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Chapter 911: Just Do What You Want

Kentucky, surprisingly, had been teleported together with Celis elsewhere. "Seems like we're in it together."

Celis nodded, saying in response, "Indeed. I wonder if this is some kind of trial or whatever since it separated us from the Zasfins and the Divine Demon Beasts. We both have the same cultivation, so we ended up in the same place."

Kentucky shook his head, though. "I don't think so. Otherwise, why would Rean and Roan not be here as well?" However, Kentucky had a better reason to say that. "Besides, I can feel Rean's presence in that direction, but I can't tell where Roan is. They were definitely separated."

Only then did Celis remember the connection between the Minokwa and the twins he had heard about before. "I see...in that case, let's try to meet up with Rean."

Kentucky agreed with Celis for a moment when suddenly, both of them stopped in place. Soon after, the two jumped as high as they could before Kentucky flapped his wings and grabbed Celis's shoulders.

Boom!

Following that, the ground they were standing on just a moment ago caved in, revealing what seemed to be a giant worm. Even though Kentucky and Celis were quite big, they looked more like ants in front of that thing. "Fly!"

Kentucky nodded and immediately darted into the skies. The worm didn't give up and curled its body before extending outward to jump after the two.

Fortunately, the restriction on flying abilities worked for the residents of this realm as well. Kentucky dodged the worm's attack at the very last moment before he kept flapping his wings to soar even higher. As a Demon Bird, as long as there was air, he would be able to fly. Eventually, the worm began to fall down, not being able to stop its descent.

Bang!

The enormous worm hit the ground, making the entire area tremble due to its weight. In any case, its strength was more than enough for it to not suffer any damage whatsoever. Instead, it looked in the direction where Kentucky and Celis were heading, as if calculating whether or not it could capture them. Well, 'looking' would be the wrong way to say it since the worm didn't have eyes. It's just that it had some way of telling where those two were located.

Kentucky increased his altitude even more before the giant worm on the ground finally gave up. It knew that it wouldn't matter how high it could jump. It wouldn't be able to capture Kentucky and Celis anymore. It then started to dig underground and disappeared from the duo's vision a few moments later.

Celis couldn't help but comment, "That thing sure is strong. If I was at my peak, I could get rid of it. However, with my Late Stage Nascent Soul Realm cultivation, such a thing is simply impossible. It would be more like a suicide mission with no good outcome whatsoever."

Kentucky immediately asked, "Could it be that you can tell that worm's cultivation level? I'm trying to spread my Spiritual Sense and even Soul Power, but they aren't leaving my body at all."

Celis shook his head as he replied, "I can't. However, I'm very experienced, remember? I've seen way too many things during my life. I'm pretty sure that thing is equivalent to an Initial or maybe Middle Stage Seven Demon Beast." Celis had hit the mark. The worm's cultivation really was at Stage Seven, which was equivalent to Saint Realm cultivators.

Kentucky sighed after hearing that. "We just arrived, and we've already attracted the attention of a Stage Seven Demon Beast. We can't let our guard down at all." After that, he turned in the direction where he could feel Rean. "Let's try to regroup with Rean first. I'll bring us there while flying to avoid the ground."

Unfortunately, Kentucky would soon understand that the skies weren't that safe either.

Creee!

Creee!

Creee!

Several black shadows appeared across the horizon, heading in Kentucky and Celis's direction. "We have company!"

Kentucky immediately turned around and flew away. Judging by the speed of the Demon Birds coming in his direction, they weren't more than Stage Four Demon Beasts, with the leaders being at Stage Five. However, there were thousands of them! There was simply no way Celis and Kentucky could fight that many.

"Are you sure this is the right direction? Isn't this opposite the direction where you could feel Rean?" Celis asked as they fled.

"It is," Kentucky confirmed. "However, if you want to try to pass through those guys, just tell me, and I'll drop your body from here. Otherwise, I'm going to fly in the opposite direction no matter what."

Celis didn't like the idea. "No need. I'll just be shredded to pieces if you leave me here." However, Celis quickly noticed that Kentucky was still slightly faster than the demon birds in pursuit. Especially since the leaders within those birds weren't leaving the pack. "I think we can outrun then while still making a semicircle. That way, we will eventually fly in Rean's direction."

Kentucky looked behind and had to admit that Celis was right. "Okay. I'll give it a try." With that, he changed his straight course of flight and began to do a wide 180-degree turn. Upon seeing the demon birds being left behind, Kentucky could not help but say, "It seems like it's working."

Celis was happy to hear that. "Good! Now then, you said that Rean was in this direction. How far is it, and how long would it take?"

Kentucky pondered over it for a bit as he focused on his connection with Rean, eventually responding, "Because I can't use Spiritual Energy to assist with my flying speed, we'll probably take a day. At most, it'll take around two." "Are we really that far?" Celis could tell that Kentucky was still flying quite fast with his wings alone. For them to take that long showed just how big this place is.

Kentucky couldn't do anything about it. "I can go a little faster, but that will put a lot more strain on my muscles. I prefer to stay at this speed since I can stay in peak condition if a fight ever breaks out."

Celis couldn't find any fault with that, so he replied, "Alright, just do what you want."

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Chapter 912: Crimson Eyes

The last member of their group, Red, was doing a lot better. He did appear in a dangerous situation, just like everyone else. However, he quickly found a place to hide and activated his concealment skill. If even Transition Realm and Stage Nine Demon Beasts couldn't detect him before, the enemies around him were obviously even more helpless.

'Everything's so different...' thought Red as he moved around while trying to not attract attention. He could conceal his presence, but he couldn't disappear from someone's sight. 'Nevertheless, the Blood Pond was located in the middle of the Bestial Sacred Ground. Even if everything has transformed to look like this, that much should still be the same.'

Red then pondered where the center of this realm would be. Fortunately, he wasn't underground, underwater, or high in the skies. He was simply on the surface... although many demon beasts rampaged around. Red then looked at the skies, trying to find some clue when suddenly, he remembered something. 'Wait, the stars!'

Back when he was inside the Bestial Sacred Ground, it was nothing more than a gigantic cave with the Blood Pond at its center and the deactivated portal behind it. However, Red still remembered the stalactites on the ceiling. They dripped with the blood of demon beasts all the time, filling up the pond. Red could tell that the red stars in the sky that was neither night nor day seemed to be in similar positions. 'If that's the case, the centermost star should be above the center of the pound, or at least close to it.'

