

## Death 2441

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Chapter 2441: Teaching a Lesson

Roan pulled his White Star Scythe out, threatening to attack.

As one can imagine, Anfrou didn't seem the least bit scared. "Hehe! You are Uncle Kafan's disciple? Well, I have been taught by him and the other elders since I was born. I didn't need to be a disciple as I'm a real Death Spirit. Do you think your limited tutelage can make you stronger than me? Especially being at a lower Realm? Know your place!"

Without putting the amulet away, Anfrou gathered his Death Energy and used his Spatial and Time Power to launch an attack against Roan. Several hundred Dark Element needles, filled with those two powers, converged at Roan in a split second!

'Dark Iron Maiden!'

The Spatial and Time powers closed on Roan first, trying to lock his movements while the Dark Element Needles were about to hit him. "Don't worry, Uncle Kafan seems to regard you quite well, so I won't kill you. Let this be my lesson to you instead."

However, Anfrou noticed something strange. He was expecting Rean, Kentucky, and Essefy, who were all in the Elemental Space Realm Peak Stage like Roan, to join forces. Anfrou thought that Roan was being that brave because he was going to use numbers against him. Yet, Rean simply stepped back, and so did everyone else other than Roan. 'Hmph! In the end, not even his companions have the courage to join him. At least they are a little more intelligent than this guy,' thought Anfrou.

Too bad, though. Rean, Kentucky, and Essefy simply didn't want to get in Roan's way. Especially Rean and Kentucky, who had rarely ever seen Roan that irritated. Well, that's not counting the times Rean and Kentucky make Roan feel like that...

\*Crack!\*

Suddenly, the Spatial and Time Powers that were sealing Roan's movements seemed to break apart like glass. Space cracked everywhere as the Time Power, trying to slow his movements, lost all its effect. Roan was using his own Time and Space Power to fight back.

The next moment, his body disappeared, transforming into a streak of Black and White light that came straight for Anfrou! As for the several hundred Dark Element needles, they hit nothing but empty space.

'What?!' Anfrou was shocked, but he was still a Death Spirit in the Space-Time Realm. He immediately reacted and tried to keep his distance from Roan. Too bad, though. He was just too slow!

It only took a blink of an eye for Roan to catch up to Anfrou, forcing the latter to access his Pocket Dimensional Realm and bring out a pair of weapons similar to chakrams. They spun in front of Anfrou, absorbing his immense Death Energy and creating a barrier of incredible power. Without a doubt, Anfrou was definitely stronger than your run of the mill Initial Stage Space-Time Realm expert.

Surprisingly, Roan didn't stop or try to dodge. His Sky Energy, Weapon Aura, and Powerful body attack that barrier head-on!

'Death Style, Death Scythe!'

\*Swish!\*

The difference in power was just too ridiculous! The Death Energy of the Chakrams was split in half, followed by the Chakrams themselves! With all his cards and especially Rean's weapon, Roan was certain Anfrou's weapon and defense wouldn't be able to hold against him. Above all, Anfrou was completely underestimating him, which sealed his fate.

\*Zash!\*

Suddenly, an arm flew off as an amulet appeared in Roan's hand. Roan cut Anfrou's arm without a second thought, not giving him any chance to react. Roan then poured his Sky Energy into the talisman, causing it to explode in his hand. That immediately stopped its effect on the Death Spirits near them. They should recover their consciences in a few minutes after that.

Anfrou quickly opened his distance from Roan. Although his arm was cut, there was no blood to be seen. Instead, Anfrou's form changed, and that arm transformed into Death Energy, just like Anfrou's own body. Anfrou had now returned to his Death Spirit Form. "You..."

Roan snorted, not caring about Anfrou's anger at all. "What did you say a moment ago? Kafan regarded me too much, so you wouldn't kill me? Well, this is your lucky day! It just so happens that Kafan seems to regard you quite a lot, too. That's the only reason I didn't end your life... well, Death Spirits aren't exactly alive, but you understand what I mean."

Anfrou's anger skyrocketed after hearing that, and he even prepared to attack again. However, he soon noticed Rean and Kentucky's gaze, looking at him as if he was an idiot. Only then did he remember that Roan wasn't the only one there. If Rean and Kentucky were just as strong as Roan, then he truly would have no chance of winning. As much as Anfrou hated to accept, Anfrou had to admit Roan wasn't weak. Perhaps he was even stronger than himself!

"How can you use Time Power without being in the Space-Time Realm?" In the end, he gave up attacking back and just asked it out loud.

Roan put his White Star Scythe away and didn't mind telling Anfrou. "And who said that you must be in the Space-Time Realm to be able to use Time Power? It is this kind of convention that no one question that holds their abilities to evolve. From the looks of it, you also believe the same."

"That's surprising," Rean suddenly commented. "Usually, you would never go out of your way to tell the enemy about your strength and abilities."

Roan glanced at him and nodded. "I know. However, Master asked to teach this racist idiot a lesson, and so I did. That's all."

Roan then turned to Anfrou. "I was a Death Spirit Copy, just like the ones you tried to fuck just now. In the end, you are not all of that."

"Impossible!" Anfrou immediately refused to believe. "Death Spirits can't regain life, let alone copies!" That piece of information shocked Anfrou even more than his own defeat. If anything, it made him completely forget the previous short battle.

"Hmph!" Roan didn't care. "Whether you believe or not is your problem. You can ask Kafan himself later since I'm not in the mood to try to convince you."

Roan then ignored Anfrou and turned to the Death Spirits nearby. A few minutes later, they finally recovered their consciousness.

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Chapter 2442: After So Many Years

"W-What happened?" One of the Death Spirit Copies felt his mind muddled, finding it hard to focus on the happenings around him. Only after a few seconds did he manage to recover. "This..."

He saw Roan near to him and his companions, still confused. "What did you do to us?"

The other Death Spirits also had the same questions in their minds, not knowing how they suddenly fell into slumber. "Something is not right about these guys. We need to report to the Organization."

Roan nodded. "You can do whatever you want. Just try to not bother that idiot over there. He was the one who put you to sleep a moment ago and almost drained all your Death Energy. One of you should go back to do the report, while the rest should go back to the planet and continue your jobs."

