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Chapter 2221: Long Awaited Talk

Calina, who was talking to Roan, asked out of curiosity. "By the way, how is your cultivation progressing? Even though we were quite busy with the communication system and the sect, we didn't slack at all. We are both at the Transition Realm already. I'm in the Late Stage, while she is in the Middle Stage. Perhaps we are very close to catching up to you since we did get a lot of resources for cultivation here in the Dragon Race."

Roan scratched the back of his head. Obviously, he couldn't mention the Divine Origin Energy Cores and especially the time-changing formation in their Soul Gem Dimensional Realm. "Our cultivation is going well. As for you, Transition Realm is a very good advancement considering the time we have been away. I will check your progress once I'm back." In the end, he didn't mention he was already in the Elemental Space Realm Peak Stage.

"Okay," Calina happily accepted that. "Talking about coming back... when will you come? I miss you."

Roan wasn't exactly that good with emotional talks, so he made it short. "Since it doesn't seem like you are in danger at the moment, the idea is to delay it. Demon Beasts might know about the things we have in our Dimensional Realm now," Roan explained.

Calina was taken aback. "You mean... those things you need for your mission?" She obviously was talking about the fragments without mentioning them.

"Yes," Roan confirmed. Back in the Ruins of the Stars, a Demon beast succeeded in escaping the Reactor Room, so it saw Rean and Roan as well as Tanxan with the Fragments. Of course, Rean and Roan were using Rean's Body Transformation Technique, so Roan was basically a Devil while Rean was an Angel. Nonetheless, they met tracking abilities like the one used by Aelrie, so he couldn't be certain they didn't have something similar on them. There were also the Vruve Organization Experts who also managed to escape.

"Sigh... how long until we meet again?" Calina still couldn't help but insist.

Yet, Roan shook his head. "I don't know. Of course, if something happens to you, I will change the plans. But at the moment, it is better to not meet since we can't guarantee we will be able to leave." The only reason the twins hurried their cultivations was that they wanted to confirm Calina and Qia were fine during that war to reconquer the Devil's Territories. Now that they knew they were in no danger, there wasn't really a need to put themselves in danger instead by trying to meet them.

Rean also said exactly the same thing to Qia. "So we will keep our distance for now. We have an idea about how to get another one of those things, so we are going to have to delay our meeting."

Qia understood although she wasn't the least bit happy. "I understand. Still..." However, she quickly shook her head. "No, forget it. I know you are doing it for our sake as well." Sure enough, she didn't forget when Sister Orb explained that unifying the two sides of the Universe was necessary, or everyone would die in the end.

"Sorry..." Rean could only apologize. "However, if at any moment you see yourself in a bad situation, contact me immediately. I will drop everything and rush to you."

Qia faintly smiled. "Alright, I'm counting on it. By the way, you should attempt to call Havek as well. He might be like he is, but I know that he also worries about how you are doing. Besides, you might get some extra information from him."

Rean nodded. "I will do that." He then thought about something else. "So, how is Fay?" Naturally, he also wanted to know about his daughter.

"She is fine," Qia explained. "She already returned from the expedition you and Roan prepared for her and Alen and successfully entered the Soul Transformation Realm. By now, she has already reached the Elemental Transformation Realm Late Stage. She is also addicted to formations, just like us. It's just..."

"Just what?" Rean asked back. "Did she perhaps find someone she likes? Dad will not accept it!"

"Hahahaha!" Qia couldn't help but laugh out loud. "Don't worry. She doesn't have anyone in mind at the moment. If anything, you would better say that Formations are her true lover. What I'm talking about is that she is quite, quite angry..."

"Angry?" Rean was puzzled. "Angry about what?"

"Are you really asking that?" Qia asked with a tone of disapproval.

Rean wasn't an idiot. "Oh... it is me, isn't it?"

"That's correct," Qia confirmed. "She believes you abandoned me and left everything on my back about the communication system. Because of that, she truly is trying her best to ease the burden of my job and has made great advancements in her Circuitry Formations abilities. At the moment, her Formation Level isn't higher simply because her cultivation can't support it. Naturally, I didn't tell her why you had to leave since it would only put her in danger instead. Don't worry. Even if she is angry, there isn't real hatred behind her thoughts. You will have to do something about it on your own, though."

"You did the right thing," Rean could only accept that. "Perhaps I will be able to tell her everything another time."

On the other side, Roan's expression was as dark as ever. "So Alen is still that showing the same behavior, uh? Just how did he end like that? Isn't one Kentucky good enough already?"

Calina laughed in response. "Hahaha! Personalities aren't something you can change at will, you know? In any case, he is at least keeping up with Fay in cultivation. But yes, he is just like Kentucky and tries to avoid any extra burden every time possible."

"Hmph!" Roan snorted. "Let's see if he can keep like that once I'm back. Just tell him that if I don't like what I see next time we meet... Hehe!"

Somewhere else, a certain young man felt the chill of death passing through his body. "Wh-What was that?" He had a very bad presentiment.

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Chapter 2222: Learning More

Since the war didn't reach the Dragon Race territory, Rean and Roan's group truly had no need to go there other than just to pay a visit. That said, they might as well delay it even further. Rean and Roan talked to the two girls for a while until, finally, they hung up.

Rean then turned around and looked into the distance. He couldn't see much in that direction since the Floating Islands of Time was also a place where night prevailed. It wasn't a bad thing for the Minokawas since they had Dark Element Affinity anyway. "Should we go?"

"First, we need to bring Werin out," said Kentucky on his side.

Rean pondered a bit. "Asking him for information is okay since he can't do anything from inside the Soul Gem Dimensional Realm. Are you sure you want to bring him out instead? Don't forget. This is his homeland. If we let him out, perhaps he will warn the Strong Minokawas who are protecting their land."

Roan agreed with Rean. "We brought him just to not get lost, that's all."

Yet, Kentucky shook his head. "Don't worry. I can guarantee he will not do anything detrimental to us. How can I say... it has something to do with my Regal Bloodline, which I used to help him. That allowed me to feel his intentions when it was used to improve his own. From the looks of it, my race thinks I'm very important."

Rean and Roan looked at each other and nodded in the end. "Well, if he guides us while we are out here, it will be even better." They didn't have a reason to doubt Kentucky when it came to the real important things. He was unreliable in some parts, but the mission of acquiring fragments was critical enough for him not to joke around.

Zush!

Suddenly, Werin appeared outside the Soul Gem Dimensional Realm. Naturally, he immediately identified the place he was in. "So... we are finally back."