Of course, Red thought that he might be wrong. It's just that he didn't have any better idea of how to guide himself at the moment. 'If Rean and Roan heard my explanation about the Bestial Sacred Ground

carefully, they'll probably notice that as well.' With that in mind, Red began to make his way through the field as he followed the center star in the skies.

A day quickly passed...or so the Zasfins, demon beasts, and humans inside the Bestial Sacred Ground believe. The crimson sky never became darker or brighter, so it was hard to tell how much time had passed, especially for Roan, who was underground. Fortunately for him, that wouldn't last long. 'I've been taking the paths that lead to the surface until now. I don't know how deep I was sent, but I refuse to believe one entire day of travel isn't enough to come out.'

Boom!

Roar!

With a deafening sound, another body fell on the ground. This time, it wasn't a golem but a demon beast that died at Roan's hands. Well, that's not considering whether they were alive or not to start with. Just like the previous time, Roan saw the demon beast turn into specks of red light before disappearing completely.

Roan then turned a corner before seeing light at the end of one of the tunnels. That light was red, just like the glow on the walls of the cave he was in. Nevertheless, it was different from everything Roan saw so far. 'Is that the exit?'

Roan didn't get ahead of himself and activated Rean's Spiritual and Light bending skills to disappear completely. He knew he couldn't use Spiritual Sense in this place, but he wasn't sure if it was the same for the other forms of life. First of all, he didn't know if there were any intelligent lifeforms in this place to start with.

Roan trudged carefully, getting closer to the exit. However, once he finally arrived there, he didn't find the path to the surface as he had hoped. Instead, Roan ended up inside another enormous cave. It's just that there was something there completely different from the things he had noticed so far. 'What is this?'

At the center, there was something that looked like a sphere. It's just that the thing was enormous even if compared to Roan's own body. It was also this sphere that was the one responsible for the different red lights. The orb seemed to be filled with a red cloud, which made it impossible to see any deeper into it. Roan looked around, and couldn't see any demon beasts protecting it, so he began to approach it. After all, it wasn't like he had any better idea at the moment.

Roan then stopped right in front of the sphere as nothing happened. He walked around it a few times, trying to see if there were any traps or protection formations around it, but the lack of Spiritual Sense really made things difficult to judge. 'I guess I can only try.'

Roan touched the sphere, which immediately elicited a reaction. The red cloud inside started to dissipate, leaving behind what seemed to be a red symbol that glowed redder than anything Roan saw in this place so far. Its shape was similar to the letter Y, but with its aperture on the middle top part much wider. Last but not least, there was a small mark between that Y aperture. Seeing that, Roan thought to himself, 'It looks like an...eye?'

Roan only had the time to think of that when suddenly, the 'eye' started to shine even more. Roan felt some kind of energy quickly assaulting his body, or more exactly, his soul, trying to take control of it. In any case, Roan didn't panic. 'Hmph!'

Dark Element quickly gathered and attacked that energy mercilessly. Dark Element could corrode and destroy everything. That foreign energy was definitely not an exception.

The process of destruction and invasion continued for a few more minutes until finally, the eye inside the giant sphere started to lose its brightness. The energy assaulting Roan's body had also subsided little by little. In the end, the energy was gone.

Roan narrowed his eyes as an idea appeared on his mind. 'Is this eye the one responsible for the demon beasts' souls?' Sure enough, just like Rean, Roan also understood that the demon beasts had souls. 'I need more information.'

Somewhere else, in a place where no one could reach, a pair of crimson red eyes suddenly opened. If one looked closely, those eyes had the same shape as the one Roan saw in the sphere. At first, the eyes seemed to be devoid of any emotions. Who knows how long had it been since this pair of eyes last opened. However, clarity soon filled them, as the being behind it looked in the direction Roan was located, thinking to itself, 'Dark Element?'

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Chapter 913: Just Why?

Roan didn't know what was happening. Instead, he simply kept looking at the sphere with the eye symbol inside it. 'I can't help but feel familiar yet foreign energy coming from it. Dark Element? Not exactly...what is it? There's way too little information for me to figure out.'

Somehow, Roan felt that this sphere was bad news, so he decided to leave it aside for the moment. 'Instead, I need to find the idiots first. Rean and Kentucky can still do since they can use Dark Element. Kentucky has a natural Dark Element Affinity, while Rean has his Dark Star that can gather it. However, Celis and Red are completely vulnerable if they touch another sphere like this one.'

It was then that Roan remembered all of the other demon beasts and Zasfins that entered the Bestial Sacred Land. 'I just hope that their extremely high cultivation is enough for them to defend themselves.' Without wasting any time, Roan pulled out his White Star and attacked the sphere in front of him.

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

Swish, swish, swish!

Crack, crack, crack...

Shatter!

Surprisingly, the sphere was pretty fragile. Let alone Roan, even a cultivator at Foundation Establishment wouldn't have any issues destroying it. It's just that someone other than Rean, Roan, and Kentucky would probably be dominated by the eye inside the sphere before they thought about it. 'I doubt this is the only one. I better keep a lookout for others.'

However, the moment Roan destroyed the sphere, he began to hear demon beast cries from everywhere. The only thing was that these cries didn't seem to be coming in his direction. Instead, they felt more like cries of pain, immeasurable pain. Roan immediately thought about the soul-controlling power of the sphere and dashed out of the area, moving in the direction of the closest cry.

When he arrived there, all he could see was another demon beast turning into specks of red light. Of course, nothing killed it. It just died on its own. Not only that, but all the demon beasts near this

underground region were suffering the same fate. 'Not only did that sphere keep control over the demon beasts' souls, but it was also the thing that kept them in this world.'

Roan finally understood what was happening in this crimson world, coming up with a conclusion as he thought, 'No wonder the concentration of demon beasts is so ridiculously high. We already know that the Bestial Sacred Ground absorbs the blood of all demon beasts who die on the planet. However, it doesn't only absorb their blood but their souls as well.'

'I haven't seen other regions yet, but I believe they're packed with demon beasts as well.' Roan was right. All one had to do was to look at the place Rean first arrived. How could so many sea demon beasts appear at the same time after just a little blood was spilled on the water? It meant that they had always been around to start with.

The only thing that could make them leave a scene were stronger demon beasts. The demon beast that appeared near Rean and the worm that attacked Kentucky and Celis were very good examples. 'Which means that the origin of these demon beast souls was, in fact, from the demon beasts from outside who died on the planet before. I don't have any guarantee that I'm right, but it's the only thing that fits this situation so far.'

