

Death Guns 501

Chapter 501: Eris

Alex was shocked; he still couldn't believe it. However, the situation didn't change no matter how many times he closed and reopened his eyes. Sitting across from him was the first princess of the Wolfgang Empire, Eris Wolfgang, Ferris twin.

"Ah! How have you been, Eris?"

Alex could more or less guess what she would say; at least he must hear her out.

"Sigh! I'm not fine, as you can see." Eris responded, and she was right; her beautiful face, her beautiful hair had lost their luster, she became thinner, her eyes were a bit hollow, she must have cried a lot, Alex thought.

"Sorry for the loss. You probably don't want to remember that tragedy, but can you please recount what exactly happened?"

Eris heaved another sigh as if she had expected such a question; no, even if Alex didn't ask, she would have told him because he needed to understand to help her as she wished.

"It was like this."

Eris's story was like this; she patiently waited for her brother's return with the other guards; Ferris came out after his fifth day, compared to the past emperors, even their father, he had surpassed them as most of them lasted seven days. Just as she was about to rush toward him, she stopped because she noticed a black aura surrounding his body, and he wore a kind of smile she had never seen, the smile that wanted nothing but destruction.

Under her shocked eyes, Ferris cut into two the nearest guard; before the other could comprehend the situation, he had already moved onto another one and cut him into two as well. Finally, aware that the prince wasn't joking, all the guards rushed toward the prince, intending to subdue him, but the result it was a total massacre. Eris stood frozen, not comprehending the situation; she came back to her senses only when Ferris, covered in blood, assaulted her and tried to kill her. She fought, got injured, she had thought several times giving up but in the end didn't, although his eyes were filled with viciousness, wishing for destruction, through their special bond she could feel her brother's sorrows.

"Eris, please kill me; I don't wish to hurt anyone anymore. This thing wouldn't let me go; only my death would stop it, please, Eris. This corrupted being is from the ch**** race. Please don't trust anyone, seek Alexander's help, he's the solution..."

Finally, Eris killed her brother, then a black shadow came out from the dying body and winked at her before vanishing.

"To sum up, it's what happened." Eris moistened her dry throat with cold water.

"I see. He probably meant the shadow that controlled him was a member of the Chaos race. A race that wished for only one thing destruction. I don't know much about this race, but I know they are the enemy we must face and eliminate in order to ascend. They are probably behind the mysterious organization that kidnapped my sister."

'As expected, he knows something.' Eris thought inwardly while outwardly she said.

"I see; I'm glad that you know them. I'll be straight; I want you to help me avenge my brother, course I will not ask this for free, you can do whatever you want with me, turn me into your slave, make me do dirty things, you can even ask me to give you Wolfgang Empire I'll gladly give it to you, however, you must help my accomplish my revenge, I'll-"

Flick!

"Ouch! What was that for?" Eris held her burning forehead and glared at Alex, who had just flicked her forehead; he didn't go easy on her; he used a lot of strength if she hadn't unconsciously coated her forehead at the last moment with the wind element; Eris was pretty sure that the flick would have left a bump on her beautiful head.

"Shut up, you damn retard." Alex's voice echoed through the meeting room; Eris froze, her eyes were wide open. She couldn't believe her eyes; Alex was currently angry, so angry that his body kept trembling, blood dripped from his clenched fist, his nails must have pierced through his palm for this to happen.

Alex quickly concealed his aura and sat back; then, he breathed in and out before finally opening his mouth and asking a simple question.

"Eris, what I'm to you?"

This abrupt question shocked Eris; she was momentarily confused as to why he would ask such a question but ultimately couldn't find the answer; she decided to answer.

"You are my friend, my brother friend."

Alex nodded before his heterochromia eyes looked at her; she felt tiny as if she was sitting before a giant pair of eyes that could crush her at any moment. Eris gulped audibly.

"So, if you consider me as your friend would you have said what you said?"

Finally, Eris understood what Alex's previous question meant; she opened her mouth but couldn't say anything; she could only lower her head.

"As your friend, I'll help you without expecting anything in return as it is what friendship is supposed to be. At least true friendship, that is, your brother is dead. I shall help you avenge him because he's my friend. I don't need anything in return, no, I just need you to help me when I need you, understand?"

Alex approached Eris and gently stroked her smooth hair, Eris's body trembled, and she couldn't control her emotions anymore; her shoulders started to shake, tears dropped on the carpet, drenching it.

Crouching down, Alex embraced her small and gently caressed her back.

"Cry to your heart content, I'll be here, I'm going nowhere. I want this to be the last time you cry, so cry as much you want, and once you wake up, you must be strong, not only for yourself but for those that are still alive, for your brother, for those guards that died, you must live on. And lastly, remember, revenge must never be the end goal, just a passing goal. So cry, I'll stand beside you until you end because I'm your friend."

"Wu! Wu!!"

Eris felt warmth spread through her heart, and it beat faster; the ice surrounding it had started to melt away slowly. As she kept crying, more and more warmth filled her body; she still had someone apart from her family, she still had him, not only him but the others as well, she could see them smiling at her with wide-open arms. She didn't need to sacrifice her life; she needed nothing; she just needed to extend her hands and ask for help; her friends were waiting for her call, so finally, amidst the cry she shouted, it came from the heart.

"Please help me." She said.

"Very good, I shall help, no we will help, so it's time for you to take a rest. We will continue later. Sleep well." Alex said, and Eris finally closed her eyes; after a long time, she immediately fell asleep. Alex wiped away the tears on her cheeks before lifting her and carried outside.

Just as he passed through the door, he saw Kuina and Maria standing opposite each other; strangely, the atmosphere was relatively peaceful.

'I guess they know when to stop.' Alex thought before passing Eris to Maria.

"Please-"

"I know, Kuina helps me," Maria said and left with Eris on his back. Kuina bowed to Alex before following Maria.

"Sigh! Now what to do?" Alex mumbled before vanishing.

Chapter 502 - 487: It's Great To Be Back

While Alex left the girls to head somewhere, Maria, accompanied by Kuina, went to Eris's room since her arrival. After placing her on the bed, Maria looked at Eris's peaceful sleeping face and couldn't help but praise Alex; at the same time, she sighed bitterly as a woman she knew what would happen if a man spoke as Alex did, she might start developing feeling toward the man.

"Are you worried?"

Kuina discreetly whispered from behind as she could see Maria's expression. The two were present and heard Alex's words, not everything but the last part, so she could understand what worried Maria.

"Not really, she might start developing feelings for him, but I doubt it will blossom soon," Maria responded, and Kuina nodded.

"By the way, you're getting closer to my Man; I hope you don't have any funny idea?"

Immediately as the two left Eris's room, the atmosphere turned frosty; Kuina stopped and immediately released a heat; frost and heat momentarily clashed before they vanished.

Kuina chuckled, "I don't know what you are talking about, but I do find Alex's company enjoyable, maybe- Well, forget it."

