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Chapter 591 My Dear Sweet Boy

Edward appeared in front of Zero with his determined eyes, the veins from his spirit core to his fist is glowing with dark fire and can be seen clearly even through the skin. It was the last attempt to take down Zero that went berserk attacking them.

"Colossal Wrath, Plane Destroyer!"

While still falling from the sky, Ryze saw Edward swings his fist with all his might.

Even though Zero reacted very quickly exposing some light that glows in his hand, it seems that he was too late as the punch landed directly on his chest before creating a thunderous sound, it was the impact sound of the power of that punch.

BAM!

Blood escapes Zero's mouth as he widens his eyes and was sent streaming away.

Not only does the punch create a devastating shockwave that flattened everything in the surroundings, but the friction of air that almost looks like soundwaves spreads as Edward's fist lands on Zero's chest.

It was akin to a blooming flower, Zero would definitely unable to get up from that.

Ryze got pushed away across the ground from the powerful shockwaves, he feels like he was rolling for more than half a minute before finally stopping. Looking up, he saw the sky-high dust and debris blocking the entire place.

But his eyes were attracted to the sound of propellers in the sky.

Raising his gaze weakly after exerting everything that he had inside his body, Ryze glances up and saw many drones starting to crowd the sky because of the commotion they created. Sector 2 is the same as sector 3E.

Since this place is the best place to live, it's also technologically advanced.

Any disaster that hits sector 2 will be recorded through the drones and will alert the main FAA and UWO compounds, especially with destruction like this. It surely sparks the drones to come here.

One and the only reason that the drones arrived late was probably due to the friction of energy.

Despite the minerals like steel, rock, and coal also mutating ever since the Supernatural Emergence, these drones are not able to fight back the shockwave that is equivalent to an eighth-rank realm attack. But now these drones have finally come.

Upon looking at this, Ryze intends to run away not wanting the drones to record him.

However, his attempt failed miserably when he was attacked by a world of pain that he has never experienced before. It stiffens his body as he falls back to the ground weakly, he can only bury his head in the ground as the drone focuses on him.

With the body of a Dragonman, he can't hide the fact that he's a Supernatural now.

Meanwhile, after the devastating shockwave.

Mrs. Greene and the others started to recover after Delta stood back up. Sensing the powerful gust of shockwave that was about to come, Delta immediately knocks the others down from her back before protecting them underneath her body.

It was pure instinct and she managed to protect them from the powerful shockwave.

As the light comes into vision again, Mrs. Greene saw Delta bleeding profusely because of the shockwave that hits her back. Now she can't even move properly, and soon enough she lays on the ground whimperingly.

"We need to keep moving! Let's go!", Russ stands up and shouted.

Having experienced similar situations in the military, Russ is the first one to recover and command the most logical action. None of them are Awakened, one hit and they would definitely die so they need to get out of there.

But Mrs. Greene instantly went over to Delta that is whimpering in pain.

With clear concern in her eyes, Mrs. Greene rubs Delta's furs softly feeling sorry for her before looking back at the source of the shockwave, "Edward...", she mutters softly with a voice filled with worry.

Spending most of her time in the mansion, she was getting closer to the people there.

Edward is one of the people as he was always available and stays in the mansion, his family, Zelene, and his Uncle also occasionally converse with her, especially Zelene that likes to run left and right in the mansion in the hope to ease her boredom.

It's natural for her to develop a sense of worry due to their close attachment now.

Not only that but Edward is even fighting for their safety, Mrs. Greene doesn't want that but she was already here and she wouldn't be able to help no matter how much she tried. She's as weak as a baby for an Awakened.

Pant...

Pant...

'M-My ribs are broken, and my spirit core almost shatters!'

Crouching on the ground, Zero vomits a mouthful of blood before touching his chest.

Even from the outside, he can see that his glowing light spirit core inside of him cracks from that attack, and the stabbing sensation he was feeling right now is definitely his ribs cracking and shattering into pieces.

It was a ridiculous amount of attack, Zero didn't expect that at all.

Unlike his previous form, he was now clad in a white and golden robe with his entire body turning into a composition of light, it was his Gladiator Form, 'If I hadn't activated my Gladiator Form in the last second, I would've died from that attack'

Gritting his teeth, Zero looks up and saw the scene on the other side.

'But in the end, you're just a seventh-rank realm Awakened. You don't have a Gladiator Form. It's the end of the line for you, Edward...'

A couple of miles away from him, the dust fades and shows Edward's figure.

There was no sign of him moving even after a couple of minutes has passed, he was completely still like a statue, kneeling on the ground with his face looking down. Stabbing through his body was a sword bigger than his entire body, the sword made of light was stained by red color from Edward's blood.

If it weren't for the sword of light, Edward's body would've fallen to the ground by now.

Just before he landed the last attack by exerting everything that he have, Zero reacted and activate his Gladiator form just before the fist lands and sent him crashing away. Under the influence of his Gladiator Form, he stabbed Edward with the sword of light swiftly.

Even though he was caught off guard, his reaction speed with the Gladiator Form is still inhuman.

Despite almost dying himself, he survived the brutal exchange thanks to his Gladiator Form which can be activated again at a crucial moment. Without it, he wouldn't be still alive right now as Edward proves to be a ridiculously strong opponent.

Upon witnessing Edward's state, Ryze's eyes widen as he unconsciously held his breath.

"E-EDWARD!!!"

Ryze's shouts reverberated to the surroundings as he saw the sword of light bursting through Edward's back, and he was not moving even a little bit with any sign of life. Only the wind can make his hair sway and dance to the rhythm of nature.

No sign, there was no sign of anything that indicates any form of life.

Upon hearing the very loud shout that was thunderous, screaming the familiar name, Zelene couldn't help herself and immediately runs in the opposite direction, slipping from her Uncle's hands.

"Zelene! Stop!"

But seeing her running in the opposite direction, Mrs. Greene gets up and runs after her.

Robert and Edward's Uncle grabs their hair in frustration seeing the two of them running back even after making it this far, and without wasting any time the two of them helplessly run after them while screaming their names to come back.

Only Russ was left, he puts both of his hands on his waist, "It's going to be a tragedy..."

Although he knows that they were going straight to danger, Russ realizes that he can't help them and decided to keep on running away from the place to find safety. It's the least he could do in honor of the ones that died.

Meanwhile, Ryze saw Zero arrive near Edward, limping.

The force brought by Edward's final attack congregates and results in his wounded body.

Looking at Edward that is still unmoving, Zero crouches in front of him before grabbing him by the hair to see his face. No resistance, he feels no strength in raising Edward's head up which confirms the truth.

"It's your damn fault for siding with the Supernaturals, you deserve death"

But when Zero was about to let go of Edward's hair and deal with Ryze that is struggling to stand up, fighting against his own body that refuses to gather strength from tanking the third-circle Pneuma Spell earlier.

Grab!

"Hmm?!", Zero widened his eyes when his hand suddenly got grabbed.

Out of nowhere, Edward grabbed Zero's right hand that is grabbing his head while the other hand grabbed Zero by the collar of his white robe. Zero was incredulous at what he was seeing, 'H-How is he still able to move! I stabbed him through his chest and his Spirit Core!'

Raising his head, Edward's eyes gleamed with determination.

Nobody should have this relentless will that refuses to go down even through everything, the absolute shock is etched on Zero's frozen face, and it brings a nasty but weak smile to appear on Edward's face.

"W-What do you expect? D-Did you e-expect me t-to just roll over and die?"

"You-You're still alive?!", Zero exclaimed in utter surprise surprise.

Spitting blood to the side that mass in his mouth, he then continues, "Sorry... but I'm not that soft."

In the next second after hearing this, Zero grits his teeth angrily.

Even with everything that has happened Edward is still stubbornly clinging to life and refuses to die, it was terrifying for a person to have a strong enough reason to keep on living even with this many injuries.

"Let go of me!"

Despite trying to pull himself back, Zero finds that Edward's hands are going nowhere.

Ryze wanted to help but tears started to flow down his eyes as even with the desperation he was feeling from watching Edward, his body still refuse to move no matter how much he tries to force it to stand up.

Pushing him off the ground with all his might, he was greeted only by his trembling arms.

Nothing seems to be working, Ryze doesn't have a strong enough will and body to fight through the injuries he sustained. It was very contrasting with Edward's battle-hardened body, 'I'm weak, I can't help. Someone, please stop him...'

With pure anger, Zero manages to break free from Edward's clutches.

Feeling the troublesome willpower starting to get on him, Zero steps back with clear anger on his face before he started punching Edward repeatedly in the face while his body is still pinned by the sword of light.

The sound of flesh fitting flesh keeps on repeating as Zero pours his anger out.
"Why!"
Bam!
"Won't!"
Bam!
"You!"
Bam!
"Die!"

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Edward's face started to become bruised heavily, blood keeps on splattering to the ground from each punch, and even a couple of his teeth got knocked out of his mouth as Zero kept on pounding like a lunatic.

But he did this more out of fear instead of anger, he was taking the fight very seriously.

Not even a glimpse of what's happening should happen in the first place, but Edward's willpower terrifies him as anyone would've died by now but he's not dying yet. It's hard to tell that he's actually a human.

"Why won't you die already?!!"

Bam!

With one last powerful punch, Edward's destroyed face tilted to the other side roughly.

Slowly his head falls down weakly from the sheer number of punches he takes in this state, he inhales one sharp breath before he mutters very weakly, "D-Don't kill his family. I-I'm trying to help you, h-help humanity. J-Just walks away..."

Zero stopped for a moment, but his mind was already filled with the thought of killing.

Nothing that enters his mind can be rationalized as he was in a berserk state, but when he was about to end Edward with yet another sword of light his eyes caught something in the distance.

Showing a sadistic smile, Zero then said, "If you're so bent on protecting his family..."

"I'm going to let you live a bit longer to watch me kill them, let's see if your 'willpower' can still be this robust after they all die by my hands!", he added before walking past Edward and heading to Mrs. Greene that is holding the struggling Zelene.

Mrs. Greene evokes fear in her eyes upon seeing Zero walking toward her and Zelene.

Upon hearing this, Edward glanced to his back and saw Mrs. Greene and Zelene in the distance, "No, d-don't... D-Don't do it, bastard! C-Come back h-here and fight me like a m-man!", Edward reaches out his weak hand intending to stop Zero from advancing.

Instead of a shout, only a soft mutter escapes his mouth as his hand is unable to reach Zero.

Even Ryze was walked past as Zero heads directly to Mrs. Greene.

"Raaargghh!!!", Ryze shouted desperately while trying to push his body from the ground, he was exerting everything that he had in the moment of desperation just to save Mrs. Greene that somehow got back here.

Sparks of dark red fire around his body started to show signs of life, his eyes are bulging angrily.

Mrs. Greene holds Zelene's waist before shoving her to the side roughly.

Crashing to the side, Zelene looks back and saw Mrs. Greene looking at her with a somewhat warm smile, "Zelene my dear, please just run away from this place. For your brother's sake, don't waste your life like this...", she mutters softly.

But the towering figure of Zero already arrives behind her.

With one swift motion, Zero grabs Mrs. Greene by the neck before lifting her off the ground.

Forcing Mrs. Greene to face him, Zero tilted his head before he said sinisterly, "Your son is a Werewolf, he stains humanity by his presence which makes you the mother of a Supernatural. Blame yourself for having a Werewolf son..."

Upon hearing this, Mrs. Greene closes her eyes accepting her fate.

Aoouuu!!

'Ah... I can hear them very clearly now'

Slowly opening her eyes, Mrs. Greene caught a glimpse of Edward looking at her with widened eyes. But she smiled, warmly, before she looks up to the bright sky that signifies such a good day.

Her mind then traveled to her son, Rex. A troubled adopted son that she loves very dearly.

The moment when she helped Rex bury his deceased parents as he cries in her embrace, he turns cold ever since that day but he was always warm to her. His smile, everything flashes in Mrs. Greene's mind, it was as vivid as the clear sky.

A tear falls down her eye before she mutters softly, hoping to reach Rex who is far away.

"Forgive them, my dear sweet boy. Forgive them for what they did, they don't know and lost..."

"Know that I've never regretted taking you in, and I've always loved you until the very end"

Squinting his eyes without any hint of mercy in his eyes, he ignored the shout and roars from Edward and Ryze. Each breath Ryze and Edward took was very heavy as if the end of the world is going to happen as soon as Zero stepped over the line.

Not long after, the grip becomes stronger. A chilling bone-cracking sound then echoed.

Crack!!

Chapter 592 Bidding Farewell

The chirping of birds can be heard, disturbing the peace of the sleeping eyes.

Slowly the eyelids trembled before opening to only see the dilapidated ceiling that of an aged hospital, the scent of steel and drugs also greets the nose and forces an uncomfortable expression to appear on the face.

Rex woke up from the bed and instantly feel uncomfortable with the place he was in.

'I really hate being inside or near hospitals, the scent makes me sick...'

Looking to his front he saw Evelyn and Gistella still lying on the hospital beds, their calm breaths show that they were already healed from the injuries they suffered and it was just a matter of time before they finally regain their consciousness.

Scanning the room, Rex didn't find Flunra and Adhara anywhere.

Flunra is probably sleeping outside of the hospital, on the cobblestones since he was not a human once but Adhara on the other hand seems to haven't come back yet after she left abruptly last night.

But she's near, Rex can sense her. She should come back when the Teleportation formation is done.

Rex rubs his neck feeling the dryness invading his throat, he intends to go out and get a drink for himself but his hand shifts to his chest out of a sudden. It was the crippling pain that annexed his heart making breathing very heavy.

'What's this...? Why am I feeling this much anxiety and uneasiness?'

It hits him instantly after he wakes up, and he has never felt this much uneasiness suddenly appears.

Not only does his chest was drowned in this sudden feeling but his head started to feel light-headed, and even his breath started shortening almost as if he had a heart attack. Rex tries to hold on to the sofa's handle but his body slipped and falls to the cold floor.

'System, what is happening to me?', Rex was forced to ask, this is not normal.

<Scanning the user's body...>

<Completed!>

<All of the bodily functions are normal, mana functions are normal, bloodline functions are normal, and King Mark's functions are normal. The user is in perfect health without any anomaly happening>

Reading the system's notifications, Rex finds it weird since clearly, something is wrong.

'I- I need to take some fresh air...'

Forcing his body to stand up while using the sofa's handle as support, Rex slowly stood up under the crippling feeling before he grabs the door handle and yank it wide open. Even though he didn't mean it, the door even slammed into the wall because of that.

Walking through the hospital's hallway while holding by the wall, Rex made his way to the lobby.

Many people are looking at him weirdly because of the cold sweat flowing down his forehead, his weak eyes, and the way he was walking unstably. Some of the nurses even asked if he needed any help, but he just waves his hand and made his way out of the hospital.

