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### Chapter 2271: Teaching About the Real World

Around three thousand human cultivators and mortals appeared outside. On their side, many items could be found, which were the things they wished to bring. However, the village itself was not brought as well. That's because the state Rean brought already had plenty of houses of much higher quality. It was a true eye-opener for the village people who lived in isolation all this time.

"Alright, everyone. This is your new home. I have already explained everything to your elders here," said Rean.

\*Zush!\*

Right after, Luan appeared outside as well. Rean nodded and continued to talk. "Luan and I will spend the next two weeks teaching you all more about the outside world. What you should pay attention to, what you should avoid, what you should risk, buy, sell, fight, you name it. We will also help you acquire cultivation manuals for your use. In fact, I have many of them myself, but I couldn't pass them to you before I got you all outside."

Luan continued from there. "I want the adults to make several groups and then come with me to the market. Your village lived in a system where you trusted each other up to this day. However, the world outside can be anything but trustworthy. I want you all to check with your own eyes how many times the vendors there will try to trick you. Don't worry about being fooled. Use it as experience for what to expect here."

Luan then took out many Rank One Divine Stones. Rean had already sold some simple equipment and traded the Rank Two or Three Divine Stones for Level One Stones. It was nothing but pocket change for him but a fortune for a clan of this size. "Here you go. Everyone has their own Spatial Rings, so make sure to protect them. There are around a hundred or so Rank One Divine Stones inside, so use it when you go out with Luan."

While Luan brought a few groups outside, Rean joined forces with the rest to help them choose their new homes. He also tasked Luan to buy all the necessary furniture while he was at it. He began to check everyone's cultivation talents and affinities, quickly passing cultivation manuals that matched their aptitudes.

Later that night, everyone entered their new homes and retired for the day. Meanwhile, Rean looked at Luan. "Thanks for the help, Luan. It will be quite boring the next few days."

Luan smiled in response. "It's fine, Uncle Rean. I know a few people in the village, even though I have never helped them with cultivation. It wouldn't feel correct if I simply left without doing anything. What are two weeks for cultivators of our level?"

Rean nodded. "That's true. Let's go back to the Soul Gem Dimensional Realm. I want to check on our new guests."

Luan shook his head. "You can go ahead, Uncle Rean. I will stay here and help anyone who might come out with doubts. I don't really know Jakiro or Mia anyway, so I would be nothing more than a burden there."

Rean didn't mind. "Alright, I'll be back later. The entrance to the Dimensional Realm will be here anyway. If you need to come in, just shout out, and Sister Orb will hear you. She can pull you in."

There was also Kentucky. "What about you?"

Kentucky shook his head. "I will stay as long as possible outside. If I go back, Celis will force me to cultivate again."

Rean sighed but didn't say anything. Right after, Rean disappeared from sight.

Inside the Soul Gem Dimensional Realm, Mia was sipping some tea while Old Worm read a book. He had many of those and could read everything in a flash if he used his Divine Sense. Yet, he appreciated the time he spent reading.

Mia glanced at Old Worm, who had been quiet ever since they were brought into the Soul Gem Dimensional Realm. Rean and Roan were nowhere to be seen either. She tried to ask what was happening, but Old Worm refused to tell. It wasn't like he didn't want to, but that he didn't know if it was okay to talk yet. In the end, she could only wait in that house that was previously used by Pulanli and Werin.

Finally, Rean and Roan came to see Old Worm and Mia at the house. "Hey there!" Well, Roan obviously didn't say that, only Rean.

Mia quickly got up and bowed once again. "Hello, se-... sir."

"Hahaha!" Rean burst straight away. Right after, he began to return to his normal appearance. Roan, obviously, did the same. "Are you sure you want to call Roan or I Senior or Sir?"

"What?!" Sure enough, Mia's shock was even bigger than Old Worm's. "Rean, Roan!"

Roan went to Old Worm's side for them to talk while Rean was left to deal with the stupefied Mia. Seeing how Roan completely ignored her, she was certain that he was definitely Roan. "How? I thought you died during the planet's explosion."

Rean looked at Old Worm, who nodded back. Only then did he explain things to Mia using a Divine Sense to make things faster. "And that's about it. I don't know how many important people you lost in Sunkan, but it is true we were partially involved in that."

Mia tried to organize the whole information in her head. "I did have a lot of people I liked back there. However, from what you told me, you didn't even know that such experts existed and were after you until they appeared that day. I'm not an idiot. I have never blamed others with basis."

"You seem... calmer than I expected you would be after I told you everything," said Rean with a little bit of surprise.

Mia sighed. "In the end, after so many years, it is hard to still think about it too much. I'm not like my master, who truly lost his family and descendants. I did not even know my own parents, to be honest. Sure, the sect people's deaths still make me sad, but it is not like I can change it."

"However..." Mia continued. "I also would like to see the results of this investigation of our planet's explosion you guys intend to do."

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## Chapter 2272: Back to Jikli Clan

During the next two weeks, Rean and Luan helped the people of Sesame's Village to adapt to the new world. He was sure they would still struggle a lot. After all, it wasn't like their conceptions could be turned around in just a few days. But then again, it would be a baptism of fire. The type that would quickly enter their minds. As to whether they would succeed in this trial or not, that was not something Rean could do much about.

Finally, Rean and Luan finished what they had to do and prepared to leave. Luan went back to the Soul Gem Dimensional Realm, leaving only Rean to talk with the elders of the new clan in the city. "And that's all about it. I left you with enough Divine Stones to live in this city for a few years without trouble. I also acquired and forged a few pieces of equipment and life-saving treasures for you. By the way, have you selected a name for your new clan?"

One of the elders nodded. "We will call it Sesame Clan. Sister Orb always made sure that we didn't forget what he did for us, so we think this is a good way of remembering him."

Rean smiled. "That's a good name. By the way, it is not like he is dead. It's just that he can't leave the terrain where he was born. Perhaps one day, he will be able to break the shackles that keep him in the Underworld. When that happens, he might come here and pay you guys a visit. Of course, that's only if you survive until said day."

"W-We will do our best." After these two weeks, they quickly understood how wretched the world outside the Soul Gem Dimensional Realm was. Even in a city like this one, Death still lurked at every corner. Still, it was much better if they were left to survive on their own straight away.