She then shrugged her shoulders and left. Maria calmed down and looked behind her.

"How long are you planning on staying hidden for?"

"Fufufu! Busted."

There was a green light, and Sakuya appeared and leaned against the opposite wall.

"You don't like her," Sakuya commented while looking in the direction Kuina disappeared into.

"Well, it's normal, unlike you or Luna who would be happy just by receiving Alex love, this one would want to stand at the top, above everyone else and that it's something I can't accept, I can't tolerate, there can only be one empress and that it's me." Maria declared, and Sakuya sighed.

"Sometimes you overthink. Well, whatever, accompany for a bit we need to talk."

Sakuya said and headed outside toward the balcony; Maria nodded and followed her.

In another location inside the manor, Alex stood before a door painted red mixed with a pink name tag: Alexandra.

Knock! Knock!

Alex knocked on the door and said.

"Gracier, it's me. Can I come in?"

Then from the other side, Gracier's flustered voice came out.

"B-Big brother? Please wait a moment."

She said before there was a rustling sound, almost as if she was cleaning a messed up room.

Two minutes later, Alex heard a fuh sound, and Gracier unlocked the door and let him in.

The interior didn't change much; it was as he remembered; Alex wondered what his sister was doing to be so flustered; he almost scanned the room but at the end decided against it because everyone has its privacy and he must respect it.

"Big brother, I thought you should be resting. Why are you still up?" Gracier questioned Alex; from what had been decided, he should rest to recuperate after talking with Eris properly; however, Alex didn't do that. Although he seemed fine outside, does who knew him could see how tired he was hence the suggestion.

Alex scratched his head and laughed.

"Well, I thought I'd at least visit my cute sister and see how far she progressed."

Gracier felt warmth spread through her chest, and a smile bloomed on her face.

"I did my best, but I'm still lacking. I trained hard with Artemia, Alice helped by protecting me, taking care of all bad guys."

Alex nodded, thinking that he ought to reward Alice for protecting his sister well, then Alex appraised his sister, and the result made him happy.

『[Gracier Alexandra Touch]

「 Rank 10」

Level 97

Class: Fire Empress

Age: 15

Female

Race: High Half-Elf

Experience Value: 3000/40000

Magic Power: 3520 (+65) ➤ 3585/3585

Magic: Fire Magic

Attack: 1345 ➤ 1410

Defense: 735 ➤ 800

Agility: 885 ➤ 950 (+50 BP) ➤ 1000

Intelligence: 835 ➤ 900 (+100 BP) ➤ 1000

Luck: 735 ➤ 800

BP: 0

SP: 20

Gift: Ignia's Bracelet

Skills: [Cooking Level 4] [Sewing Level 3] [Fireball Level 5] [Fire Arrows Level 4] [Meteor Level 1] [Fire Snake Level 4] [Flame Shield Level 5] [Presence Detection Level 5] [Chantless Magic Level 8] [Fire Lotus Level 5] [Archery Level Max] [Blaze Steps Level 5] [Golden Arrows Level 1]

Special Abilities: [Dragon Eye Level 10 Max] [Flame Wings Level 3] [Dragon's Breath Level Level 2] [Lord of Hundred Flames] {Dark Mode (Sealed due to its instability)}

Titles: [Avenger] [Child of Fire] [The Awakened] [The Diligent] [Lord of Flames]

"Wow! You've become quite strong, my cute sister; keep up. And we must celebrate, you have become fifteen, no wonder you grew taller and became more beautiful." Alex said while stroking his sister's hair, the latter nestled in his arms like a kitten.

Suddenly, Gracier asked for something.

"Big brother, can you spare with me later?"

"Oh? Sure, why not. I want to see how skillful my sister has become in controlling the fire element. However, it's good to accumulate skill points, but you should use it. Or is there any reason for you not to use them yet?"

Alex inquired as he remembered that Gracier still had 20 unused skill points.

"Ah! That? It's because teacher, I meant Big sister Artemia, said one must immediately spend one SP on one skill, it might increase the level, but you'd lack the experience, therefore before using the skills, understand it to some extent before spending skill point on it, it's why I still have used none of my skill points acquired since twenty levels." Gracier explained.

Alex went silent and thought about what he had just learned. After some time, he nodded while thinking that Artemia suggestion was right, maybe he should start doing the same thing as an experiment to see the result, but he had the feeling that it would end up as the goddess had said, she must have suggested this because she had personally experienced it.

'There is still too much to learn.' Alex sighed.

"By the way, where is big sister Silveria?" Gracier inquired, and there was a silver flash; Silveria appeared and sat on the bed.

"Finally, little Alexandra remember me when everybody forgot about me, sob sob."

Alex rolled his eyes at Silveria's fake cries; he stood up.

"I will take my leave, please don't sleep late. Good night Alexandra, good night Silveria."

"Good night, brother."

"Have a sweet night," Silveria said and winked at Alex; she seemed to be implying something, Gracier clueless, looked at them, wondering what Silveria meant.

"Ugh!"

Alex quickly escaped and headed to a certain room, the door was opened, and he was dragged in even before he could knock.

Alex had his lips stolen; he didn't mind his partner being a bit aggressive; he reciprocated while thinking, it's great to be back. I miss this.

Soon, a heated battle followed, with Alex emerging victorious as the two lay side by side, reveling in the afterglow of their intense sex where they both surrendered themselves to sensual pleasure and vented their lust on each other after a long time.

Chapter 503 - 488: Sparring 1

The following morning Alex woke up feeling refreshed, thanks to the wonderful night his partner gave him. Alex kissed Luna on the head and tried to leave to see that Luna wouldn't let him go. Before he could go, there was something she wished him to do.

"I want my breakfast, I'm too tired, bring my breakfast."

Alex chuckled before going into the kitchen to prepare the breakfast not only for Luna but also for the others.

After Luna finished eating, she smiled like an angel.

"Lex, let's go spar a bit. I'm overflowing with energy." She declared; Alex almost shouted, saying weren't saying a moment ago that you were tired? However, he knew better than anybody that he mustn't say that. He could only nod.

Blue Haven Manor, underground training.

Currently, a lot of people came to watch the fight, not the sparring. Maria, Artemia, Sera, Pandora (former Meera), Alice, Sakuya, Gracier, and Kuina.

『[Alexander Kael Touch]

Class: Magic Gunslinger

Age: 18

Male

Race: High Human ????

「 Rank 12]

Level 119

Experience Value (XP): 0/200600

Magic Power: 7050 (+20 (+20 BP) ► 7090/7090

Magic: None

Attack: 2530 ► 2550

Defense: 2130 ► 2150

Agility: 2120 ► 2140 (+200)

Intelligence: 2160 ► 2180

Luck: 1740 ► 1760

BP: 0

SP: 0

Gift: Death Guns [??????]