Rean nodded. "That we are. Oh! I see your cultivation improved. Congratulations."

When Werin joined the Soul Gem Dimensional Realm, he was in the Late Stage of the Elemental Space Realm. Now, however, he was already in the Peak Stage. Not only that, but he seemed to be on the verge of entering the Space-Time Realm as well. "That was thanks to Kentucky. You might not know this, but his bloodline essence is extremely beneficial for us normal Minokawas. After I used it, I got my bloodline purified to a great degree that would usually take thousands of years to achieve on my own. That's the reason I got this further in cultivation."

Werin was definitely happy with his achievement, and that was another reason he decided to help Kentucky without ulterior motives. Still, Werin didn't think he did much since he could tell the difference between him and the twins' group. "Yet, the ones who really did the impossible were your guys. You were still in the Space Bending Realm last time I saw you, and now you are in the Late Stage of the Elemental Space Realm."

"We were just hiding our cultivation," said Roan.

Werin didn't believe that since he felt Kentucky's cultivation after taking his bloodline essence. But then again, he wasn't here to inquire them about that. If anything, the twins were helping his race Regal Minokawa improve by leaps and bounds, so that was more than welcome. "I see... Well then, what do you need me for?"

Roan was satisfied with Werin's approach. He could tell that Werin didn't have the intention of betraying them, and that wasn't just because they had Pulanli in the Dimensional Realm. "We need to reach the Center of the Floating Islands of Time. However, from what we heard, both time and space are warped inside. It is impossible to use the flow of Space, Time, and Elements to find one's way."

"That is correct," Werin nodded. He then spread his wings, preparing to fly. "Follow me."

Rean and Roan jumped on Kentucky's back. At the same time, Luan appeared on their side as the twins intended to use his eyes to help once again. Kentucky then followed Werin straight away.

It didn't take long for them to see the so-called Floating Islands of Time. It was just as the names implied. The space warp inside affected gravity itself, causing patches of land to float everywhere in the area. Some were big, with enough space to live on. Others were too small for even Kentucky or Werin to land.

Luan shook his head as they entered the place. "Father, I will not be of much help here. There are no specific patterns to be followed. Everything is out of sync. In a moment, space is flowing outwards; the next second, it is going inwards. The Elements are the same. If I'm not wrong, time here is going to be the same once we get further inside."

Werin nodded when he heard that. "You have good eyes. That's correct. There are no specific patterns in the Floating Islands of Time. Of course, it is not like you can get lost inside, either. If you pick a single direction and fly in a straight line without stopping, you will eventually come out of the Floating Islands of Time. Otherwise, the Minokwas wouldn't live in this place. As for time, it goes up and down. Sometimes it goes faster, and sometimes it goes slower compared to the outside world."

"Does it matter if you stay still?" Kentucky asked out of curiosity. "For example, if we fly to an Island where time is accelerated and stay there, will we stay in an accelerated environment forever?"

"No," Werin replied. "There are no fixed flows of Space, Time, or Elements. The same Island goes through fast and slow times several periods in a single day. It is unpredictable. If such a thing was possible, there would be no lack of other races fighting to control this territory."

The twins' group nodded. Time acceleration and deacceleration are very useful to any race if they can be controlled. One could see how much the twins' benefited from the Dimensional Realm.

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Chapter 2223: It is a Long Story

"So, Werin, does it mean you can use a map to find your path inside the Floating Island of Time?" Rean asked the Minokawa. "After all, you can't really get lost inside."

Werin nodded and shook his head right after. "That's the weird part. For most of the territory of the Floating Islands of Time, a map is more than enough to find one's way. Naturally, that goes for the area where the Minokawas' Nests are located."

"However," he continued, "once you get closer to the center of the Floating Islands of Time, things become... strange. It doesn't matter how much you try to go further inside since you will always find yourself back where you started. Other times you will notice that you appeared on the other side of what was supposed to be the center. Yes, you got past the Center of the Floating Island of Time and came on the other side without even noticing."

"It's not like you got lost," Werin spoke. "As I said, you can simply pick a random direct and fly straight until you leave the Islands. Still, you simply can't find your way to the center."

Werin then looked at Kentucky and the twins. "Yet, I believe that exactly the place you wish me to bring you, am I correct?"

The twins and Kentucky nodded. "Yes, that should be the place we are looking for."

"Do you at least know what you are going to do there?" Werin asked again.

The twins' group looked at each other but had to shake their heads in the end. "It's not like we don't want to tell you our objective. It's just that even we don't know what we are supposed to expect to do there. Of course, we know what we want, and we can't about it. But it is also true that we don't know how to achieve it."

Werin found that answer somewhat convoluted. But then again, it wasn't his job to know about that. They had a deal, after all. "Well, I will bring you there, and then you can decide what to do. Don't worry. I know this place better than you could ever do with any map. The only thing I can't prevent is some eventual meetings with other Minokawas. Our race likes this place very much, so when we are not in our nests, it is pretty common for us to fly around as there isn't that much danger here anyway."

"Then get closer to me," said Rean.

Werin didn't know what he wanted but did what Rean asked.

Right after, Rean activated his Light and Divine Sense Bending, making them disappear from sight... or so he tried.

plop!

Rean felt like his Light Element suddenly burst, causing the membrane of light that was covering the group to spread and disappear in specs of white light. "Eh?!"

He concentrated more this time, trying once again. Yet...

plop!

Once again, the Light Element he summoned burst away, disappearing as fast as it gathered. Rean could not use his Light and Divine Bending Skill at all. "What is happening here?"

Before Werin answered, Luan did so. "It's this environment, Uncle Rean. As I said, everything in my eyes seems messed up, and that includes the Light Element you gathered. I just didn't know that even our own elements wouldn't be able to keep form. During the two times you tried to gather Light Element, they lost the connection that initially brought them together and dispersed."

Werin truly found Luan's eyes quite impressive. "He is correct. This is another reason why no one cares too much about living here or taking this territory away from us, Minokawas. It is simply too hard to get any of our skills working. Of course, if you spend enough time in this place, you will eventually get used to these sudden changes and succeed in using your skills. However, that will take a very, very long time. For me, it took over two thousand years before I could properly use any skill at all in this place."

Roan took out his Scythe and then slashed through the air while using Space and Dark Elements fused. This time, a wave of Dark Element and Divine Origin Energy took form, cutting everything into the distance... It's just that this distance was only a few tens of meters. Seeing that, Roan narrowed his eyes. "Anything we try to use will lose its control in a moment. However, the initial usage of elements and energy is still working fine. That means we can give form to our skills but can't use them for more than a second before they break apart on their own."

