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Chapter 451 I'll Snatch Their Wings

Inside the mansion,

A woman is meditating beside a fireplace with her eyes closed and even levitating on the air, spirit energy is revolving around her body expressing some kind of blue light that is made purely of flowing spirit energy.

If one were to see her meditating like this, then they will see the spirit energy that she lets out slowly took a shape of a big shark with jagged sharp teeth and dense muscles.

There are no sounds inside the room as she meditates peacefully,

The inside of the room the woman is in is only decorated with a wall-size wooden bookshelf with many books lined up neatly, a couple of sofas decorated with animal leather, and also a table with a few glasses and some sort of alcohol on it.

Minimalist one might say, but there's a formation just beside the fireplace.

Just from the looks of the glowing runes below the levitating woman, it seems the formation amplifies her spirit energy and also causes her to levitate.

It's a perfect place for peace of mind and body, but the temperature in the room is still cold.

Even with the fireplace heating up the entire room, the coldness still will prickle the skin of anyone inside of the room and this coldness came from the woman's body.

But just as the woman meditates beside the fireplace, a sound disturbs her.

The disturbance came when a couple of knocking sounds can be heard from the door to this room, she slowly opens her eyes while still levitating and glance at the door.

Her spirit energy vanishes just as she opens her eyes,

"I told you to not disturb me Raihan, leave me alone", the woman said with a hint of annoyance.

After saying that, the woman wanted to go back to her meditation again but a voice suddenly makes her glance back at the door in confusion, "I'm not Raihan, Open the door"

Hearing this, there is a troubled look on the woman's face.

Just from hearing the light voice alone, the woman realizes that it's definitely not Raihan.

At first, she thought that it was her daughter, but the aura is not the same.

Stepping down from her meditative levitating position, the formation below her dimmed before she heads towards the door with light steps, confused as to who is the one knocking.

Clank!

Turning the lock on the door, the woman then open the door before her eyes widen in surprise.

"Good evening Mrs. Rirgas, don't mind my intrusion"

Luisella widen her eyes upon seeing Adhara turns out to be the one who is at her door, she was confused and also troubled simultaneously as she instantly got a bad feeling about this.

But her eyes widen and her aura got riled up upon seeing Sabrina dragged by Adhara.

With only one hand and also by the collar of her clothes, Adhara pulled Sabrina into the room before putting her just near the fireplace.

There's not much respect in the way she treats Sabrina,

Gistella also follows Adhara into the room without paying much attention to the frozen Luisella.

"What are you doing here? and how dare you hurt my daughter...", Luisella mutters lightly but her tone is contrasting with the glare she had on her face, she's very angry at Adhara and Gistella for doing this.

Without even turning around, Adhara and Gistella walk leisurely toward the sofa.

They didn't even bother to turn around since Lusiella is aiming her hostile aura toward them, it's like as if they were not the least bit scared of her.

Upon sitting on the sofa, Adhara then finally gazes at Lusiella back.

Her eyes landed on Luisella who is staring daggers at her by the door, her expression is contorted and her cold aura makes the ground around her turn to ice.

Adhara looks at Luisella without a hint of worry on her face,

But then suddenly,

"Great Spell, Ice Force Strike!"

Swoosh!

Out of nowhere, Luisella is already right in front of Adhara with her right hand cloaked with ice thrusting toward Adhara's arm intending to sever it the same.

Seeing this, Gistella didn't sit still as she also activates her aura.

Thanks to her being a Werewolf, her perception is way better and her reflex is also way superior than a human making her body move on her own.

CLANG!

A spark was created as Gistella blocked Luisella's attack,

Gistella was pushed back a little before stopping her momentum by stepping on the edge of the sofa while Luisella got pushed back a couple of steps.

This exchange shocks Luisella as she was surprised to see Gistella blocking her attack.

But instead of backing down, Gistella's eyes glisten with ferocity as she grins her teeth in anger while glaring at Luisella, "How dare you attack us, are you seeking death human?"

Crack!!

The ground beneath her cracked as the white-bluish aura sizzles around her body,

Even Adhara is quite surprised to find that Luisella actually tries to sever her arm, and this makes her expression darken as her breathing becomes heavy.

Bloodlust started to fill her inside but she held it in forcefully.

"Attacking me? You really make me regret coming here", Adhara said coldly.

She then shakes her head since it's a natural response after seeing Sabrina's state before she added, "I believe you did something that displeases Rex, and I'm here regarding that"

Although Adhara looks composed, she was surprised that Gistella manage to block that.

If it weren't for her, then she might suffer a blow from Luisella.

Gistella also started to breathe heavily as the bloodlust inside of her started to awaken, and this made Adhara quickly shift the topic before tapping Gistella's arm signaling to calm down.

It'll be bad if Gistella went berserk here, and that is more plausible as the full moon draws near.

Even though Adhara already taught Gistella all she can, Gistella is still once an Undead, and referring to other people as humans are a dead show of her true nature.

Hearing this, Luisella frowns, "What did I do? I didn't do anything"

"Mrs. Rirgas... we're both women and we should be more level-headed than men, I've given you this opportunity so you can amend for your mistakes"

"Better be clean with us right now or I'm not the one who is going to be here"

This makes Luisella retracts back her aura while still looking at Adhara, she looks composed but in front of Adhara's eyes, she can clearly see that Luisella is hesitating.

Her emotional aura is going havoc beneath her calm demeanor,

But after a moment of silence, Lusiella then said again, "I didn't do anything, there must be somekind of misunderstanding between us"

Just as she said that Adhara waves her hand before suddenly a figure appeared.

Luisella was utterly caught off guard when a figure suddenly walk past her from behind, this surprised her so much because she didn't even feel the figure's presence.

It's like a ghost walking past her, and the presence alone gives her goosebumps.

Kyran walks past Luisella who is stunned in her place while bringing a couple of heads, they're the Awakened that is hiding around the mansion.

With Kyran's ability and his spirit, even Wesley can't detect his presence.

For a seventh rank Awakened like Luisella, she doesn't have a single chance to feel Kyran's presence, not even a slight bit of chance.

After standing on the other side beside Adhara, Kyran turns around, and looks at Luisella.

There is a slight fear that gripped Luisella's soul while looking at Kyran, and before she snap out of her daze, Kyran had already thrown four Awakened heads in front of her which are still fresh and bloodied.

"I've given you a chance Mrs. Rirgas, but it seems you're choosing the hard way", Adhara said.

Hearing this, Luisella blinks her eyes a couple of times while looking at the severed heads in front of her feet before she realized who these Awakened are.

She then looks back at Adhara but now her expression breaks, "You don't understand"

"I don't have any other choice, one of my people is caught by the Mistin Family. They asked me to erase their family name from the list, they're threatening my daughters!", she shouted.

But Adhara stands up from her seat, "Isn't that your fault?"

"There's always a choice Mrs. Rirgas, and you just made a wrong choice"

"Although Rex asks you specifically to find these four families, he's actually filtering a friend and a fake friend. Your family has proven to be a fake friend... and it's over for you", she added.

After saying that, Adhara signals to the others as they walk out of the room.

Luisella stopped Adhara by grabbing her arm, "Please... they're threatening my daughters, what am I should've done in that situation?"

"You tell us, that's what you should've done", Adhara replied coldly.

The three of them then left the room before slamming the door shut, they left the stunned Luisella inside with Sabrina's lying unconscious on the ground.

From their exchange, Adhara already got the information she need.

Based on what Luisella said before, it's clear that the Mistin Family was the one behind this anomaly in the list and that's enough evidence to make the Silverstar Family list the Mistin Family as their enemy.

With that, Luisella crouches to the ground while holding onto her daughter.

She stopped the blood coming out of the severed arm of her daughter while waiting for the impending doom, the reputation of Rex Silverstar is terrifying even for her.

Vanessa and Sabrina have told of Rex's power during the mission,

Even when he's still a sixth rank Awakened, Rex not only protects the entire descendants inside his team from the Undead but he also killed a Seventh Rank Undead.

Luisella realizes that even if it's her, she will have a hard time beating the Undead.

There is not one person in the entire Ratmawati City who can match Rex's feat, beating a seventh-rank Undead when he's still an early sixth rank is unthinkable.

It's truly an astonishing feat, a feat that brings imminent fear of his battle power.

But now, Rex has already reached the seventh rank realm.

It's safe to say that if Rex wanted to, he will definitely be able to beat Luisella if even Wesley Atkins who is an eighth rank Awakened died by his two hands.

Not long after she waited inside the room,

Blitz!

Crash!

The sound of a shattering window can be heard from the back,

Luisella sucked in a cold breath when she feels the aura of the figure that is standing on her back, without even turning back she already knows who the figure is.

With ridiculous mana emitted from the figure's body, it's clearly Rex Silverstar.

She regrets not taking Adhara's hint seriously to come clean to her, if she did then maybe the Rirgas Family might be able to survive this ordeal without much damage.

"Luisella..."

Hearing this baritone voice, Luisella gulps harshly as she slowly turns around.

Just like as she thought, the one standing behind her is Rex Silverstar with his eagle-piercing eyes looking down on her alongside the suppressing and violent mana.

The appearance of Rex makes her eyes dilated as even she unconsciously holds her breath.

Meeting with Rex Silverstar who is literally the strongest student in all of Ratmawati City surpassing even Gerrard who is the descendant of the first rank family is not something anyone can do, even for a head family like herself.

It's choking just to be in the same room as Rex, much less with an angry Rex.

Because of the suppressing aura, Luisella can feel her own spirit refusing to listen to her.

There are more than thirteen thousand gaps between Devo and Luisella's spirits,

Something that wide makes Devo a living giant in front of Luisella's spirit, their gap is simply far too wide for Luisella to even call out to her spirit.

Now that Rex has already reached the seventh rank,

Devo is slowly able to suppress the weaker spirit of a seventh rank Awakened, alongside Rex's understanding and control of Spirit Core increasing.

With the gap between them, Rex and Devo find it easy to suppress Luisella.

Thanks to Devo and Rex becoming adept at suppressing the spirit of a seventh rank Awakened, Luisella doesn't stand a chance against Rex at all.

She can only regulate spirit energy without the help of her spirit,

Using spirit energy with a spirit is already hard enough, let alone without the help of spirit.

Rex looks at Luisella with cold eyes and a fierce look, he then slowly steps closer creating a slight thudding sound from his shoes clashing with the ground.

It doesn't take long before Rex stopped in front of Luisella,

His hand then slowly reaches for Luisella's chin before lifting her gaze gently,

Luisella's entire body is trembling as if she's in front of the apex predator while she is only prey, the feeling is choking and her body can't help but show signs of fear.

For a head family to do this just shows how intimidating Rex's presence is.

Rex then reaches for his pocket before taking out a golden letter that is pinched in between his index and middle fingers, there's a bat symbol on the back of the letter and by looking at this alone Luisella already knows what the content of the letter is.

After showing the golden letter, Rex put it in front of Luisella.

"Do you know what I really want?", Rex asks softly.

Hearing this, Luisella's eyes shifted from the letter back to Rex before he continues, "I really want to be left alone, that is what my desire for now..."

"Today you will have to make a decision"

"Inside that letter is an official challenge to the death and also a term which you can accept if you want to avoid my official challenge, a way for your family to survive"

"Pick wisely... your daughters' future depends on it"

With that, Luisella gulps harshly before looking down to the ground.

But just as she thought that Rex was about to leave after delivering the golden letter, Rex suddenly said, "Even knowing me, you still attack Adhara..."

"May I ask why, Luisella?", he added.

Hearing this, Luisella looks back at Rex before she replied, "They're ruthless people, you don't know how they operate. I had no choice but to do that"

Rex scoffed before he crouches down to the same eye level as Luisella.

"Unlucky for you, I am also the same...", Rex replied with a nasty grin.

He then stands back up, putting his hands in his pockets before he said with a cold look, "Platchi Family has done the same and Maurice has suffered the consequences, you noticed what I made him do?"

With his cold eyes, Rex inspects Luisella's expression and finds that she knows.

"If you know about it then you know what to do...", Rex mutters.

Luisella bit her lips upon hearing what Rex demands, but making Rex wait longer will only put her in a worse situation so she then imbued her hand with mana before she swings it,

Slash!

"Haarghh!", she yelled after cutting off her own left arm.

A pool of blood started to form beside her as Rex takes the severed arm to the ground while Luisella is holding onto her left shoulder where blood is gushing out.

Rex smiles lightly before he said, "Think carefully..."

"Don't forget, you are not allowed to regrow back your arm", Rex added before his body slowly turned into a blue light and disappear into nothingness.

After Rex vanishes into thin air,

Luisella was left in the room that is now messy with broken glass and blood, she sighs to herself before looking down at the golden letter with a bat symbol.

She then slowly reaches the golden letter and takes out its content,

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Outside of the mansion, the others are waiting outside with a tied-up Awakened beside them.

Kyran has taken down four Awakened that are stalking the Rirgas Family mansion, but one of them was not killed and instead tied up.

Not long after, Rex arrived amongst them.

His eyes instantly landed on the Awakened before he looks at Kyran, "Did you spare one?"

"Yes, I thought that maybe leaving one to tell the message is good", he replied.

Hearing this, Rex looks at Kyran for a moment before he nodded his head, 'I didn't instruct him to do this, but that's a perfect decision by him', he praises Kyran in his head.

After that, Rex crouched in front of the Awakened with a violent look.

"Do you want to live?", he asks.

The Awakened was stunned for a moment before he nodded his head repeatedly, he saw how Kyran deals with them as if they were ants even though they are a higher rank Awakened.

It's terrifying when the Awakened saw his friends die one by one,

Nothing can be seen aside from a shadow that seems to engulf them, and knowing that an Awakened of a lower rank than them did this makes his skin crawl.

Seeing this, Rex then said, "Tell the other of what you saw here"

"Silverstar Family only wants peace and be left alone, tell them that if they insist on facing us then I'll snatch their wings from under them as I did with the Atkins and Rirgas Family..."

Chapter 452 The End Of The Chosen One's Torment

Meanwhile, Vampire Territory.

Rosie who is still chained inside the underground chamber looks up when she heard footsteps heading in her direction, but there is nothing she can do except wait.

From the look of Rosie's condition, it seems she's in better shape than before.

The cause for this was because the vampires started feeding her with a fruit that Calidora said accelerated her blood replenishment, and also filled her with nutrients.

It's shocking to see the condition she's now compared to before being fed.

Now Rosie got a bit of her strength back as she can even move her body albeit only a little bit, the light in her eyes also shone with life unlike before.

Just like what she expected, the footsteps belong to Calidora.

But instead of coming here alone like she always used to, she's accompanied by two Royal Vampire Guards and there's a wide smile on her face.

Rosie feels a bad omen from looking at Calidora's smile,

Her smile is just like the devil's daughter smiling at today's meal, and this scares Rosie.

Calidora stopped in front of Rosie while looking down on her,

There is a slight pause as Calidora and Rosie look at each other, it's like they understand each other just by looking, and from the way Calidora's expression while looking at her, Rosie bit her lips as she knows that she brought bad news.

Calidora then said with her soothing voice, "Take her..."

Both of the Royal Vampire Guards step forward before grabbing Rosie's arms, they then unchained her before lifting her body up by the arms.

Looking at this, Rosie glance at Calidora in shock and asks, "What are you doing?"

"I'm sorry but your time is up, I can't prolong your life anymore and this is the end of your line. The time has come to sacrifice you to the Origin", Calidora replied.

Hearing this, Rosie widen her eyes as she can't believe what she was hearing.

Just when she's talking through the blood mirror with Rex before, she clearly states that she will buy time for Rosie but this is not as expected, "W-What?! You said that you wanted to make Rex angry!! You need me to do that!"

Calidora chuckles lightly upon hearing this,

The sweet smile on her face makes Rosie even angrier as she tries to break free to no avail, no matter what she does the Royal Vampire Guards will not let go.

She's very much outpowered heavily by these Royal Vampire Guards,

Her power is feeble compared to the Royal Vampire Guards, they're holding her arms as if she's a normal human that got cemented into the wall and powerless to do anything.

It's a completely helpless situation,

"Don't worry about that, I still want to make Rex put his attention to me but instead of waiting I got a way better idea", Calidora said with a mischievous smile.

Rosie grinds her teeth while glaring at Calidora, "You can't kill me!!"

