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Chapter 781: It's Time to Escalate

Phex pondered over the question for a bit before eventually deciding to explain. "You do know that the realm above the Elemental Transformation Realm can't be talked about, right?"

Rean and Roan nodded as Rean responded, "If we say its name, the heavens will punish us. Isn't that right?"

Phex confirmed. "Correct. To be honest, we demon beasts don't have a 'Stage Nine' level. We only use this name so that others can understand what realm we're in. But to be more exact, we're at the same level as those cultivators above the Elemental Transformation Realm."

That was something new that Rean, Roan, and Kentucky didn't know. Then again, they had to admit it made sense. After all, why would you be able to talk about the Stage Nine level for demon beasts and not the Transition Realm? Now they knew why.

Darian continued the explanation from there, saying, "The reason we can't surpass this 'Stage Nine' cultivation level is that the heavens of this place won't allow it. It doesn't matter how many times you try to break through into the next realm. The bottleneck simply won't budge. Do you know why?"

Rean and Roan pondered over it for a bit when Rean got an idea. "It has always bothered me. How come the same energy is always used for every single realm? Cultivation becomes harder and harder the further you go. At some point, even high-level Spirit Stones would start losing their effect. After all, it's still Spiritual Energy."

Rean then looked at Darian before asking, "It's the type of energy, right? At the very least, I believe that the concentration of Spiritual Energy in this 'Realm of Gods' is several times higher than any other place here."

Darian smiled in response, replying, "Smart! That's correct. It's the type of energy that isn't good enough. Spiritual Energy has its limits."

Darian then spread his Spiritual Sense and asked a subordinate to retrieve a few records in the Underwater Palace. Not too long after, a shark-type demon beast arrived at the hall while holding a few cylinders with its Spiritual Energy. After Darian dismissed the shark, he opened the cylinder, which had a few animal skins with some words written on them. It's just that Rean, Roan, and Kentucky couldn't understand what was written.

Seeing Rean, Roan, and Kentucky's puzzled expressions, Darian explained what was written for them. "These records were left behind by our ancestors who were on our planet long, long ago. They say that the path to the Realm of Gods was once open. From inside, they received the higher energy necessary for a breakthrough. Every time a demon beast reached Stage Nine, it would go through the door, entering the Higher Realms. There, it would finally enter the Stage Ten level. Of course, Stage Ten is the same as Stage Nine, just a name we use so that the heavens won't punish us."

Rean, Roan, and Kentucky could now understand why the Bestial Sacred Ground was so important for the Demon Beasts. It wasn't only limited to the extra strength they received from it. For the demon beasts at Stage Nine or those who could reach it, that place was more important than their lives.

Darian continued, "Unfortunately, the path to the Higher Realms had closed a long time ago. As for why that happened, no one knows."

Roan couldn't help but mention, "You did say that after Kentucky arrived on this planet, the Sacred Ground began to act on its own, right? If the passage to the Higher Realms really opens, then that's most likely the reason, the lack of Divine Demon Beasts. Perhaps you had the right amount of them before. But after it reached a boundary number, the path lost the Divine Demon Beasts' support and closed."

Darian, Phex, Xaon, and the other Stage Nine Demon Beasts couldn't help but feel amazed by the twins. They didn't say much, but they were able to guess the reason almost instantly. In the case of Phex's group, they took quite some time to come up with this theory. "I wonder if the education in that Sunkan Planet of yours was so much better than ours..." Phex murmured for a moment.

Darian quickly recovered and agreed with Roan's words. "That's what we think it to be as well. It seems like the addition of Red and Kentucky was the trigger to activate the Bestial Sacred Ground."

"Probably. That place is able to affect the entire planet, so it should be able to feel the presence of the Divine Demon Beasts of the world," Rean added.

Roan then asked something else. "What does the Bestial Blood Pond have to do with any of that? By the way, Red went against the demon beasts because he thought you guys kept killing demon beasts to fill that thing."

"Bullshit!" Phex immediately exclaimed. "I won't say that demon beasts haven't been thrown inside before. After all, that place exists for as long as our records go. However, I can guarantee that during my life, we have never filled it with anyone's blood. We don't know how it exactly works, but that place is capable of gathering the blood of the demon beasts who died anywhere in the world."

Rean and Roan immediately thought in their minds after hearing that, 'Just like the Soul Gem System mentioned in the mission. Well, it makes sense that they know about it as well after being in control of the demon beasts for so long.'

Rean then smiled as he raised his hand, telling them, "You might not know this, but I am certain of this. I came from Sunkan, where the level of formations is much, much more advanced. I can guarantee you that this Bestial Sacred Ground is controlled by a formation, a really ridiculously high-level one."

Phex and the others didn't find it surprising, with one of them responding, "We also think the same. It's just that we don't have any Formation Master capable of confirming it."

Darian then looked at Roan before saying, "You asked what the Blod Pond had to do with anything. I'm not sure if it's used to open the path to the Realm of Gods, but I'm sure it's used to increase the demon beasts' strength on our planet. That's because it never gets full as if it is in constant use. Since demon beasts eventually die, the balance is kept as well."

Roan nodded after hearing that. "That's good enough. So, what do you plan to do now?"

"Simple." Phex grinned as he continued, "It's time to escalate this war."

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Chapter 782: Intervention

As Phex said that, his smiling expression turned into that of fury. Sure enough, Phex was mad at the Zasfins' previous attack. However, Roan intervened at that point, telling them, "That's good and all.

However, you're forgetting the main point here. How did the Zafins find out about the issue with the Spiritual Energy Field?"

Surprisingly, it was Rean who answered that question, responding, "It's not hard, to be honest. The Spiritual Energy Field problem caused the demon beasts' strength to decline, right? The Zafins definitely felt that during the fight happening around the world. As long as they have some information about the Bestial Sacred Ground, which is very likely, they should have figured it out."

Darian nodded, saying in response, "Yes. The same way we're keeping an eye on the Soul Rulers, they're definitely doing the same thing to us."

Phex continued after confirming that. "Alright. I'm heading back first to start passing the mission for demon beasts at Stage Seven and above. Since the Soul Rulers' top experts took action, there's no need to hold back anymore."

Phex was just about to leave the underwater palace when suddenly, Rean called his attention. "Wait, Senior Phex. There's something I want to help you with."

Phex turned around just in time to see Rean grabbing his arm. Soon after, Rean's Spiritual Energy and Light Element entered Phex's body.

'Life Style, Second Form, Instant Recovery!'