Rean, Kentucky, and Luan nodded. "That is more than enough to protect ourselves, at least."

Still, Rean sighed. "Seems like flying under cover will not be possible then. It's not like I can keep activating my Light and Divine Bending Skill nonstop. Not to mention that every time it bursts, it becomes quite a big fireworks show in such a dark environment. I'm surprised that there is almost the same amount of Light and Dark Elements Concentration in this condition, though."

Werin couldn't help but ask. "What were you trying to do anyway? I've never seen that skill before, and we Minokawas have Light Element Affinity."

"It's just a concealment technique, nothing that impressive," Rean just brushed it off. Since he couldn't use it, he might as well not tell much.

"I see..." Werin didn't insist, either. Well, that he already guessed anyway. He just wanted to know more about it.

"Werin!" Suddenly, a voice came from the distance. When everyone looked in its direction, they saw a smaller Minokawa coming from behind one of the Floating Islands.

Werin then looked at Kentucky, who simply nodded at him. Kentucky could now suppress his own Regal Bloodline, so he looked just like any other Minokawa. As for his Crown of Feathers, Rean just covered it.

Finally, the Minokawa arrived. "Werin! Where have you been?! You disappeared after the events in the Ruins of the Stars. The old geezers thought you were taken away with the Ruins."

Werin smiled in response. "Well, it is a long story..."

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Chapter 2224: Don't Provoke the Minokawas

The Minokawa then looked at Kentucky and the humans with him. "Hum...? I don't remember this guy."

Werin came to Kentucky's side and put a wing over his shoulder. "What are you talking about, Lily-Yu? It's Ken-Ae! Don't you remember him? I know it has been over a thousand years he's been out, but you couldn't possibly have forgotten him, right?"

"Ken-Ae?" Lily looked at Kentucky with suspicion. "Was there a Minokawa with that name?"

Kentucky, having inherited the twins' amazing acting skills, immediately showed an expression of sadness. "See, Werin-Ou? I told you no one cared about me anymore. I shouldn't have come. I guess... I guess I'm leaving."

"No!" Werin immediately understood Kentucky's intentions and looked at Lily with an angry expression. "Lily-Yu, how can you say that? You two were born pretty much at the same time. You even played together! How heartless can you be? I know you didn't have that much time to know each other since he left not that long after, but still..."

Roan narrowed his eyes as he looked at Werin. He felt like there was more to that than Werin pretended to include in that fake story of his. 'He is hiding something...'

Truth be told, Lily and Kentucky did have a connection. It's just that Werin truly didn't want to be the one to talk about it, so he kept silent. He hasn't told neither Kentucky nor Lily about it either. He would let the elders deal with it when the time was right. For now, this little lie was the best he could do to keep things under the wrap.

"I..." Lily was speechless. She absolutely couldn't remember any Minokawa called Ken-Ae at all! First of all, if he was born around the same time as she was and then left, then it was truly a long time ago. "O-Oh! Right, right! It's Ken-Ae, how could I forget that... that... that fat belly! Yes, I totally remember him!"

Kentucky's eyes twitched a little. From the corner of his eyes, he could see Rean doing his absolute best to not burst out in laughter. 'I was indeed very chub when I was younger, but now I grew to be a very handsome Minokawa. I don't have a fat belly at all!' He thought.

"Ahem!" Kentucky intervened. "I also remember your unsymmetrical wings. It is good to see that you also haven't changed after all this time."

Werin felt cold sweat running through his body. 'Bro, are you trying to cause trouble on purpose? That's what you want, right? Right?!'

Lily-Yu's expression turned absolutely horrid when she heard Kentucky's words. "Who the hell has unsymmetrical wings? They are absolutely perfect! I'm one of the most beautiful Minokawas ever!" Said the female Minokawa while spreading her wings wide and proudly.

Roan and Luan looked at each other, wondering if it was a common trait between Minokawas to overestimate themselves in every aspect. They then remembered Jeskli-Go, who visited the twins back in the Dragon Race, wasn't much different either in this regard... Or so Kentucky told them since they didn't see Jeskli-Go back then. 'They are all idiots, noted.'

Kentucky shrugged his shoulders. "Oh, is that so? I must be seeing things then, just like you thought you saw a fat belly. There is no such thing as a fat belly here. I'm the slenderest Minokawa ever!" said the Male Minokawa while pushing his chest forward with even more pride than the Minokawa in from of him. "But I guess this is understandable. The wrong proportions of your wings most likely caused your eyes to shift a little. That's why you thought you saw a fat belly."

Bang!

Suddenly, Kentucky and Lily bumped their heads against each other.

"Are you looking for a fight?! UH?!"

"Hell yea! Bring it on!"

Finally, Rean failed to hold back. "HAHAHAHAHA!"

Kentucky and Lily-Yu looked at the laughing guy on the side. "What's so funny?"

Rean shook his head while laughing. "I think it is better to ask what is NOT funny. You two are basically a copy of each other. Unsymmetric wings? Fat belly? How come I can only see two identical Demon Birds? If not for her voice, I wouldn't even know she was a Female Minokawa. Hahahaha!"

Neither Kentucky nor Lily was the least bit happy with Rean's words.

'Kawa Blade Domain!'

Both Kentucky and Lily activated the same Minokawa ability at the same time, much to Rean's surprise. Immediately, countless Blade Feathers filled with Spatial Power attacked Rean from all sides. "Hey! Two against one is not fair!" Neither Kentucky nor Lily cared about fairness to start with. They were both at a similar level of cultivation, so even Rean had some trouble dealing with them.

'Divine Bird Strike'

'Kawa's Divine Thrust!'

Kentucky and Lily used the Minokawa's Race attacks one after another while keeping their Minokawa's Domains, much to Rean desperation. He truly shouldn't have said those words a moment ago.

Rean then looked at Roan and Luan, who were watching not that far. "Aren't you going to do something? I'm going to die like that!"

Roan sat on the ground with Luan. Luan then took two tea cups from his Spatial Ring and brewed some simple tea for them. "Do you want one or two cubes of sugar, Father?"

"Put two cubes for me. There is a good show going on, so a little bit more sweetness is just perfect," said Roan, completely ignoring Rean's plight while he watched the events unfolding.

Rean felt like crying already. "Fuck you! Werin, you are a Minokawa! Stop them!"

Werin looked into the distance, though. "Such a nice weather today. The sun is so warm!" said Werin.

"WHAT FUCKING SUN? It's always NIGHT TIME in the Floating Islands of Time! THERE IS NO SUN!!!" Rean screamed in response while doing his best to survive the Minokawas.

