

## Death 771

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Chapter 771: Let's See

Rean and Roan looked at Kentucky, who nodded back at them. Kentucky couldn't go even if he wanted to, so he could only believe in the twins. Darian did as he said and warned the demon beasts guarding the entrance of the Spiritual Energy Field's core region. With that, they turned around and left the room.

As mentioned before, the entire conversation was through Spiritual Sense, so they lost almost no time during it. Rean and Roan didn't take too long to arrive at the core region's entrance either. It's just that all they could see was a white wall and nothing else.

"Is it really here?" Rean asked a demon beast by the side.

"Yes. If you're allowed to enter, this wall won't stop you. Otherwise, you'll basically hit your face against it." the Stage Seven Demon Beast that Rean asked explained.

Rean and Roan nodded in response and slowly walked in the wall's direction when suddenly, Sister Orb's voice echoed in their minds. [Oh! This is quite a high-leveled Dimensional Realm. Of course, compared to the Soul Gem Dimensional Realm, this is nothing. Still, for a planet like this, it's really surprising.]

'You can tell?' Rean said in response.

[Yes. I can also tell that there really is some kind of restriction to it. However, I can't tell what it is since I would need to analyze it, which would take a very long time due to the Realm's level.] Sister Orb explained.

Rean and Roan were satisfied that the Dimensional Realm at least existed. After all, they could only see a wall in front of them.

Eventually, their bodies touched the wall in front when suddenly, the wall shone with a bright white light as their hands passed through it. Rean was right in the end. Their connection with Kentucky really made it possible for them to be recognized as Divine Demon Beasts. Or perhaps, there were some other requirements they fulfilled.

Seeing that their hands passed through it, Rean and Roan didn't waste time and jumped straight inside. Though, as soon as they appeared on the other side, they were taken aback. That's because their bodies began to float even though they weren't doing anything.

Of course, they immediately understood what was happening. "There's no gravity in this Dimensional Realm."

The twins looked around and saw many red crystals floating in the zero-gravity space. All of them had small streams of energy being released from them, these streams heading in the same direction. At the same time, Rean and Roan saw that another kind of red energy was coming from above, entering those same crystals.

"The energy from above is coming from Kentucky and Darian's blood." Rean was certain about it since he could feel Kentucky's aura in those streams of energy.

Roan nodded since he felt the same thing, saying, "Indeed. It seems like the blood of the Divine Demon Beasts enters the red crystals. There, it is processed into the energy necessary to keep the Spiritual Energy Field working."

That was the only possible explanation since Kentucky's aura disappeared once it passed through one of the crystals. The fact those multiple crystals were red was probably because of the blood as well.

Rean and Roan then looked in the direction that the processed energy was moving to and began to fly there. As they flew, more and more red crystals could be seen, some the size of small islands.

\*Bang, bang, bang, bang, bang...\*

Suddenly, the twins began to hear the sound of something being hit in the distance. They tried to spread their Spiritual Sense, which was empowered by their Soul Power. Unfortunately, Spiritual Sense was almost useless in this place. They couldn't see more than a few meters around. 'At least our field of vision isn't restricted,' Rean thought for a moment.

The sound became louder and louder until finally, Rean and Roan were able to see where all the processed energy was being moved to. There was another crystal at the very center. However, this one was completely round and translucent. Suddenly...

\*Vup!\*

\*Bang!\*

A streak of red light came from the distance and smashed against it. The crystal then got slightly damaged, with a few chips falling from it. It didn't last long, though. The energy feeding the crystal made it recover. In just a few seconds, the damage was completely gone, as if it had never been there.

Nevertheless, Rean and Roan didn't pay much attention to it. Instead, they looked in the direction of the one responsible for the damage. They were expecting to see Red there, and they really did. However, Red looked completely different this time. A horn appeared on his head while his body became several times bigger. Of course, he was only the size of a normal rabbit before. So now, he looked to be more or less around Rean and Roan's size.

Other than that, his white color was gone, replaced by fiery red fur. It was different from the Blood Rabbit they saw back in the Freedom Sect. Instead, it looked a lot more like Phex's feathers. On his legs, several talons grew, which didn't look anything like a rabbit would have. It was more like what a bird would have. Last but not least, they could see several red scales covering his body in between the fur.

Seeing that, Rean couldn't help but burst out into laughter as he said, "Hahaha! What the hell is that? It looks so terrible! Hey, Red. Since when did you get this ugly? Hahaha! Nothing about your body makes any sense. Hahaha!"

Red was taken aback when he heard that voice. Immediately, he looked in the twins' direction, just to see Rean laughing without stopping. "Yo-you! How come you're here? Did the Dimensional Realm get broken through?"

Although Roan didn't see the fun in it, he had to admit that Red's body was quite weird. Still, he ignored that before answering, "No, the Dimensional Realm is still intact. Now then. It's your time to answer. How did you get inside this place? Only Divine Demon Beasts should be able to do so."

Red was surprised to hear that, saying, "That's my question. At the very least, I'm still a Demon Beast. However, you two are nothing more than humans. Wait! Could it be that you infused Divine Demon Beast Blood into your bodies?"

Rean finally calmed himself after hearing that question, asking in response, "Is such a thing possible?"

Well, Rean's words already answered Red's question. 'That doesn't make sense. The Zasfins said that no one would bother me in here. How come two humans entered this place?' Red thought as he was also puzzled by the current situation.

However, Red put those thoughts behind as his expression turned dark, muttering, "In any case, I'll give you a chance. You fed me a lot of carrots, so I'll pretend to not have seen you here. Leave now, and you can still live."

Roan snorted in response after hearing that. "Oh-ho...now that's what I call some confidence. But first, why don't you tell us why you're doing it? As a demon beast, shouldn't you be on the side of the Demon Beast Alliance?" Roan asked as he looked at the crystal. Obviously, the wasted Divine Demon Beast Bloodline was due to Red's attack against the crystal. Every time it got damaged, it used Kentucky and Darian's blood to repair itself.

Red didn't seem to be in the mood to answer, though. "I don't have time for your questions as I have a job to do. I'll count to three. If you don't leave, then I'll kill you before continuing my work. You have been warned."

Red didn't waste time as he started the count down.

"One!"

Unfortunately, Red didn't have the time to say two.

Rean and Roan's hair immediately changed into a mix of black and white. At the same time, they pulled out their Black and White Stars as they charged at Red.

'Life Style, First Form, Enhancement!'

'Death Style, Second Movement Form, Shadow Air!'

'Death World!'

'Death Style, First Form, Stellar Piercer!'

All the skills activated in a moment, turning Red's world dark while the twins' attacked him at full strength.

Red was taken aback by that. He was a Stage Six Demon Beast, and the twins should know that he wasn't just any demon beast, but a Divine Demon Beast. Nevertheless, they still attacked without a shred of hesitation!