Immediately, everyone saw as Rean healed Phex's injuries. Well, Rean and Phex had a huge difference in cultivation, so it didn't happen as fast as it happened with the twins. It took Rean over four hours and multiple Spirit Stones to make up for that. In any case, Rean was truly able to heal injuries on Transition Realm cultivators!

When he finished, Phex couldn't help but ask, "How can Light Element be this strong?"

Rean shook his head as he replied, "It wasn't just Light Element doing the work. Senior's body had a lot of foreign power rampaging around. Obviously, those powers were the outcome of the Zafins' attacks. I also used Roan's Dark Element to slowly destroy them. Unfortunately, my cultivation is much lower than them, so it took me all this time to finish."

Phex patted Rean's shoulder as he laughed. "All this time? Hahaha! If I were to heal myself, I would take at least a few months! You did it in a few hours! You have no idea how much you've helped me with that." It was then that Phex thought about something. "Can you...help Darian with his blood loss?" Darian wasn't injured, but he did lose a lot of his blood. That would take much, much longer to recover than any other severe injury. Well, it was even more so since Darian is very old.

Darin couldn't help but show a hint of hope. He could still more or less fight at the peak of Stage Eight or at the Initial Stage Nine Level. However, the top experts of the Zasfin race were definitely at the Peak Stage of the Transition Realm, so he wouldn't be of much help like that.

Rean pondered a bit about the issue before saying, "Hmm...I'm not sure." Light Element gathered above Rean's hand as he explained, "What I'm doing is simply stimulating the natural recovery ability of the body through the manipulation of Life Force. With that said, I've never tried to stimulate the production of blood, let alone the blood of a Divine Demon Beast." Rean then looked at Darian as he continued, "I'm not sure what effects would happen if I tried."

Darian immediately grabbed Rean's hand as he hastily replied, "This old man is willing to give it a shot. As for any collateral damage, I won't hold you accountable. The way I am at the moment, I won't be able to help the demon Bbasts for the next decade at the very least." Sure enough, Darian didn't want to be left behind.

Rean looked at the other demon beasts after this. Surprisingly, they all nodded, approving Darian's decision. "Alright then. Let's see how it goes."

At the same time, Phex turned around, preparing to leave as he told them, "Give it a go. As for me, I'm going back to organize everything."

Roan once again stopped Phex, though. "Are you perhaps planning to move demon beast tides?"

Although most of the world was under the Zasfins' control, many areas with demon beasts were still available. That being said, one could find some demon beast tides happening every once in a while close to those regions. Now that the demon beasts were leaving the Demon Beast Continent, it had become even more common. The alliance used this method many times while attacking in the previous years.

Phex nodded, responding, "Yes. I did send quite a few to raid the Zasfins' territories. However, they weren't even close to the number of tides I could use. I'm planning to go all out from now on."

Roan faintly smiled after hearing that as he said in response, "In that case, would you mind leaving the control over the tides to me?"

Phex and everyone else were taken aback after hearing that. "Why?"

Rean laughed as he pointed at Roan, saying, "You should listen to him. When it comes to war tactics, I doubt any of you would ever be his match. Trust me, any arm in his hand would display a level of power many times higher than normal."

Phex pondered a bit before saying, "You must understand that demon beast tides are mostly made up of demon beasts at Stage Four and below. They don't have sentience, so they can't follow any complex orders. Do you still think it would be of any use?"

Roan assured Phex as he replied, "As long as you can control them to say when and where to attack, that should be more than enough."

One of the Stage Nine Demon Beasts couldn't help but intervene. "Wait! Is it really okay to leave this human in charge of the tides? Aren't we trusting them way too much? What proof do we have about his abilities controlling armies? What if all of this is fake, and he uses this chance to give us a blow instead? Don't you think this is too risky?"

Sure enough, that was also a problem.

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Chapter 783: Helping Darian

It was then that Darian had an idea. "Alright. Since that's the case, put 10% of the beast tides under his command. We can test his abilities through that. Even if he betrays us, it shouldn't be that much of an issue."

Only then did all the demon beasts in the hall agree, with one of them voicing their agreement. "That's good, then."

Roan wasn't sad about the end result. If anything, he was satisfied that the demon beasts resolved this issue in such a straightforward manner. If it was the Zasfins, he would probably need to pass through many tests before he was allowed control over anything, let alone 10% of everything.

Phex immediately left after concluding that talk. Phex wanted to bring Roan together straightaway. However, Rean needed his connection with Roan to use his Dark Element. With that said, it was agreed that Roan would meet up with Phex a few days later.

Back at the topic at hand, Rean tried to use his Light Element to help Darian out. "Senior, the blood is mostly produced in the bone marrow. I'll try to use my Light Element to stimulate the marrow so that it can produce more blood. At the same time, I will use my brother's Dark Element to wash the marrows clean of any impurities. Be aware that even though I can protect them with my Light Element, you'll still feel a lot of pain. Dark Element is the opposite of Light. It doesn't stimulate Life Force. Instead, it destroys it. Besides, it's my first time using Dark Element inside the marrow, so it might turn out even worse."

Darian couldn't help but laugh out loud after hearing Rean's warning. "Hahaha! Pain? Little boy, do you have any idea how much pain this old man has been through in his thousands of years of living?" Darian then looked at Rean with a smirk before coolly saying, "Try your best."

Rean tried to hold his laugh as Roan shook his head. Sure enough, this guy had no idea what kind of pain Dark Element was capable of producing. Even the toughest cultivators and demon beasts Roan found in the past didn't last long under such pain. His Dark Element had always been an excellent tool for interrogation.

Rean finally calmed himself as he looked seriously at Darian, saying, "Since senior has said so, then I'll start."

What happened after that would forever be a stain on Darian's pride. Xaon and the other saw the old Black Tortoise crying for the first time. His expression was as ugly as it could be as he couldn't even keep himself standing up. Just ten seconds into the treatment, Rean already had to stop because the old turtle was already weeping.

Xaon quickly came to Darian's side, worried. "Se-Senior Darian! Are you alright? Did he cause you any further damage?"

Darian didn't remember when he had felt so humiliated before. "Shut up! All of you, get out of my palace."

The other demon beasts were taken aback after hearing that. "But..."

"No buts!" Darian exclaimed. "He didn't cause any damage. Get the fuck out!" Darian felt extreme pain, especially since Rean didn't have good control over this method yet. However, he could at least tell that Rean's approach had worked. No real damage was left behind. Unfortunately...it hurt like hell!