Skills: [Item box Level 4] [Swift Fingers Max] [Divine Sense Level 5] [Throwing knife Level 5] [Dark Vision Level 2] [Dual Wielding Level 2] [Accel Level 5] [Knife Art Level 4] [Link Level 4] [Gun Art Level Level 10] [High Regeneration Level 7] [Mana Synchronisation Level 10 Max] [Crimson's Bullet] [Shadow Shift Level 5] [Blade Dance Level 4] [Aurora Bullet Level 1] [Drifter Level 1] [Meteor Bullet Level 1]

Special Abilities: [Language Comprehension][Danger Sense] [Overdrive] [Death's Eye] [Envisage] {Erase} {Magic Bullet} {Snatch} [Hellsing] [Xerox] {Death Bullet (???)} [Time Stop] [Time Acceleration] [Eye of Truth Level 5] [Asura Form] [Mana's Body] (Sealed due to current Level) {Time Decay}

Titles: [Otherworlder] [The one whose fingers are faster than Flash] [Goblin Slayer] [The Reborn] [Shadow Nemesis] [The Slaughterer] [The Destroyer] [Death Master] [The Irregular] [Child of Mana] [Vampire Slayer] (New)]

'Wow!'

Luna couldn't help but get shocked when she saw Alex's status. He had become quite the monster; compared to him; her measly Rank 11 is nothing.

"Don't worry, I'll suppress my power at your level."

Alex said he could guess what Luna was thinking; he let her see his status without hiding anything; this gesture would tell her that he trusted her to let her see his status. Her progress wasn't bad; she just recently became Rank 11, same with Maria.

"Let's us begin," Alex suggested as he could feel the hot stare he was receiving from the other girls; they too probably went to spar with him, not that he minds, the more people, the merrier it would become.

"Instant Strengthening."

Then Luna rushed toward Alex at full speed, wind stirring behind her before she crashed into him, but he calmly avoided her with another twirl before kicking her in the side. At the last moment, Luna dodged and put some distance between them. She knew it would not be easy; she knew he had suppressed his power to her level; even so, in their first clash, she lost. Some might say, keep going on; it is just the start. Still, Luna knew that she was not his match. They might be at the same rank but the amount of experience they had wasn't the same; their stats weren't the same, to begin with.

Even so, she would learn from this sparring; she had asked for sparring not because she thought she could win but simply to see how strong she had become, and most importantly, to show him that she was slowly catching up.

Taking a deep breath, Luna muttered again.

"Instant Strengthening."

"Huh?"

Alex was shocked; Luna's speed increased drastically, and he almost couldn't believe his eyes.

Swoosh!

Bang! Bang!

Alex calmly deflected every punch thrown at him; he never thought that Luna could overlap this skill. However, just as he thought he had seen everything, Luna shocked him once again.

"Instant strengthening."

"What?"

Bam!

Alex was flung into the sky; his chest hurts, he couldn't believe what happened, Luna didn't give him any time. She clenched her fist and punched the air; a giant fist made of water appeared and tried to slam Alex flying. Everything happened too fast. However, Alex still smiled. Just as the water punch was about to land, his figure vanished and got replaced by Luna, who was about to take the blow in his stead.

The moment Alex switched place with Luna and she was about to get punched, Alex discovered to his astonishment that he couldn't move; it was then he knew he had fallen into Luna's trap. She knew about his shadow shift and had prepared a countermeasure.

That water punch that should have slammed Luna flying after the shadow shift switched trajectory and struck Alex instead.

Boom!

Luna, who succeeded in trapping Alex, wasn't feeling happy at the moment as a chill ran down her spine; she immediately formed a shield behind her; however, instead of appearing behind her, Alex soaked in water appeared before her.

"It's too cliché, so I chose to knock on the front door."

Bam!

Alex punched her in the stomach, the punch sliced through the air and connected to her stomach, all air escaped from her lungs, she felt momentarily dizzy, which was a fatal mistake. Alex pummeled her toward the ground.

Bam! Boom!

There was an explosion, and clouds rose to the sky. Luna coughed blood, Alex who was descending, couldn't help but frown when he saw a radiant light surround Luna's body.

"Holy Magic Art 4th Tier: Radiant Blessing." Luna chanted, and all her injuries were healed; she was back as new.

"Isn't it this cheating?" Alex couldn't help but voice his dissatisfaction; he was not the only one; Maria had a headache fighting Luna, who was like a cockroach. Sera nodded, thinking that Luna was becoming more and more like that paladin.

"Shall we begin round two?" Luna asked with a smile.

Chapter 504 - 489: Sparring 2

"Shall we begin the second?" Luna asked with a smile; seeing such a contagious smile, Alex also smiled in turn while asking.

"Are you ready?"

A savage smile formed on Luna's face as she replied, "This time, I won't hold back."

"I hop-huh?"

By the time Alex answered, a fair and dainty hand was already holding his face, before-

BAAM!!!!

Bringing it down violently against the ground.

At least, that is what it looked like at first glance.

The moment Luna impacted the ground with her hands, the Alex she was holding and thought had slammed into the ground faded, while another one appeared behind her.

What happened was not complicated. Alex used his speed to the limit and coupled with Time Acceleration, and the result was a shadow-like clone.

"Did they never tell you not to attack the face!? What if my handsome face got ruined? Would you take responsibility by getting spanked?"

Alex, once behind her, reprimanded her; however, it was more like he wanted to take advantage of the situation to let loose one of his hidden fetishes. Chuckling, Alex covered his entire arm in the green light, making extremely sharp before thrusting it toward Luna's back. The attack was so fast that it left friction in the air. But, despite this speed, it still missed as she did a simple roll-forward before jumping away.

Immediately she got up, and a blue light covered her body than the sky above the training ground darkened; Alex frowned as he could feel that it was about to rain; suddenly, a small rain fell. Chill ran down his spine when he thought of a distinct possibility; Luna's following words confirmed his assumption.

"Water Divine Steps."

Under the group's astonished eyes, Luna vanished, and the next moment appeared before Alex; he tried to step back; however, to his utter amazement, thin water tentacles got wrapped around his feet, momentarily restraining his movement, then he saw the savage smile Luna's face. He unconsciously tightened his stomach.

[Holy Punch: Double Punch Destruction Pit Smash]

She launched her two glowing fists into Alex's stomach.

Bang! Boom!

"Ugh!"

Alex was immediately propelled into the air; his body bent in C shape.

"Ouch! That must have hurt a lot." Kuina commented, and the other nodded.

Alex, who was flying through the air, almost vomited the content of today's morning breakfast; however, he pushed it back and grinned. He immediately leaned backward to dodge Luna's kick.

Luna smiled, not flustered at all that Alex still could dodge her kick even in this situation; however, she was not done yet; she stopped her leg, which was about to pass Alex's body after missing it and brought

down, it was so abrupt that Alex didn't have the time to prepare for a countermeasure, so he was forced to use his Gift.

Bang!

A harmless bullet was fired at the incoming leg and pushed back. Luna immediately retreated; she put a distance between them.