The Death Spirits looked at each other and nodded. At the very least, they understood Roan's group wasn't a force they could mess with. One of them quickly opened a Death Door and let to the Organization, while the rest didn't waste time and used their own Death Doors to return to their working area.

Rean approached Roan and couldn't help but ask. "Is there a need for this many Death Spirits in this place?"

"Yes," Roan answered. "Did you forget? By the time you left, this planet had around eight billion people, more or less, not to mention all the animals and insects. Just how many of them die every day? A single Death Spirit would go crazy if he had to guide all the souls on a planet so overpopulated as this."

"I see..." Rean nodded and also thought about the Organization. It truly should have a ridiculous number of Death Spirit Copies to take care of half of the Universe. "Anyway, shall we go down?"

Roan glanced at Anfrou, who unconsciously took a step back. "Y-You just go and do whatever you want. I'll be waiting here."

Roan then disappeared, returning to the Soul Gem Dimensional Realm. This was Rean's planet, and his Divine Sense could cover it entirely. If there was something to find here, Rean could do it on his own.

Rean then looked at Essefy and Kentucky. "What about you two? It's not like you need to follow me down there."

Kentucky immediately flew to Rean's side. "And lose the chance to see how the planet you lived in your previous life looked like? No chance! This was the planet responsible for your communication system in the cultivation world."

Essefy, on the other hand, wasn't that much interested. "Guess I'll take a look around this galaxy. It is not every day I have the ability to open Spatial Gates myself. I want to feel it a bit more. Should I meet you here in a day's time?"

Rean didn't mind. "Yeah, it should be enough. But can you find your way back here without Anfrou's guide? Using Spatial Gates to travel the void is a lot more complicated than you think, especially since a galaxy isn't a static place. It is traveling through the void at a huge speed. A day later, this planet and solar system will be far away from where it is now."

Essefy nodded with confidence. "Master already told me how to locate myself in such an environment once he saw I was getting close to the Space-Time Realm. Don't worry; I can find my way back without a problem."

"Since that's the case, I have nothing else to say. Have fun... and make sure to keep yourself safe," Rean said. "The Vruves probably came to this side of the Universe as well, after all."

Essefy quickly opened a spatial gate as he nodded. "Sure thing. Now then, until later." Right after, he entered it and disappeared inside before the Spatial Gate closed.

"Let's go down, Kentucky." Rean began to descend. "Also, be extremely careful."

"I know," Kentucky nodded. "Your father lived here before, so there might be some trap left behind or something like that."

Rean shook his head, though. "That's not what I meant. This planet is full of people and animals who don't even know cultivation exists. Simply put, they are extremely fragile compared to literally any person or beast on the other side. Even the mortals on the other side of the Universe are many times stronger just because they were born and grew up in an environment with cultivation energies. That said, if you don't control your strength, you might truly smash a person to death without even noticing. Just the Divine Energy leaking from your body should be enough to kill quite a few lives around you, so make sure to completely suppress it."

"I see..." Kentucky truly hadn't thought about that. "Alright, I will take care to not hurt anyone."

Rean didn't use his Divine Sense when he descended into the planet, though. When he arrived, he used his Divine Sense Bending skill to see if he could detect any Divine Senses looking around the planet. Yet, there was nothing. The Death Spirit Copies couldn't use Divine Sense, so Rean obviously didn't feel them either.

However, there was no guarantee there wasn't some cultivator or similar on this planet due to his father's presence in the past. Who knows? It might even have someone from outside the Universe as well. Since this possibility existed, Rean refrained from using his Divine Sense to not alert the other part. Obviously, he told Kentucky to do the same.

As for why the Death Spirits were able to find them outside as soon as they arrived, that was basically because of the Death Door. It used Death Energy, and the oscillations of Death Energy caught the attention of the Death Spirits earlier, which led to that outcome.

Rean quickly flew to his continent, arriving in his old city in just a few seconds. Looking at it from above, he couldn't help but sigh. "It has become quite big. I guess it's to be expected after so many years..."

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## Chapter 2443: New Additions

Yet, Rean was disappointed with one thing. "I always thought that after these hundreds, maybe even thousands of years, there would be flying cars by now. Yet, even though everything looks quite modern... but no car is flying. So disappointing..."

Kentucky looked at Rean. "Flying... what? What is a car?"

Rean smiled and shook his head. "Forget it."

Rean's city had grown a lot. Before, it didn't have more than a hundred thousand inhabitants or so. Yet now, Rean was sure at least a few million lived there. That wasn't all. All the nearby cities had grown as well. If this trend was the same around the world, then this planet definitely had a lot more than just eight billion people now.

Rean tried to remember where his house was located. His family wasn't rich or anything like that, so they had a pretty common house in the suburbs. Well, that was until he moved out to live in an apartment. He was over thirty already by the time he died, after all. Where would you see a grown man still living with his parents after 30?

Of course, Rean completely ignored where his apartment was located. He wanted to check the place where his parents lived instead. "Hum... this is quite hard. Everything is just way too different from before."

Kentucky looked around from high up in the sky. "A few hundred or thousand years is far from enough to change the landscape too much. Why don't you use the mountains and hills around to determine where it was located, more or less?"

Rean nodded and looked around, trying to find the mountain in the distance. He remembered there was indeed a hill somewhere near the back of his parent's house, too. If humans didn't purposely excavate it out, it should still be there. "Oh, there it is!"

Rean used the presence of a few mountains far in the distance and the hill to identify his location. When he looked in the direction where the suburb was supposed to be located, all he found was countless apartment buildings. Even the hill itself had quite a few of these. As for common houses, Rean couldn't see a single one several kilometers around that location.

"Well, I guess this was to be expected," he murmured for a moment. Nonetheless, he didn't give up. He came down and landed near a movimented street. Of course, he had his Light Bending Skill activated, so for everyone else, he was completely invisible. "From what I can remember, my parent's house was somewhere around this place..."

Kentucky was very curious about the city around. He had never seen something like that. Even when they went back to the Zasfins Planet, which had evolved a lot after Rean introduced the Circuitry Formations, things weren't this 'modern.'

"Rean, shouldn't you take this chance to bring a few people from this planet to the Soul Gem Dimensional Realm?" Kentucky couldn't help but ask.