Werin looked away even more. "One can dream about a change, right?" There was no fucking way he would stop Kentucky and Lily. Kentucky was the Regal Minokawa, so he knew he would be no match to Him, let alone if Lily also decided to attack him too.

Bang, bang, bang!

Veins began to pop out of Rean's head as he got angrier and angrier. Yet, the injuries on his body increased with each attack he failed to dodge. "You fucking asked for it!"

'Life Style, Instant Recovery!'

'Life Style, Enhancement!'

'Life World Domain!'

'Death Style, Shadow Steps!'

Rean's Sky Energy poured out into his Black Star Sword while his Sword Aura enveloped it. His Domain completely negated the effect of any Domains that tried to affect him as he counter-attacked.

'Death Style, Three Claws of the Dragon!'

'Life Fire, Flame Emperor Slash!'

And just like that, a battle unfolded right there and then.

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Chapter 2225: Not the Best Arrival

Gaps, gaps, gaps...

Rean stood on the top of a hill on one of the Floating Islands while he looked at the quite injured Kentucky and Lily-Yu. "T-That's what... *gasp...* you get by overestimating yourselves."

Kentucky and Lily's Domains were neutralized, so they lost quite some advantage. When Rean went all out, he was able to just JUST barely come out on top.

Kentucky and Lily were lying on the ground, slashes all over their bodies, while many of their feathers and scales were nowhere to be seen. If they didn't look ugly before, they definitely did now. Well, looking at Rean, they were at least satisfied they made him suffer almost as much as themselves. "That was your fault. How dare you say we look like each other? Who does look like that thing?"

Well, it wasn't a true Life and Death battle. None of the three tried to deliver killing blows, although they were very close to doing it. Nonetheless, they used all their Divine Origin Energies, so they were completely spent.

Roan then landed in between the three, asking. "That was a good show and all, but shall we stop it here? You can just pretend you have never seen each other before. How about that?"

"Hmph!" Lily then struggled to get up as she didn't know how to use Rean's Instant Recovery. "Forget it. I don't care anymore."

She then looked at Werin. "Werin-Ou, who are these humans? Why are they here with you and Ken-Ae?"

Werin shrugged his shoulders. "What else? They are my guests. I met them during my travel after the events in the Ruins of the Stars. They were traveling with Ken-Ae, so I convinced them to come and see the Minokawa's territory. You know it is. We Minokawas have to stay united, right?"

Lily narrowed her eyes as she looked at Kentucky. She truly couldn't remember any Minokawa by the name of Ken-Ae at all. But then again, Kentucky had the same cultivation as her, so he must truly be around the same age. If it had been that long ago they saw each other, then perhaps she just couldn't remember. "It is not uncommon for us to bring a few guests now and then, so I won't say anything. Just don't forget that you can't bring them to our Nests. Also, the geezers probably noticed you came back, so you should go and see them first."

Werin sighed and nodded. "I'll do it in a moment."

Rean then approached Lily, much to her suspicion. "What do you want?"

"Sigh..." Rean shook his head. "It was my bad. I shouldn't have laughed at you. Only now I see just how beautiful Female Minokawa, you really are. I was just blind a moment ago." Well, truth be told, Rean still couldn't see much difference between Kentucky and Lily. Not that he would tell her that now. Besides, since all Minokawas had similar personalities...

"Oh!" Lily's mood did a full turn as her prideful countenance returned in a flash. "Finally, you understand! Alright, alright. I forgive you."

'So easy...' Rean couldn't help but say. 'She is truly a copy of Kentucky...'

"Ahem... let me give you a little help." Rean then touched Lily's body.

'Life Style, Instant Recovery!'

Because Lily's cultivation was the same as Rean and Kentucky, the Instant Recovery took a few minutes to fully heal her body. After all, she was also many times bigger than Rean in her Minokawa form.

"This..." Still, she had never seen such an effective healing skill before, especially since she could tell Rean used Light Element. "It's like I got no damage whatsoever. Such an amazing healing skill."

Rean nodded. "Thank you. I worked very, very hard to create it. Truly hundreds of years of training."

Kentucky's mouth twitched. He knows very well Rean took just a few months when he was still a teenager to create that skill, and it hasn't changed up to this day. But then again, it was better to not let others know about it.

Kentucky then flew to their side, which obviously annoyed Lily a little. "What? Are you here to apologize as well?"

"Me? Apologize? Hmph!" That was the last thing Kentucky was going to do. "You called me fat, so you should apologize first."

"Alright, that's enough," said Werin. "Ken-Ae is obviously not fat. Also, Lily-Yu obviously has no unsymmetric wings. If you start fighting here again, you will end up destroying a few more of the Floating Islands. I can guarantee the elders will get annoyed by the disturbance and will come here to punish you two. Is that what you want?"

"No..." Kentucky and Lily dropped their heads.

Werin was satisfied with the answer. "Alright, I'm going back to the Nests to check on the geezers. I'm sure they want to know more about what happened in the Ruins of the Stars. Lily, you take them to my and Pulanli's house. Since I don't live in the Nests, it won't cause any trouble."

"Why me?!" Lily didn't like that. She was also a Lazy Minokawa, so any extra job was not but a burden.

"Weren't you the one who came here to tell me to go see the geezers? Take responsibility and guide my guests. I'll be there in a few hours. Besides, it is true that you were the first one to call Ken-Ae fat, so it was your fault this fight started. Am I wrong?" Werin asked back.

Before she could complain, Werin added. "Also, if you don't do that, I will tell the geezers the destruction in this place was your fault alone too."

Lily immediately straightened up. "Don't worry, brother Werin-Ou! I'm the best guide in the entire Minokawas Territory!" In the Minokawas Race, there wasn't a single Minokawa that didn't fear the Space-Time Realm older Minokawas. She would be seen as someone who disturbed the geezers' lazy day, and punishment would be harsh!

Werin then looked at the twins before using his Divine Sense. 'I can't ignore the geezers' call, so I'm going. Don't worry, I'll be back as soon as possible. No one here should know about you guys, so it should be fine too.'

Rean, Roan, Luan, and Kentucky nodded. 'Alright, we will wait for you at your home.'

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Chapter 2226: Meeting Again

They arrived at Werin and Pulanli's home sometime later, guided by Lily-Yu. "Alright, here you are. Just wait here until Werin comes back."

Rean and the others didn't really have a reason to hold Lily there, so they didn't mind. "Thanks for bringing us here. We will let Werin know that you did your job."