Rean nodded and bid his farewell. "Until some other day. It will probably take many years for us to see each other again, and we might not even do that at all. Nonetheless, I'll be cheering for you." Following that, he quickly took flight, disappearing from the Sesame Clan people's eyes in a moment.

High in the skies, Rean used his Divine Sense to check several individuals at once. With that many people with no experience in a completely new clan, they obviously caught the eyes of a few greedy experts. Yet, before they could cause any trouble, a flash of white light appeared in front of every single one of them. Before they knew anything, all their dantians were destroyed.

\*Arrrghhh!\*

Screams of pain came out from everywhere in the city. Yet, no one could tell what happened. That's because the moment the light destroyed their dantians, it also healed their injuries. Not a single drop of blood was poured onto the ground. It even looked like nothing had happened. Nonetheless, all these people now became mortals, losing hundreds of not thousands of years of cultivation in an instant.

Rean nodded, satisfied. 'This is as far as I go for you all. Now, the rest depends on you.'

Rean left the city right after, flying far enough until no one was around. Kentucky was already sent into the Dimensional Realm, so Rean was alone. He opened his Spatial Gate once again and disappeared from that region. As for what will happen to the Sesame Clan after that, only time will tell.

A few days later, a Spatial Gate appeared near the Jikli Clan territory, from which Rean stepped out. His communication badge activated a moment later. 'Sorry for the slight delay, Eagon. We are back.'

An answer came out almost instantly. 'That's not a problem. I have already prepared everything, so you can come anytime you want.'

Rean nodded. 'Good. I should arrive in the clan on the new day at most.'

In fact, Rean got there in a few minutes. However, he concealed himself and stayed close to it. 'Sister Orb, it is up to you.'

[On it.] The twins had Sister Orb hack into the formations that protected the Jikli Clan. But for that, she would need a few hours. That's why Rean said he would arrive in a day. That was to give Sister Orb enough time to hack into the protection formation, and then any other formation inside that might cause trouble to their group. A day should be just about enough for that task.

A day later, Eagon came to the Jikli Clan's gate, which Rean was already waiting in front. "Sorry for the delay, Eagon. Can we go?"

Eagon and a few more members of the Jikli Clan were there to receive Rean. Yet, none of the Elemental Space Realm elders were there. Well, Rean could still feel their Divine Senses anyway. They just didn't come to receive him. 'Seems like Eagon truly does have some authority in this clan.'

Roan agreed inside the Soul Gem Dimensional Realm. 'That's good for us. I don't want to have anything to do with the Jikli Clan's matters.'

Eagon saw that Rean was alone and could imagine what he intended to do. "Are you carrying the rest of your group in the Pocket Dimensional Realm?"

Rean smiled. "That's the best way to prevent wasting energy."

Eagon then warned him. "Just be aware that when you go down to the Mortal Realm, the lives present in your Pocket Dimensional Realm also count on the restrictions imposed by the heavens. Keeping them inside only means you will bear the grunt of everyone alone."

Rean didn't seem to mind. "It's fine. I was planning to go back to the Mortal Realm at some point, so I have already made the preparations."

The truth was that Rean didn't need to mind that extra backlash. Sister Orb told them that the Soul Gem Orb made the Soul Gem Dimensional Realm immune to such issues. The only thing Rean would need to resist was his own descent. The others inside the Dimensional Realm, including all the Demon Beasts, would not cause him any extra burden.

Eagon was happy to hear that. After all, that meant he only had to spend enough energy to teleport Rean and no one else. "In that case, let's depart straight away."

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Chapter 2273: Bako Hudrido

Rean arrived at the teleport formation, which was made differently from any teleport formation he had used so far... No, that wasn't correct. He had seen a similar one before. 'It is quite similar to the Demon Beasts' Realm Crossing Formation in the Zasfin Planet.'

That reassured him that Eagon was truly planning to bring them to the Mortal Realm once again. Above all, he was already deep within the Jikli Clan, but no one tried anything against him. Sister Orb kept an eye on the formations she had hacked into and could tell that no one was trying to activate them either.

Eagon then passed a Spatial Rings to the formations master there. "Here are the Divine Stones. Charge the formation."

"Yes, senior Eagon." The man quickly took the Divine Stones and put them on the formation.

Rean and Eagon stepped into the center before Eagon gave the order. "Activate."

The formation took a lot longer than normal formations to activate, seeming to struggle to connect to its other side. Rean could feel that the laws of heaven and earth began to enclose him, trying to prevent his departure.

"You will need to fight it back on your own," said Eagon, also using his Divine Energy to resist those laws.

Rean already expected that and used his own Divine Origin Energy to do that. He didn't use Sky Energy since he didn't want to reveal it unnecessarily. Finally, the formation acquired a connection to the Mortal Realm and fully activated.

\*Zash!\*

The Divine Stones broke in a fraction of a second while the formation flashed with the brightest silver light Rean had ever seen a teleport formation show. His vision blurred as he felt his body being pulled through space. Different from other teleport formations, which were able to teleport instantly, this teleportation worked exactly like the one back in Zasfin Planet.

It was more like he was passing through a Spatial Gate than anything else. Yet, that was basically because the distance and the barrier between realms made it like that. It was truly a teleport formation and not a spatial gate.

Domnit Planet was located in a lively solar system. It had many other planets that orbited it and could sustain life. As the most important planet of that Sector, that was also the planet where the Sector Lord that helped protect the Mortal Realm resided. It could also be said that it was the only planet in the entire Sector where you could find a cultivator or demon beast above the Transition Realm.

Inside a gigantic state on Domnit Planet, the Realm Crossing Teleport Formation activated. That caused the many Formations Masters to act, doing their best to protect the formation against the laws of Heaven and Earth.

The moment the teleport formation back in the Realm of Gods activated, so did this one. It stayed like this for quite a few minutes. Everyone around calamity-sized phenomena happened, all aiming at the formation itself.

Yet, the Formations Masters kept everything at bay. Spirit Stones were used nonstop, enough to cause the downfall of an empire. Yet, the Masters didn't mind.

\*Zush, zush!\*

Finally, an extremely bright silver light flashed above the formation, from which two men appeared. Naturally, these two were none other than Rean and Eagon.

As soon as Eagon stepped out, he released his Divine Energy and helped the Formations Masters with their job. "In case you don't know, the Laws of Heaven and Earth and trying to send us back to the Realm of Gods. We are inside the formations, so you won't feel it just yet. All the ruckus you are seeing around is just because of our arrival."