Rean looked at Kentucky, confused. "Bring some of them? Why?"

"You told me yourself. What you knew about technology was basically what you had learned back before you died. Yet, you weren't anywhere near knowledgeable about such things, knowing nothing but the very basics and most common information that most people also knew about on this planet. Now that you are here, you could totally acquire a few of the top experts in this 'technology' field you mentioned so many times," Kentucky explained.

Rean's eyes lit up, knowing Kentucky was right. Rean could tell how much technology evolved during the time he was out, and that was without the support of cultivation energies. There were many devices around him that he didn't recognize, and they seemed to do a lot of different types of work. He even saw a few robots here and there. Back then, the 'robot' trend was something that was literally just starting. Now, they were pretty common. "Now that you mentioned it, I have to admit it is a great idea."

Of course, Rean wouldn't do that now. "But before that, let's focus on our objective for being here." Rean then looked in a certain direction and began to walk. "Come with me."

A few minutes later, Rean arrived in front of another one of those huge apartment buildings. He took a look around, checking his memories and nodded. "Yes, this is it. This is the place where my parents' house was located. If not, it is at least very close."



Kentucky didn't see anything much different from the other buildings around. "So...? What exactly are we looking for? Can't see anything related to an Archangel."

Rean narrowed his eyes. Indeed, so what if he got here? The house was gone, and anyone living in this building now most likely had absolutely nothing to do with his parents anymore. "Hum... I'll try to use my Divine Sense."

"Is that okay?" Kentucky asked back.

Rean nodded. "I'll spread it up to a few kilometers, enough to cover this building and a good portion of the city's underground. If there is truly an expert in this place, then I can only consider myself unlucky. Well, even if there is, there is nothing saying it is an enemy to start with. Besides, did you forget? If there was really an expert that could threaten us within these few kilometers, he would appear inside our Spatial Natural Perception."

Kentucky raised his guard and prepared to return to his Minokawa form at any second. "We have been to places where even the Natural Spatial Perception is messed up, so I'm going to be ready in any case."

Rean nodded and got ready, too. The Ruins of the Stars was a place where Natural Spatial Perception could be deceived, and since his father was a crew member of that spaceship, there was a chance of it happening here, too.

Rean and Kentucky nodded, and Rean's Divine Sense spread, covering an area of around 30 kilometers or so. Above the ground, everything was as normal as it gets. However, underground...

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Chapter 2444: Do Something

"How did no one notice it already...?" Rean couldn't help but ask.

Kentucky looked at him and saw his weird expression. Without being able to hide his curiosity, Kentucky also spread his Divine Sense to the same distance as Rean. Only then did he see what Rean was talking about. "What is that? Some kind of metallic giant race?"

Rean shook his head. "It's not a living being. That's what you would call a robot, a very, very big one. It's over twenty kilometers underground. However, considering this planet's technology, it is hard to believe no one noticed this thing underground until now."

"Robots?" Kentucky remembered the robots back in the Ruins of Stars and even the robots on this planet. "That one down there is pretty different, don't you think? It's not only the size. Its body structure is completely different."

"That's because of its size," Rean explained. "If you used the same materials and structure to make a robot this big, it would crumble under its own weight. This big guy seems extremely advanced, far more advanced than the technology here on Earth could create. There are plenty of metals I've never seen before, but there are also components I saw back in the Ruins of Stars."

"I see..." Kentucky nodded. "Well, one thing is sure: he looks extremely delicious."

Rean's mouth twitched. Kentucky often eats rare metals in the Soul Gem Dimensional Realm since it also helped with his body development. This robot seemed to carry many high energy and rare metals in its composition, so it was normal for Kentucky to want to eat it. "Don't do that. I want to analyze this thing later. There are many circuitry formation runes in this guy that came from outside the Universe, from what I can see. Don't mess with it."

"Hum?" Suddenly, Rean noticed something. "Is that some kind of barrier?" It was very, very faint, so Rean didn't notice it straight away. But now that he was paying more attention, he did notice something enveloping the space where the robot was located.

Kentucky also paid attention but shook his head. "Doesn't seem to be a barrier. It is not separating the outside from the inside at all."

Rean nodded and finally decided. "Alright, let's go down."

Kentucky and Rean immediately drilled themselves into the ground after finding a calm corner. The hole quickly closed behind them, not leaving any clues behind. It didn't take more than a few tens of seconds for Rean and Kentucky to reach the area before they touched that thing Rean thought to be a barrier. Yet, their bodies passed right through, not receiving any kind of damage or pushing them out.

However, Rean did feel some electrical currents when he did it. "I see... It is a barrier, but not a physical one. It is most likely a barrier that prevents any searching equipment from seeing what is down here. No wonder no one found such a huge space right below the city after so many years."

\*Crack!\*

\*Crumble!\*

Rean and Kentucky then left the soil, breaking into the space where the robot was located. Surprisingly, the wall behind them quickly began to rebuild itself, just like it happened in the Ruins of the Stars. "There is no doubt that this place was built with the same kind of technology as the Ruins of Stars. This place has to be related to my father."

Rean spread his Divine Sense once again, and only now did he see just how big this place was. "This is a huge facility... It is around twenty kilometers in size from what I can see in my Divine Sense. And..."

Suddenly, several small robots appeared in this distance, all rushing straight at Rean and Kentucky. Rean obviously had noticed it. "It has the same self-defense system as the Ruins of Stars. Careful, Kentucky. They all have Divine Origin Energy Cores, and they seem to be pretty full. Don't forget they like to explode once they are put out of combat."

Kentucky smiled. "It's fine. We already know how to deal with them."

Rean and Kentucky moved like lighting, hitting the robots at specific points and isolating the Divine Origin Energy Cores from the rest of the robot's system. The robots all began to fall on the ground one after another without having a chance to self-destruct. They were all turned OFF, having lost their connection with the source of energy.

Tanxan had given Rean a very good explanation about these things and how to deal with them, which Rean obviously taught the others as well during their time in the Ruins of Stars. In the end, it became useful many years after the Ruins of Stars left this Universe.

Rean and Kentucky also had to deal with several weapons that kept appearing on the walls, but their numbers were many times lower than the ones they found back in the Ruins of the Stars.