Of course, Darian was sending everyone out because he didn't want the others to see his crying face. If the entire treatment went like that, he wasn't the least bit confident that he could control his tears. 'Dark Element is terrifying!'

To be more specific, it was Roan's Dark Element that was terrifying. One must remember that a cultivator or demon beast who had control over Yin Energy could also use it to manipulate Dark Element. However, the Dark Element used by them wasn't even a hundredth as good. Only Roan's Dark Element, which was his natural affinity, could achieve that result.

Somewhat unwilling, all the demon beasts eventually made their way out of the hall.

But before they disappeared, Rean called their attention, telling them, "Wait outside until I'm done here. All of you received injuries from the battle against that so-called Fikin and his group. Don't worry. You only have normal injuries, so it'll be the same as it was with Phex. There will be little to no pain when I heal you."

Xaon and the others nodded after hearing that. In fact, they saw the results when Rean worked on Phex, so they would wait for him nonetheless.

Following that, Rean restarted his work on Darian, who kept screaming. It was quite weird as Darian showed a mix of terror and happiness on his face. Fortunately for him, Rean worked on eliminating impurities first so that the painful part would be over faster. The best way would be for Roan to concoct a pill so that the medicinal properties could help out. Unfortunately, Roan didn't have the necessary skill to make a pill that worked on a Stage Nine Demon Beast, let alone a Divine Demon Beast. The

cultivation difference was just too big. That being said, Rean's elimination of impurities was far from what a pill could achieve. In any case, it was still a big help.

Rean finished the washing of Darian's marrows one day later, much to Darian's relief. In the process, Darian kept giving Rean Rank Four Spirit Stones for constant use. Rank Four Spirit Stones were rare, but it wasn't something hard to get for someone at Darian's level.

"Phew... I'm done here. Check your body, Senior Darian. See if you feel any irregularities," Rean said with a satisfied expression.

Darian wasn't crying anymore since he spent up all his tears. Otherwise, he would cry again since the pain was finally over. "It's good, it's good. I can feel it with my Spiritual Sense."

Rean nodded after hearing that. "That's good. Now I'm going to stimulate blood production with Light Element. In any case, you should be able to recover faster with your marrows cleansed of impurities. So, if the Light Element stimulation doesn't work, it won't be as if you got nothing out of it."

Darian nodded and took a deep breath, saying, "Alright, you can start now."

Rean then touched Darian's back after that as his body burst with Spiritual Energy and Light Element.

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Chapter 784: I Prefer This Type of 'Take Care'

Regenerating a Stage Nine Demon Beast's blood was a lot harder than simply healing them. Well, healing was already very hard due to the difference in cultivation, so one could only imagine how worse the other one was. That being said, Rean and Roan didn't leave Darian's underwater palace for the next two weeks. There was no helping it since Darian's blood recovered very slowly.

During this time, Roan and Kentucky decided to cultivate. Celis was always cultivating and pulling everyone up, but of course, the more of them cultivating, the faster it was. Back in the Demon Beast Alliance, Phex had already passed all the orders as the demon beast armies moved out. This time, he was going all out.

In the end, all those airships that the demon beasts almost never used had become important. It helped moving most of the lower-level demon beasts to the regions where they were necessary. Roan also took the opportunity to ask the underwater palace's demon beasts to pass Phex a message. With that said, his 10% share of the army went to a specific location where he would start his attack after Rean finished his job.

Suddenly, an enormous black shadow approached the underwater palace's entrance from inside. All the demon beasts guarding the place immediately showed respectful expressions as the shadow moved outside. Beside the black shadow, there was a white-haired young man.

Naturally, they were Rean and Darian. Darian was a Black Tortoise, and he was in his demon beast form this time. The other Stage Nine Demon Beasts, including Xaon, were still waiting outside, as Rean had asked before.

Xaon noticed Darian's appearance and used his Spiritual Sense to feel his body. "Oh! You're brimming with power again. It seems like this human was really able to help you recover your Divine Demon Beast Blood." Naturally, Xaon was happy to see that.

Darian couldn't help but laugh out loud, saying, "Hahaha! That's true. In fact, he even helped me with older injuries that had never been healed. I didn't expect his Light Element was this overpowered." Darian then looked at Rean, who was scratching his head after all the compliments. "Rean, I'm leaving to help Phex with the preparations. Take your time to heal Xaon and the others before heading out as well."

Right after that, the enormous Black Tortoise disappeared without a trace. Its speed was completely different from what one would believe after seeing it. "Now...that was fast," Rean could not help but murmur. Darian didn't even wait to hear his answer.

Xaon, however, heard Rean's words, telling him, "Oh, you're wrong there. Darian isn't fast. It's just that your cultivation levels are too different, so it looks like he's fast in your eyes. Compared to Phex and I, he's quite slow. And if you use Frin, the Silver Fenrir, as a comparison, then he can only be called a turtle."

Rean nodded, not finding it surprising. "I see..." After that, he looked at Xaon and the other Stage Nine Demon Beasts. Their injuries from the battle against Fikin's group had stabilized a little after these past two weeks. Nevertheless, it was far from being optimal. "Seniors, please come into the palace. I'll heal each one of you from now on."

Xaon and the others nodded and followed Rean inside. There were a total of four Stage Nine Demon Beasts, including Xaon. Because their group was bigger, they didn't suffer as much as Phex did during his battle. That being said, healing them was easier.

Of course, even though Rean didn't use four hours to recover each one like Phex, he still took at least two. Putting all the demon beasts together, Rean's work lasted another 10 hours and something. "Phew... I'm finally done," Rean said as he looked at a snake-type demon beast in front of him. Xaon and the other two left straight away after being healed, so this one was the last.

"Thanks. I need to leave as well since each peak-level demon beast will be necessary for the incoming war. I'll see you another time." The snake then turned around after saying that and disappeared.

Following that, Roan and Kentucky arrived at the hall, which only had the lower-level demon beasts who stayed behind to take care of the palace. "So, have you finished everything?"

Rean nodded. "I did. Now I just need to rest a little. After spending two weeks healing them, I'm feeling very tired."

Roan didn't complain as he knew how hard it is. He can use Instant Recovery, too, after all. It's just that he wasn't as good as Rean.

Kentucky then used his Spiritual Energy to grab Rean. If Rean wanted to, he could escape from it easily. However, he didn't say anything and simply closed his eyes. Kentucky then put him on his back as Roan jumped there as well. After that, they left the palace. Sometime later, Kentucky finally left the sea and took flight.