"Not bad, you pushed until I used my Gift fast. You should be proud. Let's end it shall we?" Alex said while cracking his neck.

Luna nodded; she immediately summoned her Gift, the beautiful staff giving a holy light.

Bang! Bang! Bang!

Alex fired three bullets at Luna in the form of a test. Immediately, Luna's golden eyes turned brighter, and she moved the staff in her hand.

Pang! Pang! Pang!

Astonishingly, Luna could deflect all the bullets even when they were moving at such a speed that eyes couldn't follow.

Alex had expected instant strengthening to be used for many things; for example, not only could it momentarily turn Luna's body into superwoman, it could enhance her speed, turn a specific area of her body sturdy enough to receive more damage. Then if it's possible, it could be used to enhance her perception making her see the normally impossible things and be able to react to them.

"What about this?" Alex said with a cruel smile. He moved his left arm.

BANG!

Only a single gunshot was heard. However, Luna saw dozen of bullets flying toward her. She became flustered; she might have enhanced her sight, her body might have become faster, but there was still a limit to what she could do, and completely deflecting a dozen bullets was one of them.

Pang! Pang!!!

Luna deflected the ones she could while maneuvering her body to escape those she couldn't deal with; however, it was soon proven to be a grave mistake as she saw Alex smile wickedly.

[Shadow Shift]

"What?"

Luna freaked out as Alex's shadow shifted with one of the bullets she had just dodged.

Alex caught her face before throwing her high into the air, he appeared behind her, Luna immediately swung her staff even while still feeling dizzy because of the attack, to her utter horror, the staff moved so slowly that Alex deflected it to the side using one finger, then he punched her.

It was only one punch, and yet four had been delivered onto her body.

Bang Bang Bang Bang

"Gah!"

Luna gasped for breath; she tried to perform an evasion skill, but Alex wouldn't give her such an opportunity; he was decided to finish her with his next attack.

At the last moment, Luna aimed one of her fingers at Alex and mumbled.

"Holy beam."

A white ray shot out from her finger and arrived before Alex; it was so abrupt that Alex stopped, spinning Silveria he using it to deflect the incoming ray.

The white ray curved when it touched Silveria; seeing the white ray coming back to her, Luna's mind became calm; she used a holy barrier to defend against the holy beam.

Boom!

There was an explosion when the holy beam clashed against the holy barrier; Luna was sent flying; using this opportunity, she escaped Alex's pursuit, so it should have been.

Just as she landed on the ground at the other side of the training ground, Alex's voice reached her ears.

"It's my win."

A silver knife was held against her white neck, and a silver gun poked her back; Luna sighed and lifted her arms in surrender.

"I have lost."

Chapter 505 - 490: Sparring 3

Alex chuckled at Luna's sad voice. To cheer her up, he lowered his body and bit her ear.

"Hiyah! What are you doing? Can you see there are people around watching us?" Luna reprimanded him; however, Alex shrugged his shoulders while sending Maria and others a smile.

"You have gotten strong. I'm proud of you. It's good to have such a capable healer amidst our force; not only can you heal us, but you are also a capable fighter, meaning you can take care of yourself. The enemy who would think you're just a weak healer will suffer greatly. I'm looking for to your healing skills. Thank you, and please keep up." Alex declared, his voice was so loud that it echoed through the training ground; the other girls nodded to this claim. Luna was pretty, strong as an attack-type ranker while not being one.

Luna was overwhelmed by emotions; she just nodded repeatedly. She was delighted that her efforts had paid; she didn't want to be a burden, someone others would need to watch over constantly; it was why she kept trying hard. This was just the start, she continued, and one day became the strongest healer in the universe.

Luna smiled and declared, "Thank you, I'll work hard."

Alex smiled in turn while stroking her beautiful hair. After Luna left, Gracier jumped and landed not too far from her brother.

"Big brother, now it my turn. You won't refuse me, right?" Gracier asked while removing her eyes patch.

"Of course not," Alex responded with a smile while inwardly he was sweating.

Although his right eye had offset most of the Dragon eye suppression, somehow, the air around him had turned hot.

"Good."

Gracier mumbled sweetly; however, her following action wasn't sweet at all. She flicked her fingers, and dozen of small fireballs of the size of an egg were shot toward Alex. They surrounded him from all sides.

"Sigh! Your control over the Fire element has become even scarier." Alex mumbled; however, he was smiling. He moved his left arm. Bullets flew through the air and pierced through all the incoming small fireballs, completely extinguishing them.

Alex, who had taken care of the small fireball, flashed next to Gracier and swung the knife in his right hand.

Gracier didn't falter as she already knew about her strength and resourcefulness. She fell back and swung her shortened scythe; its appearance had changed entirely. Currently, it looked like a hand scythe with a chain; she swung her hand scythe towards Alex to bind him with its chains.

But just as her hand scythe bound around him, Alex's figure faded away as if he was never there in the first place.

'An afterimage!' Gracier's brows raised when she realized that it was just an afterimage and instantly turned around.

CLING!

She moved her hand instantly and protected her back from Alex's knife by locking his knife covered in green light with her hand scythe.

"Great, however, you have forgotten about my main weapon."

Alex smirked and immediately tried to unleash Silveria upon Gracier; however, right before he could do that, he jumped back because he saw his sister grinning; those small fireballs he had avoided and which landed on the ground rose and turned into a small flame dragon that tried to bite him.

If he hadn't reacted as he did, he would have received a bit of damage.

"Tch!"

Gracier clicked her tongue as her brother still managed to escape such a perfect attack.

"Hahaha! My bad, I forget that when it comes to fighting, you're indeed resourceful. Well, too bad you couldn't take me down with that attack. You should try better."

"I will," Gracier responded before launching an attack.

The golden sickle sliced through the air like a better.

Alex swiftly blocked the sickle with his knife and deflected it, sending it back in a certain direction.

At the same time, dozen of fireballs appeared in the air and shot toward him. Artemia nodded her head, pleased with the way her discipline was handling Alex; although it was not near enough, it was a good start; Gracier was controlling the fight's tempo.

Alex chuckled; he couldn't help but praise his sister tactic. However, this wouldn't be enough to stop him. Alex sheathed his knife and immediately used Xerox; another identical silver appeared in his right hand, then the fireballs surrounding him fell toward him as if to bury him.

Aimed with the two guns, Alex moved his hands; it was so fast that those in the spectator's area had trouble following; his left hand moved faster than its shadow.

[Blaze Step]

A flame appeared under Gracier's feet, and she disappeared from where she previously stood; a bullet pierced there, boring through the hard concrete, a small hole appeared there.

Gracier, who escaped Alex's bullet, immediately spun the hand scythe in her hand.

Clang! Clang! Clang! Clang!

Metal clanging sounds continuously resounded. The shockwaves spread in the air as Gracier's hand scythe fiercely clashed with Alex's Homing bullets trying to pierce her body.