"I'm the Chosen One! Don't that what you bloodsuckers called me? Shouldn't I be kept alive?!", Rosie tries to reason but her argument quickly falls short.

Even throughout her time being captured by the Vampires,

Not once has any Vampires including Calidora told her or even mention what did they mean by the Chosen One or why she's the Chosen One since she's clearly a human.

She only knows that her blood is very tasty,

Calidora waves her hand signaling to the Royal Vampire Guards to take her away to be sacrificed for the Origin, Rosie kept trying to break free but the Royal Vampire Guards easily take her out of the underground chamber.

It's more like dragging since Rosie tries to stay inside the underground chamber by stepping on the stairs leading up, but even then the Royal Vampire Guards didn't even seem to struggle.

She even starts trying to bite the Royal Vampire Guards but ignored the same,

Upon getting out of the underground chamber, Rosie held her breath when she saw many vampires are already waiting for her coming out of the Underground Chamber.

All of them are whispering language that she didn't understand,

It's too bizarre to call them whispering as it's more like chanting a sentence repeatedly, they're all holding a chain that is attached to a lantern with sigils shaped like a skull engraved on it, red smoke filled the entire place and it's all coming from the lanterns.

Each one of the Vampires Rosie saw held this chained lantern,

The Vampires wave the chained lantern left and right giving sending the red smoke all over the entire hallway o the castle, it's just like a very grim dark ritual that is done to please the Origin.

Even Rosie can't help but be fearful of the situation she's in,

No matter which direction she's looking in, pale skin humanoid creatures with red eyes and fangs holding onto the chained lantern are all there is to see.

'Rex...', Rosie mutters the name that she wanted to see the most right now.

All she can hope for was by some miracle that Rex would show up at such a crucial time, but her train of thoughts was erased, "Don't be scared on Chosen One, you should rejoice that you will meet our Origin", Calidora suddenly said from the side.

Hearing this, Rosie glared at Calidora before she shouted, "Damn you!!"

But this sparks laughter from Calidora, she's very amused looking at the scared expression Rosie wore as she got dragged away by the Vampires.

The sweet laughter of Calidora and Rosie's shout was muffled.

Rosie was dragged along the hallway of the castle but she suddenly saw a huge window on her side, her eyes widen in absolute shock upon seeing the outside of the castle.

Hundreds if not thousands of Vampires outside of the castle are chanting together.

Their chant is like a drumming voice that trembles Rosie's heart, it's like inside a music concert with drumming speakers but this time is caused by the sound of every Vampire inside the entire Vampire territory.

Without having no other option, Rosie got dragged outside of the castle.

She was dragged through the lined-up crowd of Vampires that filled the street, every Vampire gazes at Rosie with tender gazes as if they were looking at some sacred being.

This dragged on until she got plunged into another spacious hall,

Inside the hall, Rosie saw many Vampires that wears different outfits which are fancier with different crests on their chests.

But one thing in common, all of them emit a horrifying aura that choked Rosie.

Each one of the vampires here is one hundred times scarier than the ones that are outside, Rosie even saw a couple of Vampires that are familiar to her.

The Delarosa Family...

Delarosa, Issac, and even Ana are present, they're all present inside the hall.

Ana's throat is still heavily injured as she even needs to be supported by two other vampires just to stand, but she seems to be getting better from the last time Rosie saw her.

Even though they really have bad personalities, there's none of that look on their faces.

They look at Rosie with high reverence as if she's the child of God just like the other Vampires, but Rosie soon averted her gaze to the platform in front of her.

Upon nearing the stairs leading to the platform, every vampire here kneels on the ground.

Only Nezera and Solomon are the ones that are still standing, they're standing just beside the stairs while they gaze at Rosie who is still getting dragged by the two Royal Guard Vampires.

Rosie saw two statues pinching the stairs to the platform,

It surprises her when both statues started to cry blood, the blood flows down the statues' eyes' before dripping onto the pool of blood just beneath it.

After reaching Solomon and Nezera, Rosie was handed over.

"My child... do you want to be the one that gives this sacred tribute to the Origin?", Nezera asks.

Hearing this, Calidora who is following Rosie from behind smiles a devious smile before she gracefully bowed a little, "Yes mother... I will be honored to do the Sacred Tribute"

Calidora then take Rosie from her mother's hand before she started pulling Rosie to the stairs.

Seeing that Calidora was about to start to be sacrificed, Solomon then gazes at the Royal Vampire Families that has gathered in the sacred hall and said, "Today is the time of rejoicing for Vampires, the world has given us a great occurrence with the appearance of the Chosen One"

"You will all witness the greatness of the Origin, the Chosen One will be fed with an uncountable amount of energy which will surely allow him to give his blessing for us"

After saying that, both Solomon and Nezera sprouted their majestic wings on their backs.

With a wide smile, Solomon then added, "Let us keep praising the Origin!"

"May the Origin Bless Us!"

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Every vampire inside the room shouted in a union before all of them went back to chanting the weird language again, they all are eager to see the blessing of the Origin.

It's a tribute they wouldn't want to miss even for a blink,

Just right after Solomon shouted that Calidora started to head to the stairs while dragging Rosie by the wrist with a merciless smile.

She walks past the two blood fountains,

"Please Calidora! Think this through! You can't kill me like this!", Rosie pleaded.

Although they haven't started to ascend the stairs yet, Rosie can feel somekind of pulling energy that stirred the blood inside her body.

It's the dormant energy she felt upon entering the hall, but the energy become violent.

Step!

"RAARGHH!!", Rosie screamed in agony right after stepping on the first stair.

The very pain that she's currently feeling right now is way worse than anything that she has ever felt in her life, it's like her blood and even her soul is slowly sucked out of her body.

No humans will be able to endure this kind of pain, the level of pain is off the charts.

But instead of stopping, Calidora smiles even wider as she kept ascending the stairs without even minding Rosie's scream of pain.

It doesn't take long before they reach halfway mark,

At this moment, every inch of Rosie's body is already filled with pain as the blood that should've flowed inside of her seeped out of her own skin instead.

Every inch of her body is covered in her own blood,

The blood didn't drip or flow down naturally but instead, it started hovering around her own body, countless droplets of blood hovers around Rosie's body like a hurricane of blood.

It also covers Calidora's body which feels heavier the nearer she gets to the top,

But thanks to the hovering blood from Rosie, Calidora feels that her body becomes lighter again as she kept ascending the stairs with an excited expression.

Way before when Nezera is ascending the stairs,

She only manages to reach the third-quarter mark of the stairs even by using 30 chosen humans as the sacrifice, but this time Calidora reaches the third-quarter mark and still ascends the stairs.

Upon looking at this, all of the vampires rejoice as their eyes widen.

"She may be able to do it! Dear... this will be a very important moment for the current kingdom!", Nezera said excitedly while holding hand with Solomon.

The usual and stoic Solomon also can't help but get excited, "Yes..."

"With the current progression, it will work this time. The Chosen One will definitely please the Origin and give blessing to the entire Vampire!", he added with a wide smile exposing his fangs.

A moment later, Calidora can already see what lies on the platform.

On the platform lies one house-size coffin that is surprisingly glistened with a silver color, there's no doubt that the entire coffin is made entirely of silver.

There is also a skull-shaped chalice in the middle of the coffin,

Calidora reaches the last step of the stairs just before she reached the platform, at this moment Rosie is already bleeding from every part of her entire body.

Her eyes, skin, ears, nose, and anything that is a part of her body is bleeding.

It's starting to make sense why the Vampire feed Rosie mutated fruits that will replenish her blood, the blood coming out of her right now is not a normal amount a human should have.

At least about 12 liters of blood is coming out of Rosie's body,

Rosie can barely hold onto her consciousness, it's not that she had very high willpower to sustain this kind of pain but the energy around the platform is prohibiting her to pass out.

It's like every time she wanted to pass out, the energy jolted her awake.

But as of this moment, Rosie looks as if she's having a seizure since she really wanted to pass out but the energy forces her to wake up.

After pausing for a moment as her body got pressed down by the energy,

Calidora then uses all of the power inside her body before she slowly raises her leg, the veins around her body bulge as she tries to take the final step.

One might think that Nezera or even Solomon is a better suit for ascending the stairs,

But the energy within this entire hall will adjust to anyone that started to ascend the stairs, even Nezera and Solomon will have an impossible burden upon reaching the last step.

"Raah!!", Calidora closes her eyes and shouted before her feet finally step onto the platform.

ZOOM!!

Just as she did that, the entire energy inside the hall got sucked into the huge silver coffin and instantly dispersed the force pressing on Calidora's body.

Opening her eyes slowly, Calidora widen her eyes when she saw her feet step onto the platform.

Raising her gaze slowly, she now can see the entirety of the platform.

The feeling she's currently feeling right now is akin to being chosen as a messenger of god, she's the only one ever since the Supernatural Emergence that has stepped their foot on the platform.

With an exhilarating feeling, Calidora inch closer to the coffin while still dragging Rosie.

Both of them are still covered by the hurricane of Rosie's blood, but Rosie is not standing anymore as she only got dragged by Calidora who is marveling at the coffin.

After Calidora arrives in front of the silver coffin that gives an ancient vibe,

Out of nowhere, Rosie's body started to get lifted by an unknown force.

Seeing this, Calidora let Rosie's hand go as she got pulled off the ground and levitate just in front of the skull chalice in the middle of the silver coffin.

Everything is silent right at this moment,

Not a single sound can be heard inside the hall, only the sound of Rosie's blood that is slowly getting pulled toward the skull chalice that has its eyes glowing red.

When the blood near the skull chalice, the skull part opens its mouth.

Just after the tip of Rosie's blood got inside the skull, "AARGHH!!!", Rosie shouted as her entire blood and even soul got sucked like a torrent out of her body.

It went on while Calidora's eyes are marveling at the moment,

But then Calidora widens her eyes when the entire coffin glows with blood energy so powerful that even Calidora kneels on the ground and her Vampiric Eyes are activated by its own.

After Rosie's blood got sucked, the skull closed its mouth again.

Thud!

Rosie falls to the ground but Calidora didn't pay any attention to her as she fixated her eyes on the skull chalice on the silver coffin.

Crack!

The skull chalice makes a boney sound before its mouth is opened again, Calidora sprouted her wings and fly toward the skull when she saw something coming out of it.

As the thing slowly comes out of the skull's mouth, Calidora was utterly shocked.

"Praise the Origin... this humble servant rejoice for the blessing you provide..."

While flying with her wings flapping on her back, Calidora bowed her head in response to the thing that comes out of the skull's mouth, "We are grateful for this divine blessing"

"The wrath of the Origin, your tool of domination in the Radical Era..."

"With humility, I accept and wield this blessing... the Origin's Cutlass, Blood Devourer"

Chapter 453 Wingless Messenger And Taken

Somewhere in Ratmawati City,

There's an Awakened that is running through the street without wearing a shirt, blood decorates the entire back of the Awakened as he ran in a direction with a frightened look.

It's like he was getting pursued by a ghost, and the only way to avoid it is to run.

From the look of the street the Awakened is running on, it seems it's not a public street where many people pass by since the place is weirdly silent.

On the right of the Awakened is a fence that spans the entire street,

The inside of the fence is lush green gas with a one-way road toward a building that is very big even from afar, with troubled eyes the Awakened stop to look at the building before picking up his pace.

With how the building looks like, it should be a company building of some sort.

But if it was a company building, a secluded and desolate place wasn't something that should be seen from a company building that was supposed to house a lot of workers.

The Awakened kept running through the empty street before his eyes lit up,

While supporting himself once in a while by holding the fence, the Awakened makes way through the street like a madman before he finally reaches a big entrance with guards wearing identical white and green uniforms guarding it.

Upon seeing this, the Awakened then called out, "Hey!!"

The sudden shout attracts the guards guarding the entrance, their bodies glow with their respective elemental auras before two of the guards leaped toward the Awakened.

"Who are you? Please go back, you have trespassed the Mistin Family territory"

But instead of replying to the guard, the Awakened steady his breathing with his back throbbing in pain before he said, "I-I want to see the head family"

Hearing this, the guards wanted to chase out the Awakened but stopped.

One of the guards squints his eyes while looking at the lower part of the Awakened's clothes, the color and features are identical to what he's wearing right now.

Although the Awakened's clothes are torn, the guard realized that he's one of them.

"What happened to you? Who dare to attack an Awakened associated with the Mistin Family", the guard asks maliciously, a green aura starting to hover around the guard's body.

The green aura has some dark tint to it,

Some of the grass that is within the range of the dark green aura started to wither and even the air around them started to smell awful and decayed.

"It's Rex Silverstar... He just attacked the Rirgas Family!"

Upon hearing this, the two guards glance at each other with their eyes widen in surprise.

A moment later,

The bloodied Awakened is escorted by the two guards into a room on the top floor of the building, just like how it looks like the inside of the building looks very much like an office.

But it's weird to find that the inside although looks like an office still have some house to it.

Walking through the building, the first couple of floors are just like what an office would look like with beautiful floors of marble, a receptionist desk, and even working rooms but as the Awakened reaches the upper floors he can see a living room, kitchen, utility room that is contrasting with the office theme on the bottom floors albeit still dominated with the color black, grey, and white.

Not long after, they arrived in front of a big black door.

The two guards knock on the door lightly before opening the door, and just as the door is opened the Awakened immediately lowered his gaze.

Inside the room lies a man sitting on a grey sofa with sharp dark purple eyes making him look fierce and enchanting at the same time, two gorgeous women are sitting on the sofa beside him, and their eyes darted to the door upon the arrival of the bloodied Awakened.

When the bloodied Awakened was about to get inside the room,

Swoosh!

Out of nowhere, the bloodied Awakened's body got stopped mid-track by dark purple energy that halted his entire body as if he was frozen in time.

Just from a sharp glance, the bloodied Awakened knows what has he done wrong.

The bloodied Awakened stop himself from getting inside of the room before he activates his elemental aura, he makes somekind of barrier around his body that avoid staining the fine light grey carpet inside the room with his dripping blood.

After doing that, the bloodied Awakened then gets inside.

While being pinched by two women on both sides that are also looking at the bloodied Awakened, the man then asks, "Is it Rex Silverstar?"

"Yes, Mr. Mistin... he found out about the list very fast", the Awakened replied.

Hearing this, the man called Mr. Mistin then gave out a slight chuckle, "No wonder that Wesley got killed by him, this Rex Silverstar is quite sharp and ruthless it seems..."

"What are you going to do about this Mr. Mistin?", the Awakened asks.

Mr. Mistin rubs his chin as the two women's eyes are looking at him teasingly, he thought for a moment before he said, "Did he give any message to you?"

A shiver runs down the Awakened's body upon remembering what Rex did, "Yes, he did..."

After saying that, the Awakened turns his body around showing his back.

On his back lies two gruesome cut wounds that are oblique to the opposite sides with each other creating a portrait as if the Awakened has wings but got ripped off, but of course, this is all just the wounds that Rex inflicted to send the message.

The Wingless Messenger,

It is a strong and clear message, even Mr. Mistin roughly knows the message before told.

"He said the Silverstar Family only wants to be left alone, he doesn't want any conflict with the other families whatsoever, however... if we insist then he'll do the same to us as he did to the Atkins and Rirgas Family"

"The Silverstar Family will snatch our wings if we try to mess with him again"

Upon hearing this, a smirk appears on Mr. Mistin's face.

The smirk looks devilish, especially added with his glowing purple eyes, the display and even message from the notorious Rex Silverstar met his expectation of the menacing character.

It's a test that he did, and Rex passed it with high marks.

After thinking for a moment, Mr. Mistin glanced at the Awakened again before he finally said, "Let's leave the Silverstar Family alone for now..."

Hearing what Mr. Mistin said, the Awakened widened his eyes in surprise.

"Baby, Are you really going to let that kid do what he wants?", the woman on his left asks.

The other woman on his right then also added while grazing her slender fingers on Mr. Mistin's chest area, "People going to think that you're weak, are you wary of him?"

"We must at least strike them back before calling it ev-"

The Awakened was about to add the women's remarks but even before he can even finish his sentence, Mr. Mistin already glares at the Awakened with his purple eyes, "Are you questioning my words? or Did you not hear what I said?"

Realizing that he just did a mistake, the Awakened stutters as fear slowly grips him.

"Maybe I need to fix your ears"

"RAARGHH!!"

