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Chapter 601 I'm Still Standing

Everything turns cold.

Sunlight that keeps living beings rejuvenated and prosperous has never failed to share its warmth, but a sudden chilling sensation covers the entire place, even the almighty sunlight was blocked completely because of that.

Breezes of cold wind and also the chilling atmosphere breezes the skin and shivers the soul.

Although he has fought numerous Supernaturals with names alone could terrify many people, he has never seen something like this. For a long time, he has not been surprised by anything, but right now he was absolutely surprised.

Despite exerting his full strength, his Elemental Dominion was engulfed by the blackness.

Every time he tries to push the Elemental Dominion out and imbued more of his natural mana into the surrounding place which would make him stronger, Sebrof finds that he's unable to do that with the black dome suppressing his Elemental Dominion.

'What kind of power is this...? It doesn't matter, whatever it is I can't afford to lose'

With the glint of determination inside his bulging eyes, Sebrof activate the effect of the cloak he was wearing to the utmost limit. It made the red lightning field stronger and pushed the black dome, but he was still outclassed by the black dome.

Upon the appearance of the red and black fields, the others are forced to retreat.

Most of them are not even in the eighth-rank realm which is the minimum requirement of power to sustain the rampaging energy from an Elemental Dominion, they feel weak under the black and red fields which is why they were told to get away as far as possible

Out of the people surrounding the place, only the leaders stayed behind.

2 Black Hands and 3 Awakened watch this clash of power from a safe distance between Rex and Sebrof, both of them are putting everything they got to take down the opposing sides. Even then, the clash of energies suppressed their bodies heavily.

Sebrof's Elemental Dominion was like a chaotic force threatening to attack everything.

Rex's black dome on the other hand was akin to swallowing darkness, chillingly calm and steady.

Kaboom!!

Both powers struggle against each other trying to gain the upper hand, the two powers are fighting over space to conquer but it's clear that the black field is stronger. Aside from the two powers, there are obvious changes in their bodies.

With the moonlight energy brought by the black dome, Rex now has access to his other skill.

Since the Pure Brace of Moonlight, one of his passive skills can only be used during the night, he wasn't able to use it before with the sun in the sky. Now that the black dome has basically turned the day into night, he has access to that skill.

Upon seeing the heightening power, Sebrof sweats a little out of concern.

Although he knows and hard to admit that Rex is now stronger than him, Sebrof was not going to sit idle and would definitely give his all in this fight. Instead of holding one red lightning saber like before, he conjures two of them.

Holding the blitzing and sparking red lightning sabers, Sebrof's entire being changed.

Every inch of his body now was imbued and sparked with red lightning, he's even started floating from the energy he amassed, and also the space inside his Elemental Dominion is already started raining red lightning strikes.

Giving an evil grin to Sebrof, Rex bares his black-steel claws and cloaked them with dark energy.

<Full Moon Night Dome has been activated!>

<The user has gained a medium stats increase and also additional attack enhancement and warping skill within the Full Moon Night Dome field>

Rex and Sebrof went into their battle stance once again before both of them roared with all of their might, their eyes are fixated on each other, ignoring everything around them that suffered from the destruction they caused.

Like two warmongers, they dashed toward each other and clash their weapons.

CLANG!

BOOM!

A huge shockwave exploded to the surrounding, shaped like red and black lightning with a shadowy form. It was the rampage of their mixed energy, and the effect was devastating to the surrounding.

Some of the buildings around that are still standing got instantly stumbled over.

Nothing was left due to their clash, and both of them paused for a moment with their weapons stacked against each other while making eye contact. It was an intense couple of seconds before they resumed their fights.

Rex and Sebrof trade blows after blows, showing their expertise with their own weapons.

Even though he was a master in close-quarter combat due to the training he received back during the military and fighting the Supernaturals, he finds that going through Sebrof's stand is quite a challenge as he too was a master of using sabers.

Both of their movements were so fast that ripples in the void around them started appearing.