Upon reaching outside, Rex inhales a deep fresh breath but it was not working.

In fact, he was feeling the crippling sensation even more.

Rex is a Werewolf, an Exalted Royal Black Prince nonetheless so he's basically immune to sickness aside from the full brunt of silver exposition and also the White Omicron. Something like dizziness and migraine should've been repelled by his bloodline.

But this time it was not the case, he stumbles and falls down the stairs.

"Argh..."

Contrary to the inside of the hospital which is crowded with people that are either sick or visiting, the front yard of the hospital for some reason is empty. Nobody was around, only a single road in between grass fields leading to the entrance can be seen.

Grabbing the center of his chest with both hands, Rex's eyes opened wide in confusion.

'Just what is this? Is this somekind of warning from the next full moon? But it's sunny, the sun is up so that's not possible', Rex thought, gritting his teeth to suppress the crippling feeling that shuts down his entire body.

While lying face-first on the ground, Rex slowly raises his gaze to stand up.

But the pained mixed with confusion expression he was wearing was replaced with a surprised one when he finds something appeared at the entrance, it was so unbelievable that Rex needed to rub his eyes before looking at the entrance once more.

'A Wolf...?'

Standing just by the entrance is a wolf that is the size of a regular wolf before the mutation.

Unlike the monstrous creatures that he has battled throughout his life, this wolf brought a pleasant feeling, especially the earthy brown furs that swayed from the wind elegantly. Its eyes are also the same matching color contrast, glowing copper that is ambient and beautiful.

It just stands there looking at Rex with its copper eyes.

Although there are forests around the city he was in, there should be no animals mutated or not that are able to get inside without alerting the city guards guarding the place. Rex finds it weird for this wolf to be able to reach here.

But momentarily, the crippling feeling disappears, swept away by the warmth of the copper eyes.

Now that his body recovered from the crippling sensation and regains its senses again, there's a link of familiarity that he felt from the brown wolf. A feeling that made him feel close to the wolf.

Rex was about to ask who the wolf is but stopped when he saw the wolf suddenly smile.

The corners of the wolf's mouth quirk up into a warm smile before it points its muzzle upwards, a long howl then resounded filling and covering the entire hospital and beyond. It was surprising for Rex to find that nobody heard this melodious howl that sounded like a beautiful tune.

Aooouuu~

Just as the howl keeps on going, the wolf's body slowly fades, turning into brown energy.

Even though it was a wolf that he has never seen before, Rex feels sad from seeing the wolf turning into brown energy before being blown away by the wind. At the moment before the wolf completely fades, the wolf gives Rex a smile again.

Particles of brown energy from the wolf then flew up to the sky beautifully.

Rex watches this happening with gloomy eyes before out of nowhere, a soft whisper brought by the wind penetrates his ears which made his entire body stiff like a statue. It was the voice that he knew very clearly.

"Forgive them"

"I've always loved you until the very end..."

Slowly his eyes started widening in the realization of the departing voice, "M-Mother...?"

After the last strand of the brown energy vanishes in the sunny sky, another voice enters his ears and it belongs to someone he knew. But this voice was calling out to him as his body rocked left and right.

"Rex!"

"Rex! Get back to your senses!"

Under the calling voice, Rex blinks his eyes a couple of times before everything changed.

The front yard of the hospital which was desolate of people becomes crowded with people walking in and out of the entrance, he was kneeling in the middle of the road facing the entrance under the onlookers' concerned gazes.

Flunra was the one shaking his body, trying to make Rex snap from whatever he was seeing.

"W-What happened?", Rex asked in confusion.

Hearing this Flunra straightens his back with a sigh, he then shakes his head and explained, "I was sleeping and woke up when I hear a commotion, I wanted to check on you but then I saw you kneeling in the middle of the road while other humans are trying to help you. I tried calling on you for a while but you didn't respond, I thought you were attacked by a mind or soul spell"

Remembering the blank gaze, Flunra sighs in relief knowing that Rex is fine.

At first, he was about to try and check if he was attacked by any mind or soul spells. It's going to be easy checking if there's any mind spell cast on him but checking the soul spell would be very dangerous.

Flunra is glad that he didn't need to resort to that or Rex would need time to recover.

With the destruction of the Vampire Stronghold, it was not the time to be injured and bedridden.

But then again aside from his suspicion that Rex is probably still in a trance after killing Ruston, he finds it hard for anyone to be able to influence his mind now that Rex has King Mark and reached the ninth-rank realm.

Only a Witch and very powerful figures of the same rank can do that which is unlikely.

None of them has that kind of spell that works from this far, even back during the Radical Era the Queen of Vampires, Elizabeth has the deadliest mind and soul spells but they require to look at the target's eyes.

In short, it's impossible for Rex to be attacked by mind and soul spells in this current time.

Rex nodded his head finding what he experienced was a mystery to himself, but the sensation has disappeared and he now can stand up properly. But that mystery didn't last long as a notification appeared in his vision.

<New Blood Moon Quest - Absolute Devotion>

Sacrificial Count: 1/2

Looking at the notification, he was confused but curious at first, forgetting the quest's existence.

'New Blood Moon Quest? What was the quest about again... I think it's about the Blood Moon King Mark, I got it after my rampage in the Delarosa Family's territory. And as for the completion requirement...'

As soon as his eyes landed on the Sacrificial Count, his breath suddenly got cut short.

Everything started spinning and his breath resumes but it becomes heavier, it was due to the number 1 etched clearly beside the Sacrificial Count that indicates one thing which made Rex looks down with a grim dark expression.

Unconsciously, his auras started to leak which surprised Flunra on the side.

With the regular people in the surrounding, even a glimpse of Rex's King Mark would crush them under the sheer amount of force. It's going to be a catastrophe but Flunra was confused as to why the sudden anger.

"Rex? Your aura is leaking, and there are normal humans here"

Instead of answering, Rex kept silent as his body slowly start to tremble uncontrollably.

Flunra saw Rex was not listening and even both of his fists were clenched strongly and trembling, he can feel the rising anger inside of Rex from the link between Beta and Alpha between them, 'This anger... it's way stronger than the ones he had with Ruston!'

Just like cutting the already loose rope, Rex's aura exploded upon seeing another notification.

<Sacrificial Count: 2/2>

<New Blood Moon Quest - Absolute Devotion has been completed!>

<Kaiser of the Scarlet Garland is pleased, the user has earned the trust of the Blood Moon!>

KABOOM!!

"What in the Origin's name happened to you?! You killed all of them!", Flunra exclaimed in absolute terror as the King Mark on Rex's forehead was activated and glowing with an endless amount of crushing energy.

Even that small spark alone decimated the entire hospital and beyond.

People that are inside the hospital and even within a mile radius from where Rex stood got killed instantly just from feeling the rampaging kingly energy, they all got crushed into the ground, flattening their torsos until there was nothing left.

Blood instantly filled the entire place from the absolute suppressing force from Rex.

In fact, the crushing force was so strong that the people around them that got crushed by the aura burst and even start a rain of blood that stains the green grass with a stark color of thick liquid red.

Hundreds of notifications swarmed Rex's vision from the death of the people in his surroundings.

The sky-high aura exploded once again pushing Flunra back all the way before crashing into a couple of wooden houses, its crushing force expanded and makes the destruction increase even more which made screams of terror fill the entire city.

What was filled with buildings was now flattened, even Flunra can still see Rex from the distance.

None of the houses or other buildings were spared.

'Where did this anger come from?! It's still mounting even higher! At this rate, he's going to destroy the entire city and went on a rampage!', Flunra exclaimed while protecting his head from the gust of kingly energy that is still pushing him back.

Knowing that something is wrong, Flunra carve a rune on his palm quickly before he dashed.

Adhara also came back quickly and arrived in half a minute just to see Rex standing in the middle of rubbles, she was absolutely terrified in the picture she was seeing right now that was covered in blood, corpses, and gore.

Out of everything they've been through, Rex has never injured any normal person.

But now he decimated the entire place which should definitely indicate that something is wrong, and Rex didn't even bother with the destruction he caused as his eyes trains forward into the void with his King Mark glowing brightly on his forehead. Fully exposing himself for anyone to see.

With blazing claws, he tears the dimensional fabric and opens a portal for himself.

Flunra that saw Rex was about to leave puts more power into his dash, he reaches out his hand and just barely manages to engrave the rune he draws on Rex's back just before he enters the black portal and disappears.

After he left, the air becomes still again as the kingly energy vanished.

Sprinting from the side, Adhara ran toward Flunra that stumbled and rolls across the rubbles and blood. She stopped right beside Flunra who is getting up before she looks around once more at the destruction Rex caused.

It made her suck in a cold breath still feeling this is all surreal.

"What happened..."

Upon hearing this, Flunra stood up and also looks at the destruction, "I don't know..."

Chapter 593 Escalating Tragedy

Just like being in hell itself, the rain of blood kept going for a moment.

The sheer amount of blood that was amassed from thousands of people being crushed under the kingly force make the rain keep going drenching Adhara and Flunra, blemishing the city's scenery in red, and also turning the fresh air smothering.

It turns the entire place into Vampires' heaven from how much blood overflowed the place.

Both of them just stood there in a staple looking at the destruction that was left by their Alpha, something that they still can't believe happen. Nothing seems to be wrong, but Rex suddenly snapped in a blink of an eye.

Although Flunra thought that he was not stable due to Ruston, this is more than he expected.

Even when they were talking before he didn't see any glint of anger inside his eyes. Despite knowing the fact that someone was after him, Rex didn't seem to be troubled by it at all as if he has already forgiven the perpetrators.

Maybe due to his lifestyle that constantly exposed him to danger, he was not that mad.

With every little turn he made in his attempt to rise to the peak and take revenge on the Supernaturals, dangers always lurks and waited for him. Each one of them threatens his life to the point that danger involving life was not something that surprises him.

Of course, the perpetrators still need to pay the price but he was exceptionally calm.

But out of nowhere as if there was a switch that can turn on his anger, Rex suddenly went berserk in a snap and destroyed the entire place without even a hint of remorse. It was not his usual self, something big must've happened.

Adhara looks to the side and finds many people crying and dazed from what just happened.

It happened so quickly that none of them can even process what just happened, and when they did, they started crying and screaming in absolute terror from seeing their significant other or even someone they knew got squashed into the ground.

"Let's check on the others first, they should be in the rubble", Adhara said before she turns away.

Despite the people that are in dire need of explanation and help, she decided to just leave them be as she doesn't know what happened either, 'How could this happen? But I know Rex, he won't suddenly burst like that without anything happening...'

While digging through the rubble, they find Evelyn doesn't seem to be hurt but is still unconscious.

On the other hand, Flunra digs into the rubble and finds Gistella is already trying to get out of the rubble herself. Helping her out of the rubble, she was instantly surprised when her nose was greeted by the thick scent of blood.

Adjusting to the bright sunlight, Gistella looks around before she gasps in a cold breath.

"D-Did the city got attacked?"

"No, Rex happened. Out of nowhere, he suddenly went berserk and activate his King Mark"

Upon hearing what Adhara suddenly said from the side, Gistella was in a state of disbelief as she knows that Rex would never do something like this, "Impossible, he wouldn't do something like this. At least not without a reason"

Rex was ruthless, but he was ruthless to those who deserves it and Supernaturals.

Just like what Adhara thought earlier, Gistella instantly thought of the same thing as killing thousands of normal humans was not something Rex would do, it's really out of the ordinary.

While looking around, Gistella suddenly remembered something.

"I woke up a bit earlier, and I saw Rex gasping for air on the floor as if he was sick. I was certain he was sick because he didn't even notice me waking up and just left the room, something must've happened"

Flunra frowns as he tries to remember what Rex was saying earlier.

Although he was right beside the dazed Rex kneeling on the road in front of the hospital, the words that he was saying in inaudible. But the last word that came out of his mouth, Flunra can vaguely decipher it, "Might be a clue, but he was acting weird earlier. Just like what she said, it's like he was sick and also seeing things"

"I can't hear what he was murmuring, but I think I know the last word that he said"

Adhara approaches closer and pushes Flunra's shoulder to make him look at her, "Well, what was it? We need to know where he was going, something must happen to him for him to do something like this"

While looking at Adhara's demanding eyes, Flunra then replied, "Mother..."

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Meanwhile, Sector 2.

Crack!!

Immediately after the chilling bone-breaking sound, the place turns dead silent.

Zero didn't waste any more time and did the unfathomable, stepping over the line of tolerance by breaking the fragile neck that doesn't need much strength to break. Like having the soul blown away, Mrs. Greene's body instantly went weak.

Upon looking at Mrs. Greene who still has a warm smile on his face, everyone started quivering.

Ryze's body went stiff as the cold bone-breaking sound penetrates his heart and shuts down his bodily function, his body went stiff out of pure disbelief and also fear. Although it was brief, Mrs. Greene has given him some motherly love that he missed so much ever since his family's death.

Giving him concerns and even cooking for him.

Mrs. Greene played her part in making the room in Faraday University and the new mansion feels like a home, she was a pleasant addition in a place where many troubles seem to be attracted.

But now she was dead, her limp body under Zero's grip showed that.

It was an utter shock upon seeing Zero kill her just like that but the realization hits Edward more than it hit Ryze, his blurry eyes are trying to adjust to what he was seeing almost as if his eyes themselves don't want him to see the unbelievable scene.

Just like having his soul sucked, Edward turns his face forward again while his lips quiver.

Even though the sword of light is still stabbing his chest with blood still seeping out, he was numbed from the pain as his eyes kept wide open, 'N-No... No way that this is happening, it must be a dream. It can't be happening, did I just fail...?'

Upon the realization that suddenly dawned on him, a couple of tears falls from his eyes.

From the moment he finished his last task in the military, he feels indebted to two people that are responsible for keeping him breathing past that hazardous mission. Both of them did a heroic deed and also saved him in the process.

One of them died, but one of them survived. Rex survived.

Although he was hesitant in meeting with him at first, fate takes a turn when Rex ends up in the same university as him. At that moment he swears that he will do the right thing, and this time he will succeed.

Despite wanting to repay his debt, he failed Kyle.

Edward hasn't got the chance to repay his debt of life to Kyle even until he died, and that crushed him to the absolute core. But now, he failed once again, and that crushing feeling comes two times greater and made him shed tears.

With the sword of light stabbing him, he can only sob his strength away.

'I'm sorry, I can't save her. I failed once again, I'm sorry Rex...'

But as he was looking at the sky waiting for the reaper of death to take his soul and bring him to hell, a flash of Mrs. Greene's warm smile appears inside his head. It was the one she wore during their conversation regarding Rex's actual race.

Although he was distracted, Edward remembered the last sentence she said to him.