Out of nowhere, the Awakened's ears suddenly melted after getting hit by the purple energy.

It happened just after Mr. Mistin's eyes glowed purple in a fraction of a second, and this easily melted the entire ears of the bloodied Awakened.

Seeing this, the two women shut their mouths fearing that Mr. Mistin will do that to them too.

With a wave of his hand, Mr. Mistin then said, "Take him away"

Hearing this, the two guards that brought the bloodied Awakened here nodded their heads without a change in their expression before they brings the bloodied Awakened away.

After they left, Mr. Mistin looks at the puddle of blood in front of him.

Thanks to him melting the bloodied Awakened's ears, he lost control of his mana resulting in his blood falling to the carpet where he stood earlier.

"Rex Silverstar..."

"Only a fool head family will not be wary of a normal man that made himself a seventh rank Awakened and also created a family in just half a year, Wesley is the example of that"

Meanwhile, in another part of Ratmawati City.

"Lady... Rex Silverstar has just attacked the Rirgas Family over a slight move made by the Mistin Family, Luisella and Sabrina got their arms severed without a fight"

"He also sent a message to the Mistin Family", a man reported while kneeling on the ground.

There's a woman lying on the sofa with a staff levitating above her,

With her curvy and slender body exposed only covered by a thin veil, the woman glance at the man who is kneeling not far from her with her light grey eyes.

But before she can answer, the man continues, "Are we still going to proceed as planned?"

"No...", the woman replied softly.

Hearing this, the man's body becomes tense as he didn't expect to hear such an answer.

The woman added with her alluring and soft voice, "Rex Silverstar is unstable, and everyone around him is covered by a veil of mystery. Dark Elementalist, Dual Elementalist, and an unknown woman that uses weird energy..."

"The loss of Wesley Atkins is a shame for us, but he seems to be a bigger fish to catch"

Upon hearing this, the man bowed his head further almost touching the ground before he suggested, "Before Luisella got blackmailed by the Mistin Family to make the list, there's a movement of her men in other parts of Ratmawati City. We also spotted her men moving in low-leveled cities"

"Her daughters made some wrongs to Rex, and it seems they're redeeming themselves to Rex"

The woman's eyes sparkled as she stood up from her lying position slowly, she then crosses her legs in a graceful manner before she said, "So even Rex Silverstar has his own interest..."

"Find out what they're searching. If you have to, go ask Luisella herself"

"No matter what, we'll find what Rex is searching for first"

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The next day,

After visiting the Rirgas Family that has betrayed him, Rex went straight back to his mansion in sector two and spent his time meditating using the new breathing technique.

Even with amplification of potency from Calm Breathing Elixir, the progress is still slow.

Calm Breathing Elixir greatly helps to understand breathing techniques,

But even after using several of these Calm Breathing Elixirs, the effect is still not evident.

It's a Supreme Rank Breathing Technique so it's quite hard to reach even the fundamental level of it, and even now there's hardly any change he experienced from six hours of meditating.

Rex opened his eyes and saw Adhara is still meditating beside her,

He then looks at his body before touching his arm to feel it, there's an oily feeling upon touching his skin that is clearly the effect of the breathing technique he's currently using.

The Vampire Bane Breathing Technique has three levels of mastery,

The fundamental level is the first one where the entire body will be covered by a substance similar to Linzite called Kinzite, it is less effective but a more versatile substance. It can be activated with a thought and every Vampire will feel pain upon making contact with anyone that reaches the fundamental level of the breathing technique.

Upon continuation of contact with Kinzite, Vampires will find even their skins burnt.

The medial level is the next level of mastery where not only the body is covered by the substance, but one can produce this substance through the saliva glands resulting in them being able to spit this substance.

The complete level is the last one, and this allows one to create a barrier of Kinzite by drawing a circle on the ground with any body parts which will reduce any blood-related spells that hit it by 20%.

Because of this level of mastery, Rex bought this so everyone can have this power.

With this they will be an absolute slayer of Vampires, even the medial level is already good enough but the complete level is just what entices Rex the most.

A 20% decrease in blood-related spells is no joke, this will be very helpful in their journey.

Rex decided that he will meditate again to at least reach the fundamental level but he suddenly frown when he felt something is off, he darted his eyes left and right.

'Evelyn should be here tomorrow, so who is it?', he thought with a frown.

Although he trusts that what he did yesterday is the best course of action so he can leave to save Rosie, there's still a possibility of him getting attacked.

'But this is sector two, who would dare attack me here?', he thought with a frown.

<A figure with malicious intent has been detected!>

Just from the notification alone, Rex confirms his suspicion as he gets out of the bed.

Taking his Amuerus Katana from the inventory, Rex got out of his room leaving Adhara to meditate as she also need to achieve the fundamental level of the breathing technique.

'Its aura is very light, even Adhara didn't sense it', Rex thought.

After getting out of his bedroom, Rex holds the Amuerus Katana firmly as he walks slowly through the hallway with extreme caution.

Tap! Tap!

Tapping sounds can be heard from above,

'He's on the roof', Rex thought as he looks up, but then the frown on his face becomes more evident, 'Something is weird... I can't really sense how powerful this person is'

For the figure to only be separated by a roof, Rex should be able to sense his power.

Even a black hand that technically doesn't have an elemental aura, Rex can still roughly calculate their power using his senses alone.

But this time for some reason he cannot do that,

Looking down from above, Rex saw Kyran come out of his room which is located at the back of the mansion but his room is on the first floor while Rex in the second floor.

Both of their eyes locked as they sensed the figure,

Rex nodded his head before Kyran disappears into the darkness, they started to follow the figure who seems to be checking the entire mansion silently.

It's clear since his very light steps can be heard walking around the roof,

If not for Rex and Kyran being Werewolf, they might not be able to catch the footsteps.

'What is this person doing?', Rex thought as the figure landed in the back garden.

There's nothing in the back garden except for a small house, but upon remembering the small house Rex widens his eyes, 'Is this person after Ryze?'

From the moment Ryze got here with Gistella, he's put at the house in the back garden.

With him being sick for the last couple of days, Gistella and Adhara decided to put him there while a couple of doctors and healers came to check on him a couple of times.

Since Rex is busy dealing with the families, he doesn't have the time to check on him.

'Is it his brother? It must be...', Rex thought but then suddenly,

Clang!

Boom!

The sound of a fight can be heard in the back garden, Rex immediately dashes toward the back garden before he saw Kyran fighting with a figure wearing a metallic skull mask.

"Kyran stop!", Rex shouted from the side.

But in the heat of the fight, Kyran wanted to leap away but the figure didn't let him.

Swoosh!

A red light glowed on the figure's hand before Kyran who is leaping back falls to the ground creating a huge crack, the figure didn't stop, he appears in front of Kyran and swept his legs using a perfect technique.

"Arghh!", Kyran got swept as he falls to the ground.

Out of nowhere, the figure takes out a gun from underneath his cloak before aiming it at Kyran.

The red glow appears again on his hand before pulling the trigger,

With the addition of the red energy, the bullet flew at an insane speed heading for Kyran but Rex didn't watch still, he turns into a streak of lightning before parrying the bullet.

CLANG!

Rex easily parried the bullet with the Amuerus Katana,

Looking at this, the metallic skull mask figure lowers his gun while looking at Rex who has a fierce glint in his eyes, "Why are you searching for Ryze?"

Although he suspects that this figure is Ryze's brother, he still needs to make sure of it.

Hearing this, the figure's body froze for a moment as his eyes widen.

Rex saw the figure's eyes widen through the holes in the metallic mask, this makes him frown as the eyes somehow bring a familiar feeling to him.

Even the figure's fighting style seems familiar, it's clumsy but familiar.

When Rex scans the figure to see who the familiar figure is, his eyes widen in absolute and utter shock as he can't believe what he's seeing on the figure's stats, "I-It can't be... Billy?!"

The figure snaps out of his daze before he dashes into the house,

Kyran threw his dagger powerfully hitting the figure's metallic mask and stumbling him for a bit, but the figure didn't stop and gets inside the house followed by Kyran who turns into a shadow.

Upon arriving inside the house, he saw the figure is already carrying the sick Ryze who has his body burning from the sickness by the shoulder.

Half of the metallic skull mask is gone exposing half of his face,

It didn't take long before Rex also arrives at the place, his eyes widen when he saw half of the figure's face that has no skin and was disfigured.

The figure didn't even have hair, and the corner of his mouth is torn gruesomely.

But even though the disfigured face, Rex becomes even sure who the figure is, "Billy! It's me, Rex! What happened to you?!", Rex shouted.

"Why are you taking Ryze?", he added.

The figure looks at Rex with his unwavering eyes, "He's the Key..."

After saying that, the figure then crushed something with his hand, "WAIT!!", Rex wanted to stop the figure but a red light already envelop both Ryze and the figure's body.

Rex didn't manage to reach them before they both disappeared,

It's all silent again as Ryze got brought away by the figure that Rex believes to be Billy, he looks at where the figure disappeared with a blank expression, "What happened to you, Billy..."

"What have they done...", he utters softly.

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"What have they done...", Rex mutters with a darkened look.

Even though the face behind the metallic skull mask figure is disfigured and even skinless, Rex still finds some similarities in the figure's face, frame, and even eyes.

The similarities all point to one person he has never seen for a long time,

One person that he can consider his friend from the military, the only person that even bothered talking to him back then but got separated from him thanks to his violation of military rules.

Billy...

It's the name of the person that Rex never would've thought to meet again.

Back then Billy got taken away while Rex got put into the USR, with the current war against the Supernatural Rex has little to no hope of meeting with Billy again.

The battlefield is bloodied, holding some hope to meet with him again is a due pain.

Kyran who saw Rex unmoving from his spot walks over to him slowly, "Rex, Do you know that person? He's the sniper that attacked us before"

Hearing this, Rex sighs as he didn't answer Kyran's question.

He then notices a pendant on the floor,

'Did Ryze drop this? or is this Billy's?', Rex thought before he reaches for the pendant.

After taking the pendant, Rex inspects it closely.

The pendant is golden and round with weird carvings around it, Rex has never seen this pendant for it to be Ryze's but this kind of thing can be hidden easily.

Under closer inspection, there's a small button on the side of the pendant.

Rex slowly presses on it before the pendant makes a clicking sound, turns out the pendant can be opened and when opened, he was surprised to see an eye with a dark red iris and a narrow black pupil that is staring at him.

It looks like an eye of a creature and it seems to be alive!

Aside from that, Rex also notices a faint string of red energy coming from the pendant that seems to linked to something heading in a direction.

Looking at this, Rex frowned before he scans the pendant with the system.

<Soul Snatching Pendant of Zaddrass>

This pendant is built using a ninth rank sealing formation and also engraved with enhancing sealing abilities, Zaddrass the Lord of Red is sealed inside the pendant for thousands of years. Any person with a weak mentality that wore this pendant will be engulfed with Zaddrass consciousness, it will then snatch the soul of the wearer and finally break free of the seal.

Rex read the description with a frown, 'System, Who is this Zaddrass?'

'Yes', Rex instantly replied.

After agreeing to buy the information, another notification appears in front of him.

<Zaddrass Lord of the Red>

A Mythical dragon that has standing to the Dragonman Race, it has the power of what is known as Fire of Chaos that can even melt anything that it touches. Every flap of Zaddrass' wings drowns everything in its fire and thus giving him the nickname Lord of the Red, a powerful dragon that reaches back to the Radical Era.

Rex was surprised upon reading this,

Although he already suspects that Zaddrass is somekind of a powerful creature, he didn't expect that it's a dragon that it's linked to the Dragonman race and also lived through the Radical Era.

The matters become even more complicated just like that,

'So if I'm not mistaken, the reason for Ryze's sickness is because Zaddrass is slowly breaking the seal of the pendant by using Ryze's body. But still, why did Billy kidnap Ryze?'

'Does he know about this? What is he trying to do here...'

Rex is standing still dwelling inside his thoughts but out of nowhere,

Bang!

Crackle!

Both Rex and Kyran look in the far distance and saw fireworks decorating the night sky with beautiful patterns, the sight stunned them for a moment but Rex's eyes suddenly widen.

"God's Lenience Celebration...", Rex mutters as he remembered the celebration.

While talking to Ryze before, he pays the system for the information regarding the God's Lenience Celebration where Kiamat the King of Flying Creatures died and every couple of years the kingly energy comes and will weaken all winged creatures through sunlight.

Although still vague, Rex feels a bad feeling regarding this.

Even if he tries to find another motive for Billy to kidnap Ryze, he can't find any and the addition of the pendant makes Rex sure that it has something to do with the God's Lenience Celebration.

'If my assumption is true, then this red energy string should be linked to Ryze'

'Although it's hard to say Zaddrass should be linked with Ryze, and during the God's Lenience Celebration every flying creature will be weakened including Zaddrass...'

<Sudden Quest!>

Zaddrass has successfully infiltrated Ryze's mind and slowly breaks the seal, this will slowly consume Ryze's consciousness and eventually result in death and the rebirth of Zaddrass the Lord of Red. Prevent the rebirth of Zaddrass!

Time Limit: 3 Hours

Quest Reward: Immunity to Fire, 7,000,000,000 Exp, Teeth of Red, Chaos Fire Rune

<Sudden Quest!>

Ryze has been taken by a masked figure that the user has recognized as Billy, a long-lost friend of the user from the military! Find out what Billy is planning and rescue Ryze before Billy is able to do his plan!

Time Limit: 3 Hours 10 Minutes

Quest Reward: 2,000,000,000 Exp, 100,000 Gold, and Ethos of Red Force

Upon the appearance of the two Sudden Quests, Rex was surprised since this is the first time two Sudden Quests appeared at the same time.

But from these two Sudden Quests alone he knows that Ryze is in danger.

Rex clench the pendant in his hand before he looks at the red energy string, he then glances at Kyran on his side, "Call everyone and meet me in front of the mansion"

"Bring the Disaster Squad too", he added with a dark look.

Hearing this, Kyran realizes the urgency of the situation from Rex's look, he nodded his head before he went to call the others just as he was instructed.

A moment later, Rex is standing in front of the mansion waiting for the others.

Some of the Awakened that are guarding the mansion got knocked down by Billy, some of them are even at the sixth rank but somehow Billy manages to be able to knock them down.

The ones that are not knocked down didn't even realize the mansion got infiltrated,

Everything has been done very smoothly that it's almost as if Rex never knew Billy from the start, the infiltration he did was done perfectly as if he's an expert.

This makes Rex frown as he never remembered Billy being this strong,

During the time he had with Billy inside the military, Rex knows that Billy is just like him, a normal human that is serving the military for the better good of humanity.

Nothing is special to Billy, he's even considered one of the weak ones in the military.

For him to knock down sixth rank Awakened shows that he's not the same Billy that Rex knew, something happened to him especially since even his face is disfigured.

'Just what happened to him, did he got forced to become a lab rat by the military?'

It's horrifying to see Billy's skinless and disfigured face, it's almost as if his skin got melted down, and also he got beaten black and blue resulting in that disfigured face.

But Rex shakes his head as he realizes there's no point thinking about it,

All he needs to do now is find Billy to ask him directly about this and also save Ryze, he's still a friend even with the state he's currently in so Rex has to know.

Rex looks up to the night sky before he thought, 'It seems the rebirth will be exactly at dawn'

Based on the Sudden Quests' time limit from the system which is three hours from now, the rebirth of Zaddrass will be exactly at dawn when the sun reaches the sky.

If he were to prevent the rebirth of Zaddrass, he will need to act fast and reach there.

Not long after, Rex heard footsteps before he turns around.

Everyone including the Disaster Squad came out of the mansion ready for combat, all of them are already wearing combat outfits with weapons strapped to them.

Rex was impressed by how fast they are to ready up,

He scans the Disaster Squad and finds that all of them have reached the third rank realm except for Tandu that already reaches the peak of the third rank.

Their growth is super fast and that is all thanks to the affinity orbs,

Aside from that, Rex has also given them items to upgrade their elements to get rid of the bottlenecks a new Awakened would've had.

But this is not the time to be impressed, Rex glance at each one of them and explains the situation, "There's something urgent came up, a disaster will happen during daybreak and we're going to prevent that from happening ourselves"

"If we fail then many people will die, including Ryze..."

Hearing this, Adhara and Gistella were surprised as they were not aware of the fight.