Only eighth-rank realm entities can see even a glimpse of their movements, their weapons are moving at blazing fast speed that makes others that have lower power see nothing but blurs. It was the fiercest fight of the century!

Despite exerting everything that he had, Sebrof finds that he was still on the back foot.

BAM!

With one slash from the enhanced Ameurus Katana, Sebrof got sent crashing to the ground and bounced back up. Not idling for too long, he immediately got up while the momentum still pushes him backward.

Rex's purple eyes appeared in front of him as the Amuerus Katana descend powerfully.

Under an extreme speed that surpassed the limit of humans and even Supernaturals, the others join in intending to help Sebrof take down Rex. It was clear that they need to step forward lest they wanted Sebrof to lose the fight.

Snapping out of their dazes, Lady Lauren created many grey strings and linked them to Vargas.

"Ultimate Mental Spell, Strings of Boosting Awakened!"

It was the signature spell of the Hester Family that can exert the body and mana to the utmost limit, Edward has the chance to feel the spell earlier and the effect is surely visible. But now these enhancing grey strings are attached to an eighth-rank Awakened.

Not stopping at Vargas, but the others were also linked to Lady Giana's grey strings.

Just after they were attached to the grey strings across their bodies, the four other people present feel their bodies become even stronger. It's like they were using performance enhancement, but this is a performance enhancement for inhumanly strong figures like them.

With the circumstances, Lady Lauren's spell is very needed in this kind of situation.

An Awakened coupled with the Black Messenger appears on both of Rex's sides with their weapons ready in hand, their eyes glisten fiercely before they swung their weapons at Rex's hind legs intending to severely lessen his ability to fight.

But exerting the bloodline of a Werewolf, Rex's reaction speed was unnaturally fast.

Jumping in the nick of time to dodge both weapons swinging at his hind legs, Rex slaps the Black Messenger with his left hand. It was supposed to connect but the Black Messenger's body suddenly vanished into the ground, merging with the darkness.

Rex ignored him and swung his Amuerus Katana to the Awakened on his other side.

Upon seeing the swiftly approaching katana that has eight glowing runes activated on the blade, the Awakened raised her sword to block but that proves to be a very bad idea. Rex's power is too much as the Awakened's sword shatters upon contact.

Slash!

Just from that slash, the Awakened's arm was tossed away with blood decorating the cold air.

"Arggh!"

With the arm got slashed off by Rex that doesn't have much mercy inside his heart right now, he follows the slash with a nasty swipe from his claws that sent the Awakened crashing away before stopping a couple of miles away.

Feeling the powerful hit, Lady Lauren vomited blood as she was linked to the Awakened.

No eighth-rank Awakened can sustain a full brunt attack from the ninth-rank realm entities, the difference in power is like heaven and earth. Knowing that there's a high chance that the Awakened is dead from that slap.

Especially, if she crashes into many things along the way before finally stopping.

Appearing from behind from the shadows, the Black Messenger intends to sneak an attack but got grabbed by the throat by Rex. Looking at the fearsome expression coupled with his Werewolf form, the Black Messenger emits a bleak aura showing his fear.

It made the corner of Rex's mouth quirk up into a grin realizing that the Black Messenger is afraid.

But out of nowhere, Sebrof exerts his mana control again and managed to get to Rex's back in the blink of an eye. Charging the sabers he was holding with as much arcane mana, he swings it right at Rex, leaving a trail of red lightning sparks.

Predicting his movement, Vargas already created two red barriers to restrain Rex on his ankle.

Since his ankle was trapped by the two red barriers, he was not able to go anywhere as he was forced to receive the full brunt of the sabers. It was a powerful strike backed by an immense amount of power.

Bam!

Without even reaching Rex's skin, the red lightning sabers were halted by the Force Barrier.

Rex cracks a grin finding that the two sabers are unable to pierce the Red Force Barrier, but his eyes dilated and his waist stings with pain when Sebrof suddenly chanted, "Pneuma Spell, Scarlet Kingsky Slash!"