Yet, Lily-Yu didn't leave. Instead, she went to a big building that was used by Werin-Ou. There was a big nest inside, which she immediately got comfy in.

Seeing that, Kentucky couldn't help but ask. "Weren't you supposed to go back to the Minokawa's Nests after this? There is no need for you to make us company anymore."

Lily glanced at him. "Who cares if I stay or leave. What, do you have a problem with it? Or could it be you intend to do something bad to Brohter Werin's Nest? Now I truly can't take my eyes away from you."

"Who cares about such a run-down nest like this?" Kentucky retorted. "My own Nest is hundreds of times better, the best Nest any Minokwa would ever dream about."

"Oh?!" Lily-Yu didn't seem to believe that at all. "Sure, sure. Someone like you definitely has a very good Nest. I believe you 100%."

Kentucky began to get angry again. "Just so that you know, I've built my Nest on top of a Wor-"

Yet, Rean immediately closed his mouth. "Hahaha! Of course, Brother Werin's Nest is marvelous. Ken's Nest is nothing compared to it." At the same time, he sent Kentucky a Divine Sense Message. 'Can't you see she is provoking you? First of all, do you really want to tell everyone about Celis?'

Kentucky understood. 'Fine...' He then looked back at Lily, who had an expression of victory on her face. "H-Hmph! One day, I'll show you just how great my Nest is. You just wait!"

Lily shrugged without care. "Words of a loser who can't recognize his own shortcomings."

"Enough!" This time, it was Roan who intervened. "You two are Minokawas, the same race. There is no point in bickering with each other. Ken-Ae, just leave her alone before I start to think you have fallen for her instead."

"WHAT?!" Kentucky immediately turned around. "The Great Keantu- Ahem, Ken-Ae has never fallen for anyone. It has always been the other way around! I'm out!"

Finally, the two Minokawas got separated, which immediately restored the silence of the place. As mentioned before, Werin decided to live outside of the Minokawa Nests Area with Pulanli as they were close friends. That's why there was a home here, a very big one for Werin's Nest and another one that Pulanli usually used.

Rean saw how dirty the place was since it hadn't been used for many years, so he also did a cleaning. He wondered if he should just bring Pulanli out but decided against it in the end. Kentucky trusted Werin, not Pulanli, so it was better to not increase the risks.

Just like that, a few hours went by. At first, the twins were with their guards high, wondering if Werin wouldn't tell the top experts of the Minokawa Race about them. Yet, since no one appeared during that time, they began to relax.

Finally, Rean and Roan caught a Divine Sense approaching them. It was none other than Werin's one. However, he wasn't alone. There was another Minokawa following him.

Werin looked inside his building and how Lily-Yu was using his Nest. "Hey, I told you to leave my Nest alone! You have your own back in the Nests Area."

Lily laughed in response. "Hahaha! I can't help it. Yours is a lot more comfortable. I still don't know how you got it like this."

However, when her eyes fell on the other Minokawa on Werin's side, her smile disappeared. "Geeze-Ahem, E-Elder!"

Rean, Roan, Luan, and Kentucky came out. Rean, Roan, and Luan didn't recognize the Minokawa. Yet, they could tell with their Divine Sense his cultivation was much higher than their own. 'Divinity Realm!'

They immediately prepared to enter the Soul Gem Dimensional Realm. If needed, they would use the Circuitry Teleport Formation Straight away.

Yet, Kentucky knew that Minokawa. "Jeskli-Go!"

"Jeskli-Go?" The twins looked at Kentucky. They knew who Jeskli was, although they had never seen him. That was the Minokawa that visited them back in the Dragon Race. Back then, Rean and Roan had nothing to do with Jeskli-Go, so only Kentucky came out to talk to him.

"So it is really you..." Jeskli-Go approached Kentucky and...

Bang!

Ouch!

Moving as fast as lighting, Jeskli-Go's beak hit Kentucky's head. As a Divinity Realm Minokawa, he obviously was too fast for Kentucky to hope to defend against. It's just that it wasn't an attack aimed to kill. Instead, the only intention was to make it hurt.

Kentucky rubbed his head with his wing, complaining. "Why did you do that?!"

"Why?!" Jeskli-Go was livid. "Why the hell you came here? Didn't Werin tell you? The Minokawa Race Territory is always under vigilance because of your existence. You are basically delivering yourself on a silver platter. Back then, I pretended that we didn't care about you to make sure you wouldn't come back, so why did you come here?! If not because of the war against the Devils, I can guarantee that you would have been caught already by some of the other Divinity Realm experts of the Realm of Gods."

"What are you talking about? Can't you see that I'm suppressing my bloodline completely? Even you should have quite some difficult noticing anything!" Kentucky still felt wronged.

It didn't seem Jeskli-Go was an enemy, so the twins relaxed a little. "Would you introduce your friend, Kentucky?" There wasn't really a reason to hide Kentucky's name anymore since Jeskli-Go obviously knew who he was.

Jeskli-Go looked at Rean, Roan, and Luan. "I should just get rid of you, too, for allowing this idiot to come back. However, seeing that you helped him improve this much since the last time I saw him, I will let it pass. Now, come with me. I have a secret teleport formation that will take you out of the Floating Islands of Time without anyone noticing. Don't come back again until you can at least defend yourselves against Divinity Realm experts."

Yet, Kentucky and the twins shook their heads. "We can't do that. We have something we need to do in this place."

Death... and me

Chapter 2227: What Do You Want?

Truth be told, Jeskli-Go was terrorized by Kentucky's cultivation improvement. He wasn't even in the Space Bending Realm the last time he saw him. Yet, knowing he was a Regal Minokawa, he thought it probably had something to do with his bloodline. "Something you need to do here?"

Kentucky nodded. "Yes. But before that, did you really need to come up with all those excuses about Minokawas not caring about me and that they would rather not have me anywhere near the Minokawas' Territory? You could have just told me about the dangers of coming back instead."

Jeskli-Go sighed in response. "Minokawas are lazy and daring, so I thought you might get angry and come here just because you wanted to defy those pursuing you. Now lo and behold, here you are after this idiot called Werin-Ou told you the truth."

"Sorry, elder. It was my fault," Werin didn't dare complain.

Rean raised his hand. "Senior, we didn't come here because we were not afraid of Kentucky's pursuers. Instead, we truly have an objective. We need to go to the Center of the Floating Islands of Time. No one wasn't even supposed to know we were here. First of all, why did Werin tell you about us?"