Roan continued with his train of thought, pondering, 'The only reason the concentration of demon beasts isn't any higher is that the demon beasts themselves keep killing each other.'

That also happened in Rean's case, so Roan was right about that one as well.

'That also explains why I haven't seen any demon beast at Stage One or Two. There were very few at Stage Three, and the majority was definitely above this level.' Roan then looked at the disappearing demon beasts before returning to the area with the shattered sphere. Roan then grabbed a small shard of the sphere before putting it in his spatial ring.

Yes, Rean used the Communication System to get ahold of two Spatial Rings, which were extremely rare. Why? Because that would be the perfect cover for their Soul Gem Dimensional Realm. Besides, it also worked in case Rean and Roan were too far away from each other. It would be definitely better than using bags to carry things. That's how important the Zasfins thought the communication system to be since even Elemental Transformation Realm cultivators like Fizer found it expensive. Of course, compared to the enormous realm of the Soul Gem System, the ten cubic meters of space inside the Spatial Ring made Rean and Roan feel like there wasn't any space there to start with. The two simply couldn't be compared. Not to mention that those Spatial Rings didn't have the power to hold any life inside, only inanimate objects.

After one last look around the area, Roan took a passage that was behind the sphere when he first entered the area. This time, Roan finally saw what seemed to be the outside world. He was right. After one entire day of fighting demon beasts nonstop, dead ends, and following any path up he could find, he was now on the surface.

Roan looked around for a moment and could see a few demon beasts who hadn't noticed his presence yet. Instead, they seemed more aware of their own presences, as if trying to control themselves to not attack each other. Roan ignored that and immediately activated Rean's Light and Spiritual Sense bending skill through his White Star's Light Element Gathering ability.

After that, he looked in the direction where he could feel Rean's presence before dashing away. He wasn't able to move in a straight line before because of the tunnels, so he ended up somewhere even further away. In any case, Rean wasn't in his mind at the moment. Instead, what was going in his mind was...

'Spheres that control the souls of demon beasts and make them fight. Their bodies are probably byproducts of the blood absorbed from the dead demon beasts of the world. Just why is there such a thing in this place?'

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Chapter 914: Shit!

As Rean continued moving forward, he kept his Light and Spiritual Sense bending skill activated all the time. In the end, most of the demon beasts had cultivations below or similar to his, with only a few being stronger...or so Rean thought since he didn't stop to check their cultivations. Nevertheless, his journey didn't come across any mishaps.

Boom, boom, boom...

Suddenly, Rean heard the sound of battle coming from the distance. It wasn't anything out of the ordinary since he found many demon beasts fighting each other. However, this time, the scale of the fight seemed to be several times greater than the previous ones. 'Could it be...'

Rean pondered over it a bit as to whether or not he should get close to where the battle was happening. After all, he could tell that the ones battling there were much stronger than him. Then again, it might be someone he knows. It was then that Rean remembered something. 'Oh, right! Spiritual Sense is blocked in this place. Since that's the case, I don't need to be afraid of a Zasfin Ancestor's Spiritual Sense breaking through my bending skill.'

Rean immediately changed his destination as he took one last look in Kentucky's direction. He could tell that Kentucky was getting closer to him as he spoke, so it wouldn't change much if he took a quick peek at the situation on the other side.

The sound of battle kept increasing nonstop, and soon, Rean could even feel the ground trembling with each exchange. 'Definitely someone at the Divine Demon Beasts or the Zasfin Ancestors' level.' Rean was right. When he finally got close enough to see who was fighting, he immediately recognized who it was.

'It's Duran!' Obviously, Rean knew the guy since he was the reason the agreement between the demon beasts and Zasfins worked out. 'As for the one he's fighting against...'

Sadly, Rean didn't recognize the demon beast Duran was fighting against. At the very least, that demon beast wasn't present when they were at the entrance to the Bestial Sacred Ground. 'It's probably another one of those energy demon beasts. From the looks of it, this place also has Stage Nine Demon Beasts.'

The battle looked intense. However, even Rean could tell that Duran was at an absolute advantage. The demon beast couldn't even defend itself against Duran's assault properly.

"Hmph! I know you!" Duran said as he fought the demon beast. "When I was younger, I saw an ancestor of our organization talking to you during a meeting. Weren't you dead, Kila? What are you doing here? Is this a trap of the demon beasts? You're quite bold to attack me alone with that kind of power."

Rean was surprised to hear that. However, it only confirmed his theory. Since Roan arrived at the conclusion that these demon beasts were once alive, Rean obviously had the same idea. 'So all these demon beasts were previously alive on the surface, huh?'

Roar!

However, Kila didn't answer Duran's words. It couldn't think about anything else other than attacking Duran. Of course, Duran wasn't an idiot either. He only tried to talk and see if there was any shred of sanity left in that beast. He noticed long ago that the demon beasts here were acting strange and that they would disappear if they were killed. "Seems like even a Stage Nine Demon Beast is no different..." Duran murmured for a moment before he decided to end the battle.

In the end, Duran unleashed more power and finished off that demon beast called Kila. First of all, Kila didn't have any sentience in that state. It was moving purely on its instincts. Let alone Duran, the one considered the strongest Zasfin, even the weakest Zasfin Ancestor in this place wouldn't have much of a problem winning this battle.

After Kila was defeated, it also began to transform into specks of Red Light. However, there was a difference this time. Usually, the entire demon beast would cease to exist. But in Kila's case, a red core remained behind. Neither Rean nor Duran had seen it before drop from the other demon beasts, so they paid close attention to it.

Duran then approached the core, intending to grab it when suddenly, the ground below trembled as a giant hole opened. From inside, something that looked like a giant blood claw came out and grabbed Kila's red core. Duran couldn't help but let out cold sweat after that. Let alone Rean, even Duran felt that the claw was extremely dangerous, and Duran was even a Peak Transition Realm Zasfin!

The hand didn't care about Duran or Rean, though. It simply retreated back underground before it disappeared completely with Kila's core. 'What a terrifying thing. I couldn't tell how strong it was since I couldn't spread Spiritual Sense nor Soul Power. Still, all my existence screamed to stay as far as possible from it. Just what kind of existence owns that thing?'

However, after that, Duran thought about the red core left behind by Kila. 'I wonder if all Stage Nine Demon Beasts of this place would leave something like that behind. Also, what was that hand using the red core for? Could it be that it was its owner to start with?'