Slash!

Two big gashes appeared on Rex's waist as the sabers break the force barrier and slashed him.

Roar!!

Upon being slashed on the waist and even making some of his blood leaks out, Rex becomes even angrier as he slashed down the Ameurus Katana straight onto Sebrof that tries to block it by raising both of his sabers.

Clang!

Sebrof clenched his jaw finding that the slash was heavy, and the ground beneath him explodes.

While staying in the struggling position with Sebrof struggling under him, Rex's eyes flash evilly as he said with a mocking grin, "Didn't you say you would end this fight, Sebrof? Why am I still standing now with nothing but small cuts?"

Boom!

A huge shockwave was created once again as Sebrof falls to one knee under Rex's might.

Rex's eyes then traveled to the surroundings for a bit before he said, "Look around, look at the destruction that happened to your beloved Ratmawati City. Everything you try to protect has turned like this, and that is your fault! Humanity will lose and all the blame would fall on your shoulders!"

Laughing like a maniac, Rex pummeled Sebrof's mind with realization.

Even Sebrof's Elemental Domain was slowly getting suppressed by Rex's black dome of the night.

Out of nowhere, the Amuerus Katana burns with dark moonlight energy. The Executor Slash now can imbue even his sword, the limitation to the claws has been erased and now he can use it to strengthen any attacks.

Grinning madly, Rex sent a front kick straight to Sebrof's chest before he jumps up to the sky.

Sebrof was sent rolling for miles across the destroyed grounds, he was greeted by the dark figure descending from the sky just after he recovered from the attack. With widened eyes, he doesn't have the chance to react.

Slash!!

In a blink of an eye, Rex passes through Sebrof with his Amuerus Katana still clean and shiny.

But just a couple of seconds after that, the skin across Sebrof's chest suddenly exploded with blood gushing out. It was a devastating attack that managed to severely injure him, and he was starting to run out of options.

'I can't win against him, all that is left is to burn my permanent arcane mana...', Sebrof thought.

Having his back against the wall, Sebrof was put into a huge dilemma.

Although he can probably fight Rex and retain back the hope of winning by burning his permanent arcane mana, the aftermath would be dreadful and he might not even be able to stay in the ninth-rank realm and regress to the eighth-rank realm.

But in a brief second, he steeled his will, 'It's better than to die right now, I'm going to stop him!'

Ignoring the throbbing wound on his chest, Sebrof turns around to look at Rex that is still brimming with anger. Aside from his King Mark, the anger also made him increasingly stronger due to him being a Werewolf.

An additional reason why Sebrof is beaten this badly.

Just when Sebrof was about to do an all-out clash against the two-legged monster in front of him, a sparkle of a star can be seen in the sky before a figure descends from the sky and heads straight toward Rex.

Rex sensed the incoming figure but he was too late to react this time.

A solid kick landed right on the side of his face before sending him scurrying away like a rag doll.

Bam!

Already clad in her Gladiator Form that turns her into a literal goddess in an astral blue outfit, Lady Giana comes to the rescue in the nick of time before Sebrof circulates his permanent mana. It would be very bad for humanity if he did that.

Around her is a blue field, her Elemental Dominion that helped to fight Rex's black dome.

Thanks to the Elemental Dominion that Lady Giana casted, Sebrof's Elemental Dominion regain some power again since the attention of Rex's black dome has been split into two making both of their energies stood the same ground as Rex's black dome.

Standing up from being kicked in the face, Rex's eyes turn deadly as he looks at Lady Giana.

"Rex! Stop this! If you don't then the Supernatural would sense this fight and they will know that there is chaos inside Ratmawati City! It will spark a sudden attack from them!", Lady Giana shouted desperately.

But instead of responding to that, Rex has other things in mind.

"Giana... I'm going to kill everyone that has some association with my parent's death. But weird, I can smell your fear clearly, almost as if you're guilty of something", Rex said before his expression turns absolutely hideous.