Red couldn't see anything because of Roan's Death World. To make things worse, Spiritual Sense was greatly limited in this Dimensional Realm, making his not spread out for more than three or so meters. With that said, he couldn't even see where the twins were coming from until they got that close.

'Red Streak!'

Red body shone with fiery red light as he disappeared from his current location. That was the correct decision. That's because the place he was located a moment ago would have been his burial place. The Stellar Piercers from Rean and Roan passed through the air, hitting nothing in the end, though.

Red reappeared several hundreds of meters from his starting point, just enough to be outside the range of Roan's Death World. However, all he could see in front of himself was a dark area from where no light came out. Immediately, he understood the twins' intention. 'Shit! They don't want to defeat me. Instead, they just want to keep me away from the Spiritual Energy Field's core!'

Red was right. With this place having such a huge deterrence to Spiritual Sense, Roan decided to use his Death World to envelop the core. As long as Red didn't attack it, the Spiritual Energy Field would eventually be fixed. 'Hmph! Let's see if you can really protect it.'

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#### Chapter 772: I Think I Have An Idea

Red's body began to spark with red lightning arcs. Those arcs then created a protective layer around him that would attack anything it touched. Soon after, Red looked in the direction the Spiritual Energy Field's core was located before darting forward. 'So what if I can't see you? You can't stop my charge either. As long as the core's there, I'll hit it. Let me see exactly how you'll prevent me from doing that.' Red thought that with his Divine Demon Beast Bloodline and Stage Six cultivation, it would be more than enough to break through any defense.

Rean and Roan noticed what Red was doing. However, contrary to Red's expectations, they really did try to block his attack. They completely ignored any difference in cultivation.

'Death Style, Second Defensive Form, Cyclic Reversive Arc!'

An improvement of the first form, which only created strands of Light and Dark elements to stop an attack. Just like the first form, the Dark Element destroyed the power behind the attack while the Light Element reinforced the Dark Element, preventing the Dark Element from disappearing. However, the second form was even better. Instead of static strands, they revolved around the twins. That way, the dark strand wouldn't need to resist the attack in a single point. Not only that, due to the cyclical movement, several dark and light strands were able to gather together to stop the assault.

\*Bzzzz!\*

Red's body soon hit the strands, which immediately gathered in front of his horn, destroying the power of lightning surrounding him. Red's attack couldn't advance more than a few meters before being completely nullified.

"What?!"

Red felt a chill on his back when that happened. That's because his body was completely exposed now that his protective lightning disappeared, and he didn't even know why that happened. He quickly turned around and dashed out of the Dark World.

Surprisingly, Rean and Roan didn't try to attack him on his way out. Instead, they just watched as he left, much to Red's surprise. Of course, Red quickly recovered as he looked at Roan's Death World from a distance, asking, "What the hell are you? Why didn't you attack me now?"

The answer to that was quite simple. Rean and Roan couldn't attack Red at all! Red wasn't able to see it due to the Death World and the blockage of Spiritual Sense. However, the fact still stood that Red was still a Middle Stage Six Divine Demon Beast while the twins were only in the Middle Stage of the Nascent Soul Realm. If it was an average Demon Beast's attack, it wouldn't have been too hard. Unfortunately, Red's attack was several times above what an average Middle Stage Six Demon Beast could unleash. The twins suffered quite the backlash to stop him.

Of course, as soon as Red retreated from Roan's Death World, Rean acted.

'Life Style, Second Form, Instant Recovery!'

Visible to the naked eye, Rean and Roan's injuries began to quickly disappear. It didn't take more than a few seconds for the twins to be fully recovered. Well, there was also the fact that Red didn't continue to attack, so Rean had the time to do it.

With that, Rean took the opportunity to answer Red's question, saying, "Who we are is not important. As for why we didn't attack you, that's because we think there's something more behind your actions. A demon beast would never side with the Zafins of its own volition. At the very least, that's what we believe."

Red couldn't help but laugh after hearing that, responding, "Hahaha! A demon beast would never side with the Zafins? Why do you think so? Unfortunately for you two, there's one demon beast here who did it of his own volition."

Rean and Roan were taken aback after hearing that. A Divine Demon Beast helped the Zafins because it wanted to? "That doesn't make sense. It's impossible that you don't know the Zafins tried to take control over the entire world in the past. That means getting rid of the demon beasts as well. Or, at the very least, putting them under their control."

Red nodded, saying, "Exactly! Too bad they failed. However, there's no need to worry. This time, they'll succeed."

Red then stopped talking as his body burst with Spiritual Energy and Lightning Element. Suddenly, two wings made out of red lightning appeared on his back as his horn turned golden. However, while the lightning around Red's body and wings was red, it had a different color when it reached the end of his horn. It was possible to see the red color change to gold by the time it arrived there.

It was at that moment that Sister Orb's voice echoed in the twins' minds. [Ah! So that's his race! I have to admit, this planet does really have a thing for Divine Demon Beasts.] Through Sister Orb's surprising words, the twins confirmed that Red really was a Divine Demon Beast.

Until now, Rean and Roan were considering the possibility that Red had used some other method to enter the Spiritual Energy Field's Dimensional Realm where the core was located. However, Sister Orb had confirmed that he really was a Divine Demon Beast. 'So, Sister Orb, what kind of demon beast is he?'

[First of all, calling him a rabbit is wrong. He leans more towards the hares. I should have noticed it when his size changed. His legs are a lot longer, after all.] Sister Orb explained. [Anyway, he's from the Golden Drohare race. It's just that he's way too young, so his body hadn't turned fully golden yet. However, the dragon-like scales, golden horn, and golden lightning are unmistakable. The only rabbit or hare related to those traits would be the Golden Drohare Race. It's a bona fide Divine Demon Beast. Be careful. This race's control over the Lightning Element is formidable. They can rival even Kirins when it comes to it. Now that his lightning had turned golden, he will show even more power.]

Rean and Roan bitterly smiled after hearing that. It was already hard to hold off Red while he was wielding red lightning. Just how would they hold him now that his power increased even more? However, a thought popped into Rean's mind as he said, 'Oh! I think I have an idea.'

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Chapter 773: I'll Tell You Why

Red finished charging his attack before he shot forward with greater speed! Not only that, but his attack power more than doubled now that he was using golden lightning. Without a doubt, the twins definitely couldn't stop such an attack with their current difference in cultivation.

Red charged into the Death World. The lightning around his body and wings was so intense that even Roan's Death World was illuminated where Red passed by. In a flash, Red had already reached the point where the Spiritual Energy Field's Core was located. However...



"What?!"

Suddenly, Red's advance stopped. It wasn't because someone tried to stop him. No, the one who did his best to halt his advancement was Red himself. That's because the Spiritual Energy Field's core was covered. In the end, Red's expression turned ugly as he cursed, "You're despicable!"

Rean's voice echoed from the Death World. "Hahaha! Despicable or not, the fact still stands that you stopped, right?" Rean was feeling very pleased with himself. "If you want to destroy the core, you'll have to destroy these little guys as well. Now then. Can you do that?"