Yet, although the waves of robots and attacks were not as intense as in the Ruins of the Stars, they were constant and seemingly never-ending. "Rean, we will run out of Divine Energy if we continue like this," said Kentucky after dodging another laser and getting rid of another robot.

Rean pondered a bit about it. This facility didn't have anything that prevented them from running away. Kentucky and Rean could simply drill themselves out of this place, and the robots and defense equipment wouldn't be an issue anymore. Yet, he wasn't sure if, with his actions, the facility wouldn't suddenly attack the world above.

"Oh, right!"

Rean quickly reached one of the several terminals around and spoke to Kentucky. "Kentucky, hold them off for a few seconds."

Kentucky nodded and spread his domain, this time bearing the power of the attacks instead of dodging.

Rean then accessed the system and spoke to the terminal. "Rean Larks, ID 340184527812, Authority Level A12, requesting integration into all defense systems."

The terminal flashed with countless words in a split second when, suddenly, the facility changed. All robots stopped their charge against Rean and Kentucky while a robotic voice echoed.

-ID and authority level confirmed. Welcome, Rean Larks.-

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Chapter 2445: Affirmative

Kentucky was surprised to see all the robots stopping and the other defensive mechanisms deactivating. "This..." he then looked at Rean. "That doesn't make sense. This place has lost contact with the Ruins of the Stars, hasn't it? It's literally on the other side of the Universe. When you made that ID of yours, this place had already been built isolated. How can the system in this place recognize you?"

"It's because of this guy." Rean smiled as the terminal spilled a card out. It was an ID card that Rean got back in the Ruins of the Stars. Because it was bound to him, only he could use it. There wasn't any point in giving it back to Tanxan, so Rean kept it. Not only Rean, Roan and Luan also had their own cards, although only Rean is here at this moment. "As long as it was something with the same system at the Ruins of the Stars, it would recognize my ID."

Kentucky landed on Rean's side, looking at his card. "I'm surprised your father didn't turn OFF this feature in this place."

Rean nodded. "He probably thought there was no need for it and that it would require way too much work. Or perhaps I'm wrong, and he did want someone to find this place someday. Who knows? The fact is that this facility's defense system now recognizes us as members of the same organization and won't attack us anymore. I truly didn't want to flee."

Kentucky looked around, now paying more attention to the equipment spread through the place. "Just what was this place, then? From what you said, your father fled with an emergency escape ship. Yet, this place is obviously not a spaceship at all, so he had to build this. What did he do it for?"

Rean pondered a bit. "Well, you probably still remember that my father took the soul worms, right? Perhaps this was the place where he produced them in bulk, waiting for the day he would enter the Heavens and dominate the angels. Of course, this is just speculation."

Smile then flew to one of the nearby automatic doors. "Well, we have plenty of time to investigate. If there was some enemy in this place, he would have shown himself by now."

Kentucky returned to his humanoid form and followed Rean. "Aren't you afraid of your father suddenly paying a visit? I mean, what if he left a way to warn him if this place received some unexpected visitors? I hate to be the bearer of bad news, but we are absolutely not his match."

Rean crossed the door and continued through the corridor. "I doubt that to be the case. If anything, my father most likely took everything he wanted from this place already." Rean then remembered something and spoke out loud. "System, tell me the ID number of the last crew member to be in this facility."

-Request accepted-

-The last crew member to appear was Romario Faran, ID number ER184395370.-

Rean nodded, satisfied. His authority was truly enough to completely take control of this place. "Very well. Tell me the last time Romario Faran was in this facility."

-Romario Faran's last appearance was 1275 years, seven months, three weeks, and eleven hours ago. The time used for this calculation took this planet's time system as the main display. This facility has been in hibernation and auto-maintenance mode since then.-

Rean was taken aback. He wasn't sure how long he had been out of this side of the Universe. Now, taking this time into consideration, that was probably within the time he died on Earth. "Oh, right! I could have done just that."

Rean quickly spread his Divine Sense and covered the city above, knowing that there wasn't anything there earlier. Soon, he found the day and year. "I see... so it has been 1281 years since I left, uh?"

Kentucky quickly warned him. "Maybe on this planet. However, don't forget the time displacements and things like that. It might be 1281 years here, but it might as well be a million years in other places."

"I know that," Rean agreed with him. "But the time in other places matters little at the moment. What matters is that my father left six years after my 'death' on this planet."

Kentucky pondered about it and remembered something. "That's weird. The Angel Race had been under your father's control for a much, much longer time. Six years is far from enough for him to spread the soul worms all over the Heavens."

"You said it yourself," Rean spoke. "Perhaps it was the time displacement." However, Rean quickly shook his head. "No, forget what I said. The time difference would still be too big."

Rean then shrugged his shoulders. "Well, let's leave the time aside for now. System, please specify this facility's purpose."

-This facility has been built with the primary objective of nurturing Soul Worms based on the subject ID ER184395370.-

Rean and Kentucky nodded. They were right; this place was used to create the soul worms Romario used to dominate the Angel Realm. "System, do you have any information about Romario Faran's plans other than the Soul Worms?"

-Searching...-

-Some of the research carried out by Romario Faran was linked to the Celestial Laws Manipulation.-

Rean and Kentucky looked at each other. "Isn't that exactly what the experts like Huban and Kafan said the next level above Divinity Realm should be capable of doing without having to pay any prices?"

For Huban, Kafan, and those similar to them to manipulate the celestial laws, they must pay the price of forgetting the laws they had comprehended. They can comprehend those laws again after doing it, but depending on the damage, it might take between a few hundred to tens of thousands of years to recover their lost power. They believed the next realm, the one they failed to attain, should be able to do it without any price to be paid.

Rean quickly asked another thing. "System, was it related to surpassing the Divinity Realm?"

-Affirmative-

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Chapter 2446: Failed Equipment

Rean and Kentucky couldn't help but grow excited. Even if they are too far away to try something like surpassing the Divinity Realm, they might get there one day. If they have information on how to do it, wouldn't it be the best? "Compile all the information regarding these experiments and display it on the terminal."