Rean, too, had similar questions in his mind. Unfortunately, there was no way for him to find out the answer to it. At the very least, he wouldn't try and follow that thing when even Duran didn't dare to. 'Anyways, I'll have to talk to Roan about it later. Let's get out of here before Duran notices my presence.'

Rean's Light bending skill was perfect as long as Spiritual Sense wasn't available. However, that only applied to himself, not to the environment of his surroundings. The places where he stepped on would still change due to his weight. Of course, Rean knew that, so he was very careful to leave the least amount of changes possible. It would be perfect if he could fly, but that wasn't the case at the moment.

Sadly, it was these very small changes that caught Duran's attention, though. "Hmm?"

Rean felt a cold chill on his back and looked behind, just to see Duran looking straight at him. 'Shit!'

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Chapter 915: What Would Duran Do?

Duran started to approach the area where he saw the movement happen on the ground while Rean stayed as still as a rock. With his Light bending skill, it really looked like the place was completely empty. However, Duran was sure he had seen something moving there a while ago.

Because of Kila, a Stage Nine Demon Beast, all the other demon beasts in the vicinity had fled. Other than the damaged area, there shouldn't be any movement, especially in the place Rean moved in. Rean was also cursing at himself, thinking that he should have waited for Duran to leave before he tried to do so as well.

Duran then landed right in front of Rean and looked around as he narrowed his eyes, muttering to himself with a tone of suspicion, "Weird...was it just my imagination?"

Rean was happy to hear that, inwardly shouting, 'Yes, it was just your imagination! Now, go away!'

However, Duran playfully smiled before he jumped back a little. Soon after, he raised his right hand as Spiritual Energy and Wind Element gathered above it, creating a huge sphere of energy. "Well, if there isn't anyone here, I might as well destroy everything around just to be sure. Hehe!"

Rean felt like crying as he quickly turned off his Light bending skill, screaming, "Wait, wait, wait! It's me! I'm here! I'm definitely, 100%, absolutely here!" Who was he kidding here? Even if Rean ran as fast as he could, he wouldn't be able to leave the affected area in time. The attack of a Transition Realm cultivator would wipe him out of the universe in less than an instant.

Duran had to admit that he was surprised to see Rean's body suddenly appear right in front of him. It was incredible how close he was just a moment ago, yet he still couldn't see him. Nevertheless, what surprised him even more was the identity of the other person. "It's you!" Naturally, he recognized the white-haired boy that appeared in his clan's shop back during the war.

Rean sighed in relief as he noticed Duran retracting his attack, saying, "You really are merciless. Couldn't you do something more gentle, like creating a gale of wind or something like that, to confirm that everything was empty?"

Duran snorted in response. "Hmph! And how would I be sure that you didn't have a way to avoid it? The best way to pull someone out is to make sure their lives will be forfeited if they don't appear." Duran then changed the topic straight away, asking, "Forget that. How long have you been following me?"

Rean shook his head in response as he told him, "I didn't. It was your fight against the demon beast that caught my attention as I passed by."

Duran nodded, asking in response, "I see. Now then, how about answering a few questions of mine? Would you mind?"

Rean bitterly smiled after that. Although Duran asked politely, he knew that there wasn't much choice to start with. "Go ahead. I'm all ears."

"Good!" Duran was satisfied with his answer. "Now, what is this place? What are those demon beasts? What was that red claw? Is this a trap prepared by the demon beasts to kill our Zasfins? Where is the exit? Is the portal to the Realm of Gods still available?"

Rean's mouth twitched for a moment after that. In his mind, he cursed that Duran asked a butt-ton of questions from the get-go. Of course, he didn't dare to rebuke Duran as he replied, "Ahem...first question's answer, I don't know. Second, I don't know. Third, I don't know..." That was all Rean could say. "All in all, we're both in the same boat, not knowing what's currently happening."

Duran narrowed his eyes after hearing that, threatening Rean as he responded, "Then...I guess I have no reason to keep you alive, right?"

Rean let out cold sweat after that. Nevertheless, he still replied, "I guess...so? At least, I don't know how I could help you since you're much stronger than me. I also don't have any information that could help you whatsoever."

Duran was taken aback after that. Shouldn't someone in that situation ask not to be killed or that he could help with something else? This was the first time Duran saw someone simply accepting that he could only die. "I thought about it before, but now I'm sure...you're quite the weird fella."

Rean didn't deny that. "Well, at least not as much as my brother."

Duran then shook his head and gave up on the idea. "Forget it. I do owe you one, after all."

"Owe me?" Rean didn't understand. They reached an agreement during the war, and both sides did their part. There shouldn't be anything else.

Duran didn't explain, though. "You don't need to know." Of course, there was only one thing that could make Duran feel that he owed a human, Fikin's death. If not because of Rean and Roan's plan, he might have never taken his revenge in this life. For him, even the fate of the Zasfin race wasn't as important.

Duran then asked something else, "So, what are you planning to do?"

Rean pondered over it for a bit before saying, "I intend to meet up with my Freedom Sect members first. As for what comes after that, I'm not sure." It wasn't a lie. At the moment, Rean didn't even know if he and Roan could still carry the Soul Gem System's mission forward. As for helping to open the portal to the Realm of Gods, he was even more unsure about that.

However, Duran found the response quite weird. "Meet up with your sect members? Do you have a way to do that?"

Rean nodded in response, explaining, "When we opened the Bestial Sacred Ground, we were able to see the sky inside for a few moments before we were all teleported, right? When the teleports started to happen, we deduced that we would all fall inside this place, so we agreed to meet under the location of the centermost star." Of course, that was a huge lie. Rean was simply following his connection with the Minokawa. Kentucky's location just so happened to be in that direction anyway.

Duran was surprised by that but had to admit it made sense. "I see... this place is big, but not at the size of a real-world at all. They aren't like the stars outside, which are astoundingly far away. In fact, it's more correct to say that they are attached to the 'ceiling' of this realm. Naturally, those red stars are a very good way of guiding oneself since they only exist in this place." He blamed his race in his mind for not thinking about something so obvious before.

The question now was, what would he do with the information?

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Chapter 916: Kinda Sleepy

Rean then scratched the back of his head before saying, "Well, I'll be leaving then. I hope Senior Duran will make it to the portal to the Realm of Gods."

However, Duran suddenly placed a hand on Rean's shoulder before he could even take a single step. "Not so fast, little boy." Poor Rean couldn't help but bitterly smile as he waited for Duran to continue. "I didn't say I believed you don't know anything about this place. I just said I wouldn't kill you. Now then, how about I go with you to find your little friends? In exchange, this old man can act as your protector."