After saying that, Rex's eyes fall to Edward who is still in the mansion to look after the Disaster Squad, "Is it true?", he asks with an expression of disbelief.

"The sniper... Is it really Billy?", he added demanding an answer.

Tandu who heard about this looks at Rex with a frown, "Billy? I've heard that name before"

Rex and Edward look at Tandu questioningly as they are curious how did Tandu know about Billy, he's not from the Noob Box so Tandu shouldn't know the Billy they're talking about.

"Oh! I remember!", Aldo suddenly exclaims catching everybody's gaze.

After he realizes that everybody is looking at him, Aldo clears his throat and said, "I've heard Billy through a quite booming news inside the military, it's about a project gone wrong"

"The news didn't specify the name Billy but I heard it from rumors spreading around"

Hearing this, Rex grits his teeth before signaling for Aldo to stop, "Let's focus on the task on hand first, we'll ask Billy what really happened to him", he added before they all dash away.

Rex didn't forget to tell the other Awakened guards to follow him,

If they somehow fail to prevent the rebirth of Zaddrass then it will be disastrous to the normal people, so Rex needs all the help he can get to evacuate the normal people.

'But I can't bring too much, It'll get messy if I ask help from other families', Rex thought.

Although asking for help from other families will be great since the evacuation can be done faster if he did, there's a chance that it will not end well, they might decide to turn Billy in or even Ryze if he got saved.

So he can only rely on himself and those who he trusts,

Rex realized that what he's doing is selfish since he knows that if he fails then many people will die without the help of other families, but he wants to know what happened to Billy.

He's his friend after all, the first one to be exact.

Since the Disaster Squad is still too slow, Rex told Gistella to help them.

Gistella established a newfound fear since the day she beats up the Disaster Squad, she's now given the nickname the Beautiful Beast by Aldo.

Of course, Gistella didn't like it so she beat Aldo some more at that time.

Using her bluish energy, Gistella creates a bubble around the Disaster Squad entrapping them inside before they all dash with Rex leading them.

Rex is holding the pendant in his hand following the red string,

With their movement, it takes about two hours to reach the destination which brings them back to sector 3B which is where the Rirgas Family mansion lies.

Arriving at the place, Rex finds the entire street is filled with people.

This should be the last day of God's Lenience Celebration thus explaining the crowded street, during the last day people will keep celebrating until the sunrise, but this becomes a very dire situation, if Zaddrass manages to break the seal here then all of these people will die.

"Tandu, lead your squad to evacuate all of these people", Rex instructed.

He then glance back at Tandu before he added, "Your squad, Gistella, Edward, and the Awakened guards will be tasked to evacuate the people here as far as possible"

"How are we going to gather their attention?", Tandu asks in confusion.

Just from roughly counting there are more than a couple of thousand people roaming the street, and all of them are chattering with food stalls, game stalls, and many others.

It will be difficult to attract the attention of such a crowd,

But Rex ignores Tandu as his body started blitzing with sky black lightning, he then sets his eyes on the bridge in the middle above the man-made lake, "Ether Blink!'

CRACK!

BOOM!

Rex's body disappears in an instant before a lightning strike descends onto the bridge,

The sudden disappearance shocks the Disaster Squad since this is their first time seeing Rex like this, all of them realized that he's really not the Rex they have known before.

Some of the normal people on the bridge were shocked upon seeing the lightning strike.

They all got pushed back from the shockwave a bit but it's not that hard, Rex already controls the lightning strike so it doesn't hurt anyone near the bridge.

Upon seeing Rex, they were all dazed as they didn't expect his arrival here.

"Everybody! Leave this place this instant!!", Rex shouted.

His shout reverberated to the entire place as even some of the Awakened got attracted by his violent mana, the bustling street becomes dead silent in an instant.

All of the normal people glance at Rex on the bridge in confusion,

But seeing the normal people didn't move at all, Rex's body started blitzing with sky black lightning more violently as he shouted again, "LEAVE RIGHT NOW!!"

"Come on! Everybody leave this place!"

"Let's go! Move!"

"If you want to keep your lives then get on with it! MOVE!!"

The Disaster Squad started helping Rex as they help the normal people evacuate the place, all of them were confused but they all saw the serious look on Rex's expression.

Without having no other choice, they all scurry away with the help of Rex's side.

After the people here started to evacuate, Adhara and Kyran landed beside Rex who is still on the bridge while looking at the pendant in his hand.

The red energy string disappears which makes Rex frown, but the pendant glows red lightly.

"Where are they?", Adhara asks.

Hearing this, Rex also frowns as he didn't know where they are.

Kyran looks around the place putting his senses to the max, he possesses the most terrifying senses amongst them so he should be able to locate Ryze especially since he's a Werewolf.

With how much time he spent with Ryze, he remembered Ryze's scent perfectly.

"Let's stick together and search the entire sector, they should be around here", Rex instructed as the three of them stuck together passing the still evacuating normal people.

They scour through the entire span of the man-made lake before stopping at a bridge again.

But then suddenly, the pendant glows brighter.

Seeing this, the three of them looks around as this change in the pendant should indicate that they're close to Ryze.

Kyran scans the place again before suddenly, "WATCH OUT!"

BOOM!

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"WATCH OUT!!"

BOOM!

Out of nowhere, the bridge suddenly collapses because of an explosion from underneath.

With their insane reflex as a Werewolf, the three of them manage to leap out of the way as the water from the lake burst reaching high to the sky.

The three of them landed on the side while looking at the burst of water,

Swoosh!

Rex's eyes dilated when he saw a figure suddenly come out of the burst of water and head straight toward him, he also saw two other figures that are attacking Adhara and Kyran.

Clang!

Using his Amuerus Katana, Rex parried the figure's attack.

Adhara and Kyran also manage to parry and dodge the attack from the unknown figures, it was so fast that some of the people that just realized the dire situation didn't see their exchange at all.

Their exchange is lightning fast, and this shows the power of these unknown figures.

Rex and the others look to their backs and saw three figures wearing different styles of metallic skull masks, black robes are covering their whole body and they all are emitting a malicious intent ready to kill.

"Do not interrupt us or suffer the consequences", the middle figure said with his muffled voice.

Hearing this, Rex grip the Amuerus Katana with both of his hands before he replied with a demanding tone, "What are your goals here? Give back the kid you took"

"Oh... you're here for the kid?", the middle figure mutters lightly.

But then, the middle figure takes out his hand out of his black robe which surprises Rex and the others since it's not a human hand but it's more like a monster's hand.

His skin is greenish and pale at the same time, and instead of fingers, his hands are knife-like.

Rex scans the middle figure with a frown,

<Fakhir Kazemi>

Race: Impure Human

Power: Sixth Rank (Peak) - Enhanced Human

Mental: 917

Strength: 810

Agility: 871

Endurance: 622

Intelligence: 0

'Impure Human? Enhanced Human? What are they?', Rex thought as he reads the middle figure's stats, the other two figures also have the same race and power as the middle figure.

But Rex's thought was interrupted when the middle figure said, "I can't give him back to you..."

Right after he said that, the masked figure on the left suddenly takes out his arm from the black robe and points it to Rex and the others.

Almost as if his arm is just like a robot, the wrist opened revealing a barrel.

Upon seeing this, Rex and the others were once again caught off guard, but they quickly recovered and immediately leaped away before suddenly,

Bam!

BOOM!!

Just like a bazooka, it fires a powerful bullet shell that creates a big explosion upon hitting the place where Rex and the others stood before.

The shockwave from the explosion blasted Rex and the others, they got pushed away as the explosion was more powerful than a normal bazooka bullet. The explosion also produces somekind of black smoke that covers the entire place.

"What are they?!", Kyran exclaimed while covering his mouth.

Adhara who also landed on the side also frown, "Are they even human?"

Hearing this, Rex also shook his head as he didn't understand what they were fighting against, "Let's take them down first, but don't kill them. I have a few questions for them"

After saying that, the three of them activates their elemental aura that blasted the entire place.

BOOM!

With powerful energy, the three of them dash in different directions inside the black smoke after locking their sense to a target each.

Kyran's body covered with dark mana dashes forward before his entire body turns into darkness, purple flames scorch cloaked Adhara's body as each step left a fire trail of her footsteps, and lastly, Rex's body glows with blue light before turning into a streak of lightning.

On the other hand,

"Go kill them off, the poison should cripple them even though they're an Awakened. We need to prepare for the integration...", the middle figure said lightly.

His eyes then glisten violently and added, "Our agenda today must be successful no matter what"

Nodding their heads in confirmation, the two other figures dash away.

But just as the two other figures dash away into the black smoke, the middle figure widens his eyes in surprise when suddenly a streak of black lightning is already in front of him.

Rex already reaches his hand forward and grabbed the middle figure's head,

Grab!

"What?! How did you bypass the poison?!", the middle figure exclaimed in surprise.

While grabbing the middle figure's head with his huge hand, Rex cracks a smirk, he gripped the middle figure's head tighter before throwing him outside of the black smoke.

BOOM!

The middle figure got slammed to a building before he spat a mouthful of blood,

Before he can even recover from getting slammed, his eyes widen once more seeing that Rex is already standing and staring at him right in front of him, "I have some questions but first..."

Rex grabs the middle figure's neck pulling him out of the wall before in a blink of an eye, "Force Beam!

Bam!

The middle figure got flung upwards after getting kicked right on his stomach making his body bend following the trajectory of the kick imbued with red force, blood gushed out of his mouth as he got blown to the sky.

Not just stopping there, Rex appears beside the middle figure that got flung to the sky.

His movement is so fast that it even beats how fast the middle figure got flung upwards by his kick. Locking his hands together, Rex then hit the middle figure again on his back using another Force Beam.

BAM!

"Argghkk!", the middle figure grunted before he crashed to the ground and bounced back because of the powerful crashing momentum.

The air inside his lungs got forced out in an instant, and every inch of bones inside his body broke from just three attacks from Rex. The gap in their strength is too wide for him to even do anything.

Just as his body bounced after slamming to the ground,

Rex descends down from the sky turning into a sky black lightning strike again and stomps the middle figure right on his stomach with his feet mercilessly.

BOOM!

Because of that, the middle figure gasps in pain as he lies underneath Rex's feet weakly.

"Now then... tell me what you guys are doing here", Rex asks with his katana on his shoulder, he puts more pressure onto his feet while looking at the middle figure with cold eyes.

Meanwhile, outside of the battle with the three masked figures.

Another Rex is looking around the place searching for Ryze, the one that is fighting the middle figure is just an illusion he made using Lunar Dust.

Even with only 30% of his power, the masked figure doesn't stand a chance.

Just above the battle, one can see a cloudy spirit doing something. Devo channels the sky black lightning before a very subtle lightning shockwave exploded from his body vining to the surrounding like tree roots.

It spread to the entire surroundings before Devo went back to Rex,

"I don't find anyone else except for the evacuating people, they're not here", Devo reported.

Hearing this, Rex frown while looking at the pendant that clearly is glowing brighter around here compared to the other parts, "They should be here, the pendant is linked to Ryze"

Out of nowhere, the pendant in his hand suddenly becomes scorching hot.

After the pendant started heating up, Rex opens the Sudden Quest and saw that the time limit is just a bit over ten minutes from failing the sudden quest.

Rex wreck his brain before he suddenly thought, "Wait... they attacked us from below earlier"

Widening his eyes in realization, Rex stopped in his tracks before he looks at the man-made lake that is covered by the translucent barrier.

"They must be inside the lake", Rex mutters lightly.

Although the translucent barrier is still activated, there's no guarantee that the masked figures are not able to get inside the man-made lake without destroying the translucent barrier.

Even Devo's try before that covers the entire place doesn't sense Ryze,

So by this alone, Rex is quite sure that Ryze should be inside the water, and the only way to confirm it is to go inside the man-made lake himself.

Swoosh!

Rex's arm slowly emits steaming red energy and also sky black lightning,

His eyes glow with a red glint as he gets into his stance, mustering all of his strength into his arm Rex then punch the translucent barrier with all his might,

BAM!!

Since this translucent barrier spans the entire sector, it must be very sturdy.

True enough, under Rex's punch, the translucent barrier only started to flicker as some cracks appeared on it, "Huh... it's quite sturdy, I can't even destroy it with one punch", Rex mutters.

After that, Rex pulls his arm back again and punches the barrier another time.

BAM!

CRACK!

The cracks from the first punch started spreading before it finally shatters, even with Rex's second punch the barrier only shatters in a hole instead of shattering completely.

But it's good enough for Devo to puts his hand into the man-made lake water,

Blitz!

Just like what he did before, Devo spread the sky black lightning inside the water before his eyes lighting-filled eyes lit up, "I found them! They're just under that collapsed bridge!"

Hearing this, Rex then commanded, "Watch over what's going on the ground"

"Tell me if something bad is happening, I'm going to go get Ryze in there", he added before he hurriedly jumped into the water.

Splash!

Rex uses his black lightning to propel him to where Devo points at,

With the addition of the black lighting that acts as a propeller, Rex's speed inside the water is not at all way slower than his speed on the ground.

He's like an electric fish that swam inside the lake,

At the bottom of the lake in the far distance, Rex saw a bubble that seems to push the water away and inside the bubble is a subtle glowing light with two masked figures beside it.

Since he's inside the water, his eyes are not as good so he decided to just go there.

Rex channels his black lightning into his legs and after he finished preparing, his legs exploded with a lightning shockwave from his Blitzing Cry spell.

His control over the lightning element has reached a terrifying level,

The addition of merging with Devo amplifies his control over the lightning element, and now even though Blitzing Cry is supposed to explode the body with lightning, Rex can force it to explode on only his legs instead thus propelling him forward even stronger.

Splash!

In the blink of an eye, Rex burst into the bubble surprising the two masked figures.

Upon getting inside the bubble after tearing through a barrier surrounding the bubble, Rex saw that one of the figures is Billy since half of his mask is broken, Billy widens his eyes seeing that Rex suddenly got inside the bubble.

But Rex's eyes soon landed on Ryze who is lying unconscious in the middle of a formation.

Without wasting any time, he grabs Ryze before the masked figures can react.

After grabbing Ryze, Rex immediately jumped into the water again before he instantly swim back up leaving the masked figures in utter shock.

This happened in just a few seconds and they were very surprised.

Bursting out of the lake again, Rex brought Ryze out of the water before he lies Ryze on the ground lightly and inspects him.

<Scanning...>

<80% of Ryze's consciousness has been occupied by Zaddrass>

'System, How do I save Ryze from Zaddrass?!', Rex asks hurriedly while looking at Ryze.

Ryze's body is emitting a horrifying amount of fire that even started melting the ground and any objects around him, even Rex's body started burning but he persevere thanks to his force barrier and his regeneration ability.

< Reinforcing the Pendant with powerful runes will stop Zaddrass from breaking the seal>

'What will happen to Ryze if I were to do that?', Rex asks again.

<Half of his soul will be burnt leaving him in an unrecoverable state of mental paralysis>

Reading this, Rex gritted his teeth as he can't let that happen.

Although stopping the rebirth of Zaddrass is the top priority, he will be too cruel to Ryze who he took in if he were to let him become a mentally crippled person.

It's not what he wants to do, and he will not let that happen.

Just as he is thinking on the ground, the two masked figures emerge from the lake before landing not too far in front of Rex.

"HAND OVER THE KID!", Billy shouted.

Hearing this, Rex turns his cold eyes to Billy who is caught off guard by the sudden violent aura coming from Rex, "I'm warning you, Billy..."

"I don't care what happened to you, but if you force my hands... I will kill you", he added.

Billy was taken aback as he unconsciously steps back upon hearing what Rex said, he grits his teeth wanting to dash but the other masked figure beat him to it,

SWOOSH!

The masked figure dashes toward Rex with a blade in his hand intending to attack.

Just like the other masked figures, this one also is not normal. The closer the masked figure gets to Rex the bigger his body becomes, it's like the masked figure can control how big his body can get, "Give him back you fool!!", he shouted.

But before the masked figure can even near Ryze and Rex,

Slash!

In a blink of an eye, Billy saw his friend's head got decapitated cleanly.

The head stumbles over from his shoulders before falling to the ground with blood spurting out of the headless body of the masked figure.

Even Billy didn't see what Rex did, it happens very fast!

<Killed a Peak Sixth Rank Enhanced Human, Obtained 30,000,000 Exp>

Seeing that Billy is unmoving in his place, Rex turns his attention to Ryze again.