At some point, Rean entered the Soul Gem Dimensional Realm. Red was there too, but he was being watched by Sister Orb. Sister Orb was god in the Dimensional Realm, so Red couldn't cause trouble even if he wanted. "Oh! Are you finally here to take care of me?"

Rean looked at him with a puzzled expression as he responded, "Take care? Oh! I see..." Rean then approached Red and petted him on the head. "Hi, hi. Good boy, good boy. Big Brother Rean will take good care of you."

Red almost vomited blood in anger as he jumped back at full speed. "Fuck you! That's not the kind of 'take care' I was talking about!" Naturally, his pride wouldn't allow that to happen. He was still a Divine Demon Beast, after all.

"Is that not it?" Rean asked as he caressed his chin. "But I sure do prefer this kind of 'take care,' though. Don't you think it's much better? Besides, your fur is very fluffy, so it feels great to do that."

"Get out of my sight, idiot!" Red immediately turned around and left, not wanting to hear that bullshit anymore.

As for Rean, he simply smiled and entered a small hut in the Dimensional Realm. There wasn't anything important there, just a few common things. As for what he wanted, it was the bed! With that, he laid down and slept. Once he woke up, he would be back in the Freedom Sect once again.

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Chapter 785: The Duo

Two months went by as fights began to take place everywhere.

Somewhere on the planet, a man and a girl were helping the demon beasts in a battle found in a small region called Nanrian. Because they were humans, they were promptly accepted into the demon beasts' forces to take on more special missions. As for why it was so fast, that's because both humans were in the Late Stage of the Core and Soul Fusion Realm.

As everyone knew, Stage Four Demon Beasts had similar power to Core and Soul Fusion Realm cultivators. However, Stage Four Demon Beasts couldn't follow complex commands. That being said, humans were a valuable asset to the Demon Beast Alliance. After all, they could follow orders properly, even at lower levels.

Last but not least, these two were accepted inside the demon beasts' group because of the humans who came from the Demon Beast Continent. After all, it wasn't as if they could simply enter the Demon Beast Army that easily.

If Rean, Roan, and Kentucky were here, they would immediately recognize these two.

"Malaka, take the ZASFINS on the left-wing. I'll head to the middle," Agis said as he charged with the other demon beasts once more, aiming for the ZASFINS' defense. However, Agis quickly noticed a happy-go-lucky girl right on his tail, prompting him to curse, "The hell? Didn't you hear me?"

Malak nodded as she laughed, saying, "Hahaha! I did! However, it's obvious that the center is a lot more fun. Besides, the human slaves in the ZASFINS Army are also concentrated in the middle sector. Without my help, you'll have a hard time saving them alone."

Agis scratched the back of his head but eventually gave up in the end. "Ahhhh....fine! Let's go together!"

On the back, the Stage Seven Demon Beast overseeing this battle nodded with a satisfied expression, muttering, "Those two humans are quite useful." However, he quickly noticed the Saint Realm ZASFINS on the enemy side leave his post. "Oh! So, you've decided to come out already? Sure enough, it is as Senior Phex mentioned. The ZASFINS have already given up guarding their strength. Well, that's good for me as well. I was getting bored already. Hahaha!"

Malaka and Agis looked in the sky's direction, just in time to see an enormous crab flying towards the opposing side's army. Not long after, that crab went even higher before it met up with a small figure that came from the ZASFINS' side. Sure enough, those two were the Stage Seven Demon Beast and the Saint Realm ZASFINS.

Boom, boom, boom, boom, boom...

Immediately, the sky above the army turned into a forbidden zone where only those at their level could enter. For Agis and Malaka, that was something way out of their league. "The enemy's Saint Realm is out. Let's force our way through!"

Roar!

As if hearing Agis' words, all the demon beasts around them charged at the ZASFINS. It didn't take long for the battlefield to be filled with even more corpses from both sides. As for Malaka and Agis, they prioritized the human slaves that were brought to help the ZASFINS.

'Myriad Thrust!'

'Hundred Water Flowers!'

Agis and Malaka's attacks were aimed at both the Zafins and the humans. However, while the Zafins had to defend against their attacks, the humans didn't have the speed or strength to do that. Fortunately for them, Malaka and Agis weren't aiming for their lives. Instead, they targeted the slave collars on their necks!

Shatter, shatter, shatter, shatter, shatter!

One after another, the slave collars on the humans shattered nonstop. At the same time, the demon beasts rushed through the gaps but ignored the humans, attacking the Zafins ahead.

"Arrgh!"

"Help me!"

"They're taking the slaves!"

Screams, shouts, and the sound of broken collars came from everywhere. As Agis and Malaka liberated the humans, they also used their Spiritual Senses to talk with them.

'Head in the direction of the Demon Beast Alliance's army. Don't worry. No demon beast will attack you as long as you don't threaten them. It's your chance to be free and live with other free humans. Don't let this chance slip!'

Many of the humans were taken aback, not knowing what to do. But after seeing how the Zafins were being pushed back, they were surrounded by running demon beasts. Trying to head back to the Zafins' side would be suicide since that's where the heat of the battle was located.

Of course, the ZASFins noticed Agis and Malaka trying to help the humans and tried to use them as shields. Unfortunately, the demon beasts didn't stop attacking just because the humans were in the way. They had already been told that the demon beasts in charge didn't mind if they tried to save the humans. However, they wouldn't let their own troops die just so they could be saved. If they got in the way, the demon beasts would just continue with the assault. This was war, after all.

Nonetheless, there was a positive effect to it. Seeing that using the humans as shields or threatening to kill them was useless, the ZASFins gave up trying it after a while. In the end, trying to use the humans would only become a burden for them.

Suddenly, Malaka noticed a ZASFin fighting a Stage Five Demon Beast, a Saber Hound, in the middle of the mess. Agis, who was with her, noticed that as well. They looked at each other and nodded soon after.

So far in this battle, they had been displaying the combat power on the level of someone at the Late Stage of the Core and Soul Fusion Realm. However, they had Roan's teachings and revised cultivation techniques. They were obviously much stronger than average cultivators at their level. 'If we succeed in killing that ZASFin, this side will be a lost cause for the ZASFins. Let's go!'

Of course, Malaka and Agis didn't head straight for the Nascent Soul Realm ZASFin. They pretended to be dragged to that side of the battle as the fights continued. Of course, with their superior strength, they kept killing some of the ZASFins on the way, which aroused that Nascent Soul ZASFin's attention. Those two made it look like they were taking advantage of the Nascent Soul ZASFin's battle against the Stage Five Demon Beast to kill more of the ZASFin army.

