who summoned Alchemy Spirits, beings he had never seen before!

In just an hour... using the materials of his own creations, they found out a cure to the deadly Necrotic Toxin, a powerful Pathogen he had used to wipe out entire Kingdoms in the past...

"T-This can't be...! YGGDRASIL!!!"

With a roar of frustration, the Demon King of Death shattered the orb he was holding into pieces, his skull still looking half-destroyed, his empty eyes glowing with blue phantasmal flames.

"I won't stop... No matter what... This world... and the other world, they shall know my suffering. Their souls, their lives... They will become my meals!" Thanatos roared in anger, and then glanced into the ceiling, smiling... "Prepare yourself for what's to come, Yggdrasil- no, Elayne... Your world is not as safe as you think it is..."

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Ding!

[You have evolved into an [Yggdragon]!]

[Your Level Cap has increased to Level 180!]

[All of your Stats have increased greatly!]

[The [Ancient Young Spirit of Yggdrasil: Lv6] Personal Skill has evolved to [Ancient Yggdrasil Draconic Spirit Guardian: Lv7]!]

[You can now Rank Up your Class and Subclass!]

[New Skill Tree for [Yggdragon] has been unlocked.]

[You have formed a [Draconic Heart] within your body, containing Draconic Essence, which can be mixed and powered up with Spiritual Essence!]

[You can now Summon and Manipulate Dragon Spirits.]

[Four Dragon Souls have transformed into your first Dragon Spirits: [Venomous Viper Drake Queen Spirit], [Cave Drake King Spirit], [Blue Dragon King Spirit], and [Red Dragon Queen Spirit]!]

[These Spirits have willingly bonded with your [Draconic Heart]!]

[You acquired the [Divine Draconic Heart: Lv1] Skill! This Skill cannot be Leveled up with Skill Points, and will only Level up through Skill Proficiency, and by cultivating your Draconic Essence.]

[Several other Skills that cannot be Leveled using Skill Points have Leveled Up!]

[You acquired the [Evil Dragon King Slayer] Title!]

[You acquired the [Yggdragon's Divine Successor] Title!]

[An incredible achievement! Your Satiation has increased permanently by +100! Your Charm has increased permanently by +300! Your Authority has increased permanently by +200! All other Stats have increased by +200 from the effects of both Titles!]

[You earned an Additional +10000 Community Points and +5000 World Boss Points.]

[You have earned over 100.000.000 EXP!]

[LEVEL UP!]

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[LEVEL UP!]

[Your Level has increased from Level 100 to Level 112!]

[All of your Stats have increased!]

[You gained Bonus Stat Points and Skill Points!]

[Player Name]: [Planta]

[Title]: [Young World Tree]

[Guild]: [The Forest of Beginnings [Guild Master]]

[Fame]: [15453]

[Race]: [Yggdragon]

[Job Class]: [Yggdrasil's Spirit Farmer]

[Subclass]: [Spiritual Chef Alchemist]

[Level]: [112/180]

[EXP]: [8.500.000/9.250.000]

[Satiation]: [300/300]

[HP]: [7400/7400]

[MP]: [14200/14200]

[STR]: [3700]

[VIT]: [3200]

[DEX]: [3400]

[AGI]: [4700]

[INT]: [6000]

[WIS]: [4900]

[LUC]: [4400]

[CHM]: [1077]

[AUT]: [800]

After having finally resolved the problem with the Necrotic Toxin, we had time to rest and relax. Jenny helped cleaning the city by absorbing the poison, and then, once things calmed themselves out, I finally had the time to relax and look at my Status and the many other notifications I got.

I never thought I would end up evolving into a Dragon from all things, but it ended working well at the end. An Yggdragon, huh? I wonder if that voice I heard while I was evolving was from Yggdrasil, or if the Yggdragon and Yggdrasil are separate entities that still share a same body?

It is confusing... But not as confusing as having to explain Jenny what had been happening, and also about the whole thing over Arcadia being real and stuff... It wasn't something she could ever take easily, even if we tried to sugar coat it.

But now that she experienced it first-hand, we'll have to explain things properly. It might change our friendship, she could even distance herself from us, I wouldn't blame her either...

"S-So this world is realm and the monsters that come out in our world might be from here?!" She was shocked. "A-And you are like... vigilantes?! Woah... That's actually pretty damn dope! It's dope as fuck! Can I join in?! I can, right? I know your secret so I can, right?"

However, we underestimated today's youth.