'Something bad will happen, and I hope you can be there to keep him in check'

That was the last sentence that Mrs. Greene said to him, she already knew that this day would come and anticipated her untimely death. It was a message directed to him, Mrs. Greene wished that he would still be here when Rex knows all of this.

Reminding him to not stray from his actual path just because of her death.

'Who am I kidding, I'm on the verge of death already. But I can't die yet... I can't die yet...'

Edward kept repeating the same words over and over again trying to make a deal with the reaper of death to not take his soul now, he already broke many responsibilities of himself and he didn't want to break another one bestowed on him.

No matter what, he needs to keep on living. At least until Rex learned all of this.

But the more he repeats those words inside his head, the more everything started to blur. Noises coming from the back started to become muffled, and his body slowly leans forward, into the sword of light.

It shouldn't be happening, but his vision slowly turns darker and darker.

While Edward is drowned in sorrow and the feeling of death, the scene keeps escalating.

"NO!!"

Robert saw the lifeless body of the person that he loved the most in the cold clutches of a white-robed creature, his eyes ultimately bulged with absolute anger as his blood started pumping even faster.

Even though he was weak, rationality have already left his mind.

Zero's astral face smiled mockingly while looking at Robert, he then threw Mrs. Greene to the side.

Upon seeing this Edward's uncle was also stunned by the scene, but his eyes darted to the left and saw Zelene on the ground before he hurriedly scurry over to her and helps hug her in his embrace. Zelene started crying and sobbing from seeing how Mrs. Greene died cruelly.

"She's dead, uncle. She's dead!"

"I know, I'm sorry..."

Edward's Uncle rubs Zelene's back while looking at Robert clenching both of his fists.

Although he wanted to help dissuade Robert from doing anything rash, he was too late. Robert has already filled with anger seeing his wife's lifeless body get thrown to the side like trash, he glared and roared at Zero before he started advancing.

Looking at a sword lying on the ground, Robert picked it up before charging forward.

With nothing but muscle and willpower, he clenched the sword's handle with both hands and swings it without holding anything back. It was the first time he was using a sword, but he used every ounce of power from his body in this strike.

Due to Zero's Gladiator Form, there's a stark size difference.

The sword that was swung fiercely by Robert landed on Zero's stomach cleanly.

But instead of doing any sort of damage to the white-robed figure that Robert hated to the core right now, the sword that he swung shatters as it did nothing to Zero. Not even a dent even though he was very injured and weakened.

Robert widened his eyes upon seeing the sword shattering, his anger vanished almost instantly.

Giving him a mocking look, Zero raises his hand intending to strike back.

Out of nowhere, the clear bright sky is suddenly tainted by the color red as a figure way up in the sky heads toward them, faster than the eyes can see. Diving down from the sky like a meteor, the figure brought sparks of red lightning which generates immense pressure that can even be felt by Zero himself.

"ZERO!!!", Sebrof roared hurriedly using everything he got to stop what Zero was about to do.

Even though he was a ninth-rank realm Awakened which is the strongest existence in the entire world currently, his power proves to be a little bit too late as Zero's hand already launched and slapped Robert away.

Bam!

From that backhand slap, Robert got sent crashing across the ground.

No matter how anyone looks at it, an eighth-rank realm Awakened in the Gladiator Form slapping a normal human would be an instant death. It's the difference in terms of strength that is even worst than a baby fighting an adult.

In the next second after that, Sebrof crashes into him with his hand grabbing Zero's neck.

BOOM!!

Both of them crash and carve a destructive path on the ground while Sebrof glares at Zero.

Although he was a bit too late, Sebrof has already seen the destruction that was caused by Zero, and also the heavy casualties that are not many but each was an important figure that he can't afford to lose.

The path went on for miles with Zero helpless under Sebrof's rampaging aura.

Grabbing his neck tighter, Sebrof lifts him up from the ground by the neck with his blitzing red lightning eyes still glaring at Zero, "ZERO, YOU WORTHLESS SCUM!! DO YOU KNOW WHAT YOU'VE DONE?!!

"Akhh- I-I'm saving h-humanity's reputation", Zero replied with a smirk on his face.

Upon hearing what he just said, Sebrof's expression contorted and his entire body exploded with suppressing red lightning that was like the judgment of heaven itself for the sins that Zero committed, "Reputation?! You fool! You saved nothing! You only dangered humanity's continuity from what you did!!"

Even under the glare, Zero started laughing like a maniac. It seems he didn't regret it at all.

But just as Sebrof was about to make Zero understand what he had done.

Splash!

Sebrof widened his eyes when he saw Zero's chest suddenly burst and blood splattered onto his face, he blinked a couple of times out of confusion and realized that claws were penetrating through Zero's chest.

It was sudden, and even Zero revert back to his normal form from that attack.

"Huaakh!"

Chapter 594 The Precious Jewel Of Life

Dark red fire tongues out of Zero's chest which forces Sebrof to let go of him.

Sebrof was too fixated and angry at Zero that he didn't realize that someone is already heading towards them during their brief conversation, and that person stabbed Zero's chest from the back and the flame sucked power out of him.

It was claws, not hands which means it was a Supernatural that did this.

Looking at the figure that did this, Sebrof's eyes spark with a hint of surprise to see a Dragonman with its lizard-like glowing yellow eyes fiercely glaring at Zero. It was Ryze that was fueled after seeing what Zero just did.

Because of that scene, his hands even turn into claws on top of his flapping four wings.

"Euurghh!"

Ryze grunted strongly, grabbing Zero by the inside of his chest before throwing him to the side.

Although his body can't move before, now he can due to the moment of desperation and he even becomes stronger than before as his bloodline circulates dark red fire rapidly. If one were to see his veins, they were completely engulfed in dark red flame.

In addition to that, he flaps his wings, jumping high into the sky under the burning sun.

Sebrof was caught off guard by Ryze's sudden appearance, he was dazed for a brief moment, looking at the back of the flying Dragonman. When he arrived before, his mind was fixated on the fact that he was too late in preventing Zero from doing anything.

Zero has already killed the people Sebrof worried about the most.

Everything would turn ultimately tricky if those people died, and now that thought turns into reality.

While still fixating his eyes on Zero who is still propelling away across the ground that has been destroyed from the fights earlier, Ryze clasps his hands together before dark flame started to burn.

Focusing everything into his hands, Ryze descend and hammered it to Zero.

BOOM!

The aftermath was devastating as the ground beneath Zero crumbled and it keep on spreading miles in radius from the impact, his power is already reaching a hazardous amount of an eighth-rank realm just from possessing the Heavenly Dragon bloodline.

From Sebrof's arcane mana infiltrating his body and the injury on his chest, Zero was beaten down.

Ryze mounted Zero and keeps on hammering him repeatedly with his burning fists, he remembered what Zero did to Edward earlier and is going to return it twice the times he did. Only his animalistic instincts are playing right now, his mind has already been filled with wrath.

It was supposed to be a good day, he just regained consciousness. But this suddenly happens.

Bam!

Bam!

Bam!

With every ounce of power that he can generate, Ryze pounds Zero on the face relentlessly. Blood already covered his hands and made them sticky, but he didn't care and keeps on going until Zero's face was disfigured.

After doing that until he was satisfied, Ryze stopped and finds that Zero is still lightly breathing.

Gritting his teeth strongly, he grabbed Zero by the neck before throwing him up to the sky. Spirals of blood splattered everywhere as Zero got tossed into the sky. But in the next second, Ryze appeared on the side and punch Zero once again.

Bam!

Just like a falling meteor, Zero was sent miles away from the powerful punch that trembled the air.

It took him a mere second to crash into more than six buildings because of that punch, the fight brought them to the part of sector 2 that Edward and Zero's fight earlier doesn't reach. Everything was still normal here until Zero crashes powerfully.

Ryze flaps his wings strongly intending to continue his onslaught, no chance he was going to stop.

Simultaneously as Ryze heads to the already helpless Zero, Giana descends from the sky.

Landed right beside Sebrof that is standing still in a trance, she was about to ask what just happened but her eyes were fixated on a corpse lying not far from them. From the way the corpse's neck tilted unnaturally, it's clear to her that this corpse died from a broken neck.

But when her eyes slowly looks at the corpse's face, her heart skipped a beat.

"No... No, it can't be her"

Just like being hit by a gush of an extremely cold wind across her entire body from head to toe, Giana's body started to shiver and she can feel her blood flow change drastically making her limbs warmer but the other parts numb.

Although the fear gripped her in place, she forces to step closer to the corpse.

With her eyes opened wide as if she was seeing her own mother's death, Giana finally stopped when she realized that the corpse is actually who she feared the most. It was the mother of the person that she was trying to kill, it was Rex's mother.

Many stigmas have come around regarding man, there are some things that overstepped the limit.

Touching a man's woman, humiliating a man in front of his children, and also, the most hurtful is doing anything bad to a man's mother. Giana knew that the most special woman in a man's life is their mother, and the mother of one of the strongest men she knew was lying in front of her.

Killed in cold blood without even the man knowing, her expression drains from all colors.

Giana stops in her tracks before she covered her mouth with both hands, her eyes then wander to the surroundings as her mind started to get blurry from fear and not knowing what to do. As if the situation was not enough, she saw a person stabbed through the chest by a sword of light.

Even though he hasn't met with this person yet, she recognizes this one as Edward.

Not only does Mrs. Greene die but Rex's best friend from the military was also killed. Looking at the sword of light, it's clear that it was Zero's doing. Giana's worst fear comes true, he knows for certain that Zero is the one that did this.

On top of working with Zero for years, she was the one that taught this spell.

It was the spell that separates Zero from many other eighth-rank realms Awakened, this Light Conjuration spell allows him to create weapons made of light that will not dissipate even if he died in battle.

Something that they were proud of, but now that spell was present in her downfall.

'What was in your mind, Zero...', Giana thought in disbelief.

As more seconds pass in this place, she started to realize that there was not a glimmer of a chance that she would be forgiven by Rex. Even though she was not the one doing it, explaining it would be futile to a man that is filled with rage.

Not even the slightest bit of chance, but then Giana instinctively dashes forward.

Reaching Edward's front, she knelt on the ground before inspecting whether Edward has already died or not, 'Even though it might not work, if he survives then I might have a chance to at least get a fair hearing'

"Edward! Please, don't die!", Giana exclaimed while raising Edward's weak head.

But there was no response, Edward kept still with his head down. With a swift movement, she checked Edward's pulse and finds that there were still some signs despite being very weak. Giana didn't waste more time as she immediately cast a spell.

"Arcane Water Spell, Blessing of the Arcane Water..."

Immediately after that, glistening starry water covers Edward's body like a blanket.

Despite it's not a permanent solution this spell at least would buy time to treat him, it's the only thing Giana can do in this situation. From the looks of it, Edward should last but for how long it's still unsure.

"We need to treat him immediately!", Giana shouted in worry.

Although she was shouting that, her eyes are still looking at Sebrof, asking for a solution. Without a doubt, this is a disaster that would affect humanity which was the least outcome that she wanted. Now, she was regretting her sudden impulse.

If she would have known that it would come to this, she wouldn't have tried killing Rex.

'Maybe if I word it right to Zero earlier, this wouldn't happen. What do we have to do...'

Sebrof paused and thinks for a moment, multiple scenarios played out inside his head. In each of the scenarios, he realized that the chance of things going south is very high. But he finds one thing is for sure which would give them a chance.

Looking over to the side, he then mutters, "I already call for some healers, but in the meantime..."

"If we want this to not be larger than it should've been, we need a black goat. Someone to put the blame on, it doesn't matter if we need to come up with a lie but it's necessary right now"

Zero is the key, Sebrof wanted him to be the black goat to put the blame.

But just as he was about to stop whoever the Dragonman is from killing Zero, he suddenly stopped.

Even though this sparks confusion from Giana for a brief moment, her body also stiffens when she realized that a chilling aura suddenly appeared out of nowhere. It freezes both of their bodies like a statue upon sensing this aura.

Something happens after that, their eyes are trying to deceive them now.

'Is it just me, or the place suddenly got darker', Serbof thought when his vision suddenly dimmed.

Just like seeing the bright day through sunglasses, the entire place suddenly got induced by the shade of black. Looking up to the sky, he realized that the sun is still up and the warmth from the sunlight can still be felt by his skin.

Sebrof finds it odd, but his attention was pulled to the back. Giana also looks in the same direction.

Both of their eyes marvel at the source of the sudden appearance of the ominous aura that came out of nowhere, it was an empty dark portal that seems to rip the dimension on their backs. It wouldn't be a surprise if Death itself came out of the dark portal.

Upon seeing this, Sebrof can't help but frown.

Knowing that trouble has come, he flicks his hand before a spark of red lightning appeared.

Although he always looks dignified wherever he goes with his formal clothes, he doesn't look dignified now, his shirt's sleeves were ripped by the red lightning and it's also untucked. But there's a grey coat that appeared in his hand.

With one swift motion, Sebrof wore the coat with his eyes still trained forward at the dark portal.

"I've felt this aura before, there's no mistaking it...", Giana mumbles softly with fear in her eyes.

Upon hearing this Sebrof glances at her troubled expression, he already knew what she was going to say before she says it. But the next sentence that Giana said confirms it, "I've felt this aura back then and can't forget it ever since. No doubt, Rex is here"

Immediately after she said that a pair of glowing purple eyes came out of the dark portal.

Sebrof can feel the amount of power coming out of these two glowing purple eyes, a bead of cold sweat even falls down the side of his face. Even though the situation is bad, he was not expecting Rex to arrive this quickly.

From the fresh corpses, it shouldn't be more than ten minutes since they died.

In that little span of time not only does Rex knows the truth of his parent's death but he also arrived at the scene almost immediately, and that alone makes Sebrof frown even more realizing that they were confronted almost instantly without any proper planning in mind.

But he gulps harshly when he saw the glowing purple full moon mark on Rex's forehead.

'King Mark... he really did have a King Mark. Even though it was expected, it's still surprising to see it first-hand', Sebrof thought in concern, he still finds it surreal for Rex to be accepted by the full moon and possess King Mark.

Although the Night of Parturition brings suspects to him, it was still surprising.

Only Giana was present at the scene except for the others close to Rex, and Sebrof doesn't know exactly what happened there as he didn't have the time to talk to Giana or leaned more toward avoiding talking to Giana since the article.

So he hasn't actually confirmed his suspicion yet, he just knew that Rex is a Werewolf.

Now his doubt was saturated with the obvious King Mark on Rex's forehead, this clearly shows to him that Rex is not the same old Rex that he meet at the UWO and SCO alliance. Rex has completely changed.

During then, he was probably around seventh-rank realm power. Now, he's clearly not.

With the purple King Mark glowing on his forehead, Sebrof now know that they both were the same existence having ninth-rank realm power, the current peak of power that humanity and Supernatural possess.

Traversing down at the purple eyes, Sebrof finds no trace of anger inside them.

It was terrifyingly calm.