Tilting his head a little, he then added, "Tell me, do you have any part in this...?"

Even though she already steeled herself, hearing this made her gulp harshly.

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"Tell me, do you have any part in this...?"

Rex's cold question seeped into her ears like a sharp sword, her body stiffens and her expression turns even paler. It took only that to make Rex's face darkens, she doesn't need to say anything for Rex to know that she did something.

< Engraving the Blood Moon King Mark 89%/100%>

Clenching the Amuerus Katana in his hand, Rex's entire body started trembling.

Even in the midst of his cloudy mind due to his Sanity's stat that dropped below 30%, he can still vividly remember his mother's corpse that lies in the cold and hard ground. No respect was given to her at all, killed and tossed away like an animal despite being innocent.

She didn't deserve this, she was the only source of light in this cold and dark world.

Inside Rex's mind, she was the sole light bulb that keep his mind from breaking since his birth parents' death. But now everything has turned dark, he was blanketed by the darkness once again with no hopeful future.

A world where there was no war, it's a perfect world for someone like his mother.

Now that he has taken revenge on the Werewolf that killed his birth parents, it was time for him to move on and make the best for his mother that accompanied him through his darkest times. But that chance was taken away from him, by these ungrateful and blind people.

People whom he fought for his entire life turns out to be the one that will make his life even worst.

"It was my fault, I'm the one that tried to kill you"

Upon hearing this Rex suddenly raised his widened eyes to look at Giana, he was caught off guard by this. It was supposed to be Sebrof but turns out the real perpetrator was none other than the person that he trusted to be the first outsider to know of his deep secret.

Although it seemed plausible to tell her then, turns out that becomes the greatest mistake Rex did.

"Giana, don't!"

Sebrof tries to stop her from saying the truth to him in the middle of a rampage like this, but Giana only raises her hand, signaling for him to stop. At the very least she needs to own to her mistake, it's not fair to put the blame on Sebrof.

"I tried to kill you but failed, and one of my men tries to save me which resulted in this"

Feeling power leaving his body, Sebrof kneels on the ground while panting heavily. No point in stopping her now, she already said the truth, and the situation is ambiguous and can go either way.

Looking directly at Rex's purple eyes, Giana then added, "I'm sorry..."

"I'm sorry for not trusting you even if you're a Werewolf, and also I'm sorry for your parents' deaths"

Just like a trance of the moment, the two Elemental Dominions from Sebrof and Giana were like two bubbles of light that are engulfed in the complete darkness of Rex's night dome. Vargas and Lady Lauren not far from them heard what they were saying.

Now that they heard the actual truth, everything started to make sense.

Sebrof and Giana knew the fact that Rex was a Werewolf which is the missing piece they need and blinded by his race, Giana tries to kill him but failed. Everything started going down after that, and this is the climax.

Forcing himself to stand up, Sebrof then said, "I know what she did was wrong, trust me I do"

"But I also know deep down that you don't want Humanity to fall, despite your race you're still one of us. I can see it in your eyes then, you're doing all of the extreme things you did for the sole purpose of helping Humanity. If we keep this up, the Supernaturals will sense it and they would do an all-out attack knowing that we're weak. Your effort will be in vain if that happens, just stop this"

"I'm not saying to forget the fact that your parents are dead, I'm not saying that at all. I'm just saying that we can find another way to resolve this tragedy that happened to you", he added trying to convince Rex.

Clearly, he was hurt from Rex's last attack, he would be forcing himself if the fight continues.

Rex just stands there with his eyes gazing at nothing but Giana, his pupils are steady without any sign of movement. Soon enough he lowers his eyes to look at the ground, his eyes wavering with uncertainty.

Out of nowhere, the black dome slowly shrinks, sucked into Rex's body.

Upon seeing the sudden disappearance of the black dome that is suppressing them, Giana and Sebrof look at each other with their eyes opened wide. Even though they were trying to convince Rex otherwise, they didn't expect it to actually work.