Werin scratched the back of his head. "I didn't really say anything. I just mentioned that I was helped by two humans and a Minokawa to him and the other elders. It was Elder Jeskli who guessed who you were and insisted to come and see you. As far as I know, the other elders don't know about it."

Jeskli-Go nodded. "Indeed, the other geezers don't know about it. In any case, a lot of our Minokawas are taking part in the war efforts, even though they hate that idea. That said, I'm the only Divinity Realm Minokawa in this place at the moment, so the others won't do anything without my permission."

Jeskli-Go then touched Kentucky with his wing and checked his body through and through. "Well, at least you were not lying about being able to hide your Regal Bloodline. Even I only faintly noticed it, and I had to get quite close to you, so none of the eyes watching our territory should have picked your presence. Also... it seems like you understood how to use my blood."

Kentucky immediately nodded. "Yes. Thank you for the help, senior Jeskli-Go. Your blood essence allowed me to further unseal my bloodline. After a few hundred years of suffering in Roan's hands, I completely unlocked my bloodline. That's also why I can suppress it this well since I have full control over it." The suffering he was talking about was obviously Roan relentless 'exercises.'

Lily-Yu, who had been hearing everything, was still as lost as ever. "Am I supposed to even be here? What are you guys talking about?"

That was something that puzzled the twins' group. Jeskli-Go didn't seem concerned about hiding their conversation from Lily.

Jeskli-Go looked at Werin, finding it weird. "Haven't you told them about Lily?"

Werin looked away. "I... didn't quite find a good opportunity..."

Bang!

Ouch!

Jeskli-Go hit Werin this time. "You were just afraid, idiot. Well, I can't completely blame you since we have never told Lily-Yu about it anyway."

Jeskli then forcefully pulled Kentucky and Lily to each other's side. "Congratulations! You are each others' life partners. I'm expecting you to try very hard and lay as many eggs as possible."

Lily and Kentucky's expressions sank. "What the hell are you talking about?!"

Werin-Ou sighed in response. That's why he refused to say anything until now, especially after they seemed to not get together at all. "Ahem... You see, that is a common thing between us, Minokawas. We check everyone's bloodlines when they are born and see which Minokawas with similar ages are the best match for them. This is one of the reasons why our Minokawa bloodline has always been one of the Divine Demon Beast Bloodlines in the Realm of Gods. Well... congratulations... Lily is just the perfect match for you, Kentucky."

"Similar age?" Rean found it weird. "But Lily is probably way older than Kentucky."

That wasn't a lie. She had the same cultivation as Kentucky, but Kentucky spent a long time in a timeaccelerated environment. In a certain way, you could say that the Soul Gem Dimensional Realm approached their ages. Yet, one must not forget that the twins' group cultivation speed far surpasses anyone else. Even if Kentucky spent all that time in the Soul Gem Realm with accelerated time and caught Lily's cultivation, there was no doubt he was still much younger.

Yet, Jeskli-Go shook his head. "What are you talking about? I myself am already 12.6 million years old. What is a few hundred or even a thousand years in the cultivation world? Think about it like this: Proportionally, Kentucky and Lily's age difference is just one or two years in the mortal world."

Jeskli couldn't help but add. "No, wait, am I 12.6 or 12.9 million years old? I can't quite remember anymore. Anyway, I'm something around that." Sure enough, no more lifespan after the Space-Time Realm.

Kentucky immediately pushed Jeskli-Go's wing away and distanced himself. "Don't decide things for me! I'm the great Kentucky, and I shall decide who will be my partner."

Lily did exactly the same thing. "Exactly! I'm definitely not letting his blood mix with mine. Who wants a fat bird's eggs?"

Kentucky's eyes twitched. "The same goes for me! Who wants an old hag's eggs?"

BANG!

"You sure are looking for a fight, uh?!"

"Bring it on! Rean got in the way during the last time, so I forgot. I still haven't made you pay for being that disrespectful!"

Jesgli-Go nodded with a satisfied expression. "Already having couple's fights, such a nice pair. Perhaps we can get another Regal Minokawa from this? Yes, I believe it is possible!"

Rean and Roan looked at each other, obviously not knowing what to do there. "Ahem... We can talk about Kentucky's beloved another time-"

"She's not my beloved!" Kentucky immediately retorted.

Rean pretended he didn't hear and continued. "For now, we need to go to the center of the Floating Islands of Time. Would that be a problem?"

Only now Jeskli-Go remembered it. "Right! You said you had a reason to come here. What do you want?"

Death... and me

Chapter 2228: Then That's Fine

Jeskli-Go obviously had no idea that the twins were looking for the Universe Foundation Fragments. Fortunately, he didn't connect Werin's presence with the Angel and Devil that got the fragment back in the Ruins of the Stars. It would be weird if he did anyway since no one was supposed to know that the twins had the ability to transform their bodies.

Rean expected to be questioned at some point, so he had already come up with an excuse. "We heard from Werin that no one can get close to the Center of the Floating Islands of Time. However, Luan here has a special kind of eyes that can see the elements of the world. That said, we wondered. What could be there that doesn't allow anyone to get close? We are pretty much free at the moment, so we decided to check. Perhaps Luan's eyes will help us get through this phenomenon."

Jeskli-Go narrowed his eyes. "And so what? Do you just expect me to say yes, go ahead? Let's presume you can indeed enter the center that no one else can, and there is indeed an incredible treasure there. Why would the Minokawas let YOU guys take it away?"

Rean pointed at Kentucky. "He is the Regal Minokawa, so he has the right to take it too."

Jeskli-Go nodded. "Oh, then that's fine."

Luan and Roan's mouths twitched. 'IS THAT REALLY OKAY?!!!!!' They thought. 'How has this race not disappeared already?'

Jeskli-Go then looked at Lily-Yu. "Alright, your hubby needs some help around the Floating Islands of Time, so you will guide them. Werin will come with me as we still need to talk about the events in the Ruins of the Stars."

Lily-Yu felt like crying already. "Who's my hubby? I have no Hubby!"

"Yes, yes... just do as I said," Jeskli-Go couldn't care less about her opinion.

Yet, Lily refused. "I'm not going! I don't like this guy. He is too fat! I prefer to make Brother Werin my partner instead!"

Werin shrugged his shoulders. "You made it look like I'm some kind of last option in a desperate time."

Lily nodded. "To be my last option is already a great honor."

"There is no need for you to take the last option when your first option is right here," said Jeskli-Goi while pointing at Kentucky.

"Why do I feel like you don't care about my own opinion?" Kentucky couldn't help but ask.