Rex didn't even seem bothered by killing the masked figure which surprises Billy, it can be seen from his stiff body and wide eyes showing how shocked he currently is.

Ignoring Billy, Rex looks at Ryze and suddenly thought of something.

'System, will I be able to do that? Do you have a method for that?', Rex asks inside his head.

<Information will cost 50,000 gold, does the user wants to continue?>

Without a hint of hesitation, Rex immediately nodded his head.

After reading the notification that appears just after he decided to buy the information, Rex grabs Ryze's body before he went into the lake again.

Rex went straight back to the bubble with the formation before,

He puts Ryze in the middle of the formation again just like before, he then hurriedly buys a couple of things from the system's shop.

Following the system's instruction, Rex modified the formation engraved on the ground.

It only took him a minute to finish the modification on the formation, and right after he finished, the formation glows with an even more powerful red light making it brighter.

Not finished yet, Rex also made another smaller formation on the side and put the pendant there.

With all the preparation done, Rex nods his head before he looks at the unconscious Ryze and started engraving a couple of runes on his body, 'This is the last part...'

BOOM!

Out of nowhere, Ryze's body becomes even hotter as the red light turns dark red.

Ryze's body started bursting with a powerful blood-red fire that even the surrounding water started steaming at a very fast rate, the fire is very powerful and it probably won't take long for the entire man-made lake to get drained because of the fire.

Even Rex's regenerating ability needs to work even harder to even stand a couple of feet beside Ryze, the fire is simply astonishingly hot.

While giving Ryze a firm look, Rex then thought, 'Zaddrass is breaking the seal'

'Brace yourself Ryze. This is going to hurt very badly, but it's way better than being a crippled'

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Splash!

Rex got out of the man-made lake after finishing the preparation,

Everyone can see that the water level of the man-made lake started to decrease at a rapid pace, and the entire man-made lake started bubbling in heat.

It's all because of the blood-red fire coming from Ryze,

After getting out of the water, Rex noticed that Adhara and also Kyran has finished their fight.

The masked figures have a peak sixth rank power but they all are clumsy, it's like a normal human with no sort of training suddenly given the power of an Awakened.

Because of that, beating the masked figures is relatively easy.

While inspecting the entire place and finding that most of the people in this sector have already left, Rex was about to wait for the event to play out but he suddenly sense something.

Billy who is on his back dashes toward the man-made lake intending to go inside it.

Rex who noticed this stopped him by holding onto his chest before he said, "Don't go in there, you'll get burnt to death by the fire"

Since the man-made lake and even the entire sector is integrated with mana,

The water inside the lake is also not normal water, it's water imbued with mana resulting in its sparkly and comfortable feeling but even this water got scorched by the fire.

From the system's description, the blood-red fire should be the Fire of Chaos.

It's similar to Evelyn's fire but the Fire of Chaos has a darker red tint to it and based on the system, this fire can melt anything it touches using its scorching heat.

"You don't understand... I need that power!", Billy said trying to force himself through Rex.

But before Billy can even jump into the man-made lake, Adhara suddenly arrived on the back, she hit the back of Billy's head sending him unconscious.

She did it so smoothly and without any difficulty,

Billy falls to the ground with a thud before both Adhara and Rex look at the man-made lake.

While looking at the man-made lake Adhara can't help but gasp in surprise, she can feel her purple fire getting riled from the presence of this Fire of Chaos.

"Is Ryze going to be okay?", she asks in concern.

Right now the level of the man-made river has decreased by 40%, it's got boiled pretty fast.

Kyran and Gistella also landed beside them as they look at the man-made lake,

Even after following the system's instructions, Rex doesn't know how this will play out and whether Ryze will survive without any side effects, "I don't know...", he replied lightly.

BOOM!!

The entire man-made lake rumbles, the dark red light starting to be visible from the ground.

When they're waiting for the event to play out, Kyran suddenly looks to the back and said, "I think the Rirgas Family is heading here, What do you want to do with them, Rex?"

"Adhara and Kyran, you two go and keep them out of here", Rex commanded.

Hearing this, both of them nodded their heads, they realized that the Rirgas Family probably will hear them out and Gistella is more useful in this situation.

After nodding their heads, the both of them then turn around and dash away.

Looking at the shaking buildings in the surrounding that seem about to collapse because of the pressure from Ryze, Rex takes out a crystal from the inventory and gave it to Gistella, "Create a barrier around that dark red light, hold on for as long as you can"

Receiving the crystal, Gistella nodded her head before her eyes glowed with bluish energy.

She crushed the crystal that Rex gave and instantly after that the energy in her body becomes even stronger as it got amplified from the energy coming from the crystal, the invisible horn on Gistella's forehead started to vibrate as she slowly creates a barrier around the core of the sheer pressure coming from the dark red light.

Gritting her teeth, Gistella channels all of her power to create a powerful box-shaped barrier.

"Haarghh!!", Gistella grunted while slowly amassing enough energy to create the barrier.

BOOM!

Another wave of explosion exploded from the dark light making the box-shape barrier that Gistella created wobble, blood even started to leak out of her mouth.

Even with the amplification from the crystal, it's still hard for Gistella to maintain the barrier.

It didn't take long before suddenly,

ROARR!!!

The entire place shook after a powerful and domineering roar can be heard, the dark red light coming from where Ryze and the pendant creates an illusionary roaring dragon, its sheer presence brings immense pressure to the surrounding.

With the exception of Rex, other people that are within the scope of the pressure knelt.

Even Gistella who is just beside Rex slowly surrendered to the pressure, she slowly knelt down even though she tries to resist and kept standing while maintaining the barrier.

But the barrier is still withstanding the pressure thankfully,

Gistella tries desperately to uphold Rex's command, no matter how hard it is to keep wrapping the energy coming from Ryze and the pendant with the barrier.

She's determined to preserve through the ordeal.

Meanwhile,

Adhara and Kyran left Rex and Gistella to stop the advancing Rirgas Family.

While they're dashing through the street intending to head to the Ice Cascade direction, they both started to frown when they smell some foul scent.

Both of them look at each other knowing full well what this foul scent is,

After taking a turn, they are greeted by the scene of many corpses wearing a distinctive white cape that they know belongs to the FAA.

"I thought it to be weird for the FAA to not show up in such an event...", Adhara mumbles lightly.

Kyran also frown even harder when he saw that there is at least more than a hundred corpses lying on the ground in front of him, "They're all killed, this will definitely be a problem"

Snapping out of their dazes, Kyran knelt beside a corpse and checks its body.

"It's a trap, this must be the masked people's doings", he said after smelling the burnt smell.

Adhara nodded her head in agreement before the sound of marching footsteps can be heard, the two of them raises their gazes and finds at least two hundred Awakened marching at the end of the street led by a blonde-haired woman with icy looks.

Just from the woman's appearance alone, Kyran and Adhara recognized the woman.

It's Luisella...

From the ruckus that was caused by the masked figures and also the event that is currently happening with Ryze, it's no surprise that the Rirgas Family makes a move.

This is their territory after all, and it is even a bit weird for them to arrive this late.

Marching in a union, Luisella squints her eyes when she saw two familiar people standing in the middle of the street filled with FAA Awakened corpses.

But when she got nearer, she realized that both of them are Kyran and Adhara.

"What happened here?", Luisella asks with accusing eyes.

Hearing this, Adhara is the first one to reply, "Sector 3B got attacked by a group of unknown people, Rex is currently dealing with it so I advised you to help the situation by searching for the people of this sector that are not evacuated yet"

"Okay, I'll do that but if it's a terrorist then let us help fight them too", Luisella replied.

Kyran turns into a shadow before reappearing just a couple of feet in front of Luisella, he looks at Luisella with sharp eyes before he said, "This is our problem, we have a vendetta with this group so back off"

"Are you serious?! This is our sector and we have to keep our reputation! Let us help", Luisella replied with a slight bit of anger, she's not used to being talked to like this.

This is sector 3B and the people here know that they're the protector here,

If a terrorist attack appeared and instead of fighting the terrorist the Rirgas Family only helped the people evacuate then they will look weak, she doesn't want that.

But her reply makes Kyran's face darken, "Did you forget? We own you..."

Hearing this, all of the Awakened associated with the Rirgas Family that is now gathered are angered by what Kyran said, it's an insult that they didn't expect to come from a kid.

"You don't own us, we only work for Rex", Luisella said slightly gritting her teeth.

Kyran tilts his head a little as his expression turns violent, the dark element around his body swirl powerfully before a ghastly spirit appeared behind him that appears more like a ghost.

A smokey dark spirit appears on Kyran's back,

The spirit possesses a terrifying amount of spirit energy and its head is covered with a black hood, its face is completely black showing only a pair of yellow eyes and uneven rows of sharp teeth that are smiling ever so terrifyingly. Falling black ashes decorates its body as if it was a part of itself, while a black spear is in its hand with black souls hovering around it.

Luisella was surprised by the appearance of Kyran's spirit, it even frighten the other Awakened.

"That's a spirit?!'

'I can't... move!'

'My spirit is not listening to me, what the heck is that?!'

All of the Awakened lower their gazes while exclaiming inside their heads.

It's surprising for Kyran to have a spirit that can suppress all of them except for a few.

Even Adhara who is on Kyran's back was surprised, 'So this is the spirit that assimilated with Kyran that Rex gave, I believe its name is Shurbaa the Overlayed Ash...'

Since it's been a while since they need to fight someone seriously,

Adhara has never seen Kyran activate his spirit at all, everything has been handled by Rex while she herself has just been training to not fall too far behind Rex's pace.

But when Kyran was about to say something,

ROAR!!!

A powerful and deafening roar can be heard from the back coming from Rex's direction, this shook everyone here as they got pressed to the ground.

The pressure is very powerful that even Kyran and Adhara are not able to withstand it.

"Help the people to evacuate is what Rex said, we will only be a burden if we stayed there to help him", Kyran said while struggling to stand up.

Only by using their element and spirit energy do some of them manage to stand up.

Luisella who felt the powerful pressure looks at her men and finds that only a handful can even stand up properly, she then grits her teeth and said, "Let's go! Search the place and keep the citizen out of this place"

After saying that, they all started to search the entire sector.

With the pressure that is weighing them down, their movements become slow but they still follow Luisella's order and started checking the entire sector.

Back to Rex,

<Soul Snatching Pendant of Zaddras is breaking!>

Just after the notification from the system, Rex suddenly saw Ryze's body slowly levitating with the pendant with visible cracks on it beside him.

Both are still entrapped inside the formation Rex made,

Rex then glances at Gistella who is still trying her best to maintain the energy leaking from Ryze and the pendant, she's giving everything into maintaining the barrier and Rex can see that.

"Keep it for a little bit longer", he said before fixating his eyes on Ryze.

After saying that, Rex summons Devo from his shadow before he said, "We'll need to make a powerful stream of energy right after the pendant broke, and push it directly to Ryze"

"It's one of the heavenly dragons! We don't have enough power", Devo replied.

But Rex didn't reply to Devo as he already bought a spellbook that will help in this situation, 'System, instantly learn Great Combination Spell, Two Weighted Pyramid!'

Just after he thought of that, an immense amount of information enters Rex's brain.

Lightning Element is known for its powerful burst of power and penetration compared to other elements, while Light Element is known for its protection spell and also an overall solid element that doesn't have any fatal weakness.

The new spell he learned is a protection spell that is powerful and useful in this situation.

'Right after the pendant broke, right after the pendant broke...', Rex repeated this sentence repeatedly while fixating his eyes on the pendant beside the levitating Ryze.

After a moment, Rex's eyes flash as he shouted, "Devo! Lift me up!"

Hearing this, Devo instantly channels his spirit energy and lifts Rex and also himself up toward the levitating Ryze and the pendant.

Rex saw the pendant is on the verge of shattering,

Shatter!

In just a couple of seconds, Rex and Devo arrive just beside the pendant, and Ryze before suddenly the pendant shatters sending a wave of powerful energy as the dark light in the shape of a dragon started gaining its physical body.

Zaddrass is making its appearance!

But Rex didn't let Zaddrass gain its physical body completely as he instantly chanted, "Great Combination Spell! Two Weighted Pyramid!!"

"First Step, Sealing Pyramid!!"

ZOOM!!

"RAARGHH!!", Rex gathers immense lunar light mana creating a bluish pyramid that entrapped Zaddrass inside of it, the pyramid slowly takes form but Zaddrass knew what Rex was about to do as it roared once again powerfully.

BOOM!

Rex got pushed by the shockwave but he held on trying to keep his focus on the spell.

After the bluish pyramid is established entrapping Zaddrass inside of it, Rex started to gather his sky-black lightning mana before he chanted once more, "Second Step, Enhancing Pyramid!"

BLITZ!

Just like that, another even bigger pyramid made of black lightning appears.

This pyramid engulfs Zaddrass and also the bluish pyramid, it enhanced the power of the spell greatly but even then the Fire of Chaos started leaking powerfully.

'Damn! It's freaking strong!', Rex thought while gritting his teeth.

Eyeing Devo on the side, Devo then summons thunderstorms before he chants since Rex is not able to do anything but hold the pyramids in place, "Ultimate Spell! Sky Imprisonment!!"

CRACK!!

BOOM!

Four dragon-like lightning strikes descend from the sky and chain each of Zaddrass' limbs adding an extra layer to pin him down.

Zaddrass roared again but now it got held in place,

Even with its horrifying power, Zaddrass was finally able to get trapped inside the pyramid before Devo's body bursts with horrifying power exposing his 15,000 years' worth of spirit energy.

After doing that, Devo who is bursting with black lightning slammed his body into the pyramid.

BAM!

Little by little, the pyramid started moving in Ryze's direction.

Devo is slowly pushing the pyramid with Zaddrass in it towards Ryze just like Rex instructed.

'I need to condense this damn dragon more so Ryze can absorb it', Rex thought before gritting his teeth, he started activating his red force, brace of moonlight skill, and even berserker's curse using everything to condense the pyramid further.

The peak of his power is shown clearly in this scene,

Anyone that saw this will become terrified since his power is not normal for an early seventh-rank Awakened, it's too intense and suffocating for an Awakened of his caliber.

But then again, he already did the unthinkable numerous times.

"GRARGHHH!!"

Rex shouted with every inch his muscles bulging with power, the pyramid with Zaddrass in it started getting smaller and smaller as Rex forced it to condense further.

It comes to the point where the pyramid is only as big as a basketball,

Feeling that his power is slowly leaving him, "PUSH IT DEVO! NOW!!", Rex shouted before Devo puts all of his might to push the pyramid into the formation Ryze is in.

The second the pyramid got inside the formation with Ryze,

BOOM!!

ROAR!!

Zaddrass roared as its entire body slowly got sucked into Ryze's body, even in his unconscious state Ryze shouted in agony since every inch of his body is hurting.

His skin started to tear repeatedly but instantly healed from a glow of the rune Rex engraved.

Every bone in his body started breaking and healing, Zaddrass violent energy is so destructive that only by the runes that Rex engraved can Ryze survive this long, if there are no runes on him then he would've died in a heartbeat.

Rex and Devo breathe heavily while looking at the scene unfold,

A circle of energy started appearing around Ryze's body as Zaddrass got sucked completely, and just after a few seconds,

KABOOM!!

Another explosion occurs but this time Rex and Devo got sent crashing away,

"Arghh!", Even Gistella grunted as she too got flung away, the barrier she's holding finally shatters as the final explosion destroyed everything in the surroundings.

Recovering from the explosion, Rex burst out of the rubble,

But his eyes then went back to where Ryze should be, "Did he survive...?", he mutters lightly.

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"Did he survive...?", Rex mutters lightly.

Because of the energy coming from Zaddrass, the place around him is trashed and destroyed leaving nothing but broken buildings, bridges, and even hardly any water inside the man-made lake spanning the entire sector.

The energy from Zaddrass is very destructive even before he's able to gain his physical body.

It's horrifying to think what kind of power Zaddrass would possess if it manage to get a physical body, Rex wouldn't be able to handle the situation then.

After the smoke and debris receded, Rex looks at the man-made lake again.

Right in the middle of the man-made lake just below the collapsed bridge, Rex saw a person completely covered with a dark red light.

"Ryze?", he mutters before jumping into the man-made lake.