'Hmph! Do you think I can't do anything to you just because of the oversized dog?! Dream on!'

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Chapter 786: Very Strict

The ZASFin kept fighting the Saber Hound for a bit more until his eyes lit up. An opening appeared in the enemy's assault, which the Nascent Soul ZASFin immediately used to dash out. Naturally, the direction it chose was none other than where Agis and Malaka were. "Die!"

Malaka and Agis looked at the ZASFin in panic, as if they didn't expect that to happen. They tried to turn around and flee, but the Nascent Soul ZASFin was much faster. As for the Saber Hound, he was too far

away to help because of the previous opening. However, just as the Zasfin was about to strike Agis and Malaka down, their panicked expressions turned into cold smiles.

Suddenly, their bodies exploded with Spiritual Energy as they changed directions. Instead of fleeing, they charged right at the Zasfin, much to the guy's surprise. It was so unbelievable that the Zasfin failed to react in time. After all, he was almost at hitting range when Malaka and Agis did that.

'Death Water Style, Second Form, Spinning Dragon Tails!'

Malaka's counter-attack skill, Spinning Dragon Tails, immediately paired the Zasfin's attack with the dragon's head, while the dragon's tail used the enemy's strength to rotate Malaka's staff. Surprisingly, Malaka aimed the attack directly at the Zasfin's head! If it hit, the guy would be dead for sure. After all, that staff was none other than the one Rean made. It was as strong as Earth Peak-level equipment with the advantage of gathering Water Element on its own, which increased Malaka's power even more.

However, a Nascent Soul Realm Zasfin was still no pushover. Even in that fraction of a second, the Zasfin succeeded in raising his weapon to defend against the dragon's tail. Unfortunately for him, Malaka wasn't the only one attacking.

'Chase of the Fire King Sword!'

Agis slashed down with his sword, aiming at the Zasfin's blind spot the very moment he tried to defend against the dragon's tail. His sword burnt with Fire Element and Yang Energy. Not only that, but Agis also added a hint of Light Element from the Light Equipment Rean made for him. It couldn't compare to Rean's Life Fire Skills, but it was still much better than not using it.

Malaka and Agis had trained this combination many times. Since they were traveling together, they had to make use of each other's strengths, after all. Sure enough, all of that training had paid off.

Swish!

Thssssss!

Arrrgh!

The Zasfin noticed Agis with his Spiritual Sense but knew that it would be too late to defend, so he sent all his Spiritual Energy and Soul Power into the area where Agis would strike. Nevertheless, Rean's sword wasn't anything to joke about. The Zasfin was already lucky to not die instantly from that, thanks to his higher cultivation.

Boom!

Suddenly, a huge amount of Soul Power broke out of the Zasfin's body as his Soul Mark left his forehead. That was the same skill Rean and Roan saw a couple of ZASFINS use back in Fhazan City. It was something that would destroy the Zasfin's Soul Power forever once the burst was over. However, the Zasfin couldn't care less about it right now. The Saber Hound was right on his tail, and with that much damage to his body, only death awaited. Obviously, it was better to be alive without Soul Power than to be dead.

The Zasfin ignored everything soon after and disappeared into the distance. That power wouldn't last more than a few seconds to at most a minute, so he had to be gone by that time. The Saber Hound didn't pursue, though. It had seen the ZASFINS use that technique to save themselves many times. That being said, the Zasfin would head far into the ZASFINS' defense line once he finally ran out of energy. Following the guy would just be tantamount to suicide.

Instead, the Saber Hound looked at Malaka and Agis as they gasped for air. Even though they displayed the power of Nascent Soul Realm cultivators for a moment, it still took a toll on their bodies. "That was quite impressive. There are very few humans in the entire Demon Beast Alliance's army that can display strength higher than their level." The Saber Hound then looked in the direction the Zasfin escaped before continuing, "Truth be told, that guy is probably dead already. The injury you inflicted on him was way too severe. If he survives, I doubt he'll be able to fight any longer."

Malaka and Agis were taken aback by the Saber Hound's words, though. With that, Agis asked, "Do you mean you know of other humans who can do the same thing?"

The hound nodded as he replied, "Yes. If I'm not wrong, the leader of part of our army is also a human, a very strong one at that. Rumors say that he's extremely strict. However, his army has been the most successful one after the high-level experts joined the fray. In the end, he even got a few Stage Seven and Eight demon beasts under his command. Of course, the point where you remind me of him is your greater strength for your level. From what I heard, he can fight ZASFINS an entire realm above his own."

Malaka and Agis didn't need to think much to know who the Saber Hound was talking about as Malaka could not help but say, "That's definitely Roan. It must be!"

The Saber Hound looked in surprise at Malaka and Agis as he asked soon after, "Since you know his name, does that mean you know him in person?"

Malaka and Agis nodded as one of them replied, "Indeed. We could be considered acquaintances, I guess."

"I see..." The Saber Hound showed a knowing expression. "No wonder you can do something similar." After that, he asked something else, "Do you intend to join his army?"

Malaka and Agis felt a chill behind their backs when they heard that question.

Unsurprisingly, right after that, Malaka shook her head as she replied, "Ahem...there's no need. He doesn't need our help. He has his brother for that."

Agis nodded vigorously. "Yes! We would make no difference there. We prefer to continue here."

Naturally, the Saber Hound wasn't against it, although he was confused with the frightened look on their faces. "Well, if you say so...anyways, we've talked for too long already. I'm going to help the demon beasts in the other fields. You two help clean this side since there's no other Nascent Soul Zafin nearby."

Malaka and Agis nodded in response to his words. Anything was better than being part of the 'very strict' army in Roan's hands.

Death... and me

Chapter 787: Go Help Him

Malaka and Agis could be said to be lucky. That's because Rean and Roan used their influence in the Demon Beast Alliance to look for everyone in their group. Sure enough, except for Frandin and Xiria,

who were Zafins, the rest of the members in their group were all on the demon beasts' side. That meant Calina and Qia were on their side as well.

At the moment, those two girls, who haven't seen each other in a long time, were making their way to the battlefield where Roan was in charge. Calina could be said to have the highest cultivation in the group after Rean and Roan, being in the Peak Stage of the Core and Soul Fusion Realm. After all, she was ahead of everyone when they first separated.