Rean then answered, "Hehe! But of course! How could I refuse such big help like yours, senior? Now then, the region below the centermost star is where I intend to go. Does Senior Duran have anything against this idea?"

Duran laughed as he shook his head. "Hahaha! I have no complaints at all! Besides, the region below that centermost star might really have something important. How could I not head there? Come, this old man will lead the journey." Without waiting for Rean to say anything, Duran enveloped him with his Spiritual Energy before shooting into the distance. With his cultivation, even moving on the ground was still extremely fast.

Rean sighed and simply gave up on the idea of escaping. Duran wouldn't let that happen at all. Even if he used his Light bending skill, Duran could merely destroy everything around him in a moment, possibly killing Rean in the process. 'Well, I guess I'm quite lucky that he didn't kill me, I guess? I better wait for a better chance.'

The only problem was Kentucky, who was flying right in his direction. That wasn't all. Rean noticed that Roan finally began to move in his direction as well. It's just that Roan was much, much further away. It wasn't a distance Roan could make in just a day or two. 'I'll have to wait and see.'

Duran wasn't the only Transition Realm or Stage Nine Demon Beast who found opponents at the same level to fight, though. Phex also got quite the headache when he arrived in the realm. He was forced to battle a Stage Nine Demon Beast that looked like a giant shark. Yes, he was also sent into the ocean, just like Rean.

Phex, as a leader of the demon beasts, had access to a lot of old information from the past of the planet. Because of that, he also recognized the shark, exclaiming, "Senior Yurkos, please stop!" Unfortunately, the shark kept attacking nonstop. Even when it was severely injured, it continued its assault. "What the hell is happening here? Why is Senior Yurkos here? Didn't he try to break the barrier to the Realm of Gods on his own in the past?"

In the end, Phex decided to return to his original form and fly away. Yurkos wasn't a flying demon beast, so he could only jump out of the water to catch him. Unfortunately, Phex was stronger to start with, let alone the fact that Yurkos didn't seem to have any intelligence at the moment. As for Phex, he didn't want to kill the guy since he was an important member of the Demon Beast Alliance in the past before he was born.

Only after he made enough of a gap from the shark did Phex finally relax. "How could the Bestial Sacred Ground suddenly transform into a Dimensional Realm? Could it be that the formations around the Demon Beast Continent were providing the Bestial Sacred Ground with energy for this? Then again, why haven't we seen this Dimensional Realm before? Also, what happened to the demon beasts here? I'm pretty sure they're all dead, but they still have their souls, albeit without any intelligence."

Phex continued to fly forward when suddenly, he spotted an island in the distance. Without thinking twice, Phex went straight down to search the island. "Let's take a look."

Phex flew around the island and could see demon beasts everywhere. They fought against each other before eating the loser. This kind of scene could be seen in every corner of the island. Phex also noticed such a thing happening in the ocean before he bumped into Yurkos.

However, he noticed something else that was only possible because he was a demon beast. "The demon beasts that are eaten seem to increase the winner's energy, although just slightly. As for any remnants of the demon beast, they simply disappear. Could it be that they are trying to eat the other's soul?"

Phex then ignored those demon beasts and flew to the center of the island. Surprisingly though, the center of the island was empty, with no demon beast being near it at all. It was as if it was a forbidden zone for them.

"What's that?" Phex noticed that at the very center, there was a giant red sphere with a red cloud inside it. "This thing obviously has some effect on the demon beasts in the area. Otherwise, the demon beasts would stay far away as they usually do."

Phex decided to take a closer look when suddenly, Spiritual Energy and another type of energy that Phex didn't know began to gather around the sphere. In front of his eyes, blood began to come out of the crimson ground while a small point of energy condensed above the sphere.

That blood then gathered around that point of energy as it took the form of a demon beast little by little. Eventually, what seemed to be a horse-type demon beast was created.

That didn't stop there, though. The red cloud inside the sphere cleared out, showing the same eye that Roan found back in the underground area. That eye shone brightly with red light, which seemed to resonate with the horse's head. Or, to be more specific, with the point of energy Phex saw a moment ago. 'I see...that point of energy was the demon beast's soul. As for the blood, is it the Bestial Blood Pond's blood that created its body? The energy coming from it certainly reminds me of it.'

Phex pondered over it a bit more...or so he tried. Without noticing, he began to walk in the direction of the sphere as he thought, 'Weird...I feel kind of sleepy.'

Death... and me Chapter 917: Let's Catch Up Around a day later, Kentucky finally caught up with Rean. Naturally, Rean was being dragged along with Duran, so he also saw the guy. "This..."

Celis narrowed his eyes since he recognized the Zasfin, instantly muttering, "What a pain in the ass."

Duran, who obviously noticed their group as well, couldn't help but laugh out loud. "Hahaha! To think I would meet with the World Swallowing Cedar here. Should I call this my lucky day?"

Celis snorted in response, telling Duran, "Is that so? What? Just because I lost my cultivation, you think I'll do whatever you want? I have long since decided that I would simply kill myself if I ever got captured again. But first, you will have to reach here where we are."

One must remember that Kentucky could fly because he was a bird, and Celis was with him. Rean and Duran couldn't, so they only watched from the ground. As high as Duran's cultivation might be, Kentucky was just way too high in the skies for him to attack.

Duran didn't seem to mind Celis's words, though. "What does that have to do with me? I couldn't care less whether you kill yourself or not." Duran then looked at Rean before continuing, "However, if you don't care about his well-being, you should do what I say."

Rean shrugged his shoulders after hearing that. "Guess I'm fucked."

Duran didn't understand what Rean meant when suddenly, Kentucky turned around and began to fly away, saying, "Ha! So what if you capture Rean? I would save him if I could, but getting close to you only means my death. Instead of having both of us dead, I better let Rean die alone. Well then, until next time."

Duran couldn't help but ask back after hearing Kentucky's response, "Do you really think I won't kill him?"

Celis shrugged his shoulders as he replied, "To be honest, I don't think you will. After all, Rean is one of the Formation Masters that would help out in the opening of the portal to the Realm of Gods. Anyways, if you don't kill him, make sure to protect him well. Let's go, Kentucky."

"On it!" Kentucky agreed with Celis as they disappeared in the distance.

Duran's mouth could not help but twitch as he saw Kentucky and Celis fly even higher and further from the two of them. They simply didn't care about Rean at all! "These friends of yours aren't very friendly..."