Suddenly, Alex dodged to the side; somehow, Gracier could change her Gift shape faster than before; Alex was surprised at how fast she could switch Ignia's Bracelet form; however, not wasn't the time to muse over such a thing, he quickly dodged again.

Golden arrows flew past him.

Tch! Tch! Tch! Tch! Tch!

The ground behind Alex cleaved a few inches as all five golden arrows strong as laser beam struck the ground and melted it.

"Not good!" Alex mumbled as he saw his sister's eyes flash golden. He immediately put strength into his; the ground cracked as he jumped to the side and rolled.

Swoosh!

Gracier breathed flame from her mouth; it was like a flamethrower, the ground where Alex previously stood got scorched.

Bang!

Gracier dodged the bullet Alex fired at her; just as she was about to launch another attack, all the hairs on her body rose. Golden wings sprout from her back, and she used them to wrap them around her body before that bullet she thought she had dodged curved and struck her in the back.

Boom!

Gracier was sent flying; Alex didn't immediately go after her.

Chapter 506 - 491: Sparring 4 And The Visit

As the homing bullet struck her golden wings, an explosion occurred.

Boom!

Gracier was sent flying. Alex didn't immediately go after her.

Suddenly, Gracier, flying through the air, waved her golden wings downward like a hammer it struck.

BOOM!!!

A deafening ear explosion sounded as an overwhelming blast of flame coming from her golden wings and body channeled outwards towards all sides.

Craters formed on the ground as shockwaves passed through it, and Alex felt the ground shaking fiercely coupled with a terrible heat that made one throat dry. Alex rolled on the ground to avoid the terrible heat; during this time, Gracier aimed her bow toward him and knocked arrows.

Alex accel-ed to reappear on the other side of the training ground; he launched his two guns in the air, startling everyone, then faster than she could follow, Alex threw twelve toward her, Gracier moved her wings to protect her body.

Meanwhile, Alex caught his guns and fired.

Bullets tore through the and struck Gracier's body, sending her flying through the air; she quickly canceled her wings and started falling toward the ground.

Opening her mouth, Gracier breathed flame, forcing Alex to dodge.

Swoosh!

Just as she landed, Alex appeared before her, his knife held against her neck; Gracier used her bow to defend against the knife. Alex wasn't surprised, but his hand moved like lightning and swiftly wrested out her bow from her hand, using his Razor. How could Gracier possibly contend against Alex using just her bow at close range?

The tip of his knife pointed against her neck, but Gracier smugly smiled at him.

Alex furrowed his brows as he felt a hot liquid wrapping around his body.

CLANG!

"Damn..." Alex's body got tightly bound by the flame coming from the ground. He looked around and saw that he was surrounded by heat, making it a perfect playground for Gracier.

Silveria appeared in Alex's right arm, and the muzzle poked Gracier's stomach.

"Well, it's my loss. At least I've tried." Gracier declared before the small flame chain disappeared.

Artemia nodded her head, pleased with this outcome; with just a bit more training Gracier would become more powerful.

"Who wants to go next?" Alex asked with a smile; however, to his disappointment, nobody joined him. Maria sighed and announced.

"We will postpone the sparring for another day. For now, you must take a short rest before going to see the Guild master; she just called and asked for you."

"Ah! Okay, I understand." Alex responded before leaving the training ground.

Five hours later, Alex could be seen in the Adventurer guild. Nobody stopped him as he quickly passed through the crowd and headed directly to the highest floor.

After the teleportation light disappeared, Alex appeared on the same floor where he first encountered Elseria when he came to the capital.

Elseria sat in the garden elegantly drinking tea.

"Welcome, Alexander. How was your mission?" Elseria asked, her eyes never leaving the report she was reading.

Alex took a seat across from her; immediately, a maid appeared and served him tea. Alex left the tea fragrance drift into his nose before answering.

"Successful but too tiring. I have almost lost my life."

Facing Alex's complaint, Elseria chuckled.

"Since the start, we both knew it would not be easy. It might have been hard, but you succeeded; not only did you complete your goal, but you also got stronger, and most importantly, you gave Lucifer a good slap. He will not try anything for a while. After all losing two dukes, no with Lilith's present it makes three, he must quickly fill the gape."

"You are Typhania, aren't you?" Alex suddenly blurted out this question.

Elseria's expression never changed; she was smiling; she had expected this question, so naturally, she was not flustered.

"What makes you ask such a question?"

"Too many things, you seemed to know Artemia's identity, and the same goes for Lilith as well. Artemia, when talking about you, would chuckle and try to hide the glimmer inside her eyes when you are mentioned. Even Silveria would chuckle when I talk about you. There are lots more reasons, but I know you are the Elven empress. My men confirmed it."

The last part was a lie, but Alex didn't care; when he mused over where Typhania should be, it always ends up as a powerful guild master on the human continent. He decided to probe, and the result he wasn't overthinking, the woman before was indeed the missing Eleven Empress Typhania.

"Hehehehe! Hehehehe! Interesting, it took you some time, but you were able to figure it out. Indeed I'm Typhania."

Immediately, Elseria's body was transformed into her eleven forms; she was so beautiful that Alex was momentarily spellbound; he quickly coughed to hide his embarrassment.

"Cough! Indeed you're Typhania."

"Happy?" Typhania asked; the air around her changed; it was like the ruler of the world; it took Alex so much of will not bow down.

Typhania nodded and asked playfully.

"Knowing my real identity, do you still wish to make me yours?"

As if he had expected such a question, the corners of his mouth perked up.

"I'm more fired up. I'll definitely make you mine."

Inwardly he thought, 'I've already bedded a goddess, a reincarnated one, though.'

Clap! Clap!

Hearing his reply, the corners of Typhania's mouth lifted into a smile. She extended her hands, clapped twice, and soon after, a figure in a maid's outfit drifted toward them and replaced their teas.

"Are you still stuck on the Demi-God level?" Alex suddenly blurted out.

Typhania's brows furrowed; it was a delicate topic she didn't wish to bring out, but Alex was different; he must have his reasons for saying this.

"Yeah! It's because of that dragon curse. After the fight, my Rank fell to Rank 9. It took me too much time and countless efforts to get back; however, as you can guess, I'm still stuck on the Demi-God level, unable to progress. Why do you ask do you have any solution?"

In the end, Typhania's voice became high-pitched, a small hope was ignited.

Alex held his temple for a moment before nodding, "I don't know, don't get your hopes too high. I might have a solution, but a few tests need to be done to confirm my guess, until then, please wait."

Typhania sighed but didn't lose hope.

She reverted to Elseria's appearance; although a bit disappointed, Alex preferred this appearance as it let him breathe naturally.

"I guess now it's time for you to tell me why you called me here?" He said while staring straight into her eyes.

Elseria laughed and leaned into her chair.

"You are right.. It's time to tell you about Exodus."

Chapter 507 - 492: Just A Kiss

A blue crescent moon floated as if a wound was carved in the night sky.