Red felt like crying after hearing that. That's because Rean covered the core with...carrots! Not only that, but he also used his Spiritual Energy to make a barrier around them. If Red tried to take them away, the barrier would explode, destroying the carrots as well. "Hm-hmph! Do you think I won't attack just because you put some carrots there? I was just surprised by the view. That's why I stopped my assault. There's no way I would give up my mission just because there are a few carrots between me and my objective. I can simply head back to your Freedom Sect and take the ones there."

"Is that so?" Rean asked in response with a smile on his face. "Then, so be it. By all means, go ahead and attack. Hahaha!" Rean was absolutely sure that Red wouldn't attack. He and Red talked a lot during the Formations classes. He used the carrots to control Red many, many times, and it always worked. Red simply couldn't resist the appeal of a beautiful carrot.

Of course, this was all but a big gamble. Rean and Roan knew that they couldn't stop Red's attack with their actual strength. It was to the point that Roan had to agree with Rean's idea, even if it sounded ridiculous. Others couldn't see it because of the Death World, but Roan looked really surprised that such bullshit worked. 'It's like Kentucky when it comes to Heaven-level ores. He simply can't resist it. Could it be that every Demon Beast has a weakness like that?'

Roan then looked at Red's contorting expression and thought about Kentucky before coming to a conclusion. 'Nope. They're just idiots.'

Red's lightning then began to spread around his body again...and that was pretty much it. As much as he steeled his resolve, Red simply couldn't make his way forward. He couldn't destroy the carrots even if he could get more of them later. He loved them way too much. "Fuck it! I just need to kill you two and then retrieve the carrots. It's that simple!"

Red's direction suddenly changed as he charged into the Death World. One must remember that although Spiritual Sense was restricted, it wasn't completely useless. Red could also see a few meters around him. Not to mention that his golden lightning was bright enough to illuminate his surroundings while inside Death World. That's how he noticed the carrots in time.

In any case, the Death World was enormous. Rean and Roan's Spiritual Senses couldn't see much, just like Red. However, their vision was definitely not an issue. Unlike Red, the twins could see everything inside the Death World.

'Death Style, Second Movement Form, Shadow Air!'

Inside the Death World, Shadow Air was the ultimate movement technique. It might not be faster than Red's actual speed, but it was definitely good enough to avoid any of Red's charges. Not to mention that Rean and Roan could counterattack every time Red passed by.

'Death Style, Third Form, Three Claws of the Dragon!'

'Life Fire, Flame Emperor Slash!'

'Death Style, First Form, Stellar Piercer!'

'Death Style...'

Red charged everywhere inside the Death World. However, he couldn't pinpoint the twins' location. He tried to attack the places where the attacks came from with melee and ranged Golden Lightning skills. Unfortunately for him, the twins were always faster. And just like that, Red's body began to accrue more and more injuries. Red had a very good defense due to his scales. Though it was not as good as Kentucky's, it was not too far behind. However, we're talking about Rean and Roan using Rean's Black and White Stars. If they could even injure Kentucky, then let alone Red.

\*Arrrgh!\*

Suddenly, Red charged out of Roan's Death World as his blood dripped nonstop. One must not forget that Roan's Dark Element could also destroy life force. It made the injuries even worse, forcing Red to retreat to drive that destructive power out of his body. Eventually, he sighed in relief as he used his Spiritual Energy to stop the bleeding.

"Are you really not going to let me destroy the Spiritual Energy Field?" Red asked from a distance.

Surprisingly, Roan's answer wasn't a straightforward denial, saying in response, "That depends. You still haven't told us why you want to destroy it. As a demon beast, you should want to help others. We don't understand why you're siding with the Zasfins since they tried to take control over the demon beasts. Are you a masochist who likes to be bullied?"

Red showed a puzzled expression as he thought, 'What's a masochist?' However, he quickly shook his head and put these thoughts behind as he replied, "What difference does it make?"

Roan shrugged his shoulders...it's just that Red couldn't see. "Well, depending on your answer, we wouldn't mind helping you. The entire situation is still kind of a blur for us. There must be a reason behind your actions, right?"

Red took a deep breath after hearing Roan's words. Attacking would be useless since Spiritual Sense is being restricted. He needed to figure out another way to do so. "Fine, I'll tell you why I'm siding with the Zasfins."

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Chapter 774: You Better Keep Your Promise!

"What did the Divine Demon Beasts say about the Bestial Sacred Ground to you?" Red asked.

"The Sacred Ground?" Roan pondered over it for a bit before answering, "From what I know, it's one of the reasons why the Zasfins couldn't take control over the demon beasts. It provides all of them with extra strength, especially Divine Demon Beasts."

Red nodded, saying, "Exactly. Now then. Do you know how it works?"

Rean and Roan looked at each other and shook their heads. Of course, Red didn't see it due to the Death World, so they had to answer. "Isn't it because of the Spiritual Energy Fields around the Demon Beast Continent? We're fixing this one so that the Sacred Ground can work properly."

Red agreed with Roan. "That's not wrong. However, that isn't the entire truth. There's another darker side behind this." Red then paused for a moment before continuing, "The Bestial Blood Pond."

\*Pin!\*

-Side Quest Opened: The World Beast Formation.-

-Description: Every year, the blood of the demon beasts who die on the planet is slowly dragged into the pond. The process might take a few days for demon beasts who die close or years for those who die far away. Nevertheless, their blood will eventually reach the Bestial Blood Pond. There, their blood is purified and used in a World-class formation that fortifies the demon beasts of the planet. The stronger the demon beast's bloodline, the greater the strength they gain from the formation. However, the formation has never really been fully activated, only partially. The fully activated formation is capable of much more than just fortifying the demon beasts.-

-Objective: Fully Activate the World Beast Formation.-

-Reward: 30000 Destiny Points-

Rean and Roan were taken aback by that. It had been quite some time since they last obtained a mission from the Soul Gem System, which was the mission related to Celis. Of course, Sister Orb and the twins were the only ones who heard that. Red had no idea, so he simply continued to talk.

"By coincidence, I've seen that pond once. Not to mention that Phex and the other Stage Nine Demon Beasts were there as well. I don't know what they were doing there, but that didn't matter. You guys have no idea. That pond is ridiculously enormous. Can you imagine just how many demon beasts would need to die to fill that up? Saying that millions died wouldn't be near enough," Red explained. "Doesn't matter how I see it. That was just too much! I would rather have the Zafins being in command rather than letting our demon beasts become like that."

Rean looked at Red, who seemed extremely angry as he talked about that past. Soon, he said, "Ahem...I believe...you've committed a mistake."

Red snorted in response, though. "Hmph! Mistake? Hahaha! Are you saying that I saw things wrongly? Well then. How would you know that?"