-Request can't be fulfilled. Subject Romario Faran has wiped out all the results of his research regarding the Celestial Laws Manipulation after retrieving the information into a memory crystal. The user will

need to get in contact with Subject Romario Faran and request the results of the research from him directly.-

Rean and Kentucky's excitement disappeared as fast as it appeared, knowing that they just lost a huge treasure. "It was going way too well to be true..."

"System, has Romario Faran worked on any project other than the Manipulation of Celestial Laws research and the usage of Soul Worms?" Rean didn't dwell on the previous information and continued his questions.

-Negative-

Rean nodded as he continued to walk with Kentucky. Even if there wasn't much to be done in this facility, they could at least gather its resources. "Well, let's go check that giant robot."

"Okay," Kentucky didn't mind and followed Rean.

A few minutes later, they arrived at a huge warehouse. It was very well maintained, with a few of the robots that were specialized in maintenance walking around. Yet, most of the warehouse was completely empty, with the sole exception of the giant robot at the back.

"System, what is this robot? Give me a detailed explanation," Rean ordered the system.

-Zashion Model 3WB version 2.34009-

-The Zashion Model 3WB is mainly specialized in the manipulation and extraction of dead solar cores. It is capable of not being affected by the enormous gravity, time displacements, and spatial destruction of such cores, allowing one to move such cores as one pleases. From Version 2.2 and beyond, an additional feature was added, providing the Zashion Model with the power of breaking down such cores if necessary.-

Kentucky was completely lost after hearing those words.



However, Rean was different. "Wait! When you say dead solar cores... are you talking about Black Holes?!"

-Is the user using the nomenclature of this planet?-

"Yes," Rean nodded. The name Black Hole was indeed something he heard here on Earth first. It didn't mean it was the same in other places.

-The user is correct. Black Hole does fit the description and is another name given to the same material based on this planet's nomenclatures.-

Rean breathed coldly after hearing that. "Holy shit! A Black Hole's gravitational pull is absolutely ridiculous. How can that robot get close to it without turning into smashed scrap?! No, I guess it was supposed to spaghettification first? Anyway, this is crazy!"

Kentucky looked at the robot before saying, "I don't know much about what you are talking about. However, if you are mentioning gravity, then you are talking about the laws of earth. I can feel countless pieces of metal with huge earth properties in this robot that I would love to take a bite of. They are mostly centered around this little spec of material you mentioned."

Rean touched the giant robot as if he was looking at a treasure. Well, it was a treasure just with the metals and circuitry runes it had, even if it couldn't move. Rean then noticed a tiny, tiny spec of material at one of the most protected parts of the robot in the center. Above all, only now did he notice that this fragment appeared in his Natural Spatial Perception, showing that it was affecting space around it just like cultivators at the Void Tempering Realm and above. After he heard what the system said, he couldn't help but ask. "System, is this robot powered by a fragment of a Black Hole?"

-Affirmative-

"And here I thought it only used Divine Energy to move. Well, it does use Divine Energy, but not only it. The guys from outside the Universe are truly impressive," said Rean.

Rean truly wanted to control this robot. Yet, he couldn't find anything like a cockpit inside it. "Well, it makes sense. System, this robot has no space for an operator, right? It is remotely controlled."

-Affirmative- the system answered before continuing. -Caution is required when controlling the Zashion Model. Even with all the protection features, a fragment of a Black Hole still possesses huge destructive power. If the isolation of the fragment fails, anyone near it without the necessary cultivation to resist the gravity pull will have a high risk of death.-

Rean wasn't surprised. "I've never been close to a Black Hole before. System, what level of cultivation would be necessary for someone to be able to resist this robot's fragment's gravitational pull?"

-Based on the directories of the Zashion Model from Lingan University, only cultivators at the Peak Stage of the Space-Time Realm would be considered safe near it, but only if they use their full strength to resist the gravitational pull, and they wouldn't last more than a few seconds. For direct manipulation, a cultivation of Divinity Realm Middle Stage is recommended.-

Rean nodded, already expecting as much. "So this thing would still be somewhat dangerous for us. Oh, right! System, do you know why Romario Faran left this robot behind? It seems to be a quite rare piece of equipment."

-Subject Romario Faran used the Zashion Model to cut another fragment of a dead solar core, which was used to power up this facility. Reason: No natural Divine Energy was provided for the work of all the mechanisms. The auxiliary models and schematics that don't rely on Divine Energy were necessary, thus the fragment of a dead solar core.-

-During the process of adding the fragment to the isolation chamber of the facility, the Zashion Model suffered some damage due to a long period of lack of maintenance. The facility was successfully activated, but the Zashion Model became too unstable for transportation. It has been sealed in this warehouse ever since as the necessary materials to fix the Zashion Model were used in the construction of the Isolation Chamber of the facility.-

Rean was taken aback as he took a few steps back. "Are you saying that the Fragment of the Black Hole inside could break out of the robot's isolation chamber at any moment?"

-The user's conjecture is correct. At the moment, the Zashion Model's Isolation Chamber is still working, but the system can't give an estimation for how long.-

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Chapter 2447: Another Three

Rean couldn't help but get somewhat angry. "How could he leave this thing in this place? Although such a small fragment wouldn't cause the planet to explode or anything, it sure would at least destroy the city above before it sank to the center of the planet."

Kentucky found it strange. "Why exactly would he leave it here, indeed? After all, he could have simply moved everything into a Spatial Ring or his own Pocket Dimensional Realm. That way, there wouldn't really be any movement of the robot."

Rean agreed with Kentucky. "Yes, that's another reason why I'm angry. He could at least have thrown this thing somewhere else in the Universe using this method."

Surprisingly, the facility's system corrected Rean. -The Zashion Model can not be moved through spatial methods with its isolation chamber damaged.-

Kentucky and Rean didn't expect that. "Why?"

-Its gravitational power causes both space and time to distort around it, making it impossible to move through such methods. The Isolation Chamber usually prevents such powers from interfering during the transportation of the Zashion Model, which allows it to be moved into Spatial Rings or Dimensional Realms. However, with its damage, the next attempt to move it through such methods would most likely completely break the already damaged equipment. The system recommends that users should not attempt to move the Zashion Model.-

"This..." Rean looked at the robot and bitterly smiled. Not only he won't be able to move it, but if he tries, everyone on this planet will be fucked. "System, can you at least give an estimation if something will happen in the near future?"