Rean sighed in response, telling him, "We're not a bunch of good samaritans, you know? We knew the risks that we were going to face when we came into the Bestial Sacred Ground, so we had long since decided on what we would do in a situation like this one. I don't blame them for their choice since I would have done exactly the same if I were in their place. Just like Kentucky said, I would try to save him if it was possible. But with you here, I wouldn't even give it a second thought before leaving."

Duran had to admit it at least made sense. "Well, I probably wouldn't do anything different either. Still, why would you tell me that you could find them here if you knew they wouldn't help you?" It was then that Duran noticed. "I see...you knew they would be here, but you didn't know if they would have company behind them. If a Stage Nine Demon Beast or one of the Divine Demon Beasts were here, then you would truly have a chance."

Rean didn't deny that, saying in response, "Too bad my gamble didn't pay off. Kentucky and Celis were alone. Well, it's already surprising that those two are together to start with."

Duran wondered what he should do at the moment as he kicked another suicidal demon beast away. "Where do you think we should go now?"

"How should I know?" Rean then looked into the distance. "Why don't you try heading to the region below the centermost star? The Blood Pond was in the center of the Bestial Sacred Ground before, right? It might be somewhere there as well."

Duran agreed with Rean's plan. Of course, there was one other thing he knew about Kentucky and Celis's departure. Now that they knew Rean was under his custody, they could find some help for him.

Unsurprisingly, Duran's hunch was right. Once Kentucky and Celis flew far away that even Duran couldn't see them anymore, they finally started to talk about what they saw. "We need to find Senior Phex or some other Divine Demon Beast."

Celis nodded. "Duran hasn't killed Rean until now, which means he might be thinking of using him as a hostage. That's a good thing since that means Rean won't die anytime soon. Besides, he at least knows that Rean is one of the Formation Masters. If he doesn't want to decrease his chances of leaving this world, he won't kill Rean. In a certain way, it's good that Duran was the one to find Rean since he's the strongest Zasfin. No one on the Zasfins' side would be better than him when it comes to protecting Rean."

After that, he asked Kentucky something else. "Can you feel Roan's presence? Or is he still too far away?"

Kentucky shook his head as he answered, "He's still too far away, so I can't feel his presence at all. However, I know Rean and Roan can feel each other's presence from anywhere. Duran doesn't know I can feel Rean's presence, so I'll tag along with him until Roan appears in my perception. After all, Roan should be trying to find Rean."

Celis thought that it was a good plan. "That's good. Just make sure to keep flying as high as you can to avoid attention."

Kentucky agreed with him. "Sure!"

The Minokawa did exactly that. He waited for the gap between him and Duran to be over a few hundred kilometers before he started to follow Rean's presence.

Way further away from there, Roan was also following Rean's presence. While doing so, he could not help but think, 'Weird. Rean is moving way faster than I am. He's definitely being carried by someone else, but who?' Roan shook his head and put those thoughts behind him after that. 'No point thinking about it now. Let's catch up to him first.'

However, Roan ended up finding something else on his way. Something he didn't expect to find in this place at all. "A... city?"

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Chapter 918: That Was Terrifying

Indeed, there really was a city in front of him. 'How come there's a city in this place? Who lives there?' Roan pondered over it for a bit but couldn't think up of a plausible answer. In the end, he kept his Light bending skill active as he approached it.

However, the closer he got, the weirder it felt. 'There's no one in the front gate?' Surprisingly, everything around the city was empty. What bothered Roan the most wasn't the fact that he couldn't see any inhabitant inside. Instead, with the crazy high number of demon beasts roaming around, it was weird that none of them were close to it. 'That probably means another sphere like the previous one can be found there.'

Roan didn't enter through the front gate, though. Instead, he jumped over the wall so that he could have a better view of the city inside without catching much attention. 'As I thought, the city is empty.'

He could see several buildings extending far, far away. However, there wasn't a single living soul walking on the streets. Well, that's only considering living beings. If one also took in factor the dead... 'So many bones...'

Roan could see bones everywhere. Without a doubt, this city was very lively in the past. Be it the road or the insides of the buildings, Roan could see bones scattered throughout. 'The weird thing is the positions these bones are positioned. Whatever killed all these people did it instantly. None of these bones give me the feeling that the people tried to flee first.'

There were many shops and other things. Normally, such a situation would mean rich profits since an entire city was available for him to explore. However...

Shhhh...

The moment Roan touched any of the equipment, furniture, or whatever, they crumbled apart. Some of the buildings he passed by also fell down with just the trembling caused by Roan's steps. That showed just how fragile everything in this city was at the moment. 'Then again, I don't feel like so much time has passed that it would create such a situation. If I'm not wrong, what corroded the city was not time but the crimson environment. Or, to be more specific, that energy from the higher realm the Soul Gem System talked about just before we were teleported inside.'

Ever since everyone entered this dimensional realm, it had been like that. The red glow was simply present in every corner. Roan considered the things that caused this red light to be the energy from the higher realm. Of course, he had no proof of it at the moment.

There was another point Roan noticed as he moved ahead, thinking, 'I passed by a few places that were obviously built to hold demon beasts inside. That is normal since low-level demon beasts would be tamed to do the cultivators' heavy work. Most of the cities in the world have used this method. However, although I could see people's bones around the place, there aren't any demon beast bones whatsoever.' That probably meant that what killed the people didn't have an effect on the demon beasts.

Crumble...

Suddenly, Roan heard another building collapse. However, it was much, much further away, to the point it was almost inaudible. 'There's someone else in this city as well.' Roan pondered over it for a bit but didn't feel too concerned. He still had Rean's Light bending skill. Spiritual Sense and Soul Power Scanning didn't work either. Besides, he wouldn't commit the same mistake as Rean did. He knew that the places he moved on still left marks behind. 'From the position it came from, it seems that the other party is also heading to the city's center.' After pondering it for a bit, Roan decided to go there as well.

Roan's steps became even lighter as he did his best to stay far away from the buildings. With that, nothing crumbled around him anymore. That was also good since he could still hear a building or two crumbling far away. Different from him, the other party didn't seem to care too much about showing its position.

It was then that Roan came out of a corner and noticed a giant building in the distance. It was way higher than any of the ones he had seen so far. However, what really caught his attention was the red glow of light coming from the top tower in that building. 'It's the same glow as the red sphere. So there really was another one here.'

Still, Roan didn't pay much attention to that place. Instead, he looked in another direction, waiting to see if the other visitor would show its face. Fortunately, Roan didn't have to wait long.