"Of course, that's because the Soul Gem System Quest has just explained what's really happening there. It wasn't Phex and the others who filled those ponds with sacrifices. It was the World-class formation instead..." As if Rean could really say such a thing. Those thoughts only passed through his mind. 'Well, even if I said such a thing, I doubt he would believe it anyway.'

Rean then put those thoughts behind before saying, "All I can tell you is that the blood concentrated in the pond has nothing to do with the Stage Nine Demon Beasts. Well, at the very least, I can tell you that they weren't the ones who filled it up. Instead, it happens automatically."

"Automatically?" Red was taken aback as well. "Are you crazy? How can it happen on its own? You didn't feel the aura of the blood coming from the pond. The demon beast blood used to fill that were definitely demon beasts from all over the world. How can it get blood from everywhere?"

Rean and Roan were now in a dilemma. They could say that there was a World-class formation acting on the entire planet. However, the problem was how they would explain how they knew about it. After all, maybe even the Divine Demon Beasts were unaware of it. At the very least, Phex and Darian didn't say that there was a formation there.

Seeing Rean and Roan's silence only increased Red's suspicion, though. "Hehe! So you can't even think about a full excuse. I guess you really are on the Divine Demon Beasts' side. However, I won't allow more demon beasts to be used on that thing. I don't know what the blood was used for, but it can't be for a good cause. That thing was evil!"

Red then looked in the direction where the Spiritual Energy Field's core was located. As long as he destroyed it, the Bestial Blood Pound will lose its meaning...or so the Zasfins told him. It's not like he believed them completely, but he couldn't deny what he saw with his own eyes in the past either.

"I'm sorry, my beloved carrots. I'll definitely plant a lot of you once this is over. I'll make a big farm of you and give you the ultimate ending inside my belly." As soon as Red finished saying those words, the

golden lighting at the tip of his horn appeared again. He had to act now, or the repair process of the Spiritual Energy Field would be finished. If that happened, he wouldn't be able to break the core anymore.

Rean and Roan's minds worked nonstop. However, they couldn't think about a way to stop Red at all. In the end, they only had one choice, defeat Red!

Suddenly, Roan's Death World disappeared as the twins' figures could be seen again.

Red, of course, didn't expect that. "What are you planning?"

Rean sighed in response, saying, "Red! Let's make a deal! If we win, you will give up trying to destroy the core. We might tell you why your conjecture is wrong in the future. In exchange, Roan will not use Death World anymore. Of course, by Death World, I mean that field where you couldn't see where we were located."

"And why should I do that? I can simply destroy the core right now." Said Red.

Rean smiled after hearing that, saying, "If you win, I'll retrieve the carrots. You'll be able to destroy the core and keep the carrots at the same time. Of course, you need to make a decision quickly since the core is getting close to being completely repaired."

Red narrowed his eyes as he looked at the carrots. In the end, he nodded, saying in response, "You better keep your promise!"

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Chapter 775: Golden Streak!

\*Bzzzz!\*

Lightning spread around Red's body once again, turning golden at the tip of his horn. Right after, his lightning wings increased in size even more. Rean and Roan were ready to counterattack, expecting Red to charge at them. However...

'Golden Ray!'

\*Kabrum!\*

A ranged lightning attack came out of Red's horn, aiming directly at Roan. Red knew that Roan was the most dangerous of the twins, so he aimed at him first, trying to take him by surprise. After all, this was the first time he used this attack. The reason was simple, it was powerful and fast but used a lot of Spiritual Energy.

Well, we're talking about Roan here, though. In his mind, everything was always possible in battle, even if it had never happened before. His body acted almost instinctively as he dodged the ray of golden lightning...or so he tried.

\*Pkkkhht!\*

"Shit!" Roan did react in time. That's true. However, Red's Golden Ray was way too fast! It far surpassed something a Stage Six Demon Beast could unleash. Because of that, he was still hit by the attack, leaving a gruesome hole on his body.

This was the first time Red saw his attack cause some damage. Well, it had caused damage before, but he didn't know because of Death World. He thought this was the first successful one. Nevertheless, Red had a very dark expression. 'How did he react to it so quickly? If he had been just a split-second late, he would have lost his head already. Since when were Nascent Soul Realm cultivators this good?' Of course, Red only thought about that for a moment before he charged at Roan. He had to use that chance to eliminate him.

However, it was at this moment that a ball of white light appeared right in front of him.

'Life Style, Flash!'

Immediately, the ball exploded, radiating an extremely intense and bright light. Now that Rean was in the Nascent Soul Realm, the brightness of Flash was several times higher as well.

\*Arrgh!\*

Red couldn't help but close his eyes for a moment, afraid of going blind because of it. At the same time, he changed directions and charged out. After all, he would be an idiot to not expect a retaliation there.

'Death Style, Third Form, Three Claws of the Dragon!'

Sure enough, he was right. Except for Roan himself, five shadows appeared around Red's position, attacking him from all sides. One Rean and four clones!

'Death Style, Fifth Form, Mirage Assault!'

\*Kabrum!\*

\*Swish, swish, swish, swish...\*

Sadly, they only hit thin air. In the end, Red was just too fast...or so it should have been. Once Red appeared again, there were several slashing marks left in his body. "Where the hell did those guys come from?"

Rean pointed his sword at Red with a smile, saying, "You talking about our copies? They're basically the same as us, just a little weaker. I didn't expect you to be able to flee that easily, though. Only a few shallow cuts were left behind. Man, that's some real speed right there."

The real Roan then reappeared once more close to Rean. "What bullshit attack was that? Any idiot would have guessed that I'm your target. That Golden Ray of yours was really surprising, but your follow-up was so stupid that I'm feeling like throwing up already," Roan said that as the injury on his body closed up.

Red was shocked by that scene. He had to admit that his attack was predictable. However, he truly thought he was fast enough to make up for it. Of course, what really shocked him wasn't the fact that they prepared a trap for him but Roan's injuries instead. "This...how can your injury heal this fast?" By the time Red finished saying those words, Roan's severe injury was already gone.



'Life Style, Second Form, Instant Recovery!'

Rean smiled once again, saying, "This is just a little trick that Light Element Affinity users can use." Following that, Rean pointed at the Spiritual Energy Field's core as he continued, "By the way, is it okay for you to be talking this much? The core will be fixed very soon. Of course, I would love to keep talking if you don't mind."

Red gritted his teeth as his golden lightning soon appeared once more. Soon after, the golden lightning at the tip of his horn separated from him, creating two spheres of golden lightning on Red's sides. Eventually, they transformed into two copies of Red, just that they were made of Lightning. "Do you think you're the only ones who can play with copies?"

Roan narrowed his eyes before telling Rean, 'You and I will hold off Red's real body. Let's use two copies for each of his clones.'

Rean nodded with a serious expression as he saw Red charging at them once again. Sure enough, all three Reds came together. Roan's clones used his skills, while Rean's ones used his.