-Analyzing...-

-Based on the damage to the isolation chamber, the system predicts that it should not break in the next five hundred years. However, the estimation of time can not be trusted as most of the sensors are

broken or damaged. The system highly recommends the user bring the repairing materials to fix the Zashion Model with its newest schematics. The last scheduled upgrade has been delayed.-

Well, that was obvious. The Ruins of the Stars was sabotaged a long time ago, so this thing definitely didn't get any of its upgrades that were supposed to come during all this time. "It's fine. We can only hope nothing happens in the meantime. Besides, five hundred years is just the most conservative estimation; it might as well take thousands of years before the isolation chamber truly breaks."

"Still... such a shame." Rean obviously wanted to use the robot and see if he could also harness the power of a black hole. Just the fact this thing could get close without being destroyed down to its atoms was already impressive enough. "Oh well, so be it."

"What do we do now?" Kentucky asked.

Rean pondered a bit. "System, do you have any information regarding Romario Faran's plans after he left the facility? Especially things like a possible location or residence."

-Searching...-

-Based on the fragment archives that remained, subject Romario Faran was looking for a way to cross to the other side of the Universe. According to the information, the extinction sphere, which is a natural phenomenon, was destroyed, causing the split.-

-There is also some information regarding the angel race that was used in the nurturing of soul worms. The probability is that subject Romario Faran is in the Heavens where angels are located. The system can not verify whether Romario Faran succeeded in traversing to the other side or not.-

Rean sighed in disappointment. Everything the facility's system said he already knew. However, it was then that the system added one last piece.

-There is also some information regarding the Temporal Path, which seems to be some kind of spatial transportation feature on the other side of the Universe. More information is necessary about this subject.-

Rean's eyes lit up. "Right! Turen was able to open a gap inside the Temporal Path and live inside without anyone bothering him. If there is a safe place for Romario to be, that has to be the Temporal Path!"

Kentucky agreed although he didn't seem that excited. "It's definitely worth a shot. The only doubt is how will we find him there and what will we do if we find him."

Rean's excitement immediately died down. "Sigh... Indeed... I doubt that old fool will want to hear what I have to say. If anything, he might even try to attack me and you guys to recover the fragment from the Floating Islands of Time."

"You don't need to worry about that now," Kentucky quickly tried to improve the mood. "As long as we know where to search, we can work on a plan. For now, one of our main objectives was fulfilled. We now know where we could try to look for your father."

Rean was happy to hear that. "Yes, you are right." He then turned to the system once again. "System, other than the nurturing of soul worms and the research of Manipulation of Celestial Laws, was this place being used for anything else by Romario Faran?"

-This facility is also equipped with a cryogenic time stasis chamber. Subject Romario Faran used this equipment a total of four times during the years. Mainly, he used the chambers during the construction of the facilities.-

Rean nodded. They found Tanxan inside of one of those chambers. Well, it had a different name back in the Ruin of the Stars, but they should have the same function Rean thought. If Tanxan was able to survive to this day inside them, let alone Romario, who only used it to wait a few tens or hundreds of years.

Kentucky then asked something else. "Right. Do you have any information about Romario Faran's family?"

Rean obviously got interested. "Indeed, perhaps he left some information about us."

-Negative.-

"Sigh..." It seemed like Rean's father didn't input any information of him or his mother in this system.  
"Alright, alright. Is there anything else I should know?"

-At the moment, there are three subjects using the cryogenic time stasis chamber. One subject has been inside for 1276 years. The other two Subjects have been inside for... database was damaged. The system can't calculate the working time of the other two cryogenic time stasis chambers.-

"What?!" Rean and Kentucky immediately opened their mouths wide.

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Chapter 2448: You Dare!

Kentucky immediately looked at Rean. "The system can't tell the time two of these cryo things have been working. Isn't it the same as Tanxan? These two must be beings from back when the Ruins of the Stars arrived in this Universe."

Rean nodded, although he was a lot more interested in the third one. "1276 years... just one year before my father's last visit to this facility."

Rean steeled his resolve and quickly asked. "System, point the direction to the cryo facility."

Just like it happened in the Ruins of the Stars, several holographic arrows quickly appeared around the place, pointing in the direction Rean wanted to go. Rean and Kentucky glanced one last time at the robot behind them and left it alone, quickly following the arrows.

The cryo facility was on the other side of the underground building, which took Rean and Kentucky a few minutes to arrive. Soon, they entered a small room with ten of these cryo devices properly organized at the back. The chambers looked quite different from the ones they found Tanxan inside, but it was easy to understand why. The system pointed out that this facility had to be built with different schematics due to the nonexistence of Divine Energy, and those different cryo devices should be one of those different ones.

Kentucky quickly pointed at the cryo pod at the center. "Can you see who is inside?"

The pods weren't transparent, though. They were just like the one Tanxan lived in this regard. They could only find out what the living being inside looked like once they opened it. Rean quickly nodded and approached it, waving his hand above the small terminal above the lid.

Several holographic information appeared in front of the duo, showing that there was indeed someone inside this pod. "System, which pod is the one working for 1276 years?"

-Cryo device number 005-

Rean nodded, seeing that he and Kentucky were right in front of it. Rean then took a deep breath and began to go through the terminal options. They were quite different from the terminal back in the Ruins, but the general information was similar. After a few minutes, Rean finally managed to finish the cryostasis. "Let's meet our new friend." With one last touch, Rean ordered the pod to open.

-Initiating cryostasis stoppage. Please stay a few meters away from the device.-

\*Ziiiiii...\*

\*Druuuuu....\*

\*Shuuuuuu...\*

After a few minutes of weird sounds, the cryo pod began to open slowly. A cold fog came from inside, quickly revealing the body of a naked old woman lying down there.

"Who is it?" Kentucky asked.

Rean faintly smiled as he took out a robe from the Dimensional Realm. At the same time, his appearance changed, returning to his original features before he died on this planet. Using his Divine Energy, he lifted the old woman's body and put the robes on.

Meanwhile, the woman seemed to struggle to wake up as her hand moved to her head, feeling quite some pain. "Romario... please bring me some painkillers. My head is killing me."