Alex had just left Elseria's place; he couldn't help but chuckle when he recalled the ridiculous thing he heard from her. Dungeons are and will stay wonderful things. He couldn't wait to go there.

As Alex walked into the manor, he was immediately greeted by an unexpected person.

"Oh? Eris? Already awake? How are you feeling?"

Alex stopped in front of Eris, who wore short pants and a white shirt. Her complexion had gotten better.

"I'm fine, thank you. Welcome back. Tomorrow I'm thinking of going back to my mansion-"

"Why are you in a hurry? Just stay with the others for a few days. Kuina is also staying here, and most importantly, we plan to celebrate Gracier's birthday soon; it would be a shame for you not to assist us, don't you think?"

Eris's eyes widened; she smiled and said.

"Certainly, I will not miss such occasion. I guess I'm intruding for another few days again."

"You welcome. Let's go."

Eris nodded and followed Alex. Looking at his back, Eris could feel that it was really broad; it was like a giant wall that could protect her.

'What I'm thinking about?'

Eris chuckled; she threw those nonsensical thoughts to the back of her head and entered the hall.

The others were there waiting for them. After eating dinner, they got separated. Two days later, they decided to hold Gracier's birthday.

Late in the night, Alex visited Artemia's room; since their fiançailles, she had selected a room here and slept here regularly.

As her room faced the outside, moonlight directly shone on the room, bathing it in its silver light.

Artemia wasn't surprised by Alex's visit; she had expected it. She was the one who invited him. She was dressed in a lascivious negligee! She lay face down and sent him a flirtatious glance. A see-through cloth that made heavy use of lace! The white skin was slightly seen underneath it! And black underwear! The hem of the skirt that anxiously moved down from the bent knee seemed it would be turned up at any moment!.

"Alex, how was your talk with Elseria, I mean Typhania? Judging from your look, you must have known her real identity." Artemia asked as she tapped on the bed; Alex sat near her inhaling her body fragrance; somehow, he had missed it.

As if it was natural, Artemia put her head on his thighs and enjoyed a lap pillow.

"Well, it went well. I learned a lot of things. For example, about Exodus. I never thought that they would exist a dungeon such as this." Alex responded while stroking the former goddess's blue hair.

Artemia chuckled because she was also shocked the first time they saw Exodus; it was another world, it shattered their worldview on existences known as dungeons. A dungeon with special features which had its set of conditions. Saying she was not excited to revisit Exodus would be a lie. Normally you can only visit once; however, because she died and got reincarnated, she would have the chance to go in Exodus once again.

"Well, I'm looking forward to what kind of world awaits us there," Alex mumbled and continued to stroke Artemia's hair; it felt so smooth that it was almost addictive.

"Don't worry, you will like it. I can assure you that. I talked with Lilith. Wow! You experienced so many things on the Demon's continent that I feel jealous not to be part of it."

"Ah! It wasn't easy. Thanks to this mission, I learned that there exists another time ability user like me."

"You are talking about Incursio from Chaos's Eye, aren't you?" Artemia inquired.

"Yeah, I'm talking about her but wait, the unknown organization name is Chaos's Eye?"

Alex asked because it was his first time hearing this name. Artemia nodded and explained to him how they came to learn about the organization's name; well, the mysterious organization wanted them to learn it to tell them that it was time for their name to be publicly known.

"I see. Incursio reminds me of someone I had encountered during this mission, a man who goes by the name of Zero. I had the feeling that we would see each other again; however, I never thought that I would have to fight against someone related to him. I wonder how strong this man is?"

Artemia sighed, "He must be pretty strong. I don't know how many monsters this organization is hiding, but we must be prepared. We must use Exodus to get stronger as once we came back, it would be war."

Alex nodded before changing the subject.

"My goddess, don't you have anything for me?"

"What do you want?" Artemia responded with a coquettish smile. She could guess what her man wanted; however, contrary to her expectation, Alex's following words weren't quite what she expected.

"Just a goodnight kiss."

Artemia froze, and Alex burst into laughter and teased her.

"I don't know what my naughty goddess thought I would say, but as I said, I just want a goodnight kiss."

"You, you"

Artemia's face turned red as an apple, and she tried to bash Alex's face with the pillow, but he easily dodged, catching her hands and giving her a light kiss on the forehead before falling asleep next to her.

"Ah! And me who had thought he would do that. I thought all men are like that; I guess I'm wrong. He wants a kiss." Artemia, who had her hopes high, sighed and observed Alex's sleeping face, the way his nose moved when he breathed was cute.

Artemia repeatedly poked Alex's cheeks; she stood above him.

"You are too cute. I never thought there would be a day I'd constantly think about a man wondering how he was doing. Is he fine? Love is a wonderful thing, but it is also a curse. I've not completely fallen for you, yet I'm in this state when you are closer to me. Sleep well, my fiancé; sometimes sleeping like this isn't it bad."

Artemia lowered her head and kissed Alex before falling asleep next to him; she used his arm as a pillow, she slept like never before.

Chapter 508 - 493: Alexandra's Birthday And The Holy Daughter

Two days passed in a flash. Today was an auspicious day; on this day, Alex and others decided to celebrate Gracier's birthday; she had turned 15 two weeks ago.

The Blue Haven Manor was heavily decorated; in the enormous hall, tables lined with foods could be seen. At the center of the hall stood a birthday cake tall as Gracier herself.

Guests coming from afar filled the hall, son of noble, daughters of nobles, classmates from the academy, and some of the academy teachers such as Chris came. Adler, the first prince, Katherina the second princess, came on behalf of the emperor.

Suddenly, the hall turned silent because the star of tonight's celebration had finally arrived.

Gracier wore a beautiful red princess dress; her high heels clicked against the ground as she sauntered forward. She was so beautiful that most of the young men present had their breath taken away, they fell in love. The most courageous one had already decided what to do.

"Welcome to everyone that came tonight to celebrate with us my sister's birthday. I'm grateful to you all. I won't waste too much of your time, let's begin the celebration. Happy birthday Alexandra, and cheers."

"Happy birthday!!"

"Cheers!"

The celebration went on, and the guests, one by one, gave their birthday present to Gracier. Leon, Artemia, Kuina, Eris, and others all handed their gifts. Alex's gift was a restaurant; Gracier was so happy.

The celebration ended four hours later. Too tired, Gracier and the girls went to sleep.

Alex sat on the balcony overlooking the city below; Leon joined him shortly after.

"My friend, how have you been?" Leon asked while looking at Avalon's beautiful night sky.

"I'm fine Leon, it's good to see you again, my friend. It's a good night to drink, don't you think?" Alex brought a bottle of wine from his item box and two glasses; he poured the wines in the glasses.

Leon took one and immediately gulped it.

"It's a good wine."

Leon's hands were shaking, Alex could see it, and he knew why it was like this. Ferris and Leon might look like they would always fight each other, but deep down, they were friends, childhood friends; they were best friends. So Ferris dying like that was a huge blow to Leon. Sometimes he wondered if it wasn't a dream but quickly denied it.