'Death Style, Third Form, Three Claws of the Dragon!'

'Life Fire, White Stellar Explosion!'

Of course, Red also used his own.

'Golden Streak!'

Rean and Roan joined hands once again, using their Black and White Stars to meet attack against attack. They aimed at the tip of Red's horn, where the golden lightning was concentrated. As for trying to dodge, they gave up on that idea since Red was still much faster than them. Without Death World, Roan's Shadow Air wasn't as efficient.

"Together!"

\*Boom!\*

Red and the twins' attacks soon collided with each other as an explosion of Spiritual Energy came out of their meeting point. The shockwave forced both sides back as a result. However, while Red seemed to be fine, the twins vomited a bit of blood. 'This golden lightning is too strong!'

'Life Style, Second Form, Instant Recovery!'

Once again, Red saw the twins' injuries closing up extremely fast. "Don't think I'll stay here just watching!" He knew that he had to overwhelm the twins, or this would never end.

'Golden Streak! Golden Ray! Drohare Roar! Chain Golden Lightning!'

Red attacked nonstop while his clones kept Rean and Roan's clones occupied. Just like that, the injuries on the twins' bodies began to accumulate as Rean's Instant Recovery couldn't keep up. The situation was far from good...for both sides! Red was quickly running out of energy as well. In the end, using golden lightning and his copies just consumed way too much Spiritual Energy!

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Chapter 776: Almost Killed from Anger

As one could imagine, the reason Rean and Roan's energy could match Red's was due to their much bigger Spiritual Energy Pools. Of course, there was also the part where they were fighting together while Red was all alone. In a certain way, they were in a quite fair matchup since Red had the advantage in terms of cultivation.

\*Gasp, gasp, gasp...\*

Red and the twins raggedly breathed as they looked at each other. They were quickly reaching their limits in fighting. Nevertheless, Red ignored that problem and quickly attacked again.

'Golden Heaven!'

Golden clouds gathered above Rean and Roan as golden lightning fell all over them and their copies. Of course, they wouldn't just stay there and wait to be hit.

'Death Style, Second Defensive Form, Cyclic Reversive Arcs!'

Strands of Dark and Light Elements once again appeared at the tip of the twins and the clones' swords, creating the same barrier that stopped the attack by destroying their power.

\*Boom, boom, boom, boom, boom...\*

'Golden Streak!'

While that was happening, Red's body shot in their direction, attacking the twins while they defended the lightning coming from above. Well, Roan would never let his guard down just because of that.

'Death Style, First Energy Form, Shadow Bind!'

Dark vines materialized around him and Rean. However, it didn't try to stop Red. Instead, they attached to Rean and Roan's bodies, pulling them away from the area where Red was going to attack.

Red was becoming furious already, cursing out loud, "Fuck! Can you stop running away?!"

Rean laughed in response while gasping for air. "Hahaha! You are... \*gasp\*... too strong. There's no way we can block you head-on!"

Roan agreed with Rean on that. "This is legitimate guerrilla warfare. Let's see who can last longer!"

Red knew that this was their plan. In any case, he couldn't give up so easily. "You asked for it!"

Until now, only the tip of Red's horn had golden lightning. However, as soon as he said those words, that golden lightning spread through the horn as a whole. However, that increased the burden on Red's body several times. It's just that Red ignored that. Soon after, he looked at Roan but quickly gave up. He understood that when it came to battle, Roan was just too hard to put down. Instead, his eyes fell on Rean.

'Golden Sacrifice!'

\*Kabrum!\*

Rean couldn't even see what happened. One moment, Red was still far away. On the next, Red's horn pierced right through his body, cutting it in two! Red displayed a speed that was definitely at the Stage Seven level, which he hadn't done until now.

"What?!" Rean was taken aback by that. He simply didn't see it at all!

When Red stopped, he looked behind as Rean's body...broke down into specks of white and black light. It was a clone!

The real Rean was fighting one of Red's clones. Roan asked him to change targets with his clone at some point in the battle without Red noticing. He thought that since Red failed to take him by surprise back then, he would try it with Rean next time. Sure enough, Roan was right. Rean could only stare at his clone's body disappearing as he felt a chill on his back. That clone could very well have been him.

\*Cough, cough, cough!\* Red destroyed one of Rean's clones, but he wasn't the least bit happy. The moment his body stopped again, he began to vomit several mouthfuls of blood! He had really overexerted himself. "When...when did you change?"

Roan snorted, responding, "Your attack pattern is too obvious. In this place where Spiritual Sense is greatly restricted, it wasn't hard to find a gap to exchange Rean for his clone without you noticing. Look around. There's no lack of floating red crystal islands to use as cover."

Red gritted his teeth as he looked at the Spiritual Energy Field's core. As always, it was fully surrounded by carrots. "In the end, that's my only choice, huh?"

Rean and Roan were taken aback by Red's words. However, it was too late. Red once again used his golden lightning to cover his entire horn as he shot in the direction of the Spiritual Energy Field's core. No matter what, he had to put an end to this.

\*Kabrum!\*

Rean and Roan were not Red's match in terms of raw power and speed. Naturally, they had no chance to stop Red's charge. However, just as Red was about to strike the core and destroy the carrots on the way, Rean used his Spiritual Energy to take the carrots out of Red's path.

"What?!" Red was shocked by that. Why would Rean suddenly do that? However, he decided to ignore it for now and finish the core first. He could only put his all one more time. After that, he would be too weak to even move.

\*Boom!\*

Red's horn struck the core head-on, once again making it crack all over. This time, the crack was much bigger, making the core almost collapse instantly. "Hahaha! I did it! I want to see how you will fix it now."

\*Cough, cough, cough...\*

However, Red began to cough even more blood again. His lightning wings disappeared as the golden lightning of his horn went out. The scales of his body then retracted together with the horn. Not too long after, Red's red color also disappeared together with his size, leaving behind nothing more than the snow-white rabbit that Rean and Roan knew about. Red was simply in no condition to fight anymore.

Following that, Red bitterly smiled at Rean and Roan, saying, "Hehehe! It seems like I paid the price for it. Go ahead, kill me. At the very least, I completed my job."

Rean sighed as he saw Red's clones disappear as well. Following that, he approached Red and patted his head, saying, "There's no need. You were just deceived, that's all."

Red was taken aback and didn't know what to say. He didn't expect that Rean would insist that he was wrong even now. "Even if I was wrong, it's too late now."

Roan looked at Rean and snorted in response, saying, "Hmph! Too late? That couldn't be further from the truth."

What followed after Roan's words almost killed Red from anger...

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Chapter 777: Outcome

Roan looked at Red as he held something above his hand with his Spiritual Energy. "This amount should be enough to save it." He then glanced at Rean after that, saying, "Still, this was very risky."

Rean smiled and laughed as he looked at Roan's hand. "Hahaha! If Red decided to go all out, we couldn't do anything to stop him anyway. In the end, we could only guarantee that he couldn't attack anymore after the last strike. Now that he has run out of energy, we can simply use it to fix the core."