Rean nodded and used his Divine Energy to help as well. "I see. How long will it last?"

"It should stop anytime now. Of course, I'm only talking about the calamities you are seeing outside the formation. As for the rejection of the Mortal Realm, that will never disappear while you are here. Get ready. Once the calamities are over, the formations will deactivate. You need to fight against the Spatial Powers that will try to throw you back to the Realm of Gods," Eagon explained.



Rean nodded and used his own spatial laws to keep his body stable. Sure enough, as soon as the calamities disappeared, failing to break through, the formations were also deactivated. That caused Rean to feel a huge pulling force from the Spatial Laws of the Universe. "Wow! This is quite strong indeed," Rean couldn't help but mention.

Eagon smiled while he used his Spatial Power to block the pulling force. "That's mostly because of our cultivation realm. The higher our realm, the stronger the pull. Also, this pulling force increases as time passes. The people inside your Pocket Dimensional Realm should be feeling the same thing."

The truth was that no one in the Soul Gem Dimensional Realm felt anything, just like Sister Orb mentioned. They would only feel that pulling force if they exited it.

Eagon continued to explain. "I reckon that Elemental Space Realm experts like us should be able to resist this Spatial Force for around 50 or so years. More than that, and it will be just too strong for us to be able to maintain our own energy reserves while fighting it. That's why we Sector Lords work in turns. We need to go back to the Realm of Gods so that the Laws of Heaven and Earth of the Mortal Realm can forget about us."

Still, there was one thing Eagon was puzzled. During the traversal, the Mortal Realm caused a backlash to his body, which he was used to. Yet, it seemed like Rean was just fine. Rean had even more experts inside his Pocket-Dimensional Realm, so he should have been even worse. How come it looked like Rean received the same level of backlash as himself? Of course, he didn't ask Rean about that. As long as Rean succeeded, that's what mattered. Rean wouldn't say anything either since it was related to the Soul Gem System.

Suddenly, a cultivator arrived at the teleport formation. "Hum? Eagon? Why are you here? I just assumed this post a while ago. Shouldn't you stay in the Realm of Gods for some time?"

His name was Bako Hudrido, someone from another clan who also had the same type of duty as the Jikli Clan's members. Naturally, he was also an Elemental Space Realm expert.

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Chapter 2274: Come With Me

Eagon smiled at Bako. "It's alright, Bako. I'm not here to take your turn. I had some business left in this sector that I needed some help to deal with, so I brought a few friends. We are leaving as soon as we finish what we have to do here."

Bako narrowed his eyes. "You should not forget that we can't intervene with the lives of the mortals and low-level cultivators of the Universe. Even for a Sector Lord, that rule is absolute."

Eagon quickly nodded. "Don't worry. My business has nothing to do with any mortal or cultivator of the Mortal Realm. In fact, it has nothing to do with any living being to start with. I'm also a Sector Lord, did you forget? I'm well aware of all the rules, and I have no intention of breaking any of them."

Bako finally accepted. "Since that's the case, I have nothing to say. Just try to finish whatever you have to do fast. Also, as per the rules, I will have to report to the higher-ups in the Realm of Gods."

"Go ahead," Eagon smiled. "I have reported to them already, so you will find they already know about my arrival out of time. If you need anything, you know how to find me."

He then looked at Rean. "Let's go. It's a little far away, so we will need to some time."

Bako watched them leave and immediately sent a message to his clan. Sometime later, he received an answer, saying that the people in the Realm of Gods indeed gave Eagon permission for this earlier arrival. "Hum... Since that's approved, I wash my hands. Whatever happens now is not my fault."

Bako only took this job of protecting a Sector in the Mortal Realm because of the war happening in the Realm of Gods against the Devils. He didn't want to participate, and this job came just in hand. That said, he had no intention of looking for any problem that was not related to him. Later, he pretended to not have seen anything and returned to his residence to continue cultivating.

Outside the planet, Eagon quickly used his Spatial Powers to open a Spatial Gate, much to Rean's surprise.

"You can open Spatial Gates without being a Space-Time Realm cultivator?" Rean quickly asked.

Seeing Rean's confusion, Eagon laughed. "Hahaha! I see you are not very knowledgeable about the Mortal Realm's Laws, are you? Let alone me. I reckon a Space Bending Realm cultivator with enough talent for Space Powers can do the same thing. You can give it a try if you want."

Well, Rean could already do that before, so he obviously could do it now. Still, he pretended to be lost. "How is that possible?"

"You see... The Spatial Laws. No, all the Laws of the Mortal Realm are at a much lower level than the Laws in the three Higher Realms. You could even say they are incomplete. Space here is no different. It is very fragile. Even without the help of Time Laws, we can still connect to other points of the Universe by using pretty much brute force. That's what I just did."

"I see..." Rean nodded. "Our powers are severely suppressed by the three Higher Realms as well. Not only can we use brute force to open a Spatial Gate, but the fact is that our control over all laws is several times higher than it is in the Realm of Gods. No wonder even I am able to open a Spatial Gate without ever doing it."

Eagon confirmed Rean's words. "That's precisely the case. For example, take a small planet. At my Elemental Space Realm, I have enough power to destroy it on my own. However, I would be far from having enough power to do that if this planet was in the three Higher Realm, like the Realm of Gods. You could say that being in the Mortal Realm allows us to get loose."

Eagon then moved to enter the Spatial Gate. "So, are you coming?"

Rean nodded and quickly followed Eagon into the Spatial Gate. Rean's group had never traveled in the Mortal Realm, so they had no idea where they were or where they should go.

Due to the same weakness of the laws of the Mortal Realm, the travel to the area where Sunkan Planet was located was several times faster. It only took Eagon a few minutes, and a Spatial Gate exit already opened.

Coming out of the Spatial Gate, Rean noticed a sun in the distance. There were a few planets as well, although they were located in what you would call non-habitable zones. As for Sunkan Planet, it was nowhere to be seen. "Are we here?"

Eagon nodded. "Yes. Please, bring Jakiro out as well."

Rean nodded and pulled Old Worm from inside the Soul Gem Dimensional Realm. But it wasn't only him who came out. Roan, Luan, Kentucky, and even Mia appeared in the middle of space.