Yet, when she finally woke up, she saw herself floating in the middle of a place she didn't recognize. "Ah! W-What is happening here?! Romario, where are you?!"

"Calm down, mom," Rean said with a smile. He had an inkling that perhaps it was his mother inside the cryo pod, but to see the person live was completely different.

Rean's mother then looked in the voice's direction. She immediately recognized the man in front of her. Yet, there didn't seem to be any happiness on her face. "AHHHHHHHH! GHOSTTTTTTTTTTTTT!!!!!!!"

Rean's eyes twitched a bit as his mouth showed a bitter smile. Indeed, what were he thinking? He died many years ago, so it obviously would be a shock to suddenly appear in front of his mother.

"Hahahaha!" Kentucky, on the other hand, laughed out loud. "This is great! Ghost, yes, you are right, lady, this is Rean's ghost! UUUuuuUuuUuuuuuu!"

\*Bang!\*

Rean immediately kicked Kentucky, sending him flying out of the room and hitting the wall in the corridor. "Shut up, idiot! My mom has a weak heart. Do you want to kill her?"

Kentucky's body then flashed, quickly reappearing on Rean's side. Obviously, such a kick couldn't even scratch him. "Oh, come on. You have to admit it was funny."

Kentucky then looked at the old woman. "By the way, Rean, you never told me your mother's name. Lady, nice to meet you, my name is Kentucky."

The old woman was still scared out of her mind, especially after seeing Kentucky splash the wall in the corridor with his body, yet not receiving any damage whatsoever. Above all, Kentucky, in his humanoid form, was very different from a normal human, having several feathers and scales around his body. "A



monster and a ghost! This must be a nightmare. Yes, it has to be it..." She quickly closed her eyes and ignored her headache, trying to sleep again.

Seeing his mother trying to ignore them and sleep again made Rean a little lost as he scratched the back of his head. He then used his Divine Energy to put his mother on the ground so that she could stand on her own feet. Yet, perhaps it was because she had been sleeping for too long, but her legs quickly gave away. Naturally, Rean quickly held her, but with his own arms this time. "Ahem... Mom, please open your eyes. This is not a dream... although I would also think the same if I were in your shoes."

Yet, the old woman ignored him and pretended to not hear anything.

"It seems like she totally thinks you are a ghost," Kentucky added.

"You didn't help much either," Rean glared at Kentucky.

Seeing his mother's efforts to continue to ignore everything around them, Rean could only use his ultimate weapon to make her pay attention. "Ah! Mom, quickly, look! Father is stealing your cranberry jam once again!"

"What?!" The old woman's eyes immediately opened as fury flashed on them. "Romario, you dare!"

Somewhere on the other side of the Universe, a certain Archangel felt a chill running through his spine.

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Chapter 2449: Nonsense

Of course, Romario was nowhere to be seen, and the old woman quickly remembered where she was. "Ah!" She then struggled to get up while taking a few steps away from Rean. "Is... is it really... not a dream? Then you must be a ghost!"

Rean sighed in response. "Well, in a certain way, you aren't completely wrong, Mom."

Kentucky was still curious. "Lady, you still haven't told your name."

The old woman looked at the young man with scales and feathers over his body. It was hard for her to accept she was talking to it. "I'm... I'm Juliana Faran..."

Kentucky nodded. "Great! I'm Kentucky! I'm Rean's boss."

Rean's mouth twitched. "Who the hell is my boss? Mom, don't listen to the idiot bird. He is just a friend."

"Hahaha!" Kentucky laughed and then began to walk outside. "Anyway, Rean, you probably have a lot of things to talk about, so I'll explore this place for a while. Besides... it should be full of you know what."

\*Zush!\*

As soon as Kentucky finished saying those words, another being appeared on Kentucky's side, alarming Juliana once again. It was Celis, who knew exactly what Kentucky was talking about. "Since they still have a lot of the robots who are working with Divine Origin Energy, this place is bound to have some extra stock of Divine Origin Energy Cores. Let's go, Kentucky! We need to find them all!"

"Great! I'll go check the east side; you check the west," Kentucky nodded.

The two of them quickly disappeared from the room after that.

Juliana was still at a loss. There was a young man with scales and feathers, and then, out of nowhere, another man who looked a lot older appeared. This one looked more like a mix of tree and bark with humans. How could she not believe she was in a dream? "I... I guess I'll just lie down and try to sleep again."

Rean approached and patted his mother's shoulder, who was still trembling while looking at him. "It's not a dream, Mom. It's just... well, a lot, really a lot of things happened. Can you look at my face? In truth, this isn't even my real appearance at the moment. I'm only using it because I needed you to recognize me."

Rean could see how his mother was truly nothing but a mortal. Not a single iota of cultivation could be found in her. Just like they talked with Kafan, she didn't have a body made for cultivation either. A true body evolved to live in a world without cultivation energies, just like all the other humans above this place.

"Not... your real appearance?" Juliana asked back, finding it hard to believe when she touched Rean's face. The feeling was very real. She then looked around once more and tried to calm down. "Rean... what is this place? No, first... you were dead. I went to the morgue... I saw your body, and I was there when we buried you. Are you truly my Rean?"

Rean nodded. "It's truly me. However, the one you buried was also me. You were not wrong when you said you saw it happening because it really did. If we were to check the place where I was buried, my old body should still be there. Oh, but don't worry. I'm not lying; I'm not a ghost at all. There are some circumstances behind this actual me at the moment."

Juliana then had an idea. "If you are truly my Rean, then you can definitely answer a few questions of mine. Questions that only Rean could answer. Don't get me wrong, but the emotions you are showing... my Rean had never been the type to show any emotions at all."

"Oh... right, there was that too..." Rean sighed as he remembered all the trouble the Soul Gem System gave him during his previous life, priving himself from emotions. With his actions while Kentucky was here, it truly made it even harder to believe he was really the same Rean. "No problem, Mom. Ask anything, and I'll answer. Also, the problem with my emotions that you and Dad could never solve, I already got it fixed."

Juliana tried to ignore the things around her and thought about a few moments of Rean's past life. She then began to ask them, knowing that no one other than herself and the real Rean could give the correct answer. Even if 'this' Rean gave a correct answer by coincidence, he couldn't do it several times nonstop.