Not the eyes of someone that had their parents killed us, it was like the calm before the storm. Soon enough, the glowing purple eyes shifted to the surroundings and instantly finds the truth.

Rex saw the furthest corpse, Robert's corpse before his eyes turns to the figure stabbed through the chest by a light sword which is clearly Edward. It's unclear which of them completed the Sacrificial Count or whether another death wouldn't be counted by the system.

But that was not important, he looks down and paused, silently looking at a particular corpse.

Upon seeing his arrival Sebrof and Giana didn't move from their spot, they even breathes lighter.

There was a reason why a ninth-rank realm Awakened like them doesn't join in the fight so much. Losing one of them would be devastating for humanity, and the threat of losing their lives here is pretty much present right now with the appearance of Rex with his King Mark.

After a solid ten seconds of choking tension filling the air, Rex suddenly vanished.

Sebrof's eyes bulged searching for where he went, but his eyes stopped at Rex that is now already standing beside Robert's corpse in the far distance. Crouching on the side, he takes out a glowing item from thin air.

It looks like a bean, glowing with a pleasant energy of green light.

Without doing much Rex puts the green bean into Robert's mouth and helped him swallow it down, but soon a notification from the system that made his body stiff and expression darken appeared.

<Bead of Life can't be used on a dead target, failed to heal the target!>

Exhaling a trembling air, Rex vanished and appeared beside Edward.

Rex saw the water spell blanketing Edward's body but he ignored it and did the same to Edward just like he did to Robert, he puts the Bead of Life that he gains from achieving the Gambler of Life achievement into his mouth before helping him swallow it.

But in the next moment, Sebrof and Giana held their breaths when Rex vanished once more.

Now he was standing beside a particular corpse that worried the both of them the most, Rex was standing beside Mrs. Greene's corpse, his mother's corpse. Even though he looks fine, his heart is completely shattered upon seeing this.

Everything repeated again. One is not enough for him, so God decided to show this scene twice.

It's unnecessary but Rex was forced to feel the pain of losing his parents twice.

Despite the unlimited strength that he currently possessed which won't allow his knees to bend even if the entire world was against him, this time, his knees are unable to hold the pressure. Rex falls to his knees beside his mother's corpse.

She has a warm smile on her face.

Even in a state of death, she was still very beautiful and peaceful like Rex remembered.

Rex looks at her corpse from top to bottom with his tender purple eyes, he was filled with sorrow and guilt while looking at her in this state that even made his hands tremble uncontrollably. Shedding a powerful tear, he looks down and caresses Mrs. Greene's face with great love.

Nothing is more innocent and precious in his life than his mother.

She was the precious jewel in his life that kept him from being entirely swallowed by the dark.

Putting the Bead of Life inside her mouth and helping her swallow it like the others, Rex gritted his teeth when the same notification appeared in front of him. It was akin to a stomp to his already shattered heart, more painful than anything he has ever felt.

<Bead of Life can't be used on a dead target, failed to heal the target!>

Leaning closer with a single trace of a tear on his face, Rex kissed her right on the forehead.

The kiss went on for long and more tears falls out of his eyes like beautiful diamonds, he was too bent on taking revenge for his deceased parents that he wasted his time with the person that is actually alive and taking care of him.

Regrets always comes to the end, but the pain is not always the same.

After kissing his mother's forehead with great care and love, his expression instantly changed.

Even though his face was filled with sorrow earlier from the loss of the person he cared about the most, it suddenly turned for the worst as if his emotions were shut off and replaced with devastating anger that is blazing inside of him.

It's one thing to try to kill him, but it's completely another matter to actually kill his mother.

<Warning! The user's berserk stat has reached 80%!>

Rex ignored the system's notification before he then whispers subtly to his mother's corpse, he was holding in the rampaging emotions that are about to burst out, "Wait here, mother... I'll be back soon"

On the back, Sebrof heard this light whisper and instantly went into battle mode.

But in the next second after that, his eyes widen when he saw Rex disappear before reappearing right in front of him. Rex is standing a couple of steps in front of him with his sadistic purple eyes looking straight into the soul.

With a voice filled with anger, Rex then mutters with a dark expression.

"I already warned you, Sebrof..."

Chapter 595 Rampage: Just Another Supernatural

Rex tilts his head a little while still keeping his dark expression, he was truly on the verge of losing it on the inside but from the outside, he looks outright calm aside from his clear eyes filled with murderous intent.

Throughout his life, he always thought that watching his parents die in front of him was the worst.

It was a very painful moment in his life and even permanently traumatized him from the feeling of helplessness, he doesn't want to feel weak and helpless in a situation that really matters just like that particular night.

Now that he experienced this, he realized that he was completely wrong.

Although watching his parents die was something that many wouldn't be able to recover from, the fact that he has the absolute power to do something and make a change but was too late is a worse feeling than being helpless.

If he were here, nobody can't touch the strand of hair of his parents.

But God and fate played him by making him unaware of what his parents are going through, reality proves that he was not here to even try to do anything. It brings a more sense of frustration than actually not being able to do anything.

Giana steps back in fear, watching Rex and Sebrof staring at each other.

Not stopping at that, the fear clenched her heart so hard upon seeing Rex clenching his fists strongly. Even though she was just seeing them from the side, her neck feels tight as if those hands are choking her.

Many would find it surprising to see Giana's state right now.

Since both of them are basically at eye level, their stare-down is intense and choking.

Knowing that there's a big chance of not being able to explain or even say anything in this situation before a fight breaks out, Sebrof already went into his battle mode. Red lightning sparks and amasses before his aura exploded, ripping his shirt in the process.

Only the coat he wore earlier remains.

Swiftly, the red lightning element infiltrates his body and even cracks the skin all over his body.

With the rampaging spirit energy and also the red lightning element that of an Ultimate Element, it's clear that Sebrof is transforming into his Gladiator Form. It made his entire blood turns into red lightning, amplifying his physique to an otherworldly level of strength.

Sebrof's body is getting bigger, and he's now towering over Rex as he even needs to look down.

CRACK!!

Red lightning strikes descend from the sky before hitting Sebrof's entire body, finishing his transformation. Now he was akin to a lightning Demigod, his aura alone feels like swords drilling into the body.

On the back, Sebrof's aura takes a shape of a huge growling tiger made completely of lightning.

It was his spirit, Baikko the Aberrant Lightning Tiger.

Not many people have seen Sebrof's Gladiator Form ever since the Great Barricade Bloodbath, even many of the top ten of the Golden Crest Families haven't seen Sebrof's Gladiator Form yet but they all heard rumors about it.

A particular rumor that spreads around said that he has the strongest Gladiator Form.

Out of every ninth-rank realm Awakened under humanity's banner, Sebrof has the strongest Gladiator Form due to his spirit which is also amplified by an unknown treasure that he got. It was one of the reasons that he becomes the strongest person in the entire Ratmawati City.

"We do not need to fight, this is a misunderstanding", Sebrof mutters lightly.

But even under the suppressing force that even gives goosebumps to Giana on their side, Rex doesn't seem to be disturbed as he didn't even try to look up at Sebrof's eyes and kept his eye straight.

Upon hearing what Sebrof said, Rex's expression twitched, "Misunderstanding...?"

"How light of you to say that this is all just a simple misunderstanding, I think it's more than that"

Although he was doing a very good job in holding his unreadable expression, everything breaks when Rex heard what Sebrof just said. It was like gasoline to the fiery anger inside of him, and the fire finally burns every little sense he has left.

Enough is enough, it was already way out of the line.

Crack!

Rex's purple eyes glisten before the bone inside his body slowly readjusted in front of Sebrof's eyes, it was the first time for him to actually see something so bizarre like this. Something that shouldn't be allowed in this world.

Ink-black furs slowly come out and cover his body, and his mouth also slowly turns into a muzzle.

Despite already turning into his Werewolf form many times having already lost count, the transformation never becomes smooth as it's always the same painful process. It will never be smoother, he can only get used to the pain.

Slowly Rex's already muscular body becomes even bigger and his legs turn into hind legs.

Everything happens in front of Sebrof's wide eyes, his head started to change position from tilting down to looking at Rex until he needed to look up. With the Werewolf form, Rex is now even taller than Sebrof and also filled with sharp fangs.

Now Rex is the one looking down at him, even his horns are glowing with purple energy.

Both of their energies clash against each other and even made ripples in the space around them.

Sparks of red lightning that are coming out from Sebrof's body alongside the Kingly energy from Rex's body clash and turned into a gust of energies that deny each other, their clash of energy can even be felt for tens of miles away.

From afar, many of the citizens and Awakened can see two sky-high energies fighting each other.

Most of the people are starting to panic just from sensing the devastating clash of energy, and soon chaos ensued throughout many sectors of Ratmawati City. But the Awakened that are approaching the place to see what was going on were blocked by the UWO and SCO under the leadership of Vargas and the Black Messenger.

It was Sebrof's doing, he was not going to let anyone get hit by the collateral energy.

Rex's King Mark glows even brighter amplifying his presence, his eyes then bulged brutally before his entire body started trembling, "My intention was always very clear, I wanted to get rid of Supernaturals. I've helped humanity the best I can, but this is what I received. I've had enough of this bullshit"

With his animalistic eyes drilling into Sebrof's eyes, he then continued with a crooked expression.

"Maybe she's right, you don't deserve my help. Humanity doesn't deserve my help. Now that I've realized this, I'm going to kill each one of you...", he said with such a bone-chilling light tone that seeped into Sebrof's bones.

But despite his calmness, the system notifications went crazy.

- <Super Berserk Quest has been initiated!>
- <Processing...>
- <A special condition has been met!>
- <Chain Super Berserk Quest has been initiated from triggering another Super Berserk Quest before the reward from the previous Super Berserk Quest has been calculated and distributed yet!>
- <Pain of Solitude!>

Satiate the user's thirst for blood that sparks from the death of the user's parents!

Quest Reward will be calculated by the amount of blood spilled to quench the user's bloodthirst and the reward would be merged with the previous Super Berserk Quest reward and tripled from triggering the Chain Super Berserk Quest.

Without even reading the Chain Super Berserk Quest, Rex made his move.

BAM!

Rex's claws move in the blink of an eye and clawed Sebrof from below using his Executor Slash skill, he sent Sebrof flying into the air and burst into the clouds from that attack alone. It was so sudden that it even bypass Sebrof's senses.

Bending his knees, he gathers strength in his legs before propelling himself to the sky.

Upon sensing the very quick projectile from below, Sebrof turns around before he raises both of his hands to the sky. Arcane red lightning mana gathers above him, sucking everything in the surroundings.

"Ultimate Arcane Spell, Eye of Red Lightning!!"

Blitz!!

From that brief chant, Sebrof created an actual eye of red lighting above his head.

After doing that he kicks the air with red lightning heading straight to Rex who is roaring as if he was possessed by the devil, he takes out his Amuerus Katana from the inventory while Sebrof created a saber made of red lightning in response.

CLANG!!

Their exchange was devastating as a powerful shockwave exploded in the sky.

Not only the shockwave but their clash created a thunderous sound that almost sounded like the entire sky is breaking, it was a thousand times louder than nature's lightning strike, stabbing the eardrums of the people that are too closer to their fight.

Sebrof's heart skipped a beat as his eyes widened when he saw the red lightning saber.

Even though he has perfected the Elemental Sword that he always used as a weapon, his red lightning saber shatters from exchanging a strike with the newly upgraded Amuerus Katana that is engraved with eight runes.

It's a weapon that even Flunra marvels at, thinking that the weapon is in Origin's Weapon realm.

Rex kicks the air swiftly with the Dark Moonlight energy before he lunges at Sebrof, he blurred and reaches Sebrof's back in a blink of an eye. But he was hit by a couple of red lightning strikes from the eye of storm Sebrof cast earlier.

Since it was an attack from a ninth-rank Awakened, Rex can feel his chest burning from that.

If he was any weaker than himself right now, his body would've been paralyzed by that but the Exalted Royal Black Werewolf bloodline neutralized the rampaging arcane red lightning mana. Rex recovers almost instantly from that attack.

The Eye of Red Lightning spell seems to be a defensive spell, zapping anything that comes close.

Gritting his teeth, remembering his mother's corpse once again, Rex glares at Sebrof.

"Extreme State!"

SWOOSH!

'He became faster!', Sebrof exclaimed in his head as he barely dodges a slash that threatens to slice his chest open, he was very wary about the Amuerus Katana that can even shatter his sword from a single hit.

Under the tension of the fight, they clashed in the sky like two falling stars.

Both of them burst through the clouds, their fight spreads across the sky as their movement was very quick and powerful. Not one of them intends to back down as they exchange hit after hit, this will definitely be a battle that will go on the history of Ratmawati City.

With their current power, their hits are strong enough to destroy anything they touch.

There is not one thing that they can't destroy with the ninth-rank realm power they got, even the ground would be obliterated but thankfully they were fighting in the sky, far away from most things.

From below, the sky looks rumbling with flashes of red lightning and dark energy.

Giana was looking up from below with cold sweat running down her neck, she was confused as to why Rex is attacking Sebrof instead of her which started everything and resulted in his parents' death. But it didn't take long for her to realize that Rex doesn't know yet.

It's clear that he mistakingly thought that Sebrof was the one that did this.

But even though she wanted to help Sebrof, the fear of Rex knowing the truth stunned her entire body. Giana can only watch from below without being able to move, 'I-I'm sorry Sebrof, but my body is not listening to me...'

Meanwhile, the fight continues fiercely.

Slash!

Sebrof leans his body to the side and dodges a slash from above.

Despite having a huge gap in their age, Rex and Sebrof seem to have the same amount of experience in fighting. Both of them are relentless and keeps on attacking each other's blind spot and protecting themselves perfectly.

In the heat of the fight, Rex started to become frustrated but his eyes then glisten sadistically.

Boom!

Rex and Sebrof clasp both of their hands together in a power struggle, their eyes are fixating on each other while their muscles are trembling to overpower the power from the other side, halting their destructive fight.

"We can still stop this! Rex, we're not enemies!!"

"Shut up, I don't care!!"

Upon saying that, Sebrof can feel Rex's strength climbing higher. It will overpower him in a bit.

'This is the worst scenario, his power will keep on rising the angrier he gets due to his bloodline as a Werewolf!', Sebrof gritted his teeth as he can feel he was about to lose this power struggle, he can't keep this up for long.

Sebrof kicked Rex back, freeing his hands before he conjured another red lightning saber.

"I can explain the situation and even give you the one that killed your parents, there's no need to fight! This is only going to weaken us for the Supernaturals, you out of all people should understand that!"

Despite his attempt, everything fell on deaf ears as Rex had already been engulfed in anger.