Eagon didn't seem to mind that scene. He was outnumbered, and everyone in the Elemental Space Realm there was stronger than him. Yet, it was as if their presence made no difference.

Jakiro then looked at the twins. "We are here." He had been to the empty space before when he lived in Sunkan, so he recognized the environment. He then pointed in a certain direction. "Considering the position of the other planets, Sunkan Planet was supposed to be located in that direction."

Eagon agreed with Old Worm. "Jakiro is right. Yet, as you can see with your Divine Senses, not even a spec of sand from what Sunkan Planet was before can be seen there. It is as if Sunkan had never existed."

Roan pondered a bit and asked. "So, what do you need Jakiro for? We can't investigate something that doesn't even exist anymore."

Eagon shook his head. "Come with me to the exact location where Sunkan was destroyed. You will see that there is definitely something there."

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Chapter 2275: Try It Out

The twins' group was puzzled but followed Eagon anyway, even though they still couldn't catch anything with their Divine Senses. As they got close to where the planet exploded, Kentucky, with his much superior eyes, began to notice something. "What is that thing?"

After a few moments, the others were also able to see the same thing. "Is it... a black hole?" Rean couldn't help but ask.

Yet, Eagon continued to get closer while shaking his head. "If you have seen black holes before, you should know just how ridiculous their gravitational pull is. This distance we are from it should be more than enough for us to fight with all our powers just to not be sucked in. Yet, there is nothing."

"Black holes also mess up with Space and Time, but both laws seem to be completely fine," Roan added.

"Last but not least, Blackholes can't really be 'seen,' you know? Even light doesn't escape its confines. Yet, we can truly see a black mass. There is no way this thing is a black hole," Eagon explained.

Finally, he stopped just by the side of that black hole. It wasn't much bigger than Eagon himself, having around three meters of circumference. "This is the thing I was talking about."

Roan looked at Luan. 'Can you see anything with your eyes?'

Luan shook his head. He had activated his Elemental Pupils a long time ago. 'Nothing. Even my eyes can't perceive this thing's existence. If not because my normal pupils can see its presence, I would say this thing doesn't even exist.'

Suddenly, Eagon reached his hand inside, much to everyone's surprise.

Eagon laughed right after, already expecting everyone to act like that. "Hahaha! It's okay, it's okay. See?" He then began to enter and leave the black hole nonstop, passing through it as if it were made of air. "That's why I'm so puzzled. Just what is this thing? I have seen planets being destroyed before. Be it because of some phenomenon like supernovas or because someone destroyed it. Yet, none of them created this kind of thing."

Finally, he looked at Old Worm. "That's where you come in, Jakiro. I want to see if this black hole will have some other reaction to you, who lived here before. That's also why I brought you to the Realm of Gods to cultivate. I wanted you to be at least in the Void Tempering Realm and be able to control space to a certain extent in case something happened."

Eagon then shifted his attention to the twins' group. "Of course, if any of you have a better idea and don't want to let Jakiro take any risk, you are welcome to demonstrate."

Everyone looked at each other. Yet, they had no idea what to do.

Rean then shook his head. "I'm pretty sure you tried everything, so I don't see why waste my time repeating your actions. Can you tell me what kind of methods you used to try to identify this thing before we try the same?"

"Absolutely!" Eagon didn't see any issues with that. He immediately used his Divine Sense and told the twins' group about everything he attempted. He went for Soul Power, Divine Energy, formations, attacks, and laws. Whatever you could think of, Eagon had already tried. At some point, he finally grew frustrated and tried to touch the black hole. Yet, there was absolutely no reaction, just like he showed a moment ago by flying through it several times. "And that's about it."

Old Worm thought about it and decided to give it a try. "Alright, Let me see if it has any kind of different reaction if I'm the one to touch it... if touching is even possible, that is."

Roan asked straight away. "Are you sure? I could also do it."

Eagon found it weird. "Why would you? There is no point if you were not from this planet?"

Roan shook his head. "Perhaps it has nothing to do with being from this planet. Instead, it has more to do with being someone from the Mortal Realm. In that case, I also fit the requirement."

"I see..." Eagon already heard during their first encounter that Rean, Roan, and Kentucky were also ascenders. "Well, by all means, go ahead."

Yet, Old Worm refused the offer. "No need. This is my planet, so I will do it."

"Master!" Mia couldn't help but get worried.

Yet, Old Worm just patted her shoulder. "I have made my decision."

Eagon then took some distance from the blackhole together with everyone else, just in case something happened.

After confirming that everyone was far away, Old Worm extended his hand forward, touching the black mass. Yet...

"Hum?"

Old Worm touched it and pulled his hand back, just to find that there was no reaction. It was basically the same thing that happened to Eagon. "I don't seem to be anything special in this case either," said Old Worm while looking at everyone in the distance. He then tried to fly through it and got in and out several times. Nothing happened anyway.

Eagon couldn't hide his expression of disappointment. "So even someone from this planet can't get any reaction, uh? Could it be this thing is truly useless?"

Yet, Rean didn't think so. "I'm sorry to say this, but... Jakiro was one of the cultivators that were brought to Sunkan at a later time. His group conquered the planet from the Lakures, and they lived there for a long time, that's true. However, Jakiro was not born there, you know?"

Eagon immediately looked at Old Worm. "Is that true?"

Old Worm sighed as he nodded. "Yes. I lived longer than anyone else in Sunkan if you don't consider the Lakures' Ancestor. Yet, I'm truly not someone who was born there."

Eagon immediately looked at Mia. "What about you?"

"I..." Mia was taken aback for a moment. It was obvious that she was definitely someone born in Sunkan due to her age. However..."

"Let me give it a try first," Rean suddenly said. "Perhaps it is not because you had to be born there. Instead, you need to have a big enough cultivation. If it doesn't work, then we can let Mia give it a try."

Eagon thought it was a waste of time. Yet, since Rean confirmed he would let Mia try after him, he had nothing to complain about. "No problem here."

Mia looked at Rean with concern. After all, she knew Rean was indeed born in Sunkan... Well, kind of. His soul reincarnated there, but it was true he was born there as well. 'I don't mind giving it a try myself,' she said with her Divine Sense.

Rean shrugged his shoulder. 'What kind of Dalamu Sect Disciple would I be if I couldn't even take some of my Sect Master's burden away? Hahaha!'