From behind a crumbling building, Roan noticed a bit of silver fur sticking out. It used its Spiritual Energy to keep the dust away, so the demon beast was completely clean. As for the building, it couldn't care less. "Hmm...? Have I finally found something useful?" The demon beast looked at the same building as Roan did before moving in its direction.

Roan, on the other hand, immediately recognized the other party. 'It's Frin, the Silver Fenrir.' He pondered if he should come out to talk to him or not. After all, he knew the Fenrir hadn't noticed his presence yet. Roan also made sure that the wind wouldn't carry his smell to the Fenrir either.

Yet, Roan noticed that Frin began to act strange. A moment ago, he was walking steadily. But now, he looked more like a drunk, who staggered as he made his way to the building in the distance. 'This...'

Roan didn't need to think much to understand what was happening. He also noticed that the top of the building was showing a much brighter red light than before. 'That sphere with the eye inside it is trying to control Frin!' Without wasting any more time, Roan immediately activated his movement skill and headed in Frin's direction.

'Death Style, First Movement First, Shadow Steps!'

Soon after, he attacked!

'Death Style, First Form, Stellar Piercer!'

Zuin!

Piece!

Roan's attack landed on Frin's body, opening a small hole. His Dark Element immediately invaded Frin's body, causing enormous pain right after!

Awwoooooo!

Frin howled as his mind woke up from his trance. The moment he did that, Roan's Spiritual Sense Message arrived in his mind. 'Get back! That thing is trying to take control of your soul!'

Frin didn't know what was happening, but he could feel the foreign energy entering his head. All he knew was that the voice wasn't lying at all! Frin didn't even try to think about anything else as Spiritual Energy gathered under his feet as he jumped back as fast as possible.

Whoosh!

Bang, bang, bang, bang...

Frin didn't even try to see where he jumped, so he slammed on many buildings, which immediately crumbled as well. With his Stage Nine (Or Transition Realm) cultivation, the speed of his body looked more like a streak of silver light. It wasn't before several kilometers and hundreds of buildings and houses crumbled that Frin finally stabilized his body.

Of course, he couldn't care less about that. At that moment, he let out cold sweat under his fur as he felt that the energy invading his soul had finally disappeared. 'That was terrifying...'

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Chapter 919: Killing Intent

Only then did Frin stop and pay attention to the Dark Element rampaging in his body. Of course, the level of the Dark Element was too low to resist Frin's Spiritual Energy, so he was able to drive it out in an instant. Nevertheless, he understood that it was that Dark Element that saved his life just a moment ago. Knowing the origin of the Dark Element, he immediately asked, "Roan, where are you?"

Roan didn't answer after that, which puzzled Frin. Roan was the only one who could use Dark Element in this place, so it had to be him. "Why would he save my life and disappear in the next moment?"

However...

"Disappeared, your ass!" Roan cursed with a dark expression as he came running from afar. "You jumped with all your might back. Do you think I can match the speed of a Stage Nine Demon Beast?"

Only then did Frin notice his mistake. Obviously, there was no way Roan would reach the place he landed on as fast as he did. Obviously, he wasn't there. "Ahem...my bad, my bad. Nevertheless, thanks for the help just a moment ago. If not for you, I don't know what would have happened to me."

Roan shook his head after that, saying, "Forget it. I wasn't planning to appear to start with. If not for the circumstances, I would have left since I prefer to act alone."

Frin already knew about Roan's personality, so he didn't take it to heart. "By the way, what was that intense red light? I felt like some kind of energy invaded my soul. For a moment, I thought that it wouldn't be bad to submit to it completely."

There was one good thing out of this. Roan now knew that the light was a lot more dangerous for demon beasts. When it assaulted his mind, he had enough mental clarity to see that it was trying to control him. That's why he was able to counterattack with his Dark Element. After all, the Soul Gem System's Soul Protection that helped them before was one of the system's perks. Since Rean was out of range, it was sealed. Roan had to defend against it on his own back in the underground area.

As for Frin, it immediately took control of his mind without him even noticing. One must not forget the huge difference in cultivation between Roan and Frin, so Frin was supposed to be even more resistant to that, which didn't happen.

Frin, of course, asked what was happening here. Roan then recalled everything he had experienced in his mind before sending a Spiritual Sense Message to explain what he knew and deduced so far. "I see...then that sphere with an eye inside is the thing that tried to take control of me. Wait! What if someone gets close to it without anyone to help?"

Roan shrugged his shoulders, telling Frin, "It depends on who's being assaulted. If it's a human, he'll probably die. That's why the people in this city were killed. However, all the buildings destined for demon beasts didn't have any traces of demon beast corpses. I think it's safe to say that the light doesn't kill demon beasts but only uses them for something else after taking control over their souls."

Frin nodded after that. "That makes sense. So, what are you planning to do now?"

Roan pondered over it a bit before he looked at Frin, asking, "I have a shard of the sphere I broke inside my Spatial Ring. I'll bring it out to see if the shard alone has any effect on you."

Frin couldn't help but let out a bit of sweat after hearing that. "Are you crazy?! Why would I need to be the test subject?! Forget it! Don't bring this thing out."

Roan shook his head, though. "Too bad, I've been holding it in my hands ever since you started to refuse." Roan then opened his hand, showing the fragment in his hand. Not only that, but the fragment was shining with the same red light as the tower in the distance.

"You!" Frin felt like giving Roan a beating. If Roan hadn't saved his life a moment ago, he definitely would have done that.

"Alright, it seems like the shard is useless once the sphere is broken. However, it can still be used to detect other spheres as it is reacting to the one in the tower. That's quite convenient."

Roan completely ignored Frin's exasperation in the end, much to the Silver Fenrir's helplessness. "What if I got taken by it as well?"

Roan shook his head, calming Fenrir as he told him, "I would have noticed and put the shard away again. Anyway, let's leave it aside." Roan then looked in the tower's direction. "I don't want another demon beast getting close to it and becoming a puppet. I'll head there and destroy that sphere as well. Wait for me here."

Frin nodded since he heard Roan saying that he could get rid of the power that controls one's mind. "Alright. I'll walk around this city to take a look."

Roan went silent for a bit before he threw the sphere shard to Frin. "If I'm not wrong, this thing will radiate a red light if you get close to one of those intact spheres. Make sure you keep an eye on it."

Frin didn't like holding that thing, but he could only accept since he couldn't use Spiritual Sense to find those spheres ahead of time. "Alright."