Rex clenched the Amuerus Katana tightly with his horns circulating more and more dark moonlight energy, "Don't put the blame on me... It was all of you that wanted to push me away, I've always been on Humanity's side! I've sacrificed everything for humanity! I've devoted my sweat, my blood, my mind, and my entire LIFE!!"

"Did you really think that I did all of that JUST FOR MY MOTHER TO BE KILLED?!!"

Pointing at Sebrof that finds the situation is getting out of hand murderously, he waves his hand strongly before his entire aura exploded once again, dying the entire sky with a purple aura almost like an aurora.

Rex then clenched his trembling hand before he started chuckling with bulging eyes like a maniac.

Looking at his hands and body which are now covered in fur and muscles, showing that he was not human, he then continued, "Maybe I was the one in the wrong, maybe you're right, maybe... maybe I'm just another Supernatural!!"

SWOOSH!

Boasting his immeasurable speed, Rex dashed and resume the fight once again.

Knowing that he won't be able to convince Rex in this state, Sebrof immediately gathers his power, his spirit energy, and mana slowly becoming havoc. Sebrof then thrust the saber forward intending to stab Rex in the chest.

"Pneuma Spell! Total Lightning Thurst!!"

Upon seeing that the momentum brought Rex closer to his saber, Sebrof lowers his head nodding.

Even though the most favorable outcome would be Rex forgiving Giana, he knows that asking for that was too much. At the end of the day, Mrs. Greene died and that is an undeniable fact that wouldn't sit well with Rex.

But Sebrof had to try, he needs to find a solution to clean this absolute mess.

'I need to injure him enough to ease his anger...'

As Rex's body is getting closer and closer to the red lightning saber, he did something that made Sebrof's eyes enlarge in shock. Harnessing the power of a Supernatural, he reaches out his left hand to the red lightning saber and lets his hand get stabbed.

Stab!!

Cracking a sadistic grin, Rex finds an opening to land a powerful strike since Sebrof was surprised.

Gripping the red lighting saber's cross-guard with his left hand to force Sebrof to stay in place, Rex swung the Amuerus Katana in his right-hand cloaked with dark energy powerfully. It was a slash fueled by the anger inside of him.

Slash!

KABOOM!!

With no time to dodge, Sebrof got sent crashing to the ground, falling from the sky like a jet.

Sebrof got sent crashing down but not to sector 2 but to sector 3 instead, destroying dozens of buildings including sky-scrapers, and instantly trashing the whole place. Many screams can be heard as the buildings he hit topples over.

Total chaos ensued as hundreds if not thousands of people died from collateral damage.

Awakened that are nearby tries to help the citizen but their numbers were not as much as the regular people here, they can only save a handful while many more died from getting squashed by the rubbles.

From the crater on the ground, Sebrof stands back up before realizing he was on innocent grounds.

Boom!

But his attention was pulled again when Rex landed not far in front of him.

"REX SILVERSTAR!! WE CAN FIGHT ALL YOU WANT, DON'T BRING THE INNOCENT INTO THIS!!", Sebrof roared seeing the people in the surroundings that are crying, limping, and screaming. It was an unfortunate scene caused by a devastating blunder.

Upon hearing this, Rex looks down to the ground before his shoulders started to tremble.

Raising his gaze once more, he then said, "Innocent? Did you just say innocent...?"

With riling kingly energy swirling around his body, Rex growls and bares his fangs as his purple murderous eyes are glaring straight at Sebrof that is already starting to get angry, "My mother is innocent, but she died by your hypocritical hands. Tell me, is that fair...?"

Sebrof frowns as he finds this confusing, "My hands? I'm not the one th-"

"DON'T YOU LIE TO ME!!", Rex roared, cutting Sebrof's sentence short.

Looking to the people that are trying to escape from the place upon seeing that a Werewolf is attacking them, Rex shifted back to Sebrof and said, "If my mother is killed, then none of these people are innocent!! All of you suspect me just because I'm a Werewolf, turning a blind eye to everything I did for Humanity. If that's the case then maybe I'll go along with your suggestion..."

"Question of the day, what will Supernaturals do when they saw humans?"

"Rex! Don't you dare!!"

"Correct! They are going to massacre each of the humans they saw!!"

KABOOM!!

Chapter 596 Rampage: Suspense To Full Power

Ruined Vampire Stronghold.

A woman is standing at the wall facing the Supernatural territory while looking at the far horizon, the sun just comes up, shining the entire world. But the sunlight makes it more evident that the Supernaturals are making a perimeter just like humanity did when the Supernatural Strongholds appears.

Vampires and Undead are the ones creating the barricade with their Supernatural spellcraft.

Most of the Vampires that were caught by the woman's eyes wears a black ring that blocked them from the sunlight, and the Undeads are also strapped in armor showing that they were ready if there was a sudden fight breaking out.

Squinting her eyes, she also saw a couple of strong Supernaturals amongst them.

But the woman's eyes landed on a particular Vampire that emits a power that is way higher than any other Supernatural around, she then recognize the Vampire before she signaled for an Awakened standing beside her.

"Keep an eye on that Vampire, I want her to always be in sight. She's the Duchess of the Vampires, Demelza, report anything that looks suspicious about her", the woman said commandingly while keeping eye contact with Demelza that looks very nonchalant.

Upon hearing this, the Awakened beside her nodded his head, "Yes, Lady Brigitta"

From the name that the Awakened refer to this blonde-haired woman as, turns out she's the last ninth-rank realm Awakened aside from Sebrof, Giana, and Denzel. Since there was no sign from the other ninth-rank Awakened to reinforce the ruined Vampire Stronghold, she made an initiative to be here.

Nobody knows that she was here, she was supposed to be somewhere else but it can wait.

"I can't reach Sebrof, what is holding him up? If he said that he was going to take care of the Vampire Stronghold, then at the very least he should be here if Giana can't make it", Brigitta mutters to herself with a frown.

Brigitta already tries to reach Sebrof a couple of times just now, but she didn't get any answer.

Just as she was about to refocus back to inspecting the Supernaturals movement with her very sharp eyes, her body suddenly jolted before she instantly covers herself with arcane mana and turns to look at her back.

In the far distance, she saw the sky was dark and flashing repeatedly.

More than that, she can feel the rampaging clashes of energies even though she was hundreds of miles away from the place. Judging from the energies alone, Brigitta frowns, "Sebrof...? Is Ratmawati City got attacked? It can't be, who is he fighting?"

Coming from below, an Awakened called for Brigitta from the ground.

Looking at the Awakened that is running towards her before jumping to the wall, he landed beside Brigitta before he reported, "I've just got news from Ratmawati City, there's a Werewolf going on a rampage in the city. It seems this Werewolf is also a ninth-rank realm Supernatural, and President Sebrof is fighting against it right now"

"What?! We just checked the ninth-rank realm Supernaturals earlier, and King Baralt is in his castle. Who is the Werewolf? How did a Werewolf of such caliber reach Ratmawati City undetected?", Brigitta mutters inwardly.

Many questions popped into her head but left without any answer.

Realizing that Ratmawati City needs some help, the Awakened that reported the news then asks, "What are your orders, Lady Brigitta? Are we going to retreat and help President Sebrof deals with the Werewolf?"

Upon hearing this, Brigitta ponders for a moment.

But her eyes caught a glimpse of Demelza's red eyes in the shadows of the forest, Demelza is looking at her inspectingly before a smirk appears on her face. Just this alone makes Brigitta shakes her head, "No, we can't..."

"If we left now, the Supernaturals will make a move. We can't leave the stronghold", she added.

Although the other Awakened expected another answer, she has a reason for deciding to stay as they just reclaimed back the Vampire Stronghold and it's going to be bad if they let the Supernaturals take it again for free.

It's something crucial in order to help the cities and humanity as a whole to be harassed.

Gazing back at the rampaging sky at the far distance again, Brigitta can only mutter in a hopeful tone, "We just need to trust Sebrof to take care of that Werewolf, I know he can as long as that coat of his is still under his possession"

Back to Ratmawati City,

King Mark on his forehead started glowing ever brightly and violently before it reaches its max.

KABOOM!

Rex didn't waste any time and lets out his entire kingly energy without restraint, it was like an atomic bomb that spreads to the surroundings and absolutely obliterates anyone weak that got hit by it.

Upon seeing this, Sebrof quickly reacts and tries to suppress the kingly energy.

With his entire body turning into a ball of red lightning, he moved to the sky quicker than the explosion of kingly energy before he envelops the entire explosion with his sheer arcane mana. It takes a huge amount of effort to encompass the entire explosion like this.

Many of the normal people ran but got quickly caught up by the explosion and dies.

Sebrof exerts his utmost effort while gritting his teeth, "RAAAARGGHH!!", his entire body spat red lightning even stronger as he puts everything he had into stopping the advancement of Kingly energy that threatens to obliterate everything.

'Just a little bit more... I need more power to stop this!'

As his eyes flash with determination, not wanting any more innocent people to die from this burst of kingly energy, Sebrof activates the robe that he was wearing. Its grey color slowly turns red, responding to his affinity to the red lightning element.

Only a handful of people know of this artifact that he possesses.

Made of an energy core and the scales of one of the Emperor Dragons, Edna the Elemental Dragon that was taken down by the neighboring major city, this coat is called the Elemental Fuse of Edna. It's a piece of ninth-rank battle equipment that has the ability to convert any mana in the surroundings into a particular mana associated with the wearer and also enhance spirit energy.

In Sebrof's case, every mana in his surroundings was turned into lightning mana.

Even though there were no storms, a phenomenon that can make lightning mana abundance, the lightning mana in the surroundings suddenly becomes thicker due to the Elemental Fuse of Edna that blasted energy and turned everything into lightning mana.

As a Lightning Elementalist, Sebrof can feel the changes almost instantly.

The red lightning sparking all over his body started becoming even more chaotic and stronger, his strength at least doubled or maybe tripled from that helping in suppressing the explosion of kingly energy caused by Rex.

With the activation of the Elemental Fuse of Edna, Sebrof managed to stop the explosion.

Swoosh!

'This amount of energy is not normal, I've fought King Baralt but even he doesn't have this much energy from his King Mark. It's almost as if his body is very compatible with the King Mark', Sebrof thought with a frown.

Looking down from the sky, he saw Rex's figure from the fading dust.

But aside from Rex's figure that is standing amidst the huge crater that he created, Sebrof can also see limbs and blood around him that were the things left by those people running for their lives. They were innocent, and most were not even Awakened.

Sebrof gritted his teeth but he can't blame Rex, 'This is all Zero's fault!', he cursed the name angrily.

Just as he thought of that he suddenly saw some changes happening in Rex's King Mark, it was purple before showing that he has the Dark or Violet Moon King Mark but now half of it started to change color.

'What's happening? His aura is slowly rising...'

Shaking his head knowing that the Elemental Fuse of Edna is still activated, Sebrof then thought, 'No matter, he won't overpower me with the coat activated. I'll take him down before he caused more trouble'

Knowing what he needed to do, and even regretting not doing it sooner, Sebrof went down.

Landing in front of Rex, he then said warningly while getting into his battle stance. With the red lightning saber that is more robust than before held beside his face in both hands, he was ready for anything that could happen, "I can easily suppress your full power, calm down and we can still talk this through. If you refuse I'll be forced to take you down, think clearly and rationally"

"Full power...? Do you really think that's my full power?", Rex mutters mockingly.

<Countess of the Dark Lunirich has given the user a blessing!>

<Night of Full-Moon Dominion skill can be used!>

<Kaiser of the Scarlet Garland needs more blood to engrave the Blood Moon King Mark, assist in providing the blood supply to obtain the Blood Moon King Mark, and make full use of the Royal Black Werewolf's bloodline by possessing a Dual King Mark!>

Upon reading this, Rex trains his eyes down before he smirks.

Sebrof can feel the impending crisis climbing up his throat when he saw the smirk on Rex's face, he was not going to believe that he can actually get any stronger than this. But reality instantly slapping on the face.

After saying that, Rex's body started sparing with a red aura on top of the kingly purple energy.

This red energy is steaming, making the space around him blurry, just like seeing something through a blazing fire. Rex's entire body now becomes blurry just from activating the red force, and his power raises even higher surprising Sebrof in the process.

Since the red force responds to bodily strength, it becomes stronger with the current Rex.

Now his stats are ridiculously high and the red force amplifies his physical stats immensely, his already sharp aura climbs even higher and the ripples of red force feel like Sebrof's body was being stabbed multiple times.

But in response to this, Sebrof's body also burns with yellow steaming energy.

Although not as impressive as Rex that has already reached the epiphany of force user by achieving the Red Force, turns out Sebrof also achieve the yellow force showing that he was also a warrior just like Rex.

Even with that, Sebrof's expression didn't get any better.

SWOOSH!

Sebrof's eyes dilated when he saw Rex didn't dash at him but actually dash in another direction.

Upon looking at this he looks to where Rex is heading before his expression turns pale, Sebrof saw that Rex is heading to a crowd of Awakened alongside military men that are a couple of miles away from them.

"Ultimate Lightning Spell, Way of Lightning!"

BLITZ!!

Boom!

Casting an amplifier spell, Sebrof created a sonic boom as his speed becomes even faster.

With bulging eyes seeing Rex's back that is in front of him, Sebrof gritted his teeth as he was at the very best on par with Rex's speed. At this rate, he wouldn't be able to reach him before the first strike.

Crash!

Kaboom!

Rex crashes onto the army of Awakened and military men that were deployed to secure the place.

Just from crashing into them alone, he killed hundreds of them as their body explodes upon contact. Not only that but the tanks, and heavy vehicles that they brought exploded killing more in the process.

Laughing like a maniac with eyes thirsting for blood, he continues his onslaught.

< Engraving the Blood Moon King Mark 1%/100%>

<...3%/100%>

<...5%/100%>

As Rex butchered each people that his eyes landed on, the percentage keeps on increasing.

Despite doing what he was not condoning normally, Rex didn't seem to be troubled by this as he kept killing more and more people in a split second. The Awakened and military men don't have the chance to react due to the disparity between their speeds.

Rex can kill hundreds of them before they even realized that they were being butchered.

The scent of blood filled his nostrils and the feeling of limbs being sliced easily overwhelmed his senses, he was used to killing but he now was killing humans that didn't do anything wrong to him.

It's unlike him, but it's clear that the last rope of sanity has been cut off.

Only when Sebrof arrived and tackled has he finally stopped as they both wrestle once again.

Meanwhile, back near the mansion.

Giana has finally regained her composure as she intends to help Sebrof to at least stop Rex from rampaging like this, she was about to flap her wings away but her ears caught the sound of gasping that pulled her eyes to the back.

Upon looking over to her back, her eyes widen seeing Edward gasping for air.

In a blink of an eye, Giana went over to him and saw his eyes were full of life as he was brought back from the dead. But she then remembered Rex giving him something, that must've been the thing that healed Edward.