Red, who was too weak to move, was fuming in anger. "You're despicable! Were you planning this from the very start?"

Rean shrugged his shoulders as he responded, "Hey! You also gave up your battle against us and attacked the core in the end. If we're despicable, then you're even more so."

Red went silent after hearing that. Indeed, he did ignore the twins in the end.

Roan then headed to one of the floating red crystal islands and dropped the contents above his hand on it. As for what it was? That was obviously all the blood Red spilled during the entire battle! Rean came up with this idea when he found out that Red was a bona fide Divine Demon Beast. Since Divine Demon Beast blood was necessary to repair the Spiritual Energy Field's core, then why not use Red's blood instead?

Red was in a far worse state than Kentucky and Darian outside, so one could only imagine just how much blood he lost in this battle. The blood was then absorbed by the floating red crystals as a huge stream of energy rushed out of it. Obviously, that stream of energy entered the Spiritual Energy Field's core.

Before Red's eyes, his blood helped repair the core's damage at breakneck speeds. Since Kentucky and Darian were still helping outside, the repair process had gone even faster. Of course, the huge amount of blood given 'voluntarily' by Red was the greatest factor. There was just too much of it!

Red watched as the core returned to normal and surpassed the state he first encountered it as.

\*Boom!\*

At some point, the sound of a 'click' came out of the core before a huge burst of Spiritual Energy came out of it. Rean's group was then sent flying by the shockwave. It was so strong that they might have died if they didn't protect themselves in time. Rean, who was besides Red, also held him and protected the Golden Drohare from the blast.

When the twins looked at the core once again, they noticed a huge Spiritual Energy barrier enveloping it. Let alone the twins, even Red's strongest attack at his peak wouldn't leave a dent on it. "So that's the protection Senior Darian talked about. Indeed, even a Stage Nine Demon Beast or a cultivator of that realm would have a hard time doing anything against it," Rean said, slightly surprised.

Red couldn't help but sigh, muttering, "In the end, I failed..." Right after, Red passed out. He was enduring until now just to see the outcome of his action. Once he confirmed that it didn't work, his body finally gave in, and his consciousness drifted away.

Back outside, Phex's battle had finally reached a point where he could barely hold the Zasfins. Kentucky and Darian didn't look any better as they lost way too much blood. However, just as things were about to turn for the worse, the Spiritual Energy Field began to work once again. The Underwater City's protection quickly took form as the demon beasts' strength increased. Sure enough, Phex had obtained the support of the Bestial Sacred Ground once again.

"Hahaha! They did it!" Phex, Darian, and Kentucky couldn't help but laugh out loud after sensing this. Soon after, Phex gave up his battle against the Zasfins and entered the city's protection. Even if his

power increased due to the Bestial Sacred Ground, he had spent way too much energy. He needed time to recover.

Phex then looked at Pankun, Suria, Kumo, and the others outside. As one could imagine, they had terrible expressions at the moment. "If I were you, I would leave now. It shouldn't take long for the other Divine Demon Beasts to arrive either."

Pankun gritted his teeth as he cursed inwardly, 'That fucking hare failed! How the hell did he fuck up while no one was there to bother him?' Of course, he kept those thoughts for himself. After that, he looked at the others and said, "Let's go." He knew Phex was right since he saw the moment Darian used the Thoughts Transmission Talisman. Besides, with the Spiritual Energy Field back up and running, he had no chance of breaking through its barrier. Phex's group was as safe as they could be.

Pankun then turned around with his companions and disappeared. As to where they went, Phex had no idea.

\*Thud!\*

As soon as Pankun's group left, Kentucky, Darian, and Phex fell on the ground. Be it Phex who fought outside or Darian and Kentucky's severe blood loss, they were in no condition to do anything for now.

Phex then looked at Darian, the Black Tortoise. "How are you, Darian? Kentucky's young, so he'll recover his blood in no time. But you're different. You're the oldest between all of us and a Stage Nine Demon Beast at that. Things won't be easy for you."

Darian nodded in response, saying, "Indeed. The way I am at the moment, I'm only able to fight at the Initial Stage Nine level at most. Perhaps at the peak of Stage Eight. I don't think I'll be of much help against Fikin and the others in the near future."

Suddenly, a voice came from the hall's entrance, asking them, "How long will you take to recover, Senior Darian?"



Darian and the others looked in the voice's direction, just to see Rean and Roan entering. Their clothes were as ragged and bloodied as it could possibly be. Their complexions were as white as ghosts. In any case, they didn't seem to be in any danger.

Instead of answering Rean's question, Darian could only sigh, saying, "Sorry for doubting you. And thanks for protecting the Spiritual Energy Field's core."

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#### Chapter 778: Another Question

After Darian was finished talking, Phex then asked the next obvious question. "So, what happened inside the dimensional realm of the Spiritual Energy Field's core?"

Rean nodded in response and began to explain the events that passed inside that place. Sure enough, Darian and Phex were surprised that there really was another Divine Demon Beast in the world that they didn't know about. They were even more surprised after hearing how they prevented the core from being destroyed.

"That's quite the story," Phex could not help but say as he looked at the twins. "I wouldn't have thought about using the blood spilled during the battle to fix it. Well, I would probably kill him right after the battle was over, though. Anyway, where's the Golden Drohare?"

Rean smiled in response, saying, "Roan and I will take care of him. There's no need for senior Phex to worry."

Phex and Darian were taken aback. "What?! There's no way we would let him go after almost destroying our Spiritual Energy Field. Do you have any idea how bad things would have turned out if he had succeeded? I want nothing more than to skin him alive right now."

Roan nodded, responding, "That's exactly why we won't give him to you. We don't want him dead. Instead, we'll change his allegiance so that he won't try something like that again."

Darian and Phex then walked in front of Rean with dark faces. "We still won't allow you to bring him away." They even exerted some pressure, making sure that the twins understood their words.

However, it didn't have the scary effect that they expected. Instead, Rean put his arm around Darian and Phex's shoulder in response. "Oh-ho...so, you're saying that you won't accept this little request of ours, huh? How could the Divine Demon Beasts be so ungrateful? They were about to lose the Spiritual Energy Field, have the Zafins attack, and the war turned against them. However, the great me and Roan prevented such a calamity from happening. Now, instead of thanking us, we are being threatened. Such a disappointment, such a disappointment..."

Phex and Darian's mouths twitched in response to Rean's words as their expressions turned even uglier.

Kentucky then came to the twins' side as he said in response, "How can you say that, Rean? Senior Darian and Phex are obviously very grateful that you two saved the Demon Beast Alliance! I'm sure they'll accept this request of yours." Kentucky then looked at Darian and Phex before saying, "Am I right, seniors? Such great figures like you two couldn't possibly treat my friends' achievement that lightly."