Because of the last explosion that came from Ryze absorbing Zaddrass, the translucent barrier that covered the man-made lake in hundreds of feet got completely shattered.

Nothing is in the way between Rex and the man-made lake,

Landing just beside the person covered with a dark red light, Rex noticed that the water level of the man-made lake only reaches his ankles which is way lesser than before.

It's only a feeble amount of the water level it previously had,

Rex looks at the person covered in dark red light before he frowned, he notices something amiss, 'This should be Ryze, but why is his body bigger?', he thought in confusion.

Ryze is even younger than Kyran, and his body is easily the smallest in their group.

But the person covered with dark red light right now is at least as tall as Edward, and the person's frame indicates that the person is muscular.

Everyone has already evacuated from around here, so there's no doubt that this is Ryze.

While waiting for this, Gistella landed right beside Rex.

"Master, Is it finished?", she asks while still riling up her energy cautiously.

Hearing this, Rex pat Gistella's head calming her down before he replied, "It's supposed to be finished, now we can only wait for this", he points at the person covered with dark red light.

Thankfully, there should be no casualties from this incident.

Gistella blocking the violent energy helps the damage to the surroundings to the absolute minimum and the work from the Disaster Squad and Edward helps evacuate the people.

Overall they did a great job here, but there are still matters to attend to.

"Stay here, I'm going to check on something", Rex said to Gistella before he jumped out of the manmade lake intending to search for the unconscious Billy.

After looking around for a moment, Rex didn't see Billy anywhere.

This makes him frown as it seems Billy has escaped, 'I still have questions for you Billy, just what happened to you', he thought while gritting his teeth.

Despite the mess Billy made, Rex believed that Billy is forced to do this.

Out of all the things that he thought were possible, Billy who is very kind and somewhat comforting to talk to becomes someone like this is simply unthinkable.

Rex didn't believe that he did this out of his own free will, more like he didn't want to believe it.

Sighing to himself, Rex wanted to go back to Ryze but his eyes caught someone.

Edward and the Disaster Squad came back after evacuating the people of sector 3B, Edward's eyes are looking at Rex questioningly before he replied, "He's gone, he manage to escape"

"Is it really Billy?", Edward asks still in doubt.

Although he's still in doubt too, the masked figure is certainly Billy.

Rex nodded his head surprising Edward since he also didn't expect the masked figure turns out to really be Billy, the Billy they know seems to be no more than just a memory.

This one seems to be more power-hungry,

While still looking around the place hoping to see a glimpse of Billy, Rex thought to himself, 'He told me that he needs the power, what is the power for?'

Just when Ryze was about to start levitating, Billy wanted to go to him.

There's an urgent look on his face wanting to take the power of Zaddrass for himself, his method of doing that is unknown but it seems he's willing to sacrifice anything just to try absorbing Zaddrass' power.

If he's using the same method as what the system instructed, his chance of surviving is zero.

Even with the powerful runes Rex bought from the shop to strengthen Ryze's body, enhance the formations, and even tried his all to suppress Zaddrass, the condition of Ryze is still unknown and there's a chance that he might not survive.

So if what Rex thought is correct, Billy then rather die trying than not trying at all.

'Who did that to you? Are you on the path of revenge?', Rex thought, but no matter how much he tries he would not find the answer without asking Billy himself.

But just after he thought of that,

SHINGG!!

A bright red light suddenly appeared coming from the man-made lake.

"Disaster Squad, secure the perimeter and make sure that no one is in the area", Rex commanded before the five of them nodded their heads and scatter to the surrounding.

Having disciplined military men has its perks, they didn't ask any questions.

After the Disaster Squad left, Rex looks at the man-made lake where the dark red light glows brighter before slowly dimming as time passes.

Rex and Edward went into the man-made lake again,

Instead of a person covered with a dark red light, there's a man that seems to still be unconscious beside Gistella which makes both Rex and Edward frown.

Both of them landed beside Gistella and inspects the person,

The man looks to be around in his late twenty or early thirties and is completely naked with a muscular body almost as good as Rex's, his skin is brown matching his short brown hair and there's a distinctive tattoo on the man's right peck the shape of a dragon with eight wings.

From the looks of it, the dragon should be Zaddrass the Lord of Red.

"Who is this guy?", Edward mutters from the side.

Hearing this, Gistella also looks at the man curiously since this man came out of nowhere.

Rex then suddenly realized while looking at the unconscious man, "It can't be... this can't be Ryze right?", he mutters surprising Edward and Gistella as both turn their heads toward Rex.

While still in disbelief, Rex touches the man before scanning him.

<Alma Ryze>

Race: Heavenly Dragonman

Power: Sixth Rank (Early) - Lord of Red

Mental: 271

Strength: 640

Agility: 478

Endurance: 861

Intelligence: 0

Looking at the man's stat, Rex widen his eyes in utter shock as he realized that the man turns out to be Ryze who somehow turned like this.

It's almost as if he got aged more than 20 years,

The features that this body has doesn't have any resemblance to Ryze's original body, he turned into a completely new person but the system is definitely not wrong.

Rex stands back up while still looking at Ryze and his new body.

Both Edward and Gistella are looking at Rex waiting for him to say something, and when he did the two of them were also taken aback, "This is really Ryze..."

"What?! You're saying that this man here is Ryze?!", Edward exclaimed from the side.

Hearing this, Gistella immediately looks at Ryze that somehow turns into this monster of a man, "But Master, he doesn't look and even seems like Ryze at all"

Just as they are surprised, Adhara and Kyran arrived at the place.

"Rex, we have handled the Rirgas Family. But there is a slight problem, the masked man killed off many Awakened from the FAA, their corpses are scattered there", Kyran points at the direction where he met with the corpses.

But seeing that Rex didn't react and kept looking at an unconscious man, he frowned.

Adhara who approaches the unconscious man looks at the man before her eyes glance at Rex, "Who is this? Where's Ryze at?", she asks in confusion.

The silence of Rex, Edward, and Gistella makes Adhara even more confused.

Rex, Edward, and Gistella kept staring at the unconscious man with a look of disbelief, and connecting the dot, Adhara slowly widen her eyes in realization, "THIS IS RYZE?!"

A moment later,

With the others utterly confused by the situation, Rex decided to explain this to them.

Rex explained to the others that Ryze's consciousness has been taken over by a dragon called Zaddrass because of a pendant that he kept, and in order to save Ryze he decided to force Zaddrass to be devoured or absorbed by Ryze.

The only option besides that is Ryze becoming a mentally disabled person,

Upon hearing the explanation from Rex, the others can't help but look at Ryze who completely changed into his new body after absorbing Zaddrass power.

From the stats, Rex also finds that Ryze is no longer human.

"So basically, Ryze now is not a human anymore?", Edward asks from the side.

Hearing this, Rex nodded his head as the stats from the system stated that Ryze's race have turned from human into Heavenly Dragonman.

Adhara who is frowning on the side then added, "Will he be the same Ryze like before?"

"I don't know... we'll just have to find out", Rex replied before he looks back at the unconscious Ryze waiting for him to wake up, hoping that he will be okay and still the same.

Since the Disaster Squad is keeping a lookout, they have some time before the place is crowded.

While the others went to find a place for them to sit, Kyran stood on his spot while looking at Ryze who is unconscious with an unreadable expression.

It went on for a couple of seconds,

Not long after he does that, Kyran averts his gaze and follows the other.

After a moment of waiting, Rex looks at Ryze before deciding to just bring him back to the mansion since it looks like he won't be waking up anytime soon.

But then suddenly,

"Hahh!!", Ryze suddenly jolted awake.

All eyes immediately glanced in Ryze's direction, they saw Ryze is already sitting up.

Ryze opened his eyes revealing his now permanent red eyes that don't look human-like anymore, it's more of a creature just like the pendant he wore before.

Feeling confused, Ryze instantly stands up making the others nervous.

Since Ryze has completely turned into a different person, the others feel the need to be careful around him, Ryze's body now is like a stranger to the others.

Rex gazes at Ryze before he slowly approaches him, "Ryze, Do you remember me?"

"R-Rex? What happened to me?", Ryze mutters feeling an evident change in his body, he now doesn't need to look up as much to see Rex's eyes as before.

Their level of height is almost the same although Rex is still taller,

Seeing that Ryze is confused and also afraid, Rex tries to approach him, "Calm down, you're okay... nothing is wrong with you", he said trying to calm Ryze down.

But instead of calming down, Ryze becomes even more stressed.

"What is this body? This is not... what happened to me?!", Ryze shouted as his eyes glow red, the others stepped back sensing that Ryze is unstable.

Instead of Rex, the others create a distance from Ryze.

Feeling that something is weird with his body, Ryze looks down at the reflection of him in the water before his eyes slowly widen, "This is not me...Who am I?!

"Let's go back first, then I will explain everything to you", Rex said softly.

The way Rex is talking right now it's almost as if he's talking to a person strapped with a bomb, he needs to be very extra careful if he doesn't want the bomb to explode.

But the confusion overwhelmed Ryze as his eyes glows red even brighter.

"Rex... I think I'm going to throw up", Ryze mumbles while covering his mouth.

Upon hearing this, Rex frowned seeing that instead of throwing up his insides, a scorching hot fire started to crawl up Ryze's neck before turning his mouth fiery.

Before Rex can even warn Ryze about it,

"Raaarghh!", Ryze opens his mouth feeling that he was about to throw up, but blood-red fire came out of his mouth like a flamethrower instead that even catching himself in surprise.

Seeing this, Rex jumped out of the way but the edge of his elbow got hit by the fire.

'Even with my resistance to fire, this fire hurts me a lot', Rex thought with a frown.

There's no doubt that this is the Fire of Chaos the system talked about, it even manage to hurt Rex even though he's way stronger than Ryze.

It's not a normal fire, his fire resistance might not even work against it.

Rex then saw instead of closing his mouth, Ryze opened his mouth wider making the blood-red fire even stronger. His emotion is unstable from realizing that he's in an unfamiliar body.

Imagine waking up in someone else's body,

If it happened to adults, they might be able to handle the situation with calmness but not Ryze.

The others also jumped away not intending to get hit by the blood-red fire that emits a terrifying heat, even Rex is hurt by the fire so they need to be extra careful, especially Edward.

BOOM!

Ryze can't control the fire coming out of his mouth,

A spiral of blood-red fire coming from his mouth is just like a spark in the night, it hits the surrounding buildings, and everything it touches melted almost instantly.

"Ryze! Stop!", Rex shouted trying to stop Ryze.

Weirdly enough, while dodging the spiral of fire Rex saw that Ryze starting to lose more control and got engulfed by his dragon side the more he breathes the blood-red fire.

'This is going to be bad if it goes on', Rex thought in concern.

After dodging the fire breath that is following Ryze's head direction, Rex somersaulted before landing near Ryze again, "Ryze! Calm down! You're going to burn the place down!"

But instead of listening, "RAARGHH!"

BOOM!

Ryze attacks Rex with his fire breath as his eyes glow red brighter.

Dodging another attack from Ryze, Rex grits his teeth seeing that Ryze is already drowned by his new dragon side, he then turned into a streak of black lightning before grabbing Ryze by the neck stopping his fire breath.

"That's enough!"

BOOM!

Rex's eyes also glow red exposing his Werewolf side, a powerful shockwave of aura blasted from his body snapping Ryze out of his daze, the suppressing aura is too much that it even makes Ryze's glowing eyes turn back to normal.

It's still not normal but they didn't glow red anymore,

Even with him becoming a Heavenly Dragon race, the sight of Rex's predator eyes suppressed even the dragon side of him making him whimper.

Just like a dragon meets a wolf only find the wolf is even bigger than itself.

Ryze grip Rex's arm trying to retaliate to no avail,

The curving back horns started to appear on Rex's head amplifying his aura, even more, his eyes are looking directly at Ryze whose confusion slowly turning into fear.

"It's enough..."

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"It's enough..."

Ryze loosened his grip under Rex's piercing cold stare, he slowly regained back his consciousness, he blinks a couple of times before he mutters, "R-Rex?"

"Calm down now, I'll explain to you in detail later", Rex said before putting Ryze down.

The others who are on the back slowly approach closer seeing that Ryze has already calmed down, they all still feel weirded out while looking at the new Ryze.

Especially Adhara and Gistella who just a moment ago thought Ryze is just a kid.

But looking at his manly muscular body right now, Ryze can't be considered a kid anymore even though he probably still has the mentality of a kid.

'At least he's still our Ryze, he's only confused', Rex sighed in relief.

Just as he wanted to say something, Rex saw that Adhara's face redden before she turns her body away in the other direction not intending to face Ryze.

Seeing this, Rex was confused before he turns his body and look back.

Upon seeing Ryze who has now regained back his consciousness and covering his crotch, Rex smiled wryly remembering that Ryze is still completely naked.

"Give him something to wear", Adhara suddenly said.

Hearing this, Rex chuckles as the situation is finally over, "Why is your face red like that, Ryze is still just a kid you know", he teased making Adhara even more embarrassed.

"Just do your space thingy and get him some clothes", Adhara replied rolling her eyes.

<Sudden Quest Completed!>

<Obtained 7,000,000,000 Exp, Teeth of Red, and Chaos Fire Rune>

<Level up!>

<Obtained 3 Attributable Stats>

<Sudden Quest Completed>

<Obtained 2,000,000,000 Exp, 100,000 Gold, and Ethos of Red Force>

Rows of notifications from the system appeared in Rex's vision as he completed the sudden quests, the exp he got managed to make him level up.

After briefly looking at the notifications, Rex opened the shop to buy some clothes for Ryze.

"Here, use this", Rex said before throwing a black robe.

Ryze who is still covering his crotch shyly which is very contrasting with his domineering and muscular body catches the black robe and instantly wore it hurriedly.

Although the quests are over, the main problem is still not over.

Billy has managed to escape before Rex even tries to find out about his goal, he only knows that Billy wants power, and he is even willing to absorb Zaddrass's power which is a Supernatural power just to become stronger.

Not that Rex can say anything about that though considering he's also a Supernatural.

This just shows the length Billy is willing to go through just to become powerful as if it was a matter of life and death for him.

'If he wants power this bad, then there must be a bigger picture here', Rex thought with a sigh.

With that, Rex then glances at the others, "Take Ryze back to the mansion before more FAA and UWO Awakened gets here, he's still unstable so make sure to not get caught"

Hearing this, the others nodded their heads.

But when they all wanted to bring Ryze back, Rex grabs Adhara's arm and said, "Prepare to depart as soon as tomorrow, we're going to the Vampire territory"

"Who's going to watch over the mansion?", Adhara asks in concern.

The incident where their families are in grave danger from the Atkins Family's pursuit is still inside Adhara's head, leaving her father without any protection even in sector 2 is still unsettling to her heart.

Rex smiles before he replied assuringly, "I'll let Edward bring his family into the mansion"

"He will be there to babysit our families while trying to reach the sixth rank, if something happened he will tell me instantly and we can go back. Don't worry"

Just as when Rex wanted to turn around,

He suddenly saw Adhara looking at Edward with a troubled look making him chuckle, "Edward is on our side, he will never betray me", he added seeing that Adhara is still skeptical about Edward.

After saying that, Rex then glances at Edward who is talking with Ryze, "Edward!"

"Yeah?", Edward replied while approaching them.

Rex then points at Adhara with his eyes and said teasingly, "Adhara doesn't trust you because of your betrayal, How do you respond to that?"

"Ouch... How could you doubt me Adhara? I thought we're closer than that", Edward said while holding his chest pretending to be in pain, and this sparks a roll from Adhara's eyes before she walks past Edward who is being dramatic.

"Come on! You really thought that I'm such a bad guy?"

"You're acting suspicious, of course, I will be suspicious"

"I'm not a bad guy! My acting is just really damn good! But wait, if you're being like this then in a way, you're complimenting my superior acting skills!"

"How about it? Should I quit being an Awakened and become an actor instead?"

"Shut up!"

Rex looks at the both of them bickering with a slight chuckle, but his eyes then shifted to Kyran on the side, "You stay here Kyran, let's gather the corpses of the masked people first"

"After that lead me to where you met with the Rirgas Family, we need to get our facts straight"

"Okay, follow me", Kyran replied before they both dashed away.

With the damage done not only to the buildings but also to the signature man-made lake that has its water level decreased by a huge amount, the FAA and UWO will definitely interrogate them.

