Esper Harem in the Apocalypse
Chapter 19: [Bonus] Taming The Ghost Girl

Rudy was sleeping nicely on his bed, but the expressions on his face showed he was in pain as though he was having a terrible nightmare.

He rolled on his bed and moved his body left and right while letting out short grunts once in a while.

Suddenly, his bed started shaking as his body emitted a black aura. But everything stopped when he opened his eyes a second after.

He panted as he grasped for the air.

'Another nightmare?' a voice asked in his head.

"Yes," Rudy nodded with an anxious look on his face.

He was talking to the ghost girl, who was currently residing in Rudy's body.

'You should be more careful in your sleep,' she said in a calm voice.

"You are saying it like I can control my nightmares…" Rudy sighed and got up from his bed.

When he got up, he saw a crack on his bed.

"Huh?" Rudy inspected the crack closely and muttered, "I don't think it was there before. Or maybe it was? I don't remember what condition my bed was like ten years ago."

'This is what I was talking about,' she said.

"What do you mean?" Rudy asked with a confused look on his face.

'Your body was emitting energy when you were having the nightmare. If you hadn't woken up, you might have obliterated the house along with the entire neighborhood like you did with the tunnel.'

"...!" Rudy grabbed his hand in his hands and muttered in a disdainful tone: "What should I do to stop these nightmares?"

'Nightmares usually come when you are sad, depressed, or worried about something. Even though you don't realize it, or you don't remember it. And in your case, your life was nothing but sadness and suffering. Even before you got into the accident, your life was still… well, shit.'

After a brief pause, she said, 'So be happy.'

"You talk mature for your age," Rudy remarked.

'Well, I grew up in an orphanage. So I was already aware of the harsh realities of the world,' she responded in a sad tone.

"So you got your memories back?"

'No. I still don't remember many things. I don't even remember my name,' she muttered with a sigh.

"Do… do you want me to give you a name?" Rudy asked with a curious look on his face.

'Are you sure about that?' She asked. 'I am a ghost, you know? Who knows what would happen if you named me.'

"Oh, come on. You can't even touch anything, so what can you possibly do?" Rudy scoffed. "And even if you do anything, it's not like you are an evil ghost or something."

"Besides, I have superpowers, so you can't win against me," Rudy asserted with a confident smile on his face.

'I might turn evil if I remember how I died, you know? Ghosts are keen to get attracted to the cause of their death.'

After a brief pause, Rudy said, "I know how you died."

'….'

"Do you feel yourself becoming an evil ghost?" Rudy asked in a solemn voice.

'I am curious to know the cause of my death. But I feel like once I know that, I will want to know other things too,' she answered.

"Do you want me to tell you?" Rudy asked in a calm voice.

'No… I am currently happy… with you. I want to leave my past behind and focus on my… well, I am dead, so I don't really have a future…' she responded with a giggle, but her voice sounded sad.

"I will give you the future." After a brief silence, Rudy asserted, "Just like yours, my future was stolen for me. Now, I got a second chance, so I will be your second chance too."

'…'

"…."

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"Are you there?" Rudy asked after noticing the ghost girl's silence.

'…'

"Don't tell me she passed on after hearing my words?!" Rudy panicked.

'I am still here…' she finally replied.

She came out of Rudy's body and revealed herself.

Rudy sighed in relief and muttered, "I felt like I was rejected just now."

"Are you telling the truth?" she asked with a slightly flushed face

"Hmm?"

"Do you promise that you will be my future?"

"Uhh… yes?" Rudy replied reluctantly.

"Okay then, I trust you."

"Thanks, I guess?"

"But if you break your promise, I will haunt you till your death," she warned in a malevolent smile on her face.

"Heh!" Rudy scoffed and uttered, "Being haunted by a cute girl like you doesn't sound so bad."

"Stop saying these cheesy lines and name me!" she demanded, although she was simply trying to hide her embarrassment.

"You tell me, what type of name do you want?" Rudy asked as he pondered for a good name.

"I want you to choose a name for me by yourself."

SIGH!

Rudy pondered for a while and said, "How about Linda?"

"No. It sounds too mature."

"Then… how about charlotte?" Rudy asked.

"That sounds like I am a princess or something," she remarked.

"Then… uhh… Angelica?" Rudy wondered.

"It's good, but I don't think it suits me…" she muttered.

"Why not? I think it suits you because you are as beautiful as an angel," Rudy said with his honest thoughts.

"...Are you doing this on purpose?!" she shouted with a flushed face.

"Whoa! Why are you angry?" Rudy asked, utterly oblivious to what she was talking about.

Rudy had one more superpower, which was to be smooth with girls.

Believe it or not, Rudy had landed quite a few girls in his previous life, but he was too dense and busy to notice the hints given by the girls. However, one girl did manage to pass through his dense-wall and become his girlfriend in the future.

However, everything was different now because his dense-wall was about to break soon.

"I will take the name Angelica since you like it that much…" she muttered under her breath.

"I never said I like it, though."

"Shaddap! I—"

Suddenly, Angelica's body started shining bright.

"What's happening?!" Rudy asked with an anxious and concerned look on his face.

"I think... I am passing on..."