Edward grabs the sword of light penetrating his chest before looking at Giana.

At first, he was confused. But soon he instantly realized that he was definitely saved by Rex as he should've been dead right now, "Where's Rex?! Giana! Tell me where Rex is?!", he asked hurriedly.

"Rex is fighting Sebrof right now...", she replied meekly.

Without wasting any time, Edward tries to pull off the sword of light but finds that he can't.

"Help me get out of this, I need to go to Rex"

"Don't, it's dangerous to be near him right now. Let's just go to t-"

"DO YOU WANT HUMANITY TO FALL?!"

The sudden burst surprised Giana as Edward glares at her fiercely, but she quickly collects herself knowing that he was the only chance to calm Rex down, "No... I don't want humanity to fall"

"Good, bring me to Rex before it's going to be too late..."

Chapter 597 Rampage: Unity Of Humanity's Forces

Everything is in utter Chaos, destruction can be seen all over the place.

A fight between two ninth-rank realm entities is not a common thing, it hasn't happened in years but each time the fight happened, it scars many places as their fight is very destructive, taking everything down with them. Many people would definitely die from collateral damage.

The last time it happened was during the Great Barricade Bloodbath.

But back then the innocents have been evacuated and the battlefield only consists of volunteering military men and Awakened that would lay down their lives for the continuity of Humanity, they don't expect to survive that bloodbath.

Only the thought of fending off the Supernaturals and building the barricade filled their minds.

Years have passed since that tragedy that took millions of lives, and now another fight between these god-like entities is happening again but this time it happened in the heart of Ratmawati City which was one of humanity's safe havens.

Skyscrapers and buildings are absolutely destroyed by the clash of energies.

Responding to the sudden threat that appeared in the middle of Ratmawati City, many forces all around the city started to quickly gather and try to decipher what was going on. Everyone starts from Awakened belonging to different families, military men that have compounds all over the city, and also the new black hands are trying to find an answer to what the hell is happening.

It was their duty to help if the city is attacked, but they were not expecting such a huge fight.

Out of everyone that wanted to reinforce and evacuate the citizens that are inside the crossfire, the military arrived first as they marches from all directions bringing their tanks and mobile artillery in response to the threat.

Most of their weapons have already reached a terrifying degree, their firepower has increased.

In every war against the Supernatural across the entire human territory, the military was the main battle unit that was tasked with the very first engagement to assess the battle and also to buy time for reinforcement to come.

Automatic rifles and other modern guns they had has achieved many breakthroughs.

With the new bullets and guns that are always developed throughout the years fighting against the Supernaturals, a regular military man with a gun can kill a third-rank Supernatural or even a fourth-rank with heavy rifles.

Tanks propel shells that can obliterate fourth to fifth-rank Supernaturals, it's a huge breakthrough.

But the research teams find it difficult to progress further with the existence of spirit energy, they are still constantly trying to find a way to give normal military men a good chance to make a difference in war but there are many obstacles in their way.

It had become evident when they are fighting fourth and fifth-rank Supernaturals.

Although their weapon can theoretically pierce a fourth or fifth-rank Supernatural's skin, the gap in physical prowess was too much to leap over. Normal humans just don't have the superhuman reflex and perception to react to fourth-rank Supernaturals and above.

The tactics they can use are only either ambushing or long-range fire attacks.

Even though they suffer such a bad disadvantage, they were needed in every situation, and this situation especially proves to need their attention as the citizens are in dire need of evacuation. It should be their time to shine, but reality proves otherwise.

Boom!

"Arrghh!!"

"Graargh!"

While the military units are helping people evacuate, a shockwave hits them.

Despite there being a good couple of miles distance between them and the source of the shockwave, the military men in military uniforms got absolutely vaporized into ash as their bodies can't sustain even a touch of the shockwave.

One of the commanders inside a tank saw this happening.

Upon being hit by the shockwave even the Tank started to malfunction, the control screen interface inside shattered, and the reactive armor covering the outside almost melted, rumbling the entire tank as if it was not weighing a hundred tons.

"Commander! Our men got wiped out from that!", a man beside the commander shouted.

The commander looks around and finds that the three other people inside the tank died from the shockwave that went through, and the interface is shattered. Immediately, the commander then pulls down the periscope to see outside and this made him suck in a cold breath.

About three hundred personnel were under his command, but none of them were left.

With a swift motion, the commander instantly takes out a transceiver.

"Dragon 1 to compound, we got wiped out! I repeat, we got wiped out!"

"Copy Dragon 1, what is the situation?"

"One shockwave reaches us from about five clicks away, everyone got vaporized from that! Tell the other units to bring an Awakened with them to deal with the shockwave!"

"Copy that, be advised all personnel wait for pairing"

Just after talking to the person on the other side, the commander opens the roof hatch.

"Commander! What are you doing?! It's dangerous to go outside"

Ignoring the military man left inside the tank he was on, the commander climbs out of the tank before looking up to the far distant sky where two light is clashing against each other. Each time they clash, the shockwave created travels everywhere and destroys everything.

Almost like watching a couple of nuclear bombs exploding repeatedly in the sky.

Not only that, but the fight keeps on moving from one place to another as if they warped space.

While watching the destruction caused in sector 3, the commander takes off his officer hat before letting it fall down and is blown away by the powerful gust hitting him from the front. The commander still feels dazed while watching this.

But soon enough, the sound of crying snaps him back to reality.

Looking to the side he saw a little girl crouching near the destroyed entrance of the building beside him, and the commander quickly jumps down the tank and went to her rescue. Hugging the crying little girl, protecting her from the gust of wind, the commander gazes back to the sky.

"How in the world does this city go attacked? I need to notify the neighboring cities..."

Meanwhile, places across Ratmawati City.

Alarms went off in every corner of Ratmawati City notifying the citizen to take refuge inside the underground bunker made in such a crisis, they didn't dilly about and instantly follows the command from the intercom spread across the city.

Not only the citizen but lower-rank Awakened families are also told to take cover.

With the threat reaching an astronomical ninth-rank realm, families that only have sixth-rank realm Awakened are not allowed to go anywhere near the battle and were advised to either stay out of the way or help the citizen far away from the fight to take refuge.

Gusts from the clash between two ninth-rank can even shatter seventh-rank Awakened barriers.

Awakened below the seventh-rank realm would absolutely destroyed if they go anywhere near the fight, and this is why only the Golden Crest Families are tasked to help the citizen that is too near to the fight between two titans.

But with most of their forces stationed at the Vampire Stronghold, things are looking very bad.

Everywhere across Ratmawati City, the death toll keeps on rising as many of the citizens got unlucky upon getting out of their homes and buildings and instantly got hit by the powerful shockwave which killed them instantly.

It was an absolute massacre, Ramawati City is not prepared to be attacked from the inside like this.

Since the ninth-rank realm Awakened and also the formation masters pretty much put a huge amount of effort into the barrier surrounding Ratmawati City and created the Jewel of Last Hope, they were pretty confident that not even a combination attack from ninth-rank realm Supernaturals are able to penetrate it.

Because of that, the inside doesn't have much regulation in preparation for a situation like this.

Although this might sound arrogant, the barrier was already tested multiple times, and ever since it was built the ninth-rank realm Supernatural only tries once and failed miserably in shattering the barrier.

Post that attempt, the Supernaturals haven't tried it again.

Mostly due to the fact that Ratmawati City is in the center and very deep into humanity's territory, but nevertheless the barrier they created is very strong as the attempt didn't even leave a dent in it.

In no realm of possibility that they foresaw something like this happening.

Ratmawati City was completely caught off guard as many of its forces were stationed at the Great Barricade, guarding the newly acquired Vampire Stronghold and also fending off the Demon Stronghold, now it needs to defend itself with its crippled forces.

But everyone's survival instinct kicks in, and most of the people are finally evacuated.

"Ultimate Twelve Amalgam Poison Spell, Toxin Breath!"

PSHHH!

A man with sharp purple eyes and purple hair breathes gushing purple gas out of his mouth, and the purple gas spreads to the surroundings upon getting hit by a shockwave that stubbornly tries to knock the purple gas away.

With more mana inside the purple gas, the shockwave was fended off before the man stopped.

Frowning with the fact that he needs more effort in blocking the shockwave despite being a peak eighth rank realm Awakened, the man clicks his tongue before looking at the destruction in the far away distance.

On the back of this man are about five hundred well-equipped people ready to battle.

Clad in black tight combat suits and purple robes overlaying them, these people look very organized and also very strong as all of them are at the very least early seventh-rank realm Awakened, and there's a hissing snake crest on their uniform's chest.

"Mr. Mistin, we are tasked to help sectors 3A and 3B. Some citizen is still stuck there"

Upon hearing the Awakened's report on his back, the man called Mistin squinted his eyes, assessing the situation in front of him before he asks, "Have we gotten any news about this from the UWO?"

"Yes, a ninth-rank realm Werewolf is attacking. We're not prepared and the damage is devastating"

"What about the black hands? Where are they?"

"Most of the messengers leading an army of black hands are sweeping sector 2 and also sector 3D, the stronger ones went to sector 3C where the fight is happening. If we could clear our part quickly, we are instructed to immediately help president Sebrof that is stalling the Werewolf"

Even though Mistin was still confused as to how the city got attacked, he needs to focus right now.

Mistin looks back at the Awakened under his family before he commanded them quickly so as to not waste any time, "Split into five groups and sweep the sector quickly, just check buildings and skipped the street. Many should still be trapped inside the buildings, and the ones that are on the street probably died already so don't waste your time"

After doing that, the Awakened nodded their heads before they dashed in different directions.

It was not just the Mistin Family but other top ten Golden Crest Families also doing the same thing, Burton Family, Hester Family, and even the mysterious Maurice family have come out of hiding and helped the city.

A white-masked man was blitzing through the entire sector followed by many Awakened.

Light element is a very rare element that only a few have, but the white-masked man was not only a Light Elementalist but the Awakened behind him were also Light Elementalist as their bodies turned into streaks of light to sweep the entire sector.

By the speed they were going, the entire sector tasked to them can be dealt with quickly.

Knowing that Ratmawati City was under attack by a sudden force that caused a catastrophe of this scale, none of the forces inside the city preserve their strength. Even though the higher-rank families are in a cold war against each other, they didn't hesitate to work together in this scenario.

Despite their beef, the Supernaturals are still their number one enemy.

Humanity will be strong if they stand together, but they will crumble instantly if they don't.

Back to the present.

Rex got tackled and crashed miles away with Sebrof's arms wrapped around his waist.

Laughing at this response knowing how much death and destruction he had caused in the entire sector 3, he clasps his fist together and slammed it right at Sebrof's back, planting him into the ground and stopping the propelling momentum.

A huge crater was made as the buildings around him crumbles because of that.

Sensing the flowing of red lightning inside Sebrof's body through the Extreme State that is still active, Rex prepares for an attack but his eyes were forced to look up when he saw a dozen fighter jets flying across the sky.

Without any hesitation, they started raining missiles on him to help Sebrof.

The sound of the firing missiles pierces the air as they went straight to Rex. But instead of dodging the missiles, he just stood there while looking at the pilots of the fighter jets directly in the eyes with a crooked grin on his face.

It sent a shiver to the pilots but they need to assist Sebrof in every way they can.

Boom!

Boom!

Boom!

Dozens of missiles directly hit Rex before they started exploding and shaking the ground, cloud of smoke covers the entire place in the aftermath of the exploding missiles. But before the fighter jets are able to maneuver around for yet another barrage of missiles, the sky suddenly started rumbling.

Looking down at Rex that appears in the midst of the black smoke, he exposes his blitzing eyes.

Although he was very weak in terms of Awakened power compared to his Werewolf side, it wouldn't be a problem for him to take down a couple of private jets using his sky-black lightning element just like this.

"Great Spell! Sky Rupture Assortment!"

CRACK!!

The formation of the private jets instantly broke as the sky spat black lightning strikes.

One hit from the black lighting strikes tilt their fighter jets and instantly electrocuted the engine, a dozen of them immediately started falling from the sky from having the engine shut down. They were no match for Rex.

Not wanting to spare them, Rex jumped high into the sky heading at the remaining fighter jets.

Upon looking at the black-furred Werewolf with glowing purple horns heading straight towards them, the pilots feel fear gripping their hearts as their hands instantly went to the explosive ejection hatch.

Knowing their enemy, the fighter jets they were on would instantly explode if they got hit by Rex.

But just as the pilots are about to eject themselves from the fighter jets due to the incoming Rex, a figure suddenly blitzed from the side intercepting Rex's path. With the red lightning saber, Sebrof managed to stab Rex through the abdomen and they both fall back to the ground.

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Despite already sensing the flowing red lightning inside Sebrof's body through the Extreme State skill that is still active, the attack came very fast which caught Rex off guard. It was a sudden burst of movement from the very high level of arcane mana control.

Sebrof proves he's the peak of power as his level of arcane mana control was insane.

Arcane mana is a higher form of mana that was caused by a deliberate mutation to the elemental mana which is the normal mana, and it's a purer essence compared to the elemental mana which caused any spell conjured by this arcane mana to be stronger and more efficient.

It requires less arcane mana upon using a particular spell and the result is also stronger.

At first glance, arcane mana looks to bring only benefits to an Awakened. But it also comes at a cost of being harder to control just like different element that is way harder to control compared to other more docile elements.

Lightning, Fire, and Dark elements for example are way harder to control than Wind, and Water.

Now Sebrof not only has the affinity of a lightning element, but he can even control perfectly the arcane lightning mana which shows his very high level of control. As such, he can explode with extreme speed like this and catch Rex off guard.

"Pneuma Spell! Total Lightning Thurst!!"

Stab!!

Way faster than the speed of sound, Sebrof thrust the red lightning saber through Rex's stomach.

Blood gushed out from the back as the thrusting saber brought along the roaring sound of a tiger, Sebrof managed to land a powerful attack and the both of them started to fall down from the sky. Sebrof was able to save the pilots from an attack that would definitely kill them.

Even though they are well-trained, their reflex was not going to win against Rex's movement.

While falling down from the sky with the red lightning saber stabbing Rex's abdomen, Sebrof should rejoice after landing a decisive attack but there was no joy on his face. Many reasons caused him to not feel joy and one of them is due to the fact that the battle wouldn't be over yet.

If two ninth-rank realm entities fight, the battle would take days to be finished without disruption.

Due to their unlimited energy that can be used all the time which usually puts them both in a stalemate, the battle wouldn't stop if there was no one helping the other side or a huge gap in strength between the two entities.

Sebrof has experienced this before, and he knows that this will not be enough.

'Although he's in the ninth-rank realm, it would've been detrimental being stabbed like this if it were any other ninth-rank entity. But he's a prince that has King Mark...'