However, not only did Rean and Roan have Celis's help, but they also spent a long time in the Soul Rulers' headquarters. That's why they flew by Calina's cultivation even though their Spiritual Energy Pools were much larger.

As for Qia, she was at the Late Stage of the Core and Soul Fusion Realm, just like Malaka and Agis. Then again, she was still very happy with her progress.

Qia was the first one to arrive at the place where Roan's army was located. Coincidentally, it was at the moment when Roan was commanding millions of demon beasts to attack the opposing side's defenses in the two countries of Hagark and Pofel.

"Who goes there?"

Naturally, she was caught by the Spiritual Senses of the demon beasts protecting the place. But since she was human, they didn't do anything. It's just that the place where Roan was located had to be guarded 100% of the time since his cultivation was too low.

"Sorry, I'm here to see Roan. He requested my presence from the Collen Army." That was the demon beast army Qia was a part of before Roan found her. Collen was obviously the name of the demon beast in charge there.

Not too long after, one of the Stage Seven Demon Beasts came out to receive Qia, saying, "He confirmed your identity. Come with me." Right after, he enveloped Qia in his Spiritual Energy before dragging her over. Qia couldn't do anything since the difference in cultivation between them was ridiculously high.

Well, there was no problem since she arrived a few minutes later. There, she immediately noticed Roan in the middle of a lot of demon beasts. It's just that Roan looked tiny and weak. Well, that was true since the demon beasts there were at least Stage Seven. Beside Roan, there was even one of the Divine Demon Beasts, the only one that hasn't appeared until now, Frin, the Silver Fenrir.

Because of Roan's success in attacking, he had already conquered two important defensive points with minimal losses. That being said, the commander of 10% of the demon beast armies quickly caught the attention of the Zasfins. Frin was then sent here to protect him since Roan would instantly die if a Transition Realm Zasfin suddenly appeared.

"Send 13,000 demon beasts to the Jaftio Canyon. They have to pass through it in the next three hours, or we'll lose the initiative in that region. Make it so that at least five thousand of them are Stage Four Demon Beasts."

One of the Stage Seven Demon Beasts immediately nodded and disappeared after that. Together with that demon beast, many Stage Six and Five Demon Beasts followed.

Following that, Roan continued, "We need at least a hundred thousand beasts in the Colost Mountain Range. If I'm not wrong, the Zasfins will try to use the mountains to hide their presence while sneaking behind our Demon Beast Army in the Yula Path. They must hold the Zasfins there until at least noon. Also..."

Once again, another demon beast at Stage Seven disappeared with many lower-level ones as soon as Roan finished his words. It was impressive how much the demon beasts came to trust Roan after such a short time.

Roan then passed a few more orders as some demon beasts left. In the end, only Frin and two Stage Eight Demon Beasts remained there. With that, Frin looked at Roan and asked, "Are you sure this will work? If the Colost Mountain Range is truly a place where the Zasfins will try to pass, they'll probably bring a lot more members than just one hundred thousand."

Roan nodded as he replied, "I know, that's why I asked that at least one-third of those hundred thousand beasts should be composed of Earth-type demon beasts. The idea is to stall for time, and they can do that by utilizing the terrain to their advantage. As long as we hold them until noon, our army in Yula Path can break through the defense line. Once that's done, the Colost Mountain Range Army will be of no use."

Frin didn't say anything else after Roan finished his words. He had proved time and time again that his methods worked. Above all, he made them work while he had a huge amount of low-level demon beasts that could only receive simple commands. Either they attacked, or they retreated. They couldn't do much more than that. Formations? Strategy? Such a thing didn't exist for demon beasts at Stage Four and below.

Suddenly, Frin's expression changed as he looked in a certain direction. Roan, too, did the same. "Another one, huh?"

Right after, two of the three Stage Eight Demon Beasts disappeared. Sure enough, the sound of a heated battle had begun in the distance. Roan had been targeted for a long time now, and the demon beasts got quite used to that. Roan hastily ignored that and looked at the maps in front of him. The Stage Eight and Elemental Transformation level battle to his side didn't even bother him.

Eventually, his eyes shift a bit as he noticed a certain girl's presence at the back. He looked behind and obviously saw Qia standing there. "So you're here, huh? That's good. Here, take it." Roan then threw a jade slip to Qia.

"What is it?" Qia was confused as she looked at the content. Though, after she read it, her eyes widened as she muttered, "This..."

Roan faintly smiled in response, saying, "Go there and help Rean. It's one of the main points of my strategy, so make sure he completes it."

Death... and me

Chapter 788: Special Mission

Qia obviously wanted to see Rean, so she accepted the order. However, she first asked about everyone else before leaving. "What happened to Calina and the rest?"

Roan shrugged his shoulders, replying, "I received a report that Calina was helping the Demon Beast Army in Gactip Country, so I've already issued an order for her to come here. As for the rest, I'm not too sure."

It was then that Roan remembered something. "By the way, what happened to Frandin and Xiria?"

Qia already expected the question, so she answered straight away. "We went our separate ways. Frandin made it clear that he wouldn't fight for the demon beasts. After all, he's also a Zasfin. As for Xiria, she followed Frandin. That was the best thing for both sides once we found out about the war," Qia explained. "If I'm not wrong, they're probably participating in the war as well, but on the enemy's side. Of course, that's considering the fact that they haven't died until now."

Roan nodded, not finding it too surprising. Frandin respected Rean's group because they didn't have the mentality of slaves. As for the other humans, he always said that he didn't care about them. Besides, this was a war between Zasfins and demon beasts. Humans weren't considered very important in the grand scheme of things, so Frandin obviously chose his race's side. "Very well. If you find him on the other side, don't hold back. I didn't train him so that he would lose this easily."

Qia agreed with him, saying in response, "Of course. Anyone who followed your teachings isn't someone who can be overlooked. I was quite famous in the army where I was in before you found me, so I believe Frandin and Xiria are in similar positions."

They discussed a little more before Qia finally took off. Roan asked if she wanted to revise her routine and cultivation technique according to her cultivation. However, she was in a hurry to find Rean.

Frin, who always stayed beside Roan, couldn't help but ask with a dark expression, "You helped a Zasfin?"

Roan glanced at him, not minding Frin's mood as he replied, "I did. After all, that Zasfin helped us a lot when we first arrived. Well, the truth is that we took him as our slave instead of the opposite. Nevertheless, after so long, I decided to let him go. I'm not ungrateful, you know? Rewards shall be given to those who deserve it. Punishment follows the same rule. I've been working like this ever since I assumed command of this arm, didn't I? Now, look at our achievements compared to the others."