If it was only Rean and Roan, Phex would probably give them a beating before taking Red from there. He wouldn't kill or cripple them, but he sure wouldn't leave it as it is. However, he truly didn't want to get on the bad side of the Minokawa. Not to mention that Rean and Kentucky's words really hurt his pride.

Darian was also displeased by that. Nevertheless, he couldn't find an excuse to ignore Rean and Roan's achievement. It's just that he didn't want to simply swallow it either. As he thought like that, an idea popped into his mind. "Alright! Phex and I will leave you with the Golden Drohare. However, you won't get any Merit Points. After you saved our Spiritual Energy Field, I could have given you not only a few hundred but a few thousand of them. Sadly, you two thought that the Golden Drohare is more important for you." Of course, he told Phex what he was trying to do through a Spiritual Sense Message, so Phex didn't say anything.

At the same time, Darian laughed in his mind. 'Hahaha! Let me see your reactions! Can you ignore several thousand Merit Points? I'm sure you're thinking about just how many things you can exchange for this amount. Go on, give me the Golden Drohare back.'

Unfortunately for him, Rean, Roan, and Kentucky's expressions didn't even flinch as Rean replied indifferently, "So, we get no Merit Points? Oh well, so be it. Now then, this topic is over. The Golden Drohare will stay under our care from now on."

Darian almost vomited blood after hearing their response! 'The hell? Do you even know what you could use all these Merit Points for? There's no lack of natural treasures in the reward list at all! How can you give it up so easily?!'

Phex had exactly the same thought in his mind. 'It doesn't make sense. Are they perhaps thinking of putting a slave collar on the Golden Drohare?'

Little did they know that the majority of things available there weren't of much help for the twins. Weapons? Rean could make them, and even better ones at that. Herbs and pills? Roan could make those as well. Another airship? They had no need for that. First of all, the airship was a thing they got for the Freedom Sect, not for themselves. There were, of course, many other treasures that Rean or Roan could make use of. However, they considered Red more important at the moment.

"Ahem...are you sure you prefer to keep the Golden Drohare? You might take many years to accumulate the same number of Merit Points again," Phex asked once more, wanting to make sure.

Rean, Roan, and Kentucky nodded almost instantly. "Yes, we'll keep Red with us. Seniors don't need to worry. We'll make sure he won't try such a thing again. After all, he was simply deceived."

Phex and Darian truly didn't want it. Red would be a very good contribution even if they used him only for his Divine Demon Beast blood. However, their pride simply didn't allow them to go back on their words either. They would probably die before doing that. "Fine! But if I find out that this Golden Drohare causes more problems to the Demon Beast Alliance, you'll be responsible for that."

Rean's group nodded as Rean responded, "Yes, Senior Phex, Senior Darian."

With that out of the way, Kentucky took the chance to ask something else. "By the way, Senior Phex, didn't you say Gulan was helping with the same kind of job? Isn't it possible that the other Spiritual Energy Fields are in danger as well?"

Phex was taken aback for a moment as he also noticed something weird. "Now that you say that, the other Divine Demon Beasts should have arrived already after this long."

As soon as Phex said that, a Spiritual Sense passed over everyone in the palace. It immediately made Phex, Darian, and the twins look in the same direction. "Here they come."

Phex and Darian looked at the twins right after. "Oh, right! You two. How were you able to tell that the Stage Nine Demon Beasts were coming?" Sure enough, that was another question they were very interested in.

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Chapter 779: As I thought

As mentioned before, you shouldn't be able to feel the Spiritual Sense of someone with cultivation much higher than yours. Of course, there were treasures and other methods that were capable of achieving such a thing. However, Phex and Darian could tell that Rean and Roan didn't have anything like that in their bodies.

Rean shrugged his shoulders before explaining, "This is an advantage only someone born with Light Element Affinity would have. Spiritual Sense has Life Force, so when it touches me, I can feel it. The stronger it is, the more clear it becomes. Senior Phex and those other Stage Nine Demon Beasts' Spiritual Sense look like enormous suns in front of my eyes." Sure enough, Rean didn't really explain how it worked. However, it wasn't completely a lie either since it was an advantage of his Light Element.

"Light Element Affinity...you did say something like that before," Phex said as he slowly nodded. "I've never seen anyone with Light Element Affinity other than you, so I can't tell if it's true or not. In any case, it's still a fact that you can feel our Spiritual Senses, so I'll leave it at that."

Suddenly, five demon beasts in human form entered Darian's room. Rean and Roan recognized one of them. It was none other than Xaon, the Basilisk. As for the others, they had no idea who they were. The only thing they knew was that they weren't Divine Demon Beasts, or so Kentucky told them through Spiritual Sense. 'Normal Stage Nine Demon Beasts. Well, considering the number of normal demon beasts available, it makes sense,' Rean thought for a moment.

However, they quickly noticed that Xaon and the other demon beasts seemed to be in a haggard state, as if they had gone through quite a difficult battle. Phex and Darian, of course, noticed it as well. "What happened?"

Xaon sighed as he explained, "We received your message from the Thoughts Transmission Talisman. However, Fikin and a few other Zasfins were waiting for us along the way, so we had to fight. It was only when the power from the Bestial Sacred Ground was restored that we obtained a slight advantage. Well, Fikin and the others immediately retreated after that."

Phex didn't find it surprising. "No wonder you took this long to arrive. With your cultivation levels, you were supposed to be here way earlier. It seems like the Zasfins had put in a lot of effort into destroying the Spiritual Energy Fields."

As Phex said, Darian asked something else. "Did Frin stay behind with Gulan?" Frin was the Silver Fenrir, one of the four Stage Nine Divine Demon Beasts in the world.

"Yes." Xaon nodded as he replied, "He controlled the Spiritual Energy Field formation and used Gulan's blood to restore it. The Spiritual Energy Field there is a lot safer than Darian's palace, so I don't think anyone will try to attack him. Even more so since Fikin himself came out to stop us."

Xaon then looked at Rean, Roan, and Kentucky before turning to look at Phex and Darian. Everyone seemed to be in pretty bad shape. "So, what happened here? Is everything okay?"

Darian used a Spiritual Sense Message to explain everything that happened in their absence.

Xaon was obviously surprised by that. "What?! A Golden Drohare? So, now we have seven Divine Demon Beasts on the planet, huh? It makes one wonder if even more of them will appear now." Xaon then looked at the twins before asking, "Are you really leaving the Golden Drohare with them?"

Phex nodded, replying, "We already discussed this." Unwilling to think about how Rean threw the twins' achievements at his face any longer, Phex changed the topic. "What matters now is why the Spiritual Energy Fields had turned out like this. They had been working for a very, very long time. Why did they get damaged?"

Darian sighed in response, saying, "It's most likely because of that, right?"

Rean and Roan looked at each other before asking, "Are you talking about the Bestial Blood Pond?"

Xaon immediately looked at the twins. "How do you know that?"