That said, he traded places with Old Worm and tried to touch the blackhole himself.

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Chapter 2276: Attachment

After getting on the Blackhole's side, Rean stretched his hand into the black mass. As soon as he did it, he felt a suction force coming through his body.

\*Pin!\*

[Soul Gem Universal Worlds Attachment Detected.]

"What?!" Rean obviously heard the system's voice. However, he couldn't care about it at the moment. That's because he could feel all his energy disappearing at a fast pace.

Roan quickly reached for Rean and tried to pull him out. Yet, the same thing happened to him. His own energy began to be drained away by the black mass. He didn't even need to touch the black mass. Just being close to Rean was enough for that to happen.

Eagon's eyes lit up as he watched from afar. 'I can finally see what this is all about!'

Kentucky, seeing the event in front of him, thought about helping as well. However, Roan quickly shouted back at him. "Stay away. Just protect us if anyone tries anything."



After a few moments, the system's voice appeared once again.

[Connection established.]

At the same time that the system said those words, Rean and Roan were finally released to come away from the Black Mass. However, they were truly completely empty. They immediately took several Divine Stones out of the Soul Gem Dimensional Realm and used them to recover.

Eagon arrived at their side. "What happened? How did you get a reaction from the thing?"

The twins shook their heads. "We don't know. It suddenly began to rob us of our energy, and that was about it. It didn't let us go until we got completely dry."

Eagon looked at the black hole and could now see that it had become silver and golden in color. "Time and Space Powers..."

At the same time, the twins contact Sister Orb. 'Sister Orb, what is the system doing? It obviously has something to do with it.'

[I agree. I'm checking it right now...]

[Found it! I got access to the measures being employed by the system. It seems like it was truly the system that caused this phenomenon. As for the reason for it... Oh! So that's how it is!]

The twins were puzzled. 'Just say it already!'

[This Universal World Attachment is basically a restoration system. It created a virtual copy of what Sunkan Planet was before. It then acquired all the broken parts of Sunkan and stored them in a parallel dimension. As long as you give the order, Sunkan Planet should reappear.]

'So... Is it something like a backup?' Rean couldn't help but ask.

[Not quite. In a strict sense, backups are not the original archives. They are used to substitute the originals that were corrupted, lost, or things like that. In this case, the system only created a copy that serves as a guide to reconstruct the original things using the original parts. Ultimately, it is better to call it a mending.]

Roan pondered a bit. 'Does it include all the bodies and souls?'

[I believe so,] Sister Orb answered. [Of course, I can't be certain without giving it a try.]

'I don't understand,' Rean intervened. 'Why would the system go this far? No, that's not the right question. The right question would be, How was the system strong enough to make something like that?'

[You were correct. The system wasn't strong enough to pull this out. That's why it used a source of energy that already existed on the planet itself. There is something inside this Blackhole that is providing the system enough energy to keep the broken parts together and that virtual copy.]

Rean didn't find it strange since the system created the Circuitry Formations Repository. There, he could simulate formations without the need for any materials. Basically, he could create virtual copies any time he wanted. The system seemed to have employed a similar method this time. The only thing that intrigued him was that source of energy. 'Could it be another Universe Foundation Fragment?'

Roan shook his head straight away. 'If a Fragment was present, the system would have detected it a long time ago. Even if it didn't, it would have detected now that it connected to this attachment thing.'

[Roan is correct. I can at least guarantee there are no Fragments in this event,] said Sister Orb.

'I guess it would be too much of a coincidence then,' Rean sighed.

Eagon obviously didn't know what they were with their soul connections, so he was still curious. "Well, are you going to try it again? Have you figured out anything from that Blackhole?"

The twins wondered what they should say. Should they restore the planet right now? But what would Eagon try to do? He obviously didn't know about the system, so he hoped to find some worthwhile treasure. The fact the twins had a reaction indicated that there was really something there.

'Let's just give it the order for restoration,' Roan suddenly told Rean.

'Are you sure? That will attract a lot of attention. Shouldn't we wait for when Eagon goes away?' Rean asked back.

Yet, Roan snorted. 'If it was you, would you leave even if we said that there was nothing here?'

Rean bitter smiled. 'No... I would wait here until the day I ran out of time and was forced to the Realm of Gods. Not only that, but I would also warn others about this thing in that case since I wouldn't want to lose it.'

Roan nodded. 'Exactly. So, instead of inviting a lot more eyes to see it happening, it would be way better to simply let Eagon watch it. As long as he thinks he has a chance of acquiring some benefits, he won't call anyone else here.'

Roan then pointed at the Blackhole before saying, "If it drained our energy, it is because it needs energy for something. It confirms our theory that it didn't activate with Jakiro simply because his cultivation was too low. Since the two of us had very high cultivation and were also born in the Mortal Realm, we had the necessary requirements to get this thing started. It only needs more energy now."

Eagon nodded. "I see... It makes sense. Let's give it a try."

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Chapter 2277: I Think So

"So... if it only needs energy now... Do we throw a lot of Divine Stones into it?" Eagon pondered a bit before saying.

Kentucky raised his hand. "We are in the mortal realm, so it is Spiritual Energy. Would Divine Energy work?" He obviously knew there was no need for that. He was just following the twins' story.

Roan shook his head. "Spiritual Energy is nothing more than a lower level of origin Energy. Since it absorbed our own energy, it should accept Divine Energy as well." He was more than happy to pretend that was the case.

"Let's give it a try!" Rean immediately took a bunch of Rank Four Divine Stones from the Soul Gem Dimensional Realm.

In the end, no one wanted to spend their high-level Divine Stones. Well, it wouldn't be necessary anyway since the twins only had to give the order, and the restoration would start.

They all threw thousands of Rank three and four Divine Stones into the black hole, which absorbed it all at the twins' command. At some point, the twins finally willed it. 'System, initiate restoration!'

[Request accepted. Soul Gem Universal World Attachment Restoration started.]

\*Rumble!\*

Space and time began to warp and contort as the Blackhole, which was now silver and golden, started to grow at a fast pace.

"Get away!" Eagon saw how it would cover the area where they were staying, so he quickly retreated.

Rean, Roan, Kentucky, Mia, and Old Worm did the same, disappearing from there.

\*Rumble!\*

The Silver and Golden Black hole then began to absorb all the other elements as well. Not long after, it became a swirl with several colored waves. As it did that, it increased more and more in size.