Frin sighed in the end, saying, "Fine...the fact that you didn't try to hide your conversation at least shows some sincerity. By the way, Phex is coming."

Roan nodded in response to Frin's words. "I know. It was about time for the commanders of the other armies to come asking for my opinion. Everything is within what I've imagined so far. Once Rean finishes his part, the other armies' help will become extremely necessary."

Frin wanted to know just what it was that Roan asked Rean to do. However, Roan didn't open his mouth, even for him, one of the Divine Demon Beasts. That showed just how careful he was being with it.

Meanwhile, on the Zafins' side, a black-haired Zasfin walked along the streets of a city called Watisan. This place was the capital of the country of Wenfal, close to the North of the world. As one might remember, the Soul Rulers' headquarters was located on the extreme North, so this was the biggest city near them.

Because of its proximity to the North Pole, this city was still covered in snow and ice in its surroundings, having to rely on the city's protection formation to keep the bad weather outside. In fact, the situation regarding the weather was a lot better now. Back when Celis worked for the Zafins, the environment was much harsher. It's just that the location didn't allow for the ice and snow to melt even after the planet's condition had gotten better with Celis's 'retirement.'

On the shoulder of the young Zasfin, one could see a small white rabbit. It looked inoffensive as it slowly ate a carrot. The females who passed by the young Zasfin couldn't help but look in his direction. First off, that was because the snow-white rabbit was really cute. Second, it was because the young Zasfin was quite handsome for them.

As one could imagine, the Zasfin and the snow-white rabbit were none other than Rean and Red. Before, Rean couldn't use his appearance-changing skill to look like a Zasfin since it could be seen through by a higher-level cultivator. Naturally, a city like this, one so close to the Soul Rulers' headquarters, had many Zafins at the Saint Realm and above overseeing it.

This was one of the very few places in the world where all the population knew about the existence of the Soul Rulers. Well, after the war against the demon beasts started, the entire world was told at least a bit about the Soul Rulers. After all, the combatants had to understand what they were fighting for and that the Zafins weren't really the only ruling power of the planet. It's just that this city's Zafins knew about the Soul Rulers even before that.

That being said, Rean's Spiritual Sense bending skill would be useless if he got too close to a Saint or even a Soul Transformation Realm Zasfin, especially in a time like this. However, Rean wasn't alone. He

had Red on his side. Surprisingly, Red's concealment skill was of an even higher level than Rean's. It had to do with Red's bloodline as a Golden Drohare, a Bloodline Ability.

When Rean's Body Transformation skill with Light Element and Red's Concealment skill were put together, they formed the ultimate disguise. Not even Elemental Transformation or Transition Realm Zafins could see through it.

Of course, Red was against the demon beasts back when he fought Rean and Roan, so there was a reason for him to be helping right now. To explain that, we would need to go back a month or so in time...

Death... and me

Chapter 789: Deep Thought

Rean's group had just arrived back from their travel to Darian's underwater palace. Naturally, they were received by Malo and company. Following that, Roan explained that the war between the Zafins and demon beasts would finally leave its initial stages and enter the stage where high-level experts would enter. With that, the Zafins would have little time to care about gathering more humans to be used in the Bloodline Trial Control Formations. Well, even if they did gather more of them, the formations would still take several more years to be rebuilt, so it didn't matter much overall.

That being said, Roan offered to participate in the war for everyone above fourteen years old, allowing them to work with the 10% of the Demon Beast Army that he would control. He made sure to clarify the dangers involved so that no one would change their minds later.

That was one of the reasons for Roan's success. In total, over 300 of the Freedom Sect's members decided to follow him. That made it a lot easier to pass orders to specific points in the battlefield since demon beasts at Stage Four and below didn't have sentience. Even though simple orders like attacking or retreating was the limitation of those demon beasts, having humans help coordinate these simple order made everything even simpler.

Malo, the highest level cultivator other than Rean's group, didn't go, though. It was not that he didn't want to, but because he was forced to not go due to his duties as the 'Sect Master,' a position he didn't want by the way.

Kentucky, of course, didn't care about those complicated things. That being said, he spent most of his short time in the sect on his nest on Celis or in the middle of the female cultivators. Sure enough, once a pervert bird, always a pervert bird.

Celis, on the other hand, didn't care about any of that. As long as Kentucky had its nest on him, he would benefit from it. Besides, he didn't need combat experience since he had lots of it. He only needed tons of energy at this point.

While all of that happened outside, something different was happening inside the Soul Gem Dimensional Realm. Here, Rean had awakened from his slumber again and decided to talk with Red.

[Oh, you're up. That's good.] Sister Orb was the first one to notice that. [Can you do something about this rabbit? I've hit him so many times, but he keeps trying to sneak behind me to attack Roan's herb garden.]

Rean's mouth twitched in response as he saw the blood marks on the shiny orb's surface. It looked like Sister Orb had been quite brutal while he was asleep. Soon after, he used his connection with the Soul Gem Dimensional Realm to find Red and check his conditions. "Couldn't you...hold back a little?"

At the moment, Red was crying in a corner as he licked his injuries. However, his fur wasn't colored red anymore, much less white. Instead, he looked a lot more purple. His entire body was swollen all over. Well, there were a few red points, but those were from the area where Sister Orb's attacks opened cuts.

[Hmph! Don't be fooled by his appearance. I bet anything with you that he'll try to get close to Roan's herb garden within the next two hours at most!] Sister Orb obviously didn't seem the least bit concerned.

Rean sighed in response and left Sister Orb behind as he headed to where Red was. Unfortunately for Red, the Soul Gem Dimensional Realm was Sister Orb's and the twins' personal dimension. That being said, they could even block his Spiritual Sense. Red only noticed Rean's presence when he was almost beside him.

Rean scratched the back of his head when Red looked at him, asking, "Ahem...why must you put yourself in such a predicament? Sister Orb obviously wouldn't let you get close to the herb garden."

"Hmph! What's wrong with a Divine Demon Beast like me eating high-level herbs? I'm a Golden Drohare, obviously not a carnivore. For me, those are marvelous snacks." Red didn't look like he regretted his actions either.

Rean still found it strange as he asked in response, "Couldn't you ask for more carrots?"

Red shook his head as he replied, "Carrots are indeed the most delicious food I've eaten in my life. Unfortunately, they can't help in my cultivation. It's truly a pity that they only grow as common food. I need rare herbs to help my power increase faster."