Knowing that such an attack wouldn't heavily injure Rex that has his King Mark activated, Sebrof's eyes spark with red lightning as he trains his eyes forward. It's not going to end quickly if he didn't use his full power against Rex, so he intends to do so.

Boom!

Both of them crash onto multiple buildings before finally hitting the ground.

Clouds of dust covered the entire place blocking the vision of anyone to see, their falling impact was destructive but the place was already devoid of people. At the very least, there will not be many casualties from that.

Sebrof stands back up and darted his eyes left and right in search of the dubious Werewolf.

It just needs a brief second for him to realize the impact they caused on the entire sector, he was occupied in the fight earlier and just finally absorbing the fact that the place around him was utterly destroyed.

Only traces of civilization can be seen through wrecked cars and destroyed buildings.

Now that he processed the surroundings, he can't help but blame Zero, Giana, Rex, and more importantly, himself. This shouldn't happen, but the problem caused by others resulted in him failing to do his job.

Protecting humanity.

Taking a couple of short breaths from feeling the burning sensation in his chest, Sebrof looks to the side and finds a pair of purple eyes staring at him appearing from the dust. This made him sigh a sigh mixed with helplessness and frustration.

Rex's walking figure then came out slowly with the red lightning saber still in his abdomen.

Grabbing the handle of the red lightning saber, he pulls it out without even a trace of pain in his face despite the gushing blood before dropping it to the ground beside him. Even Sebrof can't help but frown when he sees the wound closed up at a visible rate.

For a brief moment, he was thrown back to the time he forces his arcane mana to invade Rex.

Back then Rex was shriveling on the ground unable to handle the red lightning arcane mana that was forced into him, he even need Vargas to expel some of the arcane mana to recover. But now the arcane mana didn't seem to hurt him that much, it's his King Mark in play, being a Lightning Elementalist also helps with that.

Rex wanted to move again but out of nowhere, he looks up and saw a huge meteor falling down.

Immediately after that, notifications from the system appear.

< Engraving the Blood Moon King Mark 61%/100%>

Upon seeing the notification from the system, his eyes sparkled for a bit but that flash in his eyes dimmed down almost instantly. It was due to the next notification that hits his mind powerfully and clouded his mind further into the abyss.

- <The user's sanity stat has dropped below 30%! The user's ability to think will be reduced in exchange for tripling the user's mental stat>
- <A spell attacking the mind and soul has been cast on the user!>
- <Anti-Soul passive skill has been activated! The mind and soul spell has failed to affect the user>

Refocusing his mind on the battlefield, Rex can't help but grin evilly as he spreads his arms to the side embracing the incoming meteor that threatens to burn the entire place with its raging flames. Only a slimmer hint of sanity can be traced in his eyes.

Rex has dived into madness even more as his vision now has already turned into a shade of red.

Grasping the Amuerus Katana in his hand tighter, Rex jumped straight to the meteor with bulging eyes that has no trace of sanity. With the red force cloaking and activating the eight runes on the Amuerus Katana, he thrust it right into the falling meteor.

BOOM!!

Even though the mighty meteor was filled with arcane fire energy, it shatters completely.

Using the Amuerus Katana's sharpness he managed to burst through the other side of the meteor, and the fragment of the meteor exploded into the surroundings threatening to destroy more space but a flash of blackness swindling around destroys each of the rubbles.

After destroying the meteor, Rex falls down to the ground again before he looks around.

Emerging at the top of the destroyed buildings all over him were five figures, three of them are Awakened while the other two were Messengers from the SCO. Out of the five figures, Rex recognize two of them, they were Vargas and Lady Lauren.

From the arcane mana filling his insides, it's clear that Vargas was the one that cast the meteor.

Surrounded from all sides by very powerful eighth-rank realm people fully clad in silver except for Vargas. Knowing they were about to fight a Werewolf, it's part of the basics to fight a strong Supernatural clad in armor made of silver.

Not only that, but a couple of armies appeared out of nowhere and surrounded the place.

Just looking at their matching uniforms to each of the five figures on top of the destroyed buildings, it's clear that the five figures brought an army each. Three armies of Awakened and two armies of black hands.

But upon seeing this terrifying lineup, the corner of Rex's lips quirks up into a smile.

"Stop this at once! More and more of us will be here, and you'll be surrounded soon enough!"

Sebrof shouted hoping that there was still some consciousness of the actual Rex inside the animalistic eyes that projected immense murderous intent, but he saw no change in Rex's eyes, completely indifferent and only fixated on killing.

Worst comes to worst, he wanted to keep Rex on humanity's side no matter what.

Many don't get the real weight of the situation they were in right now, but Sebrof knows it clearly and was trying to prevent anything bad from happening. Despite already forming backup plans as he should, he still doesn't want this to fail.

If Rex was not stopped here, there's a huge chance that he was going to change sides.

Even if he didn't manage to take revenge on Zero and Giana today or doesn't even know since he seems to be targeting Sebrof, he will definitely learn the truth sooner and later and would exact revenge on both of them.

Zero can die, Sebrof doesn't care in the slightest bit. But it was different for Giana.

Now that he knows that Rex is actually a Werewolf, Sebrof already pieces the puzzle together and realizes that the hatred from the Werewolf that killed Rex's parents back there is still there. It was more than a dozen years ago, but that feeling still prevails until this current moment.

Just that sheer determination alone scares Sebrof, he was persistent and wouldn't give up.

Due to that, he helped humanity a great deal. But that might change now.

The worst-case scenario would be Rex joining the Supernatural banner, but even the better scenario where Rex would be a third party hating both sides is still very bad. Sebrof can't have even the tiniest bit of chance of Giana being killed which would do the Supernatural a favor.

But shattering his hopeful thoughts, Rex licks his bloodied Amuerus Katana in response.

Scanning his eyes around, glaring at each of the people that gathered here, Rex then said menacingly without any hint of stopping, "Bringing these weaklings here is not wise of you Sebrof, but it's good that more people are going to be here. The more humans I killed, the more prominent I will be as a Supernatural!"

Rex laughs out loud, looking at the people here as if they are dead already.

Although the two messengers and Mistin find the situation very dire, Lady Lauren and Vargas were dazed, still fixed on what Sebrof said earlier. Both of them have their eyes open wide in utter shock.

'Rex?!'

One name rang inside their mind when they heard Sebrof refers to this menacing Werewolf as Rex.

As one of the prominent figures in humanity, both of them know exactly each of the Supernatural races' construct starting from their leader and the trusted members. None of the Werewolves they knew had the name, Rex.

If there was a Werewolf as strong as King Baralt, they would know but there was none.

With that little hints alone they realized that the Werewolf is actually Rex, and they were stunned.

Many people would be devastated in learning about this just like both of them did, Rex is the rising star of humanity who triumph over many of his peers and even becomes the head family. It would make the entire Ratmawati City grieve when they find out that Rex is a Werewolf.

Responding to what Rex said, Sebrof nods to himself knowing that he needs to take Rex down now.

Sebrof lowers his stance into a drawing-sword stance before his body slowly circulates all of the red lightning arcane mana which gathers at his skin, a throbbing and ringing sound was produced by the energy which was never been heard of before.

Not even Rex has experienced or seen something like this before.

'I'll show you why ninth-rank Awakened is not to be underestimated even by the Supernaturals'

With a darkening expression, the circulating red lighting arcane mana reaches and seeped into the round, turning the ground around Sebrof red and sparking with red lighting,

Sebrof's expression darkens as the circulating red lightning arcane mana started to reach the ground, turning the ground around him red, "Suit yourself, Rex. But as the leader of humanity, I'm not going to let you keep this up. I'm going to end it with this..."

KABOOM!

The entirety of Sebrof's body exploded with even stronger energy.

Looking through the Extreme State, Rex can see that the spirit energy and arcane mana merge into one which should be impossible to achieve. But Sebrof did it anyway, turning it into another form of energy that looks delicate but violent.

After doing that, his eyes then flash fiercely, "Red Lightning Dominion, Heavenly Thunderstorm!"

Swooosh!!

Upon chanting that, the redness on the ground around Sebrof started expanding rapidly, turning even the buildings into sparks of red lightning. Many of the people around jump back a little to avoid friendly fire.

Sebrof's aura was fueled even stronger by the appearance of the dominion that he chanted.

It was the power epiphany of a ninth-rank Awakened, Elemental Dominion.

Elemental Dominion turns the entire place into the essence of the caster's elemental affinity.

The power of the Awakened that cast an Elemental Dominion will be multiple times stronger, and their spells would be tremendously stronger as they resonate with the essence of mana itself. Something that even the Kings and Queens of Supernaturals need to be wary of.

"People below the eighth-rank realm stay out, don't get inside the Elemental Dominion!"

One of the Messengers wearing a black robe said firmly, the SCO learns how an Awakened fights so the Black Messenger knows about this. The others nodded their heads in understanding except for Lady Lauren and Vargas that are still caught off-guard by the fact that Rex is actually a Werewolf.

But breaking their expectation of ending quickly, the ground around Rex suddenly turns black.

Rex's purple eyes watch calmly as the expanding red lightning dominion is heading towards him quickly, the Banished Dark Moon King Mark glows even more brightly in response sparking more energy into his murderous eyes.

Casting a smirk, he then cast the blessing he received earlier.

"Night of Full-Moon Dome..."

SWOOSH!!

Chapter 599 The Unpredictable Fool

Meanwhile, somewhere inside Ratmawati City.

At sector 4 near the plums and mud of the grand Ratmawati City, there's a small house that is blending very well with the surrounding houses that are made of rough materials and wood. It looks humble and modest, but there is something more to it.

Guarding at the entrance that has lined up many poor people are people with a black crow tattoo.

From a glance there should be at least about thirty people lining up to get inside the house, their condition was not the best, wearing haggard clothes and many of them have shriveled hair that of homeless people.

But these people exclaimed when the ground rumbles from the spreading shockwave.

Many of them started to wonder what was happening in the center of Ratmawati City where this shockwave came from, they are very far from the center and near the tall wall of the city. Clear concerns started to appear on their faces as Ratmawati City always has been safe from Supernaturals.

This occurrence brought back bad memories of these people living outside Ratmawati City.

One of the guards wearing a black tank top exposing his muscly body looks at the lining people and said sternly, "Ignore the rumbles, anything that is happening will be resolved by the Awakened and the Black Hands. No need to worry"

Under the comforting words, the people nodded their heads and lined up patiently.

Soon enough there was another black hand came running through the pedestrian street with clear concern in her eyes, but she tries to keep calm in front of the people that are already curiously looking at her.

Approaching the muscular man, the woman then whispers, "Is King John inside?"

"Yes, he's underground having a meeting with Prof. K. Is there something wrong?", the muscular man asks back seeing that the woman is clearly troubled by something, but the woman didn't reply and instantly went to the back of the house.

Reaching the backyard that has nothing but dirt and mud, she kneels at a certain point.

The woman looks like she was kneeling in front of God, she then closes her eyes and mutters whisperingly, "May humanity rise, as the black crow's eyes cast. Until supernatural demise, our Stygian Crow Organization will last..."

Immediately after she chanted that, a glowing writing appears on the ground.

After the writing glows for a bit, a secret underground passage was opened. Without much thought, the woman went down the underground passage with steady steps until she reaches the bottom of the stairs.

Unlike the entrance, the bottom is lit up with lights with two other Black Hands guarding it.

"I want to meet with King John and Prof. K, I have a report regarding the Green Messenger", the woman said to the two black hands while showing the black crow tattoo she had on her arm.

Putting a pendant closer to the tattoo, the black crow tattoo on her arm glows in response.

Knowing that the black crow tattoo was real and the woman is not an intruder searching for information, the two black hands stepped to the side and opens the door for her. What greeted her beyond the door was a round table with two figures sitting there.

A middle-aged man wearing a black crown and black-furred cape looks over at the woman.

Not daring to meet this middle-aged man's eyes, the woman looks down to the ground as she walks in and went back to kneeling once again. Even with the choking silence filling the place, she didn't muster any word before getting permission.

"Why have you come here?", a figure covered in a black crow mask asks lightly.

Even though the woman didn't get a great look at the masked figure, she instantly recognize the figure as Prof. K just from seeing the green smoke flooding the ground. Lowering her head deeper, the woman then replied, "I've come with dire news regarding the Green Messenger"

"Rex Silverstar...?", Prof. K mutters, his face was hidden but he definitely has a frown on his face.

Upon hearing the name being uttered by the woman, King John rests his cheek on his fist before he opens his mouth, "What about Rex Silverstar? I've heard he did a great job in retrieving the last ingredient for the Supernatural Radar, he has done a great deal for us and humanity"

"Don't forget to prepare the serum for him before the Supernatural Radar is activated, Prof.K"

"I've already prepared the serum for him and possibly the others under him, the Supernatural Radar wouldn't detect them for sure. In addition to that, I also take the initiatives to concoct a controlled poison for unpredictable future problems", Prof. K replied calmly, giving a nod to King John.

Finding that Prof. K is surprisingly thorough, King John smiled.

"Good, it's a good thing that we kept him alive. Now we're reaping the benefits"

Although she comes here with bad news, she can't help but finds what they were talking about confusing. But she didn't have the time to dilly dally knowing that she needs to report the current dire situation to both of them.

Under the pressure, the woman started to sweat profusely.

Raising the Green Messenger alone makes the situation a little bit bright, so the woman was fearful to bring the bad news to both of them. The woman muster her courage before she finally said, "My King, Prof. K... forgive me for being the bearer of bad news, but the Green Messenger turns out to be a Werewolf and has gone berserk, thousands of lives have been taken in the process"

Upon hearing this, the jovial mood immediately turns intense as their faces darken.

"How did it happen? You told me that he was stable despite being a Werewolf, Prof. K", King John glances at Prof. K sharply, he was questioning and also finding this to be dire if what she reported was true.

Prof. K was also surprised but he quickly recovered, "Not possible, he's very stable. I'm sure of it!"

Even though the plan has been going on smoothly since they managed to become allied with the UWO and turn public, and also much help in the war against the Supernatural, King John wouldn't have agreed if Prof. K is not one hundred percent sure that he was stable.

It'll threaten the existence of Humanity and he doesn't want that, but now this happened.

But the matters King John and Prof. K were arguing about contradicted what the woman would expect them to find surprising, the matter that Rex was an actual Werewolf didn't cross their argument which leans more toward the fact that many lives have been lost.

"M-My apology for asking this, but are you aware of the Green Messenger's condition?"

Upon hearing this, King John shifted his eyes to the woman before he said indifferently, "Of course, we knew Rex's condition. We're not a fool, he's a special case but the fact that he went berserk concerns me. Do you have any explanation for this, Prof. K?"