Rean, Roan, and Luan looked at each other. 'Has Kentucky ever cared about anyone else's opinion either? You reap what you sow,' they decided to not help him at all. Not to mention that not caring about anyone else's opinion seemed to be a trait of the Minokawa Race as well.

"I'm not going to do it," said Lily-Yu.

"Then I will send you to help in the war against the Devils," Jeskli-Go smiled as he answered.

Minokawas are lazy. Even if it was for the greater good of the Realm of Gods, none of them wanted to take part in it at all. In the end, they had to rely on drawing lots to decide who would go and who would stay. It goes without saying that every single Minokawa wanted to stay, and Lily-Yu was no different. She was lucky enough to draw the 'stay and defend' option. However, as one of the leaders of the Minokawa Race, Jeskli-Go could totally revoke that and force Lily to go to war like the majority of the Minokawas.

Lily-Yu immediately put her wings around Kentucky's shoulder in response. "Hubby, it is so good that we can spend some time together. Don't worry. Your beloved Lily will show you everything in the Floating Islands of Time. You can ask any question you wish, and I will answer everything!"

Kentucky only felt repulsed at seeing that. "Can you be any more shameless?" he said while trying to push Lily away.

Rean pointed at the two while asking Roan and Luan. "Is that what you call a match made in Heavens?"

Roan and Luan nodded. "If that's not it, we truly don't know what it is."

"Fuck you!" Kentucky was truly crying already.

Roan then sent him a Divine Sense Message. 'Stop complaining. This is just temporary, idiot. Once we get the fragment, we can even use the Circuitry Teleport Formation if you wish. First of all, no one expects Rean and me to be able to open a Spatial Gate, so we can easily leave. Just bear with it for now.'

Kentucky truly didn't want it, but at least he could use it against the twins in the future if he needed something. 'Fine! But you owe me one!'

Roan nodded, not that he intended to pay that favor anyway. 'Fine.'

Seeing that things were resolved, Jeskli-Go decided to leave. "Alright. Just remember, Kentucky's Regal Bloodline is a secret. Keep it suppressed so that no one can feel it. Although the war efforts have decreased the number of eyes around the Floating Islands of Time, I can still feel some with my Divine Sense. I can't stay here much longer since it would only raise suspicion too."

Rean accepted the warning. "Thank you, senior Jeskli-Go. We will definitely be careful."

"Good!" Jeskli-Go was satisfied. "Once you finish whatever you are doing, make sure to disappear. The longer you stay here, the higher the chances of being found. If you can't find a way to enter the center, which is most likely what will happen, you must leave. I will give you one month. If I find out you are still wandering around the Islands by that time, I will come out myself and teleport you somewhere else, far away from here."

Jeskli then took flight, followed by Werin. "I hope to see you again once you grow strong enough." A moment later, the two of them disappeared in the distance.

Lily-Yu's smile immediately disappeared as she got away from Kentucky. "So, fatty, let's go. Don't waste my time."

Kentucky pointed at Lily. "It shouldn't be a problem if I 'accidentally' gave her a beating, right?"

The twins simply ignored him and took flight as well. "Let's go."

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Chapter 2229: Same as Always

Naturally, Lily-Yu took the lad as the twins' group followed right behind. Because she didn't like them, she tried to make things difficult for them by going as fast as she could. However, how could Kentucky fall behind? He was a Regal Minokawa. If not because he was suppressing his bloodline, he wouldn't

have had any issues dealing with Lily at the same cultivation level, especially with the advantages of the system. In fact, he got weaker than usual exactly because he had to focus on that suppression.

Seeing that she wasn't going to leave them behind, Lily-Yu finally accepted that she had to end her job to get rid of them. Instead, she decided to cope with her own curiosity. "So, fatty, you are the Regal Minokawa that was born all those years ago, uh?"

"That's me, unsymmetric chick. Shouldn't you be treating me with more respect? I might become the Minokawa's new ay of hope in the future, you know?" Kentucky struck back.

Lily narrowed her eyes but decided to not insist on those antics anymore. "Alright, Kentucky, is it? Let's just use our names from now on. Anyway, I'm truly surprised to see your cultivation level. I was in the nest Area when you were born and created that phenomenon. To think you managed to catch up to me in just around a few hundred years. Is the Regal Bloodline really that unfair?"

Kentucky glanced at the twins. It was obvious that the main reason behind it was their system and, lastly, the huge boost of the time-accelerated dimensional realm. "Let's just say that I had other fortuitous encounters that helped me as much as my bloodline did."

Lily nodded. "As I thought. If just the Regal Bloodline was capable of such a thing, the Realm of Gods would be dominated by the demon beasts already."

Kentucky then warned her. "You better not be considering that life partner bullshit. I'm very happy as a lonely Minokawa, thank you."

"Hmph!" Lily-Yu was of the same mind. "I don't need a partner. I'm already the best Minokawa ever if you discard the Regal Bloodline." Well, pretty much all Minokawas thought they were the best, so there was little weight to those words.

"Yea, yea, whatever," said Kentucky. She at least admitted she wasn't as good as a Minokawa with Regal Bloodline, so Kentucky was satisfied already.

Rean then warned Lily-Yu. "I just hope you don't go around opening your beak out of jealousy. I don't think the elders like Jesklip-Go will be very pleased with that.

Lily-Yu took those words personally as her expression turned even worse than when Kentucky cursed her. "Are you fucking with me? Have you EVER heard about senior Jeskli or Werin about any Minokawa betraying their races? Our race isn't that good at reproduction, so we have a very high sense of unity. Well, our unity is mostly in laziness, but unity nonetheless. If you say something like that again, even if it ends in my death, I will not hold back when I attack you."

Roan glanced at the female Minokawa ahead as she said those words. "She isn't lying," those were his only words.

Rean scratched the back of his head with an apologetic expression. "Sorry, I shouldn't have said that. Indeed, whether it was from Jeskli-Go, Werin, or our own investigations, we have never learned anything about a Minokawa betraying their race."

Lily-Yu's mood improved instantly. "As long as you recognize it."

Suddenly, Luan called the twins' attention. "Father, the elements, space, and time are still a mess without any clues. However, this mess seems to be increasing in force. At some point, space and time will cause something to go wrong or weird."

Rean and Roan had noticed that on the part of time and space, although they couldn't see it as clearly as Luan. Well, Luan couldn't see time either, but he could make a wild guess through the interaction space had with time. After all, space power definitely could be seen by his eyes. "Lily, are we getting close to the center?"

Lily looked back while she kept flying. "Not really. However, we will never get there to start with. Did you forget? When we try to go there, we end up leaving it somewhere else or going in circles."