With that, Rean understood why he was so adamant about attacking the herbs...just for Sister Orb to send him flying once more. One must remember that Roan's herb garden was being taken care of by Celis's saplings. Naturally, they reached a new level during the time they were nurtured by the World Swallowing Cedar. In Red's eyes, those herbs were probably more important than any rank of Spirit Stone.

It was then that Rean had an idea. "Hmm... let's do it like this. I can allow you to eat a certain amount of Roan's herbs every month. However, you'll have to help me in my next mission."

Red was taken aback, saying, "Help you with your mission? Did you forget I'm against the demon beasts?"

"Idiot! Do you still believe that it was Phex's group who filled that blood pond? It wasn't them! Didn't you hear when Phex said that all the blood of the demon beasts who die on this planet was dragged there by the Bestial Sacred Grounds? They never had anything to do with that!" Rean felt helpless since he knew it was the truth. It's just that he couldn't explain that it was because of the Soul Gem System that he knew about it.

Red didn't seem to care, though. "Hmph! And why should I believe you instead?"

Rean shook his head, saying, "You don't need to believe me." After that, he said something that made Red think a lot more seriously. "Can't you see it? If there was a chance that one of the sides was lying to you, which one do you think it would be? The Zasfins or the demon beasts?"

"This..." Red had to admit that it made sense. With that, he looked at Rean before asking, "Can you prove it?"

Rean pondered a bit before saying, "I can...however, it'll only be possible once we go see a certain person. Don't worry, it'll be very soon. As for who it is, I can't tell you right now."

Red fell into deep thought after that.

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Chapter 790: We Need You To Win This War

Seeing that Red wavered, Rean decided to strike the iron while it was hot. "Aren't the few herbs enough for you? Then, how about Roan concocts a pill for you that can clean your meridians? It uses the same herbs you want to eat, so it's certain to be tasty. Besides, it should give you a boost in the future."

Red's eyes lit up after hearing that, asking, "Can he do such a thing?"

"But of course!" Rean immediately confirmed. Roan spent a lot of time practicing his pill concoction during his free time in the Freedom Sect, especially because he had many herbs to use. Besides, Red was just a single realm above himself. Unlike Darian, who was already a Stage Nine Demon Beast, Red was only at Stage Six. His pills would certainly have a great effect on him. It would be much better than what Rean did for Darian to his marrows. Not to mention that cleaning the meridians had a much greater effect.

Rean then immediately called Roan through their Soul Connection. Not too long after, Roan appeared in the Soul Gem Dimensional Realm. It's just that he didn't look very happy after hearing the contents of Rean's negotiation. "Are you crazy? Even though we have Celis, my herbs are hard to manage. I often come here to help take care of them with Celis's support. How can you offer such a deal?"

Rean shrugged his shoulders as he replied, "Come on! You just need to give Red the herbs that you can spare. It's not like you must feed him with the ones that you don't have much of. Besides, we need Red's help if we want that plan to work. My Light bending skill isn't enough to cover the change in my appearance."

Red then looked at the twins after that, asking, "Just one question. Why do you think I won't betray you after getting what I want?"

However, Rean and Roan didn't look the least bit concerned as Roan replied, "Hmph! You're too prideful to break your own word."

"I might have been only pretending, you know?"

Roan shook his head, saying, "If so, you are the best liar in the Universe if you're able to fool even me."

Rean nodded, knowing Roan's skills as a lie detector. Countless years working as a death spirit wasn't just for show.

Red narrowed his eyes in response but eventually nodded in the end. "Fine! I want you to prove that you were telling the truth, and I want the pill. But if I see that you were lying about the blood pool, I will definitely take revenge, even if it costs my life."

Rean smiled in response, saying, "Good thing I know I'm not wrong."

Following that, Red finally asked a question that has been puzzling him until now. "So, now that this is out of the way...just what the hell is this place? How come I was able to hear everything from outside? More importantly, what is that ridiculous floating orb?"

Bang!

Crack, crack, crack...

Arrrgh!

Red only had the time to end his question before Sister Orb collided with his body. This time, she really took it seriously, breaking quite a few of Red's bones. [Ohohoho~ That's weird...I swear I heard a little piece of shit badmouthing me.]

Red vomited blood, literally! It's just that it was hard to tell if it was because of anger or his injuries...probably both.

Sister Orb then approached the crater created by Red's body after the impact. [It was all a mistake, wasn't it? There's no way someone would talk like that inside my own dimensional realm.]

Red then looked at Sister Orb after that and couldn't help but feel a chill behind his back. Even his golden lightning was completely useless in this place, so his anger disappeared almost instantly. Following that, he looked at Rean and Roan, obviously asking for help.

"I need to go check the formations of the Freedom Sect, so I'll be back later." Surprisingly, Rean disappeared in a flash.

"I better go collect the herbs for the Meridian Cleansing Pill before I forget about it." Not only that, but Roan also ignored Red and left for the garden.

Just like that, they abandoned Red as if it was just natural. One must understand...in the Soul Gem Dimensional Realm, Sister Orb was god! And a god in a much higher position than the twins.

[Hahaha! Now then. Shall we play a little bit?] Sister Orb was obviously pleased with that outcome, much to Red's despair.

"Wait, wait! It was my bad! I won't say anything anymore, alright?" In the end, Red could only yield. This time, Sister Orb hit him with much more strength than any of the other events. He truly didn't want to get on the orb's bad side anymore.

Later that day, Rean came back and healed Red with his Light Element before finally allowing him to come out of the Soul Gem Dimensional Realm. For Red, it was the end of a nightmare.

After that, Red received Roan's Meridian Cleansing Pill later. Before, Roan created Cross-Realm Pills that had this side effect. However, in the end, he came up with a pill of Light and Dark Element that was solely used for that. It was a product that could achieve a much better result. The process was still the same, though. The Dark Element destroyed the damaged areas and the impurities present in the meridians, while the Light Element protected it. Last but not least, the medicinal properties rebuilt the necessary parts anew.

After seeing the effects of the pill, Red couldn't help but admire it. "To think that such a thing could be created. I can feel the flow of Spiritual Energy so well, and it happens so easily that it's kinda scary."

"That's because you're in the perfect cultivation level for this pill," Roan explained. "If you were at Stage Seven, the effects wouldn't be as obvious since my alchemy level isn't there yet."

Red nodded before he looked at Rean and Roan, asking, "Alright. Since you've kept your part of the deal, I'll keep mine. What is it that you need me for?"

Rean faintly smiled before saying, "We need you to win this war."