At some point, something that looked like a portal opened. Yet, it wasn't the same as you would see when opening a Spatial Gate. The insides were revolving with a lot more elements than just space and time.

After a few minutes, the Blackhole had already grown to the size of the Soul Gem Dimensional Realm Planet. Of course, it was still too small compared to the outside world planets, so it continued to increase.

Finally, it reached a size that was slightly bigger than Sunkan Planet itself. It was then that a gigantic mass started to come out. As it came out, everything on it began to take several shapes. By now, anyone could tell that what was coming from inside the colored hole was a planet.

The atmosphere slowly took form, rivers were created, and forests took shape. Mountains, valleys, deserts, grasslands, everything. Above all, the twins' group and Eagon could see with their Divine Senses that countless souls were descending onto the planet, entering static bodies all over the place. Be it humanoid or demon beast, they were all the same.

"This..." Eagon could tell now that what was appearing in front of him was none other than Sunkan Planet. "How is that possible? Wasn't it destroyed?"

Rean nodded. "We would love to know why it is happening too." Well, it wasn't a complete lie. Rean knew that the Soul Gem System was the reason, but he didn't know what was being used as the energy source for such a thing.

Roan paid even more attention to the environment and noticed something else as well. "Seems like time was frozen there."

Old Worm, as someone who lived on that planet for thousands of years, immediately agreed with Roan. "Yes. Everything is exactly as it was before the planet was destroyed. From the looks of it, even the souls that were supposed to have been sent to the Reincarnation Path were kept inside that frozen time state."

"Nothing escapes the power of time," Eagon added. "Even souls won't be able to go anywhere if the time environment around them is not moving forward."

Old Worm narrowed his eyes. After part of the planet took form, he saw that his Sasamil Empire also began to appear as well. After some time, he recognized the naked bodies of many of his previous family members. Of course, most of them would never recognize Old Worm since his own existence was known by very few. Those naked bodies were then covered in clothes, exactly the same ones they were wearing before the explosion.

Naturally, the Dalamu Sect was part of the Sasamil Empire. At some point, Mia saw how her own sect emerged from the countless fragments swirling all around. With the sect, the disciples and elders appeared one after another. Their souls entered their now reconstructed bodies, giving life to those empty shells.

Rean and Roan were in doubt about one thing, though. 'What about Havek, Rana, and the other people we saw reincarnating back in the Realm of Gods?' Would their reconstructed bodies be empty, or would there be a soul? Perhaps their own souls back in the Realm of Gods would be forcefully dragged here to enter their original bodies... They didn't know.

Finally, Rean and Roan detected a body from someone they were certain they met in the Realm of Gods. 'It's Havek's body!'

The souls still wandered everywhere, entering the various bodies that took shape. Yet, Havek's body didn't receive any soul whatsoever. At some point, the souls stopped appearing as they all entered their own bodies. Havek's body, on the other hand, was left just like that, an empty shell. 'Sure enough, nothing entered his body...' the twins thought at the same time.

Yet, that also raised another question. Rean looked at Roan and used their Soul Connection to talk. 'How did Havek, Rana, and the other souls escape this phenomenon? They reincarnated in the Realm of Gods, after all.'

Roan shook his head. 'I have no idea. Sister Orb, is this related to the system as well?'

[Hard to say. Sure, Rana and Havek were somewhat close to you, so you could say the system picked their souls to reincarnate with their memories on purpose. However, I can't guarantee that since you did meet other reincarnated souls that you had never met on Sunkan before. Why would the system pick those people? If you pay attention, Havek wasn't the only body that ended without a soul. There are a few thousand of them around the areas that have already been reconstructed. Of course, a few thousand is nothing compared to the tens of billions of lives on Sunkan Planet.]

That left them with one option. 'Most likely, it is related to that source of energy you mentioned...'

[I think so, too.]

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#### Chapter 2278: Crystalized World Essence

The Planet continued to take shape until half of it had finally come out of the colored portal. It was then that everyone saw a brightly dense and enormous crystal appear at the center of the Planet itself. It wasn't like the rest of the Planet that was being put together. The crystal was already whole by the time it started to come out.

Even Eagon trembled a little when his Divine Sense touched it. He could feel an incredible amount of energy coming from it. Due to the size of his clan, he had the chance of holding a Rank Nine Divine Stones before. Yet, even a thousand of those wouldn't get anywhere near the amount of Divine Origin Energy he could feel from the crystal.

Obviously, the twins' group felt exactly the same thing. They could see how the crystal itself provided the colored portal with all the energy it needed. The most impressive thing was that it didn't provide only Divine Origin Energy. It also provided the colored portal with all the elements needed to rebuild the Planet. Not to mention that it didn't seem the crystal didn't seem to be losing energy at all.

However, a few moments after it appeared, it suddenly disappeared. No, it didn't truly disappear. Instead, it was still there, providing the energy and elements the system needed to rebuild the Planet. It's just that it achieved the same effect as the black hole from before. They couldn't see it with their Divine Senses. Only their naked eyes could tell it was still there.

"No wonder no one ever felt this thing before. It can conceal itself," Eagon mentioned.

Roan nodded. "Indeed. By the way, Eagon, do you know what it is? We have never seen anything like that before. It should be several times better than even the highest level of Divine Stones."

Eagon shook his head in response. "No. I knew this Planet had to have something different, but it was also my first time seeing this crystal. It doesn't matter, though. With that thing, I will definitely be able

to reach the Space-Time Realm. Not only me, but all of us can do it. Perhaps that thing has enough energy to bring all of us to the Divinity Realm!"

Roan didn't doubt that. His group didn't really have a need for the crystal since they had enough Divine Origin Energy Cores to bring them to the Divinity Realm. Yet, saying that he wasn't interested in the crystal wouldn't be correct either.

'I know what it is!' Suddenly, Rean spoke.

That obviously took everyone's attention. 'You know?'

Rean nodded. 'It is basically World Essence. Or, to be more specific, a huge concentrated and clustered Crystal of World Essence.'

[Rean is right,] Sister Orb also confirmed. [Although I don't know how it became like that. However, it makes sense it is world essence. Only that would have all the Elements inside since World Essence is made of existing elements.]

'What about the Divine origin Energy, then?' Roan couldn't help but ask. The World Essence that they got from the Soul Gem Dimensional Realm didn't have Divine Origin Energy in it.