The Rirgas Family is the first one they will interrogate so the facts must be straight.

A moment later,

Rex arrives at the place where the corpses of the FAA Awakened lie, the scene troubled him since there's not a trace of mana in all of their wounds, "This is certainly weird..."

The masked figures are still a mystery to Rex,

Not only does their power doesn't contain any sort of mana just like the black hand, but their race changed from human to Impure human.

Even the black hand who got power through a serum, they're still human.

So this development of the masked figures surely has a dark story behind them, the word Impure itself suggests that their bloodline might been tampered with.

"But the weird part about this is that there's no way the masked people can kill these many FAA Awakened, it's just impossible", Kyran said from the side with a frown.

They fought with the masked figures before and finds that not only do they possess weird abilities, their fighting skill is very weak compared to their peak sixth rank power.

It's relatively easy to deal with them, so there's no way the FAA Awakened can lose to them.

Rex frowned upon hearing this, the fact that these FAA Awakened died here means that there is someone that is able to wipe them all, 'Is it Billy? But he shouldn't be able to do this'

After checking the place, Rex and Kyran then dashed away again.

Not long after, they find Luisella commanding her men in front of a very huge Ice Dome that was probably a spell to protect the citizen used by Luisella,

'The people are inside the dome, she's certainly a seventh rank Awakened', Rex thought.

Luisella then notices Rex and Kyran approaching, they are carrying four corpses of the masked figures using mana. They both then landed right in front of her.

Seeing their arrival, Luisella slightly bowed politely.

"Oh? Not so cocky now huh?", Kyran suddenly said with a mocking tone.

Hearing this, Luisella bit her lips while bowing her head before her expression returned to neutral when she faced Rex, "I see that you kept the citizen safe", Rex said lightly.

"Of course, they're my citizen", she replied making Rex chuckle.

Without wasting any more time, Rex then threw the corpses of the masked figures in front of her before he said, "That's the people that attacked the sector, I don't recognize them being a part of any organizations"

Luisella looks at the masked figures' corpses before she knelt on the ground and open the masks.

Upon opening the masks of the corpses, Luisella frown in disgusts seeing that the face of these masks corpses are disfigured and even hardly human-like since their faces are skinless.

If not for their auras, some might even suspect them as Supernaturals.

"What are their goals here?", Luisella asks.

Hearing this, Rex already think of an excuse while on the way as he replied, "I don't really know but they're doing something inside the lake, almost as if they're searching for something"

"The lake? Then they're probably searching for the lake's core", Lusiella replied.

Seeing that Rex doesn't know what she's talking about, Luisella then explains, "There's a core inside the lake that is supposed to be an eighth-rank treasure, but the location of the core is hidden and that core is the thing that imbued mana into the water"

"If that's the case, then they must be searching for that", Rex replied.

After fooling Luisella so that they will state the same facts later if they're interrogated, Rex then said, "I have a business to attend, if the FAA wanted to meet me just send them to my mansion"

"These masked people are the perpetrator, hand them over to the FAA', he added.

Rex and Kyran then turn around intending to leave after saying that, there's nothing more to do here and they need to prepare for tomorrow.

But just after they walked a couple of steps away, "I got one more question..."

Luisella suddenly said from the back, Rex and Kyran stop their advance, and they both turn around to look at her with questioning gazes before she added, "These people are no doubt the perpetrator but why are you here, Rex?"

"How do you know these people are going to attack sector 3B?", she added suspiciously.

Thinking logically, many would find it suspicious for Rex to suddenly appear here just when these masked people are about to attack.

It's almost as if he knew that they would be attacking,

'Since Billy infiltrate my mansion, I have a solid reason to be here but I can't say that...', Rex thought while keeping his stoic and neutral expression.

If Rex uses that reason then Ryze will be put into the mix,

Although Ryze has only been with him for a couple of months, the Faraday University's students know how he looks, and seeing him suddenly turned into a muscular man like now will arise more suspicion which will eventually point to him being a Supernatural.

A Dragonman to be exact, and without a doubt, Ryze will be executed.

The situation might even escalate if Rex got investigated since he took in a kid that turns out to be a Dragonman, his identity as a Werewolf might even be found out if that were to happen.

While thinking hard in his head giving a couple of seconds of dead silence,

Rex then gazes at the sky that is slowly turning bright from the sun before he looks back at Lusiella who is waiting for him to answer, "Did you forget Luisella...?"

"I said that you're going to make a decision today, but I still haven't gotten your answer yet"

Hearing this, Luisella widen her eyes before she bit her lips.

The expression she's wearing right now makes a smirk appear on Rex's face, he then looks to the side and said, "I do still feel that I let Vanessa off too easily, maybe I should visit her..."

"Fine! I agree with your terms!", Lusiella finally decided helplessly.

After getting the answer, Rex turns back again slowly, "A wise choice, then I'll send someone to manage your family. For now, Goodbye..."

Swoosh!

Even after Rex dashes away, Kyran stood on his spot while looking at Luisella.

"As I said earlier, we own you...", Kyran said with a mocking smirk.

Many of the Awakened belonging to the Rirgas Family wanted to jump at him regardless of what Luisella might do after but they all stopped remembering the scene from before, where Kyran showed the disparity of their strength from just summoning his spirit.

Without a doubt, they won't be able to beat Kyran.

Even aside from the powerful spirit he possesses, Kyran is also a Dark Elementalist that is widely known to be terrifyingly evil and violent.

They held their urge to pounce at Kyran as their bodies trembled,

But upon looking at the dark faces of these Awakened and even Luisella, Kyran's smirks become even wider, "That's what I thought", he said before disappearing into the darkness.

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The next day,

Rex and the others are currently on a dead plain with a city on a hill that can be seen on the side, they are currently in a place just beside Eqosa City.

The others are already strapped in their armors ready for a battle.

Gistella is wearing the same armor as she used back at the mansion that Rex gave her, she will become the Enchanter of the team that can also act as a tank if needed.

On her side is Adhara holding the Duality Daggers,

Adhara is wearing a purple combat suit with enhanced leather pants for the sake of mobility, she will need these kinds of wearing so she can move around freely, but she also wore a pauldron on her right shoulder that also covers her upper right arm and neck.

She looks like a rogue but still has a bit of fashion to her armors.

Just beside Delta who is currently eating something is Kyran,

Kyran is wearing a black robe with a hood that covers his entire body, above the black robe is a one-set black armor that protects his body, arms, and legs making him look like an assassin straight from the pitch of darkness itself.

Instead of a dagger, Kyran is holding a black spear.

At first, Rex suggests that he sticks to the daggers that he already trained in, but Kyran said that since merging with his spirit he feels like using a spear more than daggers.

Even when Rex test Kyran out, he surprisingly becomes very skilled in using a spear.

Rex already asked Devo about it, and he said that some spirits give that kind of effect so Rex finally bought Kyran a black spear.

Every piece of armor these three wore is seventh-rank equipment,

With the money Rex currently has, buying these armors doesn't even pain him like before he defeated Wesley Atkins and took over his business.

Then finally, right in front of the three of them is Rex.

Rex is still wearing the sleeveless black armor that he used during the mission, two scabbards are strapped on his back with one of them strapping the Amuerus Katana.

Unlike the usual silver sword, Rex bought a new one.

This silver sword is called the Silver Eye, a seventh-rank silver sword that gets its name from the cross-guard that is circle-shaped and has an eye carved on it. Just like before, the hilt of this Silver Eye is covered with an enhanced cloth so Rex doesn't get weakened by the silver.

After looking back at the others, Rex then looks at the far distance, "Rosie, Wait for me..."

Chapter 459 Mother's Intuition

The morning that day,

Just like expected a few agents from the FAA come knocking to Rex's mansion asking about the thing that happened in sector 3B, the dead FAA Awakened is the main topic.

Everything in sector 3B is destroyed because of Zaddrass,

But with the masked figures as the black goat, Rex can get out of their suspicion easily.

Although Rex doesn't want the FAA and even the UWO to pursue after Billy who is clearly the main culprit since he's the one that took Ryze, he has to if not then he will be in the spotlight.

That spotlight can quickly turn for the worst if he takes one wrong step.

'I'm sorry Billy, but you did it anyway knowing full well that Ryze is with me. You didn't even justify anything to me', Rex thought with a sight.

Rex explained everything that happened that night excluding Ryze's part.

With the information, he gave matched Luisella's, the agents from the FAA left the mansion but just as Rex wanted to close the door, "Oh! Sir Rex"

"Yeah?", Rex stopped mid-track hearing one of the agents called him.

The agent then takes a paper from his coat before he showed it to Rex, "From what you remember, does this masked person that manage to escape resembles this person?"

Rex took the paper and read it and realized that it was Billy's military biography.

"Since you're this person's friend during your time serving in the military, we thought that you might find some similarities from the masked person with Billy over here", the agent added.

Hearing this, Rex's eyes are glued to the paper with a frown.

After snapping out of his thought, Rex then glanced back at the agent before he smiled, "He's wearing a skull mask, so I don't know. But probably not", he replied giving back the paper.

"If it's not classified, how can the FAA comes to this conclusion?", Rex asks curiously.

The agent puts back the paper inside his coat before he replied, "Of course, I'll tell you. You and Billy know each other after all so it's natural that you're curious"

"The military has been under investigation for a couple of weeks now, some reported that they're doing unapproved experiments on the new recruits. We narrowed down the division under the suspected officer and find a couple of missing military personnel, Billy here is one of the suspected lab rats. We're trying to find evidence to press charge to the military but personally, I doubt the military did this"

"We're just doing this to appease the reports asking us to investigate, the military loses many members daily so why would they do experiments. That's for the UWO to do if necessary"

Rex listen to this attentively before he nodded his head,

'You forget that the military is once a powerful organization but now they become cannon fodder compared to the UWO and SCO, I bet they're trying to make their own super soldiers", Rex thought with a sigh.

Even though this is new news, he's not surprised at all.

The state of humanity since the Supernatural Emergence has dwindled down, and morality that is spread and known by everyone prior to the Supernatural Emergence has been lost.

It won't be surprising that many of these organizations are doing darker stuff.

After seeing the agents off, Rex was about to get back inside to prepare for his departure to the Vampire Territory but suddenly he saw a car entering through the gate of the mansion.

'Who is it now?', Rex thought while looking at the approaching car.

Unlike the cars parked around here that are considered a luxury, especially Edward's car, the car that is just entered the gate after getting checked by the guarding Awakened is a normal black sedan that Rex has never seen before.

But while looking at the car, Rex scans the two people inside the car before his heart dropped.

'Oh no... Why are they here at the worst possible time', Rex thought as he gulps harshly, his elegance and confident demeanor vanishes almost instantly upon realizing the people inside the car that just stopped in front of him.

Even the Awakened guarding the entrance into the mansion saw this change of demeanor.

For them, Rex is always confident and gives off an aura that of a cold leader, but upon seeing the black sedan all of his imposing aura vanishes.

This even makes the Awakened curious about who the people inside the car is,

Rex is rooted at his spot while waiting for the two people inside the car to come out, and when the door of the car opened following the two people coming out, Rex's heart is drumming like a war drum and he even started to sweat.

Looking at the two people, Rex was brought back to where it all began.

All of this started ever since the incident in the Nokas Mall right after he got discharged from the hospital, the two people that somehow make his heartthrob in pain.

They're Rosie's parents, Muji and Cinta...

"Sir Rex...", Muji stepped up politely followed by Cinta on his side.

Seeing the Awakened here that is all way stronger than himself makes Muji feels inferior, he smiles his brightest smile before he added, "Sorry for the sudden visit, are you busy right now?"

Rex is staring at them blankly as he's still stunned,

Cinta and Muji look at each other with a wry smile seeing that Rex didn't answer them, but Rex eventually snapped out of his daze, "I-It's fine..."

"Please come inside, both of you", he added before stepping to the side.

Hearing this, Muji and Cinta walk inside the mansion and gasp seeing that everything inside of the mansion is sparkling and screaming expensive.

Both of them didn't even move from their spot before Rex walk past them.

Rex walks slowly toward the sofa before turning to look at them nervously, but they misunderstand Rex's nervous look to questioning look, they then hurriedly went to the sofa opposite Rex and stand there.

Just after Rex sat down do they also sat down,

Although Rex is currently looking at the both of them with a calm gaze, inside he's really nervous fearing that they might as Rosie to him.

'But Rosie should've told them that I'm not her boyfriend anymore right?', Rex thought.

Bead of cold sweat started to flow down the side of his face while waiting for them to say something, he himself can't mutter anything from the nervousness and guilt.

Muji who also feels uncomfortable from the silence wanted to say something but got interrupted.

"Master...", Gistella's voice suddenly seeped into Rex's ears.

Hearing this, Rex turned his head to the side and saw Gistella walking slowly towards him from the hallway that leads to her and Kyran's room, "What is it Gistella?"

"Did I interrupt something?", Gistella asks again with her soothing voice.

She saw that Rex is sitting in the guest room with two other people on the opposite sides.

Rex glanced at Muji and Cinta who are currently looking at Gistella with wide eyes, they both almost popped their eyes out seeing such a beautiful woman calling Rex master.

Her silvery hair and her delicate silky face are unmatched,

After coming to see Rex today and someone would ask who is the most beautiful woman they have ever seen, the both of them will definitely point at Gistella.

Realizing that Gistella is looking at him, Muji then hurriedly replied, "Not at all! Please, we can wait"

Gistella nodded her head before she looks back at Rex, "Should I tell the Disaster Squad to prepare for the departure too?"

"No, we'll leave them here with Edward", Rex replied shortly.

Hearing this, Gistella nodded her head gracefully before she turns around and leave.

Rex then glance back at the two who are still looking at the fading Gistella before he finally said, "So, What is the purpose of your visit sir Muji?"

Muji was caught off guard when Rex called his name,

"I don't have your contacts so I'm sorry if our visit disturbs you, but I'm here regarding Rosie. She has been uncontactable for about two weeks now, I'm wondering if you know where she went because this is so unlike her", Muji explains while scratching his head.

But this made Rex's heart freeze as he didn't know what to say.

Once again, they misunderstood Rex's stiff expression as Cinta added, "We know that you're not Rosie's boyfriend again, but I'm wondering if she has ever contacted you"

"Even when we visited Faraday University, they told us that Rosie has been absent"

"Rosie always messages us once in a while but she has never been gone this long, we're worried about her since we can't find her anyway. I just got a feeling that something bad happened to her, so that's why we're hoping that you have a clue of where she is"

Rex listens to what Cinta has to say with no expression,

But when he heard that Cinta has a feeling that something bad happened to her, Rex instantly stands up from the sofa and said, "I'm sorry, but I have something to do"

"I will try to help you, if I find anything then I will tell you immediately", Rex added.

Hearing this, Cinta and Muji look at each other in confusion, Rex's sudden change makes them confused since he just told them a minute ago that it's fine to visit him now.

Nevertheless, they got up seeing that Rex has an urgent expression on his face.

'I'm sorry but I can't tell you about it now, but I'll make sure to bring Rosie back', Rex thought while he leads Muji and Cinta outside.

After they got outside, Rex then said to the Awakened guard, "Please escort them away"

"Yes, Sir!", the Awakened replied.

The Awakened guard then looks at Muji and Cinta before signaling with his hand, "Dear guests, please follow me", he said lightly.

Without even seeing Muji and Cinta leave,

Rex closed the door into the mansion before he stayed by the door looking down at the ground, he can't bear to look at Rosie's parents any longer.

'Mother's intuition... I need to hurry', Rex thought before he went to his room.

Back to the present,

Rex and the others are currently in front of the gate of the city beside Eqosa City which is getting rebuilt back, they seem to be waiting for something or someone.

On the side, Delta is eating the Undead carcass that Rex kept in the inventory.

But the Undead carcasses don't belong to Durrant, the seventh rank Undead that he killed since he has other plans for that carcass, "Gistella", Rex called.

"Yes master...", Gistella approaches Rex and replies with her soothing voice.

After she got close, Rex then takes out Durrant's carcass which is very big from the inventory before he points at it, "Absorb this carcass, can you do it?"

"I think I can master", Gistella replied before walking closer to the carcass.

Using her hands, Gistella touches Durrant's carcass without showing any hint of emotion even though this once was her kind and also her leader.

Rex looks at this from the back before he suddenly saw something weird happening.