"Alex, I would make them pay for what they did." Leon declared while clenching his fists so much that they made a cracking sound.

Alex patted his shoulder and announced. "Don't worry, they will pay. I'll make them pay, no we will make sure of it. What we need to do is to strengthen ourselves because the enemy is not weak. They are strong; I fought one of them and lost; she is strong. You must have heard about our next destination."

Leon nodded his head; it was one of the reasons for his presence here, to go in Exodus.

"Let's become stronger there."

Leon nodded before suddenly remembering something; he shared the news with Alex.

"I heard that the Holy Daughter is coming to the academy. You should be wary."

Alex furrowed his brows; he felt compelled to massage his forehead; he had forgotten about the Holy Crux empire; their fixation on Luna hadn't changed; he wondered what the Holy Daughter goal would be? Threatening them, or she would try to befriend them? Either way, nothing good would come out in getting associated with people from the Holy Crux empire.

"Thank you, I'll be careful." Alex declared; Leon nodded; the two continued to drink until late in the night.

The following morning Leon left because he had things to do.

Several days passed in a flash, and classes resumed in the academy. Today, Chris was about to announce a new student's arrival.

"Quiet please, as you must have heard it there is going to be a new student."

Alex sighed while Luna's expression changed; it became cold all of a sudden.

"Please come in."

At Chris's word, the classroom door was opened, and a girl walked in. White long hair tied in a ponytail, beautiful forms, and golden eyes.

The girl walked forward and stood before the class, and bowed.

"Nice to meet you all. I'm Cecilia Adelia Crux. Please take care of me."

Alex secretly used his Eye of Truth on Cecilia. He was shocked at how strong she was.

[Cecilia Adelia Crux]

Class: Paladin

Age: 18

Female

Race: Human

[Rank 10]

Level 100

Experience Value: 30000/40300

Magic Power: 3800/3800

Magic: Light/Wind

Attack: 1500

Defense: 900

Agility: 1300

Intelligence: 1500

Luck: 1400

BP: 0

SP: 0

Gift: ????

Skills: [Swordsmanship Level Max] [Wind Slash Level 3] [Wind tornado Level 4] [Gale Slash Level 2] [Flying Slash Level 1] [Presence Detection Level 9] [Dark Vision Level 7] [Wind Vortex Level 4] [Holy Barrier Level 8]

Special Abilities: [Blessing Level 5] [AOE]

Titles: [Saintess] [Slayer] [Swordmaster] [Goblin Slayer] [Executioner]

'Wow! She's strong.' Alex commented when suddenly he caught sight of Cecilia looking in his way; it was only for a moment, but Alex could swear to have seen her frowning.

'Sil, did she notice me appraising her? I thought my Eye of Truth was almost undetectable.'

Unexpectedly it was Nyx who answered Alex's question instead of Silveria.

『This girl is unique; she has an innate ability to sense other people gaze.』

'Nyx? Welcome back. I miss you so much.' Alex almost shouted when he heard Nyx's voice; he had thought it would take a long time for her to reappear again.

『Ah! Concentrate on what is ahead. Although I can now talk, you can't use me, yet I'm still exhausted. By the way, congratulations, I never expected you to inherit my ability, the one that let you rewind time, later we need to train it, it would become your trump card, understood?』

Alex nodded his head; he had forgotten about Cecilia, he was glad that Nyx was back. Unbeknownst to him, Cecilia was observing him; as Nyx had said, she noticed Alex appraising her and frowned.

She remembered her mission: to get close to Alex's group, try to invite them over to Holy Crux; if the plan fails, then use that method once inside Exodus. The goddess was getting impatient as she must acquire her vessel to descend into Mysthia.

'I must succeed.' Cecilia clenched her fist; her eyes were filled with determination.

The days passed, and a special group composed of Alex and a few others students were about to head to Exodus, the unusual dungeon.

Chapter 509 - 494: Toward Exodus

"Let's go."

Alex declared; the others behind him nodded before following him. Artemia, Lilith, Luna, Maria, Sakuya, Gracier, Eris, Kuina, and Leon formed one group together with Alex. They were about to use the teleportation device to head to that dungeon because it was a special place; its location was tightly guarded.

Cecilia, the head of the second group, glanced at Alex's group. During the past few days, she tried to approach them several times but failed; except for greeting, the group showed their intentions of wanting nothing to do with her.

"Sigh! Let's go." The Holy Daughter sighed before directing her group into another building.

For this expedition, only four groups composed of 10 students would be sent into the academy; somehow, Elseria made it possible for Sera, Alice, and Pandora to sneak in.

Alex stepped into the giant teleportation circle, the others followed. Then it was activated, golden light covered the group, and they disappeared.

"Ah! They're gone."

A sudden voice echoed inside the teleportation room after Alex's group vanished.

"Fufufu! They'd be shocked once there. I wonder if this time Mysthia's participants will do better?"

Another voice echoed. Then two figures materialized. Two women, to be exact. Freya and Elseria. They both stared at each other for a moment before leaving.

"Don't worry, this time will be different." It was Freya who said this as her figure disappeared.

Meanwhile, thousands of kilometers from the capital, in an underground cave, there was a huge hall with a teleportation formation on the ground. Suddenly, the formation shined, and one by one, people came out.

"So we arrived," Alex mumbled and looked around him; the only thing he could see was a big hall and a giant ancient-looking door in the distance.

"Tch! It's why I hate teleportation; it makes me want to puke." Sakuya complained as she observed her surrounding.

Kuina chuckled while Eris clenched her fist, probably because she was feeling nervous. Maria, Luna, and Gracier were talking, whispering to each other. Artemia, Lilith, and Leon approached Alex.

"Shall we wait for others before heading into the dungeon?" Leon asked; however, Alex shook his head.

"Let's immediately leave. From what the headmistress and the teachers told us. We don't need to wait for others. Even we go together, the probability of us appearing in the same place is low."

"Yeah, Alex is right. Let's go and pray we meet soon." Artemia added.

The group left shortly after deciding not to wait for the others. Although the giant door could be seen from their previous location, it was far from the teleportation formation. The group walked for about fifteen minutes before arriving in front of a giant door emitting an ancient aura. Standing before this door, Alex and the others looked like ants.

Alex took a deep breath and turned to face his party members.

"We have arrived. As you know, once we go inside, we will be separated. I don't know how long it will take me to see you again, so I want to say, please be prudent. We know nothing about this dungeon except a few things. Wish you good luck." Alex said and pumped his fist in the air; the others followed and did the same thing.

Then Leon said something that made everyone glare at him.

"Should I give you emperor a bit of time to take care of your imperial Harem?"

"Fuck off!" Alex kicked Leon; he easily dodged and laughed.

Alex sighed, too tired to waste his energy on his friend. Taking out something from his item box, a shining crystal, he put it in the key like a hole; then it shined brightly, covering the ancient door in numerous runes before.