[It's the crystalization. It spent who knows how many years in that crystallized form. World Essence has the purest form of Elements. The Divine Energy it absorbed over time was cleansed and transformed into Divine origin Energy. Pretty much the same thing we do when we cultivate. We eliminate the unnecessary part and keep just the Divine Origin Energy. The crystal did the same thing.]

'Should we tell Eagon about that?' Rean wondered.

Roan nodded. 'With his experience, I doubt it will take very long for him to notice what the crystal is made of.'

Roan was right. Eagon had already pondered about what that crystal could be, and World Essence was one of them. His only doubt was whether the twins' group knew it or not.



Roan didn't hide for long. "Eagon, that thing is made of World Essence, isn't it?"

Eagon looked at Roan with surprise on his face. "So you had the same idea as me? I also think it is made of World Essence. It would explain how it was able to use such low-level energy like Spiritual Energy and transform it into Divine Origin Energy." One must not forget that Spiritual Energy is a much lower-level Energy coming from the same source. Naturally, it can also be used to gather Divine Origin Energy. It's just that the process would take hundreds of times longer than using Divine Energy. "I wonder how long this thing has been hidden inside this planet for it to accumulate so much Divine Origin Energy out of Spiritual Energy."

"No doubt it is far beyond the millions of years," Rean added.

"The question now is, how did the World Essence get crystalized? I didn't think such a thing was possible," Kentucky suddenly mentioned.

Rean, Roan, and Eagon narrowed their eyes. Kentucky was right. How was that possible?

Eagon then shook his head in the end. "Who cares how it was possible? The important part is that we can take it for ourselves. It will be a huge boost for all of us."

Rean had his doubts, though. "That thing is connected to the Planet's Core. What would happen if we remove it? Would the Planet be okay?"

"Does it matter... or so I wanted to say. However, as a Sector Lord myself, I obviously can't ignore such an outcome. We will need to investigate." Eagon then looked at the twins' group. "You better not get the wrong idea and try to take the crystal at all costs. I can contact all the other Sector Lords in the Mortal Realm at any time. I won't let you destroy an entire planet for it."

Rean and Roan nodded. "We also have no intention of destroying this planet."

At some point, the crystal was completely covered by the still-forming Planet. By the time the Planet was completed, the crystal was too deep for them to even feel its energy anymore.

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#### Chapter 2279: Going Down

Finally, the colored portal disappeared, leaving only a Sunkan Planet now orbiting the sun. Time began to run once again, and the people on the planet were left in a shocked state. Even though the planet was rebuilt just like before, everyone still remembered how they were suddenly enveloped by an intense light before everything went black.

Naturally, that was the moment they all died. Every single person and demon beast with sentience on the planet remembered that. Yet, everything around them was normal, as if nothing happened. If those near them hadn't gone through the same experience and asked everyone else, they might have thought they were hallucinating.

Outside the planet, Eagon watched everything with his Divine Sense together with Rean and Roan's group. They didn't enter the planet straight away as they didn't know if it was safe. A crystal with such power was definitely strong enough to kill them as well.

Yet, the planet just kept going like it always did before the explosion. The only difference was that the orbiting location was not in the right place. After all, it was stopped during all this time. Nonetheless, it wasn't an issue since the zone itself was correct.

Rean and Roan weren't only paying attention to it, though. Their eyes turned gentle as they caught sight of a specific woman in an overlooked tribe near the end of a small country. She was still at a loss for what happened, feeling like she had a dream.

That was none other than Rean and Roan's mother on this side of the Universe, Hamarlia Larks! 'In the end, she did not reincarnate in the Realm of Gods. Instead, she stayed frozen in time together with everyone else,' Rean commented.

Roan nodded and pointed out. 'She wasn't the only one. Look.'

The twins saw how Turen Larks, their father on this side of the Universe, also awakened. That didn't surprise them. Their father, Turen, told them before that he used a sliver of his soul to give birth to the Turen they were seeing now. Simply put, that sliver of a soul was also frozen in time, and now it

returned to Turen's reconstructed body. The Divinity Realm Turen also told them that this Turen, with a sliver of his soul, didn't know about his real self.

However, it didn't take long before Harmalia suddenly let out a scream. That's because her daughter, Rana, wasn't moving at all. Naturally, the twins knew why. Rana was one of the souls that reincarnated in the Realm of Gods. Since her soul left Sunkan, her small body was reconstructed and left there like an empty shell.

Rean gritted his teeth and finally decided to descend. 'I'm going down. Otherwise, Mother might try something crazy.'

Roan nodded. 'Go. I'll stay with Eagon to make sure things will stay under control.'

"Shall we descend then?" Eagon was also feeling bored as he couldn't perceive anything that could put his life in danger.

Roan and the others nodded.

Old Worm was the first one to ask, though. "I'm going to pay a visit to my Sasamil Empire. You guys don't mind it, do you?"

Eagon shook his head. "My Divine Sense can cover the entire solar system with ease. Such is the low level of restrictions in the Mortal Realm. Just be aware I will be watching you."

Old Worm didn't mind. "That's not a problem." He then looked at Mia. "I'll send you to the Dalamu Sect first. Almost no one would notice that I vanished in the Sasamil Empire. On the other hand, you will immediately be sought after by your sect."

"Thank you, master." Mia was obviously happy to hear that.

As Old Worm and Mia left, Rean also dove into the planet's atmosphere, leaving only Eagon, Roan, and Kentucky behind.

Seeing that, Eagon asked Roan. "Where is your companion going?"

Roan glanced at him and explained. "Truth be told, we were also born on this planet. That's how we came to know Jakiro. That's all I can tell you at the moment."

Eagon found it strange. Wouldn't that mean the twins' group reached the Elemental Space Realm in record time? But then again, it mattered little to him. He could see Rean clearly with his Divine Sense, so he was fine with that. What mattered was the Crystalized World Essence and especially the Divine origin Energy inside. "Is that so? Then I reckon you guys have some people you wish to visit."

"I'll leave Yean to it. The three of us should focus on World Essence. Let's descend and start digging." Well, they wouldn't really dig anything. At their level, they could pierce through the earth and easily descend to the core area.

Eagon had no complaints. "Fine by me."

Meanwhile, in the Varen Tribe, Hamarlia was panicking. "She isn't waking up!"