Right after Gistella touches Durrant's carcass, her hands start to suck the death energy leftover inside of Durrant's body like a vacuum.

It gradually decreases the size of Durrant's body at a visible rate,

Every speck of death energy that is inside every corner of Durrant's body got sucked out of him as Gistella's aura slowly got stronger, her body flutters converting the death energy she absorbed from Durrant into her own bluish energy.

While inspecting this from the back,

Rex saw some of the death energy doesn't get absorbed into Gistella's body, some of the death energy hovers behind creating a grey ball in front of her.

After a couple of minutes, Durrant's body is completely drained of death energy.

Upon looking at the grey ball of death energy, Rex finds that it can't be considered death energy anymore but instead a strand of the pure essence of energy.

It doesn't have a type, it's a typeless pure essence of energy.

Gistella looks at the grey ball before she can feel her black heart starting to beat slowly, it's excited from this grey ball wanting to devour it.

But before she devours it, Gistella looks back at Rex asking for permission.

Rex nodded his head in confirmation before Gistella looks back at the grey ball and slowly pull into the middle of her chest where the black heart lies.

Just after the grey ball got greedily absorbed by the black heart,

Swish!

A subtle shockwave exploded from Gistella's body, her black heart starting to beat even faster making Gistella closes her eyes feeling the subtle changes.

After another half a minute, she then opens her eyes and stands up.

"How do you feel?", Rex asks curiously.

Hearing this, Gistella looks at her own body before she replied, "I'm feeling... better!"

"Try activating your power, you should be able to summon a scale that will amplify your physical ability greatly", Rex instructed as the system said.

While focusing on the black heart, Gistella slowly channels the pure essence inside the black heart toward her arm just like she did when using her bluish energy, and just right after she did that scales start to appear on her right arm.

Rex inspects Gistella's stats and finds all of the physical stats increased,

Although he doesn't know exactly how much increases happened to Gistella's stats, it's at least comparable to his red force or maybe even greater.

"What is this master?", Gistella asks while looking at the dark bronze scales.

The dark bronze scales substitute the skin on her right arm covering it like armor, and she can feel the power brought by these scales, "That's your ability as a Werewolf Fiend, you can use that to enhance your body or block an attack"

But just after he said that Rex and the others sensed a person approaching.

A woman with blazing red hair wearing armor just like them slowly approached them from the city's gate direction, this woman is no doubt, Evelyn, whom Rex invited.

'She's one of us now, so I need to invite her', Rex thought.

He then glances at Adhara after looking at Evelyn, 'Now, how will she react', but just after he thought of that, Rex widens his eyes when he saw Adhara is already grinding her teeth and her eyes are glowing yellow.

A light cracking sound can be heard as her fingernails turn into claws while glaring at Evelyn.

If eyes can kill, Adhara's eyes right now will not only kill Evelyn but devour her entire body and even the last strand of her soul without mercy.

'She's surely taking this very well...'

Chapter 460 Silverstar Pack Hierarchy

"Adhara, Someone might see you", Kyran whispers from the side.

Since the survivors of this city are currently rebuilding their city back, some of the more abled men are currently doing heavy work in front of the gate of the city.

The gate and also the walls of the city crumbled completely,

In order to rebuild back their city, the first thing they need to do is to repair the walls before slowly building the insides since if any wandering mutated animal passes by then they will be screwed and need to start all over again.

The mutated animals mainly came from the forest, it's unlikely but still possible.

Hearing this, Adhara retracts back her transformation instantly before she glances to the side where thankfully the survivors don't really notice her changing.

Although Adhara's anger came out of the blue, Kyran knows where it came from.

'This woman is the fourth member of our pack, I knew it', Kyran thought while looking at the approaching Evelyn, he has saw Evelyn before but he never talked with her.

Kyran knows that Rex asks her for help, but to actually turned her still comes as a surprise.

Seeing that Adhara has retracts back her transformation and aura, Rex clears his dry throat since Adhara is clearly angry before he asks, "Are you okay, Adhara?"

His question didn't get replied to for a good ten intense seconds,

Adhara didn't even glance back at him before she finally turns her head towards Rex putting on a subtle smile, "I'm alright, you don't have to worry"

'Of course, you are!', Rex exclaimed inside his head.

Since the day that he's forced to turn Evelyn into a Werewolf because of her dying state, Rex already thought of this moment since turning Evelyn into a Werewolf will clearly upset Adhara.

But aside from that, Evelyn will bring many benefits to him.

Her channel as the daughter of the Luc Family, and her inherent talent as a dual Elementalist alone are already enticing enough for Rex to think about turning her into a Werewolf way back during the 25 Golden Crest banquet when she learned that he's a Werewolf.

Since she's dying already, Rex gladly turns her but the only problem is Adhara.

'I've developed a soft spot for her... I'm the Alpha so she will just need to accept this', Rex thought before looking back at Adhara who looks calm but he knows that inside she's really shocked upon seeing Evelyn.

The only reason they just noticed that Rex has turned Evelyn into a Werewolf is that she now has become a full-fledged Werewolf, back then they all didn't notice this because she was still a half-Werewolf.

Now that the Silverstar mark has finally turned her into a full-fledged Werewolf, everyone finally sensed her as one of their own the moment they lays their eyes on her.

Rex glanced at Kyran before he thought, 'He doesn't seem that surprised, did he know already?'

Evelyn walk slowly towards them with the metallic sound of her armor following her, she decided to meet with them here since she have something to do and decided to just teleport to Eqosa City. Their teleport formation has just been fixed.

"How was your trip? I believe it's way better than ours", Rex said with a chuckle.

Hearing this, Evelyn smiles lightly before she replied shrugging her shoulders, "Stop complaining already, I told you to wait for me but you're the one that wanted to go first"

"You didn't tell me about the teleport formation part", Rex replied while shaking his head.

Because of the visit from Rosie's parents, Rex decided to leave for the Vampire territory as soon as possible fearing that Rosie might be in danger ignoring Evelyn's request to wait for her.

Turns out she brings the news that the teleport formation in Egosa City has been fixed.

During the UWO Undead mission they can teleport to this destroyed city behind them, but to do that they need to go through the UWO first and that's not an option.

If anyone knows that Rex is out of the city, troubles might come.

Rex and the others need to go here by Delta through many cities until they finally reach here, it's quite a long travel but they manage to reach this place just before nightfall.

But under everyone's gaze, Evelyn walk past the others and went straight to Rex.

"Alright, we're going to move now. We'll go thro-"

While Rex is trying to explain to the others their destination, he looks at Evelyn weirdly since she's getting closer to him, in fact, too close for comfort halting Rex's sentence.

Then out of nowhere, "I miss you...", she suddenly said before kissing Rex right on his cheek.

Her kiss came out of nowhere and surprises the others,

All of their eyes widen upon seeing this as even Rex himself was surprised to see that Evelyn dares to do that in front of the others, but as if it was not enough, after kissing Rex's cheek Evelyn glanced back and directly look at Adhara with a taunting smirk.

Veins started bulging on Adhara's neck as she saw Evelyn's taunting smirk.

BOOM!!

CRACK!!

A powerful reign of purple aura blasted from Adhara's body to the surroundings as even the ground started to crack, bursting with violet flames. The scale of her aura spreads to the surrounding that even the air around her started to tremble, pressuring the surrounding.

The survivors were caught off guard by the sudden pressures as they all got put to their knees.

Seeing this, Gistella immediately activates her energy and protects the survivors from Adhara's crushing aura lest they all die from it.

CRACK!

Adhara slowly raises her burning gaze to Evelyn as the crack on the ground spread wider,

The crack on the ground that is bursting with purple fire started spreading within a mile radius. It's caused by only her aura alone, and it kept spreading after getting amplified by her wind mana.

It's only thanks to Gistella that the gate and walls that are being rebuilt still stand.

Adhara's power is only in the realm of the mid-sixth rank Awakened, but the scale of destruction her aura can cause is monstrous even for a peak-sixth rank due to her being a Dual Elementalist with supporting elements.

The only reason Rex or any other Awakened he fights doesn't show this kind of destruction is because of one thing, if they did this in Ratmawati then many people will die.

Only a reckless Awakened will kill innocent people just to display power.

Adhara did this probably because of her anger and also she knew that Gistella can protect the survivors, that is probably why she did this.

If Rex is the one who did this, then the scale of destruction he will be insurmountable.

Not many people can see such a display of power as Adhara is doing right now from an Awakened because they're on human territory, but if it were on the battlefield then a sight like this is a daily occurrence since many Awakened can crush lower-rank Supernatural with their own aura alone which is very convenient to take out many in an instant.

Awakened that has sixth rank power and above is like a walking nuke, they're very destructive.

Seeing this, Rex remembered his time back in the war.

One of his higher-ranking officers once told him that an Awakened is a living weapon, and above sixth rank Awakened can destroy Supernaturals that the military fought for years with a wave of their hands.

They're just that strong compared to normal humans.

Evelyn didn't even budge from her spot even under Adhara's burning glare, the taunting smirk on her face is still evident. Adhara's purple fire is not able to hurt Evelyn at all, her body is cloaked by dark red fire. Not even a splash of purple fire manage to touch her.

Without even backing down, Evelyn's body blasted with her own element like a tidal of erupting flames from the pit of hell itself.

BOOM!!

Dark red fire exploded from her body matching the aura Adhara emitted.

There's a wailing sound each time Evelyn's fire wavers and splashes to the surroundings because of the sound mana it got imbued, and each friction of the sound caused painful ringing in one's ears.

Both of them stand off against each other with clear hostility, an intense staredown.

Some of the survivors that finally recovered from the suppression of their auras look up in utter shock, "Are the Awakened fighting with each other?"

"I-I can't breathe!", a man mutters trying to take huge deep breaths.

Many of them are on the ground doing the same, trying to take huge deep breaths because of the aura that even covered by Gistella's protection barrier still pressed down their chests.

It's like an invisible force pressing down their chests making it hard to breathe.

"Adhara... Why are you so angry for? It's just a peck on the cheek", Evelyn said tauntingly.

Hearing the clear mock from Evelyn makes Adhara grinds her teeth in anger, her eyes glowing bright yellow while glaring at Evelyn with immense anger swelling up inside of her, "Do that again, and I'll make sure to burn every inch of your disgusting body"

"Rex is mine...", she added with a threatening voice.

Upon seeing this, Rex wanted to stop their exchange but suddenly stopped.

<Evelyn Luc is Challenging the Female Alpha, Adhara Alpenore!>

<Pack Hierarchy Feature has been unlocked!>

<Calculating Pack Members' prowess...>

<Completed!>

<Assigning Werewolf rank occupation to the current pack members...>

<Completed!>

<The user can now view the Battle Prowess Hierarchy and Silverstar Pack Occupation!>

<Does the user allow Evelyn Luc to battle with Adhara Alpenore now?>

<Combat Stake>

Recommended Time of the Battle: Night Time!

Occupation: Female Alpha

Hierarchy Rank: 3rd

Winner Battle Reward: 1.5% Evolution Process

The sudden notifications from the system surprised Rex as they came out of nowhere, he doesn't expect to see so many notifications from the system, 'Pack Hierarchy Feature? What is that?'

<Pack Hierarchy>

Silverstar Pack is growing in numbers, battle competition is a must in any Werewolf Pack to enhance the bond of the pack members. This feature allows the member of the Silverstar Pack to be ranked numerically according to their battle prowess, this feature also allows the user to see the current pack members' Werewolf rank occupation and also adjust, demote, and promote them according to the user's will.

'New feature huh...'

'System, show me the Battle Prowess Hierarchy', Rex finally said after briefly reading the description.

<Battle Prowess Hierarchy>'

- 1. Gistella Werewolf Fiend
- 2. Kyran Cervantes Azure High Werewolf
- 3. Adhara Alpenore High Werewolf
- 4. Evelyn Luc Exalted Werewolf

Upon looking at the battle prowess hierarchy, Rex was surprised to see that Kyran is actually stronger than Adhara which he personally thought is incorrect, 'How are they ranked?'

<As the Pack Hierarchy Feature has just been opened, the rank calculation is purely based on their bloodline talent to become stronger. This rank can be changed through combat>

'What do they get for climbing the rank?', Rex asks again.

If the Pack Hierarchy feature is only made to help him then Rex doesn't see why the others need to fight for ranks except for recognition like what Adhara and Evelyn are doing right now.

But then, the system's answer surprises Rex.

<Pack members that occupy a higher rank in the Battle Prowess Hierarchy will receive benefits>

<Battle Prowess Hierarchy Benefit>

1st Rank Benefits:

Telepathy - Allows to communicate with the Alpha indirectly

Crying Howl - Able to call for the Alpha and instantly went to the Alpha

Suppression - Decrease the opponents' stats by 10% during a hierarchy combat

Trusted Alpha's Beta - Increase stats by 10% for as long as occupying the first rank

Alpha's Wisdom - Able to be bestowed one skill from the Alpha's Arsenal

Alpha's Favorite - Gain a 25% boost in absorbing the Prince's aura to evolve their bloodline

2nd Rank Benefits:

Telepathy - Allows to communicate with the Alpha indirectly

Crying Howl - Able to call for the Alpha and instantly went to the Alpha

Alpha's Beta - 5% Increase for as long as occupying the second rank

Alpha's Second Favorite - Gain a 15% boost in absorbing the Prince's aura to evolve their bloodline

3rd Rank Benefits:

Telepathy - Allows to communicate with the Alpha indirectly

Alpha's Third Favorite - Gain a 5% boost in absorbing the Prince's aura to evolve their bloodline

Rex looks at the huge notification in front of him with a frown,

There are some skills that he still doesn't understand from the benefit of the Battle Prowess Hierarchy like the Alpha's Favorite and Crying Howl.

'What does the Alpha Favorite do?', Rex asks the system in confusion.

Although he knows that it's somekind of boost, he didn't really know what absorbing the Prince's aura means, 'Absorbing my aura? System, explain it to me in a simple term'

<Prince's aura will enhance the evolution process of any Werewolf in its presence aside from the moonlight power, the first rank pack member will gain a 25% boost in speed of their evolution process>

Reading this, Rex then remembers another feature.

He then looks at Adhara who is still standing off against Evelyn before he activates the Pack Inspection Feature, another notification then appears.

<Bloodline Evolution - Adhara Alpenore>

Evolution Process: High Werewolf - 7%

Berserk Stat: 88% Sanity Stat: 27%

After inspecting Adhara through the Pack Inspection Feature, Rex finds the Evolution Process bar there that states 7%, 'So they're gaining the boost there', he thought. Basically, getting exposed to Rex's Prince's aura will slowly rile up a Werewolf's bloodline and the one occupying the first rank will gain a 25% boost.

Rex remembered that Jarvald got stronger thanks to meeting him too, and that is because of his Prince's aura. As for the Crying Howl skill, Rex can test it out later when he has time.

'How about the Silverstar Pack Occupation?', Rex thought.

The Pack Hierarchy Feature consists of two things, the Battle Prowess Hierarchy and another called the Silverstar Pack Occupation.

Just after Rex thought of that,

<Silverstar Pack Occupation>

- 1. Adhara Alpenore Female Alpha
- 2. Kyran Cervantes Beta
- 3. Gistella Beta
- 4. Evelyn Luc Beta

After looking at the notification briefly, Rex then asks again, 'What does this feature do?'

<Each occupation will have different effects on the pack member who got bestowed by it, the user will be able to adjust a pack member's occupation here and even change it to another unlocked occupation that can be bought through the shop>

'Unlocked occupation? Show me the available occupations', Rex instructed curiously.

For as long as he knows about the hierarchy of a Werewolf, Rex only knows about Alpha, Beta, and Omega which is the common ones.

So he's curious to see the other occupation in the shop,

<Shop - Filtered to Occupation>

Gamma

Delta

Zeta

Ultima

Rex looks at the lists of occupations that has still some more even after Ultima curiously, he's reading through the description of each of them to see what they are all about.

But while browsing, he suddenly stopped, 'Wait, this is not the time for this...'

The notifications from the system showing a new feature distracted Rex, he closes the system's shop before he focuses back on his front. Evelyn and Adhara have thankfully stopped fighting.

"We're getting sidetracked, let's go", Rex said before he suddenly frown,

Looking at the others, he finds that something weird is going on as the others are not paying attention to him but they're all looking at someone instead.

All of them are looking at Gistella...