"It was the Golden Drohare who told us about it." Rean then explained what Red told them.

As soon as he finished, Darian exclaimed, "What?! The Golden Drohare was in the Bestial Blood Pond? That's impossible!"

"Impossible? Why?" Naturally, the twins and Kentucky didn't know much about it.

Xaon and Phex then looked at Darian, waiting to see if he wanted to say anything else. After all, they considered Darian as their senior, the oldest out of all the demon beasts in the world. Seeing everyone's eyes fixated on him, Darian decided to speak. "Well, since you already know about the Bestial Blood Pond in the Sacred Ground, I guess there's no harm in telling you a little about it."

Darian continued, "The reason why I said it's impossible is that no one should be able to enter the Bestial Sacred Ground. Even for me, Phex, and the others, entering that place is extremely difficult due to the protection field there. The Golden Drohare is just a Stage Six Demon Beast, and it was definitely even weaker when it saw us back then. I can't see how it could have appeared there. He must be lying when he says he saw us at the pond."

Phex and Xaon nodded in agreement. They, too, found it hard to accept as they knew how complicated it is. "This is one more reason for you to be careful about the Golden Drohare."

Roan narrowed his eyes for a moment. As mentioned before, Roan was very good at detecting lies. Besides, demon beasts were even worse at using them. He was pretty sure that Red wasn't lying when he said that he was in the Bestial Sacred Ground. It was then that an idea popped into his mind. Soon after, he connected his mind into the Soul Gem Dimensional Realm. 'Red, do you know how you got into the Bestial Sacred Ground?'

Red was already awake at this point. It's just that he was too weak to do anything. Sure enough, Rean and Roan had paid 10000 Destiny Point to buy Red's entrance in their Dimensional Realm. For them, it was an investment since the mission reward was 30000 points. "I don't know...when I woke up, I was already there."

Roan wasn't surprised after hearing that. 'As I thought.'

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Chapter 780: What Does That Mean?

Roan then returned his attention to the meeting in the Hall before saying, "From what I heard from the Golden Drohare, his first memories were from the time he was already in the Bestial Sacred Ground. At that time, he was already a Stage Four Demon Beast."

"Already in the Bestial Sacred Ground?" Phex found that hard to believe. "Are you saying someone put him there?"

Roan shrugged his shoulders as he responded, "Maybe? However, I doubt that something even you can't do would be done by the Zasfins. If I were to guess, Red came from outside the planet, just like us."

Phex and the others went silent at that very moment. Usually, they wouldn't consider such a thing. However, Rean, Roan, and Kentucky were prime examples of this. With that said, why couldn't another Divine Demon Beast do the same? "From outside the planet..." Xaon then looked at Rean, Roan, and Kentucky before asking, "How do you know his cultivation at that time?"

Kentucky immediately answered, "Isn't that obvious? Divine Demon Beasts like us can achieve sentience at Stage Four instead of Stage Five. I doubt you would miss a demon beast at Stage Five and above, so he had to be at Stage Four back then."

Xaon had to admit that Kentucky was right.

However, that also added another point to the story. At least, Roan thought to be so. "If that's the case, doesn't that mean that the Bestial Sacred Ground might have some portal or similar thing connecting outside?"

Rean and Kentucky were surprised by that. However, the expressions on Xaon and the other Divine Demon Beasts changed when they heard Roan's words. Obviously, they seemed to know something about it. "What's happening? Could it be that there's actually a teleport formation or something like that in there?"

Xaon, Phex, and Darian looked at each other before they nodded. After that, Darian looked at the twins before saying, "You kids are quite smart. We have never seen it, but there is a legend about the Bestial Sacred Ground. It is said that once it awakes, it will connect our world with the Realm of Gods. This saying has been passed down from our ancestors for a very, very long time."

"Realm of Gods? This sounds quite suspicious," Kentucky could not help but blurt out.

Phex didn't deny that. "We think the same way. However, if the Golden Drohare's story is true, this might be the case. The only problem is that we haven't seen anything like that happening in there."

Rean immediately raised his hand as he said, "It shouldn't be too surprising. You said that once the Bestial Sacred Ground activates, or whatever that means, it will connect to the Realm of Gods. However, who said that these 'Gods' can't open a passage to the Bestial Sacred Ground first? If that's the case, I don't think there's a need to activate anything."

Everyone was taken aback. Sure enough, if it was the other way around, who said there was a need to activate the Bestial Sacred Ground? The only question would be why Red was sent there.

"Since Red doesn't have memories from before the Bestial Sacred Ground, that means he was thrown there as soon as he reached Stage Four, or perhaps he became a Stage Four Demon Beast in there," Roan explained his thought process.

Xaon then shook his head as he replied, "This won't bring us anywhere. The best-case scenario would be to check the Sacred Ground. However, we won't be able to enter it now."

"Why?" Kentucky asked in response.

Phex shrugged his shoulders. "That's because ever since Kentucky arrived in our world, the Bestial Sacred Ground has been acting strange. If our theory's correct, it's because we've never had so many Divine Demon Beasts on our planet before. Now that we know about the Golden Drohare, it increases this possibility."

Darian continued, "Because of these events happening there, it has become even more problematic to enter. We believe that this is also the reason behind the failure of the Spiritual Energy Fields. That's because the Bestial Sacred Ground has never used so much Spiritual Energy in the past. The Spiritual Energy Fields, which had been working at the same speed since ancient times, couldn't bear the sudden increase in energy demand. Fortunately, we had the method to repair them, and that's why we called Kentucky here."



Rean and Roan knew a bit more, though. Thanks to the Soul Gem System's mission, they knew that just repairing the Spiritual Energy Fields wasn't enough to fully activate the World Beast Formation in there. Otherwise, they would have received their reward of 30000 Destiny Points already. 'There must be something else we need to do in there to activate it. The only problem is how to enter that place.'

It was then that Darian mentioned, "However, it won't be long before we can do that."

Obviously, that piqued their interest. "How's that so?"

"We at least know that once the Bestial Sacred Ground starts to activate, it will only take a certain amount of years to be ready. Once that's done, we'll need to bring all the Divine Demon Beasts to finish the procedure," Phex said as he looked at Kentucky. "We were planning to tell you this once the war was over, but since we've gotten up to this point already, I might as well tell you right now."

Rean and Roan nodded after hearing that. That made sense since they knew that they haven't activated the formation yet. "Do you know when it will be?"

Darian shook his head, saying in response, "We only know it would take a few years, but not exactly how much. Our idea is to finish this war before heading there."

Kentucky immediately asked, "And why would you try to use it?"

Phex, Darian, and Xaon looked at each other before looking back at Kentucky. "We already reached the limit of what we can achieve on this planet. If we want to proceed further in our cultivation, we need to leave this place. We need to break the barrier of the higher realm."

"Barrier of the higher realm?" That was the first time Rean's group heard that term. "What does that mean?"