Gigi~ Gigi~

The door was opened beyond endless light could be seen. Alex walked into this light, the others soon followed, and soon the group disappeared.

Cecilia's group and the remaining two groups arrived just after Alex's group entered.

"Tch! Too impatient." Cecilia clenched her teeth; she did the same thing as Alex did; Cecilia and her group disappeared beyond the doors, soon, the other two groups followed. The underground cave turned silent; however, soon, the temperature plummeted, the ground started freezing.

Rip!

Space was forcibly ripped apart, and from the other side, a group of people walked out. Leading them was a man wearing a white mask with an eye design on it.

"Cain, do not disappoint me; this is your last chance."

The man with the white mask nodded at the voice coming from the void behind him. The rift got closed, and the man with the white mask spat out a sigh before he led his group and entered.

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In a white space, Alex soon found himself after passing the ancient door. Everything around him was white as far he could see.

Alex quickly went through all the information he received, a dungeon-like any other. A world where races interconnected, a world like-

Kin!

Just as Alex was lost in thoughts, he heard this sound forcing him to break out of his thoughts. A blinding light forced Alex to shield his eyes; then a small creature appeared; it was his first time seeing one by Alex wouldn't mistake how they're called: Fairy.

[Hello, welcome to the gate to Exodus: Path to *****. I'm Stella, the lovely fairy.]

Alex's face contorted when he saw the way the fairy spoke; somehow he had the impulse of beating her.

As if she could read Alex's mind, the fairy, Stella twirled her small body as if she was dancing.

[No, no, that wasn't polite of you, Mr. Alexander. How can you think about beating this lovely creature? Aren't I'm the cutest thing the Supreme Beings ever created?]

"So, you were created by the supreme beings? Then can I assume that dungeons are also their doings?"

Instead of answering the fairy, Alex decided to gain information. Stella froze; it finally dawned on her that she had made a mistake. She sighed with a dejected expression.

[I was too happy to finally meet someone from your world after so long that I've almost committed a blunder, how scary. Bad, bad, you're bad. Ah! Let's explain a few things to you before you head to Exodus, understood?]

Chapter 510 - Exodus 1

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Alex nodded, then Stella flicked her fingers, and a table, a chair appeared. Alex was forcedly pushed to sit. Stella floated before him; she wore glasses and a secretary dress. Alex chuckled, seeing this but turned quiet after Stella glared at him.

[Now, let's me explain a bit about Exodus. Just a rough summary. Have you played a game before?]

To this question, Alex nodded. Although he was not a fanatic of gaming, he did play a few games.

Stella nodded, pleased with Alex's response.

[Great, then my explanation will be easier. Exodus, as you know, is a dungeon, and at the same time, it is like a game; it has many entrances which connect to many worlds, only special worlds, though. Well, the topic isn't about special worlds but Exodus. Exodus's goal is to help people grow. You can only enter it once, but let's say you entered Exodus from world A. By some miracle, you ascended to another world, world B, for example. This world happened to have an entrance to Exodus; then you can re-enter Exodus through it.]

Alex was shocked that such a rule existed; he hadn't heard anything like that from Typhania and others; maybe they had forgotten or never heard of such a rule. Although he still hasn't entered Exodus, his

blood was boiling, he was sure that he would love it, so hearing that he could once enter it once he ascended, Alex smiled.

Stella chuckled when she saw Alex's reaction; the reason she told him about this rule, something she usually doesn't do, was simply because she could detect something different from Alex. So, she decided to tell him as she had the feeling that maybe if it's him, he might be able to ascend to a world where Exodus was connected. However, he must be two happy because this rule still has a limit.

[Eh! I can see that you're happy, however, you must know that this rule still has a limit.]

Alex smiled dejectedly. "I thought so."

[This method can be used once, meaning even if you ascended again and found in the new world an entrance to Exodus, you can't use it. Well, if you can die and reincarnate, then you can go in again; however, something like that is impossible.]

Alex shouted that he knew two women who died and reincarnated and had entered Exodus for the second time through the same entrance.

Pa! Pa!

Unlike her small body, Stella's claps were loud enough to get mistaken as adult man's claps.

[I shall continue. As I was saying, Exodus was created to help you grow on top of being fun. In this game-like world, you are like a phoenix.]

Alex's heart started beating furiously; it was here, the thing that made him excited. The first time he heard it from Typhania, he was amazed before he became excited.

[In Exodus, you can die thrice before getting expelled. However, be aware that if you die three times and are expelled, then you'll be penalized.]

'I thought so.'

[Let's me explain it from the beginning. Let's say, for example, you head to Exodus and level two times before getting killed for the first time, you'll be revived; however, you will lose those two levels gained.]

'Indeed, it's like a game.' Alex thought.

[If you die even before gaining any level for the first time, you won't get penalized. However, for the second, whether you gained any level before dying, you'll get penalized regardless. Then on your third death, you'll get expelled, and you'll have ten levels removed from your status in the real world. Also, beware that you'll feel the pain, you'll bleed in Exodus, only that you can't die there.]

"Amazing!" Alex was amazed; he wondered how strong how could be to be able to create something like this? Unquestionably, extremely strong, the like of Gods couldn't have created this; only the one called supreme beings could.

[Now that I have explained about the essentials, I shall send you there. Exodus is a game, a world of freedom where you can get many benefits, not only strength but equipment that can rival Gifts. If you

are lucky, you can get pets; I mean companions. Go and explore the world, explore the Tower Alexander Kael Touch, the otherworlder.]

Alex chuckled, not surprised that Stella knew such private information. A light covered his body, and he disappeared from the white space.

Stella floated in the white space after Alex's disappearance as if waiting for something. Suddenly, there was a voice; it sounded extremely ancient and tired.

"How was it?"

[Master, he is not bad but can he do it?] Stella questioned the entity that had just spoken.

"Forget it; we will wait and see. Whether he fail or succeed, it's his destiny. We can't force anything upon him." the ancient voice said before vanishing.

[Yes, Master.] Stella curtsied before suddenly chuckling.

[Ops! I forgot to tell him that there is still one more stage before being sent to Exodus. Well, if it's him, he would understand.] Stella shrugged her small shoulders, chuckled, and vanished.

In another white space, Alex cursed aloud.

"Damn that fairy, she said that I'd be sent to Exodus, and yet here am I, in another damn white room. I'm not sick, you bastard."

[[Calm down the master, you look like a child throwing tantrums, this isn't like you.]] Silveria voice echoed inside Alex's head.

"Ugh! I guess you're right. By the way, can you talk to me? I thought it would be impossible as some mysterious face seemed to be protecting the previous room."

[[Well, you're right, in the previous room I couldn't but here I can. We will continue later, now please concentrate on what is ahead of you.]]

Alex nodded his head when suddenly a mechanical voice, a woman voice, reached his ears.

[Welcome Player to Exodus.]