Turen, the one who didn't know about his real self, was a little better. "She is still breathing. Let's bring her to the Tribe Elder. Perhaps Senior Juri knows what happened. You do remember the sudden intense light, don't you?"

Hamarlia quickly walked out of the house with her husband while nodding. "I do! Perhaps it was that light that did something to Rana. Let's go to Elder Juri."

Yet, as soon as they stepped out of the house's door, they were met by a young man with white hair. Rean used his Divine Sense Bending Skill to conceal his appearance from Eagon so he wouldn't be able to see his true form. Yet, those in front of him would have no problem with that, so...

"Rean, you are back! Weren't you in Dalamu Sect?" Turen couldn't help but ask.

Hamarlia immediately asked for help. "Son, something is wrong with your sister. Can you take a look? She isn't awakening."

Rean bitterly smiled before shaking his head. "She is not going to wake up anymore."

"What?!" Hamarlia and Turen were taken aback.

However, before they could ask why, Rean entered the house. "Don't worry, though. Rana is fine. Come inside and listen to what I have to say."

Hamarlia couldn't help but mention. "Rean... you look somewhat... different."

Rean sighed and disappeared inside the house with his parents.

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Chapter 2280: A lot of talk

Once inside their house, Hamarlia passed Rana to Rean as she asked. "Here, you said she is fine, so do something."

Rean shook his head and gave Rana back to Hamarlia. "This is not Rana. No, to be more specific, it is her body, but Rana is not in here anymore."

\*Knock, knock!\*

Suddenly, someone knocked on the door, catching Rean's attention. Turen went there to check, just to see Juri Varen, the tribe leader, waiting outside. "Senior Juri..."

"Someone told me they saw Rean in the village. Is he really back?" Juri quickly asked.

Rean's voice then came from inside the house. "Elder Juri, long time no see. Please, enter as well."

Turen was still confused by Rean's words, but he allowed Juri to come in before closing the door once again.

Juri then looked at Rean and was just about to ask something when he noticed something different. "You... Are you really Rean?"

Turen and Hamarlia were taken aback. Yet, they had to admit they felt that Rean was somewhat different from the last time they saw him, which wasn't that long ago. Well, not long ago, according to their memories, that is.

Rean smiled and nodded. "I'm still me. It's just that I got a lot older, so even though I'm a cultivator, you probably can see the few minor differences between my body now and my body back then."

"Back then?" Turen was puzzled. "It hasn't been more than a few weeks since we saw you last time."

Rean shook his head. "I don't know how long it has been exactly as my journey between here and the Realm of Gods caused a time displacement. Yet, I can guarantee it has been more than a thousand years, no doubt."

Seeing their confused expression, Rean continued. "Do you remember something strange happening just a few minutes ago?"

Juri, Turen, and Hamarlia nodded. "There was a sudden bright light, and then everything went dark. It only lasted a moment, though."

Rean shook his head. "It last way more than a moment. This planet was destroyed, and you died with it. Only a few moments ago was this planet restored."

"We died?" Juri couldn't believe it.

Turen was also puzzled. "Planet? What is a planet?"

"What about Rana?" Hamarlia insisted, still worried.

Rean pondered a bit and decided it was easier to show it directly. He quickly wrapped everyone with his Spatial Powers before the four of them disappeared from sight. The next time Turen, Hamarlia, and Juri saw something, they were already outside the planet, floating in the middle of the void of space.

"Ahhhh!" Sure enough, they all panicked. "What is happening?!"

Rean smiled in response. "Don't worry, I'm keeping you all safe. We are in the middle of space. Can you see the gigantic ball over there?"

Hamarlia and the others looked over. There, they could see Sunkan Planet, although they didn't know that.

"That's our Planet, Sunkan Planet. That's its name. You guys live there. It's just that we are so far away that it looks just like a gigantic sphere," Rean explained. "That's what a planet is. Simply put, it is the world you live in."

"This..." Juri couldn't help but ask. "Rean... just how far have you gone in your cultivation? For you to bring us this far in a split of a second. That's something I've never heard about."

Rean waved his hand once again, and they disappeared. A moment later, they were all back inside Turen and Hamarlia's house. "I can talk about my cultivation later. What matters at the moment is that the planet you have just seen was destroyed over a thousand years ago. Naturally, you all died. Roan and I managed to escape at the last moment, but we couldn't help most of the people here."

"Roan..." Turen obviously noticed he wasn't there. "Where is your brother?"

"He is investigating some weird things related to this planet. He will stop by later, Father, don't worry," Rean answered.

"Can we stop caring about such things for now? I want to know what is happening to Rana!" Hamarlia still couldn't take her mind away from her daughter. Since she now knew her sons, Rean and Roan, were fine, Rana obviously took priority.

Rean nodded. "That's why I'm talking about it. The planet exploded, and everyone here died. Rana was no exception. However, due to a certain power, your souls did not go to reincarnation. Instead, your souls were trapped together with the souls of almost all inhabitants of Sunkan Planet."

He continued. "A while ago, that power was used to rebuild the planet and everyone's bodies. Naturally, your souls returned to your bodies. There were exceptions, though. A few of the souls escaped and reincarnated. Rana's soul was one of them."

"Then..." Hamarlia looked at the body of her daughter. Although it was still breathing, she understood her daughter wasn't there anymore. "Then she died completely...?"

Rean nodded. "She did. However, her memories were carried over when she reincarnated. Roan and I meet her. She now lives in the Realm of Gods, just like Roan and I. That's why I said she was fine. She still remembers all of us, and she has become someone quite important at that."

Rean then patted Hamarlia's shoulder. "Of course, a body can't exist without a soul. Although this body you are holding now is breathing, it won't last for long. This body's functions should stop completely in the next few hours. Fortunately, it is, as I said. Rana is not dead. Her soul is just not inside this body anymore. If you want, I can bring you to meet her later, Mom."

Hamarlia still felt strange looking at her daughter and knowing she wasn't really there. "Are you absolutely certain? It is just... too hard to believe, Rean."

"I'm certain!" Rean nodded vigorously. "I can guarantee that Rana is just fine. It's just that she isn't a human anymore."

"Not... a human?" Everyone asked at the same time.

Rean then used his Divine Energy to conjure an image of Rana in front of everyone. "This is her now. She reincarnated as a fairy."