Surprisingly, that building was the only one that wasn't corroded by the crimson realm's higher-tiered energy, so Roan arrived on the top quite quickly. Because the sphere tried to take control over Frin's soul, it seemed to not have much power remaining. It still tried to invade Roan's soul but was easily

brushed away by his Dark Element. Roan then broke it into many pieces and collected a few of them to pass to the others if he found them later. "That should be enough for now."

However, just as Roan was about to leave the building, another type of red light appeared in his vision, exclaiming inwardly, 'Killing intent!'

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Chapter 920: Coul It Be All Of Them Are After Us?

Roan quickly checked the area as he raised his sword. Rean's Enhancement skill followed suit, increasing his body's strength. However, there was nothing at all!

'What's happening here? There's obviously killing intent aimed at me, but there's no one here.' Roan then began to gradually retreat from the building until he finally stepped out. The killing intent aimed at him had also disappeared at some point as he moved away.

That didn't make Roan feel any better, though. 'It's impossible for me to mistake killing intent. Even then, I still couldn't find the source.' After pondering it for a bit, Roan concluded. 'It has to be someone from far away. Killing intent manifests as long as the other party is observing me. In any case, I wasn't attacked, so the owner of this intent simply wasn't here.'

Roan didn't waste time and returned to Frin's side after that. He already decided in his mind that he would get away from this dead city straight away.

Roan wasn't the only one surprised, though. The same being with crimson eyes was as shocked as Roan. 'Unbelievable! I just thought of killing him for a moment, and he felt my presence straight away before raising his guard, ready to fight. How did he do that? I'm nowhere near that tower.' Of course, this guy didn't know of Death's ability to visualize killing intent that Roan shared with Rean.

'Sadly, I can't leave this place right now, not after so many years of preparation,' the owner of the crimson eyes pondered a bit before deciding. 'I didn't want to intervene in the World Beast Formation more than necessary, but it's better to prevent things from becoming worse. I can't let more of my Soul Submission Orbs be destroyed.'

Suddenly, dark energy began to spread from that being as it seeped into the ground. That energy then entered the same formation that Rean and Roan were looking for. After that, the formation shone for a moment as that guy's stream of energy was transmitted to the various spheres around the realm.

Roar!

Roar!

Roar!

Demon beasts of all sizes and cultivations roared as if they had been injected with steroids. Following that, they all turned in the same direction and began to run like mad monsters. Any battles between themselves completely stopped after that since they were being intervened by the World Beast Formation.

Back on Roan's side, he heard a lot of demon beasts far away from the city roar out loud as well. However, it was unlike the ones the being with crimson eyes took control over. Instead, these ones were roaring because the sphere of this city was destroyed. That made their soul lose stability as they began to disappear together with their bodies.

Roan told Frin what happened, so he let Roan mount on his back as he charged out of the city. As they moved far away from the city, Frin finally saw what Roan was talking about. "So this is what happens to the demon beasts linked to that sphere with an eye inside. All of them simply die."

Roan nodded. "I'm pretty sure these demon beasts were created by it as well. Since they lost their origin, they couldn't keep their forms anymore." Roan also added, "It means that anywhere we see demon beasts in great numbers, there will definitely be a red-eyed sphere somewhere as well."

Frin couldn't help but ask after that, "How far does the sphere have control over?"

"I don't know," Roan answered. "However, it shouldn't be hard to find out. Keep moving in the direction I told you. This area will soon be empty of crimson demon beasts. Once we arrive in another area with more demon beasts, we'll know that we reached the limit of this one." Frin agreed with that. "Alright, hold tight. I'm going to speed up."

Frin then turned into a flash of silver light as he and Roan disappeared into the distance. However, even with Frin's great speed, it took them more than two hours before they saw the very first demon beast. "Holy shit! The range of these spheres is at least two thousand kilometers! Only now are we finding more of these beasts?"

Roan didn't like it either. "It would be too hard to find more of these spheres if their area of coverage is this big." Roan and Frin looked at each other for a moment before they reached the same conclusion. "Forget it, let's keep going. If we pass close to another one of these red-eyed spheres, we can destroy them. Otherwise, we better reunite with the others."

Frin knew that Rean and Roan had some way of knowing where the other was located. Back then, they simply said that it had something to do with the fact they were twins. Nevertheless, that was very convenient in this place where Spiritual Sense and Soul Power Scanning cant be used. "Fine by me."

Frin didn't stop as he ignored the demon beasts along the way. With his Peak Stage Nine cultivation, none of the demon beasts could even react before he passed by them.

Still, it didn't take long before Roan and Frin noticed something different. Frin then asked Roan on his back, "Are you seeing the same thing as I am?"

Roan nodded, saying, "It seems like the demon beasts aren't attacking each other anymore. Instead, they're all trying to attack us. It's just that they can't get even close to you, so they're being quickly left behind."

Frin agreed with Roan. "Exactly. You told me someone was watching you when you left the building where you destroyed the sphere with the red eye. Could it have something to do with that event?"

Roan shook his head as he had no clue. "I don't know. Maybe they're following us because I have the shards of the sphere."

Frin narrowed his eyes after hearing that. The shards were definitely necessary since they would tell Roan and Frin if they were getting close to another one of those spheres or not. Naturally, they wouldn't throw them away. "Just throw one behind and see if they stop. If not, then we know we're their target."

Roan immediately did as Frin suggested. Frin also reduced his speed to see whether the demon beasts stopped to take the shard or not. However, the demon beasts completely ignored the shard and kept following Frin and Roan. "Well, unless they're trying to follow the guy with the most number of shards, it's pretty much obvious that they are after us."

Roan noticed that as well. "Increase your speed again. Although you're a Stage Nine Demon Beast, I don't want to see what will happen if all the demon beasts in these territories decide to attack you at the same time."

Frin couldn't help but let out a bit of cold sweat as he flashed away, leaving the demon beasts he had passed through behind. However, this realm didn't only have weaker demon beasts. It also had those at the Stage Nine level.

Roar!

"Shit!" Frin immediately noticed when a demon insect appeared by his side, launching itself in his direction. "This one isn't any weakling. Hold on, Roan. I'll move at full speed."

Frin then enveloped Roan with his Spiritual Energy as his speed increased several times. From the looks of it, the demon insect was indeed at the Stage Nine level, but he was still slower than the Silver Fenrir, which was a Divine Demon Beast focused on speed to start with. "Could it be that all the demon beasts in this realm are after us?"