"But e are getting close to the area where this phenomenon happens, right?" Rean added.

"Yes," Lily agreed this time. "If that's what you want, then we should get there in two hours or so. You shouldn't be able to tell any difference, though."

Rean and Roan looked at Luan. Although it wasn't that big, there was definitely a difference. 'Could it be that only we can feel it? Or perhaps something is different than it should...' Naturally, they didn't forget the system's capability of messing up destiny, which always gives them trouble.

It didn't take long for the major change to happen, though. However, this change was something the twins were already expecting and hoping to occur.

Pin!

[Universe Foundation Fragment Detected]

[As the Foundation of the Universe, all elements and laws are present in it. Time and space are no different. One of the fragments that detached from the Universe Foundation Pillar was especially connected to these two laws of the Universe, time and space. This is exactly the Fragment the system has now detected.]

[New Quest Available]

[Acquire the Universe Foundation Fragment]

[Quest Reward: 500000 Destiny Points]

The twins immediately understood that the number would be multiplied by three. However, the system hasn't finished yet, which also didn't surprise them.

[Warning! The Fragment has created an environment heavily dependent on its effects. The remotion of the Fragment will cause the space and time of the location to fall into chaos. The system predicts that the territory known as the Floating Islands of Time will be swallowed by a Space-Time Storm after the Fragment's acquisition.]

[Warning! The Universe Foundation Fragment is destabilizing at a fast pace. Possible remotion is undergoing. The system Recommends the hosts' intervention.]

'Sure enough, it is always this kind of bullshit,' the twins thought at the same time.

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Chapter 2230: What to do

'What do we do now?' Rean couldn't help but ask.

Yet, an answer was hard to think about. 'I don't know. However, we need to at least check what is causing the fragment to be removed. As for the part where the Floating Islands of Time will be swallowed, we can think about it later.'

Kentucky, who was also told about the new quest by the system and sister orb, immediately asked. 'Shouldn't we at least warn the Minokawas in this place? If anything goes wrong, they might all die.'

'Jeskli-Go is at the Divinity Realm, so Spatial Storms are of little concern to him. Your race also has a couple of Space-Time Realm Minokawas present. Don't you think they are enough to protect the Minokawas that stayed here?' Rean asked back.

Kentucky narrowed his eyes. 'I'm not sure. We are talking about a phenomenon that will impact a huge region. Would it even be the same power as the Spatial Storms you get when you open Spatial Gates? Perhaps even Jskli can't deal with it.'

Luan also has another concern. 'Worse than that. What about us? Regardless if it is we who get the fragment or the other part, the fact is that we will be right in the middle of this place. If the Spatial Storm is the normal type, then okay. Uncler Rean and Father can deal with it. But if Kentucky is right and it is something many times more powerful, wouldn't we be committing suicide by taking the fragment away?'

Rean and Roan had to admit Luan was right. 'That's another problem...'

Roan then wondered if they should just leave straight away. 'Perhaps we should forget this fragment. It can't be destroyed, so we can look for it another time when it is taken away or whatever. After all, the system said nothing about penalties for failure.'

Kentucky didn't like it. 'So you saying we should just let everything be swallowed?'

Roan nodded without thinking twice. 'The only difference will be whether we are swallowed by that Spatial Storm together with the Islands or if we are not.'

'I can't just let that happen,' said Kentucky. 'I'm going to try and stop this.'

Rean pondered a bit before saying, 'In that case, you might want to go back to the Minokawas' Nest with Lily and warn Jskli-Go about it.'

Kentucky was taken aback. 'But I would need to tell him some of the truths to convince him of that. Besides, he probably would come here himself to try and stop this. We don't know if he would try to take the fragment for himself instead, either.'

Rean scratched his head. 'It's too many variables to think about. However, we don't know if we have time for anything.'

Kentucky then decided. 'Alright, Rean, Roan, and Luan should turn around and leave this place. You guys are the ones responsible for the unification of the two sides of the Universe, after all. I will go with Lily to the Center and see if I can find a way to stop this. Later on, if the fragment is taken, you can take your time to look for it. You shouldn't have a problem with that, right?'

Roan's expression got dark. Well, darker than it usually was... 'Forget it. We will all go to the Center and try to see what is happening.'

'Why would you do that?' kentucky asked, finding it strange. That wasn't the logical choice that Roan always strived to follow.

Roan shook his head. 'I just don't want to have to look for this fragment gain in the future.'

Rean smiled in response. 'He is just worried about you.'

'As if!' Roan obviously refused to accept that.

Kentucky didn't know what to say. 'Errrr... Ahem. Right, it would be annoying to not know who and where this fragment is being taken.' He also didn't want to say he liked that Roan was worried about him.

Rean shrugged his shoulder as he smiled. 'Yes, that's definitely the reason.'

Sometime later, Lily-Yu finally warned the twins. "We are here," she said while pointing forward. "From this point onwards, you won't be able to tell whether you are going forward or not. Once you notice it, you will already be somewhere else except the Center you wanted to go to. If you want, I can follow you since the same phenomenon happens to everyone. We will all end in the same place as long as we stay close."

Kentucky shook his head. "Lily-Yu, I have another mission for you. Go back to the Minokawas' Nest Area and tell Jeskli-Go to take everyone away from the Floating Islands of Time."

"What?!" Lily obviously didn't expect such a request. "Are you crazy? Why would I do such a thing?"

Rean was the one to answer that question. "You said that before trying to enter the Center, the Space, elements, and time would stay the same everywhere, with the same level of randomness. However, being this close to the Center, you should have noticed already."

Lily nodded. "Indeed, I can feel Space Power has got weirder. But what does it have to do with anything?"

"I can't tell you why, but we are pretty sure there is a very good chance the entire Floating Islands of Time are going to be swallowed by a Spatial Storm," Rean concluded.

Lily didn't really believe it, though. "Hahahaha! Yes, sure. Just because the environment changed a little, it definitely means a calamity of that level is going to happen. It makes a lot of sense... it's just that it doesn't. Are you out of your mind? There is no way the Floating Islands of Time would disappear."

She then took a communication badge from her Pocket Dimensional Realm. "However, I can definitely warn senior Jeskli-Go from here. I just doubt he will try such a thing."

Seeing the communication badge, Rean thought about something. "Say, where is the Minokawas Nests located?"

Lily found that a weird question for the moment but answered nonetheless. "In that direction. We would have to go around the center area to not get affected by its effects, though."

"So... you can communicate with the Minokawas Nests even though they are on the other side of the center, uh?" Rean immediately had an idea.