Squinting his eyes, Prof. K started to sweat under the intense gaze

Although she was surprised by King John's answer, the woman hurriedly continues fearing that Prof. K would be blamed further, "O-One of our own saw what happened, and the Green Messenger's berserks started from an Awakened under Lady Giana called Zero who attacked the Silverstar Family's mansion and killed his parents. We don't know why he did that, but we believe that there was somekind of Vendetta between them"

"President Sebrof is currently stalling the Green Messenger, but the destruction keeps on continuing. There are no indication of him stopping"

Brak!

King John stood up abruptly, flipping the round table in the process and shattering it.

Due to the sudden fit of anger, the woman yelped when the table flew over her and crashes onto the wall. Even though King John doesn't particularly emit any sort of energy, the woman's body is shaking out of fear.

Nobody was unfearful to the first regular man that has the power of the peak of an Awakened.

The founder of the Stygian Crow Organization and also a regular man that has superhuman ability beyond comprehension, all of the black hands put immense respect for him after learning that the serum that can make them stronger was designed from King John's DNA.

King John was a man worthy to be king and the king is now angry, and that's terrifying.

"Useless Awakened scum! That damn fool messes up our plan when everything is going smoothly, I should've foreseen something like this to happen! I should've been more careful!", King John shouted with boiling anger inside of him.

Prof. K was also stunned but he quickly recovers, "Nobody can foresee what a fool would do..."

While pacing around the room trying to process the bad news given to him, King John searches for a solution but he has no choice but takes the matter into his own hands. If Sebrof was involved, then Rex should be at the very least ninth-rank realm level.

Looking at the woman, King John then asks, "What is the preliminary action we took?"

"The Black Messenger and the White Messenger have already gone to assist Sebrof as we speak, the other Black Hands were helping the citizen to evacuate into the safety bunker. Only sector 4 was safe from the destruction, and we also use this sector to accommodate the evacuating citizens", the woman instantly replied not wanting to insinuate more anger from King John.

Finding the preliminary action to be acceptable, King John waves his hand signaling for her to leave.

After the woman left King John instantly faces Prof. K, but before he can say anything Prof. K has already intervened, "Yes, I'm going to activate the neutralizer inside his blood. But I don't know if it would work on him if he actually reaches the ninth-rank realm"

"We're playing with fire here, but it's going to be devastating to lose him now", King John mutters.

Just as he was about to say something more, the entire room that was lit up by the bright lamps suddenly becomes dim. It made their expression stiffens before the both of them hurriedly got out of the underground chamber.

Upon reaching outside, they look up to the sky and find that a field of blackness is expanding.

"Elemental Dominion?!", Prof. K exclaimed in surprise.

But King John looks at the field of blackness that seems to spark the night in the middle of the day, he frowns sensing that the energy was not coming from elemental mana, "No, I don't think it's an Elemental Dominion..."

Meanwhile, on the other side of Ratmawati City.

Three figures appeared after a blinding light enveloped the space.

It was an open space with a single teleportation formation carved on the ground, but the place that should be brimming with people was completely deserted, there was absolutely no one around that worked there or wants to teleport away.

After materializing on the teleportation formation, the two figures finally regain their bodies back.

Flunra, Gistella, and Adhara arrive back at Ratmawati City after using the teleportation formation back at the city, they wanted to be teleported to the UWO main office but finds that the teleportation formation there is offline or blocked.

Because of that, they decided to went to any teleportation formation that they can find.

On their way to get here, most of them feel a burning sensation in their chest that threatens to actually burn their entire bodies. It was the anger resonating inside their links to the Alpha and it was crippling them.

Even the thirst for killing has reached the absolute limit.

The three of them find it hard to suppress their bloodlust in the city where many people are around, but thankfully there was no one around here so they can focus on reaching Rex that clearly went nuts from something bad that happened to his mother.

With that in mind, they dash away heading in the mansion's direction.

Despite being far away from the source of energy, the three of them can already feel Rex's aura rampaging around and also the wind from the shockwaves brushes their faces. Without a doubt, Rex is currently in a fight.

Knowing that Rex has reached the ninth-rank realm, the one he's fighting should also be powerful.

"Are you sure the rune you engraved is going to calm him down?", Gistella asks from the side, she was worried that something is going to happen to Rex. Anger would just insinuate mistakes, and she didn't want that.

Flunra nodded his head, "I don't know how effective, but it should help him suppress the anger"

Contrary to both of them that are concerned for Rex's safety and wanted him to stop, Adhara was thinking otherwise, "If something really did happen to the mansion and our family, let Rex go berserk. At that point, they deserve what's coming to them"

Glancing at Adhara, Flunra can only sigh as he knew exactly what she was feeling.

Sprinting towards the mansion's direction, they saw the devastating destruction that Ratmawati City suffered from the fight Rex had with a certain someone. It was horrifying to think that their clashes reaches this far.

But as they marvel at the destruction, their eyes caught sight of a red lighting field.

Their surprise doesn't stop there as the expanding red lightning field crashes onto an expanding field of blackness, locked in a power struggle against each other. Both bring massive energies that the three of them were forced to stop.

Adahra and Gistella were feeling it the most, their bodies feels heavily suppressed.

"What are those two fields?!", Adhara shouted in confusion.

Upon hearing this Flunra looks up at the clashing fields before he mutters, "An Elemental Dominion, and as for the black one... It's the Dome of the Dark Full Moon. Power exclusive only to the Banished Lunirich"

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While the destructive battle keeps on going, the person that feels guilty for starting this whole ordeal was helping Edward to get on his feet and had a chance to talk with Rex that has already been possessed by evil and blood.

Pulling the sword of light, Edward groans in pain finding the sharp hissing pain in his chest.

Although the blood was not coming out of the hole in his chest due to green energy from the Bead of Life that prevents it from leaking out and also repairing his internal organs, the pain was still there as Lady Giana carefully pulls out the sword of light.

It took her almost a minute to do that, fearing that she would hurt Edward even more.

Swish!

Lady Giana finally finds the tip of the sword of light before she pulled it out completely from Edward's chest, sparking a painful groan out of Edward's mouth. She looked at the sword of light with a complicated gaze.

Many memories lie in this sword of light, but everything ended like this.

Gritting her teeth finding that this shouldn't had happen, Lady Giana shatters the sword of light.

Under the gushing arcane mana that gathered onto her fist, wanting to destroy this sword that almost made the situation ultimately worst, Lady Giana punched it and the sword of light shatters into a thousand fragments of sparkling light.

With both hands supporting his body on the ground, Edward tries to collect his breaths.

Looking down at his chest which has a big hole in it but was blocked by the green energy, Edward gazes forward where he saw sparks of shockwaves in the sky from the clash between Rex and Sebrof, he forces himself to stand up.

But just when he was about to put some strength into his legs, his entire body started trembling.

"Arghh...!", Edward stumbles over and falls to the ground again.

Even though the Bead of Life helped him survive the grasp of death that should have already sucked his soul into the underworld, it was not enough to fully recover his weakened body that still has traces of death gripping it.

In that moment of blackness, he really thought that he has died and his story has come to an end.

Maybe due to that realization that death managed to grasp him quicker, he was in despair for not being able to repay his life debt to Rex just like he failed to do to Kyle. But the world won't stop his misery and gives him another chance to fix that guilt inside of him.

"Edward, you're still weak. I'll help you go there...", Lady Giana said softly from the side.

Despite the guilt that was clearly etched on her face for starting all of this, she was still the cause of him failing his life mission of repaying his life debt. It was clear enough from the way she was acting and the expression she was wearing that she has something to do with this, it doesn't take a genius to figure it out.

Zero is undoubtedly Lady Giana's subordinate, and that made Edward's view of her change.

Just hearing her voice alone irritates him to no end, he can't believe that a ninth-rank realm Awakened that should be the representation of humanity did a blunder this bad without taking to account that this situation might happen.

Leaders should be able to see into the future as nobody else can, but Lady Giana failed to do so.

Clenching his jaw tightly, Edward tries to stand up, refusing Lady Giana's stretched hand.

Although it took him a moment he was finally able to get to his feet despite panting heavily, he then glances at Lady Giana before he said, "If you want to help, give me a chance to talk with Rex. Help Sebrof, you're linked directly to this mess so do something to fix it. I'll reach there on my own"

Lady Giana's body froze for a moment, but she then clenched both of her hands into fists.

"I will... I promise that I would try and fix this", she mutters softly.

In the next moment, her entire being started to be circled by blue energy that gives off a sacred feeling, and her armor slowly changed into the traditional blue-dominated outfit while blue markings cracked her skin and started to spread all around.

Wings spread on her back and two chakrams appeared in her hands, filled with arcane mana.

Even though it was the first time for Edward to see a ninth-rank realm Awakened turn into the Gladiator Form, he was not impressed at all as he was loathing Lady Giana to the core. It's hard for him to even look at her.

After gearing into her Gladiator Form, Lady Giana slowly opens her sparkling crystal eyes.

"I know what I did was wrong, I never expected Zero to do something this reckless. But it's too late to turn back time now, I need to bear this responsibility. Even if this sounds selfish, I put my trust in you to get Rex back to his senses so that others wouldn't suffer because of my mistake"

Edward stood there without even looking Lady Giana right in the eyes.

But she knows what she did was wrong and already expected this kind of treatment from those that knew that this was her fault, so she can only smile wryly intending to help Sebrof calm Rex down. Just before she can do that, a phenomenon catches their eyes.

At the far distance, an expanding red lightning field can be seen.

"It's Sebrof's Elemental Dominion, I think they are going to go for the final clash!"

Not long after the red lightning field can be seen, a black expanding field suddenly engulfs the entire place, reaching even the place where Lady Giana and Edward are standing right now. Sebrof's Elemental Dominion is big, but the black field is at least twice bigger.

Knowing that the black field should come from Rex, Lady Giana didn't sit idle any longer.

Gathering more arcane mana and spirit energy into the sublime blue wings on her back, Lady Giana immediately zooms off, heading to the source of a battle between Rex and Sebrof. In under any circumstances, she's still a ninth-rank realm Awakened and can make a difference.

"Rex... your mother wouldn't want this", Edward mutters with a troubled expression.

A moment later,

Step by step Edward traverses through the destruction that was once filled with white marble and mansions belonging to the top figures of Ramawati City, he watches the scenery with a broken heart, this was something that shouldn't happen.

But nevertheless, he kept walking forward, holding onto anything that he can use as a support.

Even though the situation was completely different and even worst compared to anything that he has experienced, Edward was thrown back to the time he was saving the captain on the battlefield as a second-rank Awakened fighting Zombies from the Undead race.

Despite looking like he was pushing through, it was all willpower that made his body move.

Back then the sky was shining brightly above his head, and now the sun is also above his head but the sunlight can't penetrate through the blanket of black field that seems to forcefully turn the day into night.

It was surreal and Edward even thought that he was hallucinating from the injury he sustained.

Violent gushes of energy can be seen coming from the center of sector 3, in the far distance, but Edward's vision has already turned narrow as everything at the edges can't be seen by him. Numbness envelops his entire body.

Although the numbness also reaches his emotions, he stopped when he steps foot in sector 3.

Leaving the military for good ever since the last mission that he had done with Rex and Kyle, he was in a facade of reverie where blood was rarely seen. Ratmawati City is the safest place that can even wipe the bloodbath he had experienced.

But now everything reverts back once again, the scene reminds him of the time on the battlefield.

Gore, brutality, intestines, and blood filled his entire vision wherever his eyes darted to. Rubbles from the buildings that were once filled with people doing their daily lives, shock that was still

etched on the corpses' faces, and even the stench that he wanted to forget so badly instill the place with nothing but destruction.

This halted his step finding that the death toll has surpassed his expectation.

Some of the fresh blood coming from a crack in the rubble on his right slowly move like a snake toward him, it maneuver through the corpses before hitting the edge of his shoes which made him snap out of his daze.

Edward's eyes suddenly bulged before he started coughing and falls to his knees.

Both of his knees landed on the pool of blood that has already formed beneath him, it splashes to the dry parts of the street while he kept coughing severely with blood coming out. It was clear that he was still very injured.

Out of nowhere, he suddenly can feel a hand reaches out to his shoulder.

Reacting very quickly to the sudden touch on his shoulder, Edward was about to hit the person that was already standing in front of him but quickly stop when he realized the familiar face. It's the face that can be trusted.

"K-Kyran...?"

"I tried to go back as fast as I can but it seems I was too late"

Looking at the state Edward is in right now, Kyran already knows that he was way too late.

Sighing to himself Edward falls back and sits on the puddle of blood trying to recollect himself, his vision is already starting to be blurry again but shakes his head to force his body to stay awake. It seems he was lacking blood from the attack before.

Kyran straightens his back before looking at the sparking violent energies at the front.

"Bring me to that place, I need to talk to Rex. I need to try and tell him that his mother wouldn't want this to happen again to him, she doesn't want him to take revenge again", Edward mutters tiredly, asking Kyran for help.

Upon hearing this, Kyran can't help but frown from the sudden bomb into his brain.

For all his moment being inside the Silverstar Pack, Rex has always been fixated on getting stronger and he also knows that he really hated Werewolves which is the race he wanted to exterminate the most.

It was only recently that he knew that Rex's real parents are actually killed by a Werewolf.

Everything that Rex did from the start, searching for ways to get stronger turns out to have the sole purpose of killing the Werewolf that killed his parents. It happened years ago, and that hatred still persevered throughout that years.

Out of all things, Kyran was sure that Rex is very determined and never lost his way.

Now that his foster parents were killed once again, and to make matters worst his foster parents were killed by humans that he trusted. It puts him in the middle, a dilemma that surely makes him insane like this.

Sighing to himself, knowing exactly what Rex is feeling right now, Kyran shakes his head.

"What about Ryze? I can sense him already turning into a Dragonman, and seems to be fighting someone too", Kyran asks sensing Ryze's presence even though they were quite far away from each other.

Upon hearing this, Edward pushes himself to his feet with hazy eyes.

Looking over at Kyran seriously, he then said, "Don't worry about him, there are things that are more important right now. Help me get to Rex, or Humanity would collapse if either one of them died in this tragedy"

Nodding firmly, Kyran then supported Edward by the arm.

Cloaking both of their bodies with dark elements, Kyran glances at Edward once again before they leave the place and heads to the catastrophic phenomenon in front of them, "Are you sure we shouldn't let Rex vent out? No matter the case, his parents died and he has the right to do this"

"I'm sure, his mother doesn't want this. Deep down, I too know he doesn't want to do this"

Edward shakes his head, this is not what both of them wanted, he's sure about it.

Seeing the determined look on Edward's face, Kyran gazes to the front as his entire being tingles with an imminent danger that screams death to him, "We might die if we get closer to that, you know that right?"

"Drop me off there then, I don't care if I die", Edward replied shortly.

With a flash of conviction inside his eyes, he then continues despite his weak voice, "No matter what happens, I will definitely stop his rampage. This time, I will not fail again, I will definitely save my friend from the darkness even if it costs me my life..."