Around thirty minutes later, Rean finished answering another of his mother's questions. Naturally, he got all of them right. "And that's how you ended up finding me at the back of the room. Alright, ask the next question, Mom."

Yet, Juliana shook her head. "There is no need. Only the real Rean would know all these things. I can't believe it is really you, but it seems like I'm forced to."

\*Tud!\*

Then, all of a sudden, Juliana hugged Rean as tears began to fall from her face. "It's really, really you. How much I wished I could do this again. How you got yourself to revive or whatever matters not. Just promise me you won't die somewhere I can't see again."

Rean smiled and hugged the old woman back. "Sure, I'll do it. Don't worry."

Juliana calmed herself again a few minutes later, finally releasing Rean. "Son... what is happening here? If this really isn't a dream, then how did I end up in this place? No, what is this place to start with?"

Rean sighed, seeing that his father was definitely the one to have done it. "So... father has never told you anything?"

"Told me?" Juliana was puzzled. "Told me what?"

Rean pondered a bit before asking. "If I told you Dad is an Angel, not only an Angel but an Archangel... would you believe me?"

"Hahahaha!" Juliana couldn't help but laugh. "That clumsy old geezer? An Angel? What nonsense are you spitting out? Although he isn't a bad person, he isn't a saint either. How could he be an angel?"

Rean sighed. "It seems like we truly have a lot more to talk about than I initially thought."

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Chapter 2450: Who Are They?

Rean then began to talk about what happened when he died. "Then I grabbed Death's leg and pulled him with me into the Reincarnation Path..."

"Reincarnation Path?" Juliana felt more surprised as she heard. "Is there such a thing?" She wasn't religious or anything like that. In her mind, as long as you died, it was all over. She never believed things like souls truly existed.

Rean nodded. "Yes, although this one is fake," Rean added while shrugging his shoulders.

Rean continued the story, telling how he and death passed through the reincarnation path, just to be dragged into another part of the Universe, eventually being reborn as twins. "Can you believe that? That guy ended up becoming my brother!"

"Hahahaha!" Juliana couldn't help but laugh out loud. "This is just too funny."

"Ehhh?" Rean was taken aback. "I thought you would be angry for me..."

"Angry?" Juliana shook her head. "You are here now, aren't you? The combination of factors that led to you finding me in this place definitely had this Death Spirit brother of yours involved. If anything, I have to be thankful to him."

Rean had to admit she was right. "Well, I guess I can give him this little bit of credit."

The story didn't stop and Rean reached the part where Sunkan Planet was destroyed while his group teleported away to save themselves. "I truly got mad at that time. However, the planet wasn't truly gone. Due to some circumstances, the planet was restored, and most of the souls in there were revived."

"If you were not in front of me right now, I would say you were spitting bullshit," Juliana commented. "Yet, you revived... reincarnated... close enough. Well, if you can, so can others."

Rean nodded. He saw how his mother was starting to get used to all the craziness in his stories. Of course, during his tales, he had the chance to show his own powers. At some point, Rean even took his mother into the Soul Gem Dimensional Realm and flew around with her. She saw many Demon Beasts that didn't exist on Earth, and a few even talked to her. Whether she wanted it or not, she could only believe it.

Several hours later, Rean finally arrived at the moment when he met his father on the other side of the Universe. "That's how I found out about Dad being an Archangel. This facility we are at the moment, it

was something built by him. He isn't just an Archangel; he is a being that came from outside of this Universe."

"How could he hide it all from me?" Juliana asked back. "Wait, then that makes him how old? Millions of years?"

Rean laughed. "Millions of years? That's nothing. He's probably hundreds of millions of years old. Well, from what I know, he did spend more than 99% of this time in the Cryo pods, the same I found you inside. That said, it was as if time didn't even pass for him. Just so that you know, I myself am already over a thousand years old."

"A thousand... How come you look so young?" Juliana asked back.

"Oh, right!" Rean remembered he was still using his appearance from his previous life. His Light Element quickly gathered, and the structure of his body changed. Finally, he returned to his white hair and eyes, having completely different facial features.

"This..." Juliana was taken aback once again. "Are you truly Rean?"

Rean nodded. "Yes. However, did you forget what I said? I reincarnated on the other side of this Universe. That means I was in a new woman's womb and carried a different DNA. Naturally, my appearance on the bloodline side is a lot like my new parents. Don't worry; my soul is still my soul. My new mother is also in the Dimensional Realm with my new father's avatar. I'll introduce you to them later."

"I see... I forgot about the DNA part of things... It feels quite sad seeing that you are nothing like me or your father anymore." Juliana sighed.

Rean didn't mind. "It's fine. Anyway, the reason we look this young is because of cultivation."

"That thing about collecting energy and entering different levels that you said?" Juliana obviously heard Rean commenting about it many times.

"Yes," Rean nodded. "Your lifespan increases every time you reach a new realm. Once you reach the Space-Time Realm, you have no more lifespan as you don't need it. You can literally live forever... as long as no one kills you, that is."

Rean then gave a quick explanation of how everything worked, making it very simple to understand.

"You... can get younger?!" Yet, the only part Juliana cared about was about the appearance. "Teach your mother how to do it! Even though I do exercise regularly, my age is truly taking its toll on me. I want to be younger too!"

Rean bitterly smiled. "Unfortunately, you were born in a world where cultivation energies don't exist. Simply put, humans and all other animals on Earth evolved to fit the environment, which doesn't have cultivation. Your body simply doesn't have the characteristics necessary to cultivate."

"I see..." Juliana immediately felt it was a shame. "That's so unfair. Oh well, if nothing can be done, so be it."

"There are a few pills and other medicines that can increase lifespan, though," Rean added. "I'll ask Roan later to make a few for you."

"Alright!" Juliana once again got happy.

Rean continued his tale from there, telling how he ended up on this side of the Universe and finally found this facility. It was here that the facility's system told him the cryo pods were working and had three individuals inside. Naturally, his mother was one of them.

"And that's how everything happened up to this point now," Rean concluded.

Juliana then looked around the room and saw the cryo pods. By now, she wasn't much afraid anymore. "Then... who are the people inside the other two?"

Rean looked at the cryo pods on the back. "I can only find out after opening them."