But their delight was interrupted by the sound of flapping wings from the sky.

Looking up they saw a flying figure descending down, exposing its skin that is filled with dark red scales that of a dragon. Not only were many of the people here surprised, but the figure also brought someone.

It was obviously Ryze, and he was bringing a beaten-up man in his arm.

Ryze's eyes lit up when he saw Rex in the midst of destruction, he flaps his wings and landed right in front of him before he tossed the beaten-up man to the ground, "I- I did it! I-I've taken revenge on the person that did that to the mansion, and your parents!"

Even though he was obviously injured severely, his eyes can't hide the sense of accomplishment.

Upon hearing the words that came out of Ryze's mouth, Rex's eyes shifted down to look at the person that he said was responsible for attacking the mansion and killing his parents, Zero. With emotionless eyes, Rex looks at Zero's body numbly.

Not one hint of emotion leaked out of his eyes.

Although there was no aura suppressing them, Vargas felt something was off.

Walking closer to Lady Lauren that is standing on the side, he then whispered, "Help me create a barrier around the sector, I don't feel like he was about to give up. Let's play it safe and minimalized the damage to the surrounding and also prevents more energy to leak out which will alert the Supernaturals"

"Okay... I also think that he won't let this up, just why would that Dragonman bring it up now"

Clicking her tongue knowing that Rex should've ended the rampage if given more time to be convinced, Ryze just had to bring the actual killer of his deceased parents. It would definitely impact Rex's emotions right now.

Gazing at Zero's body which is already scorched and not breathing, Rex's eyes wavered a bit.

Despite not being there when his parents were killed, he can still smell their scent from Zero's body.

"I started loathing the Supernatural ever since a Werewolf killed my birth parents without a reason, all I wanted in my life was to kill the Werewolf that give me that endless nightmare that keeps on repeating in my head. At last, after so long, I've managed to kill him", Rex said before raising his glowing purple eyes.

Gazing at both of them, Rex then continues, "I wanted to move on and forget that nightmare"

"My foster mother, I want to give everything to her, creating a beautiful world where she would be happy and safe. She was the only reason I've managed to keep sane until now, the only reason I fight for a brighter future, and it was her who kept me from being dragged by the darkness"

Out of nowhere, Rex's King Mark started circulating moonlight energy once again.

"But you took that from me..."

Rex's eyes flashed with rampaging energy that zapped the people around him from their power, even Giana and Sebrof were not spared by the sudden mental attack. It feels like their powers were sucked out of their bodies.

<The target's stats have been decreased by 30%!>

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Upon activating his Alpha Bearing skill, they all got influenced by Rex's presence.

Finding that the situation has turned for the worst again, the eighth-rank figures that wanted to provide backup for Sebrof and Giana were instantly crushed into their knees unable to get up under Rex's pressure.

Only Sebrof and Giana in their Gladiator Forms can sustain the energy from Rex.

Each one of them watches as Rex grabs Zero's corpse by the nape before lifting it up, he then added, "Did you really think apologizing would make this better? You sever my only connection with humanity by killing my beloved parents who belong to the few people I love in this world"

"Ever since you kill them, you don't have the chance to fix this. I'm not one of you now..."

Bite!

Crunch!

Sebrof and Giana widened their eyes in absolute terror when they saw Rex suddenly opens his mouth filled with sharp fangs and bites Zero's head right off, he ripped it before started munching on it deviously.

Blood started to seep through the gap in his teeth, showing that he actually ate Zero.

<Eaten a peak eighth-rank Awakened, obtained 70,000,000,000 Exp!>

<Level up!>

<Congratulation on achieving the first prey achievement!>

<The user has gained 3x Devouring tickets which will allow the user to learn any skill from the prey that has been devoured, it's advised to be used wisely! With the death of the Dark Prince, the Devouring ability will be lost until the world restraints have been lifted!>

Many notifications from the system popped into his vision but were ignored completely.

Without wasting any more time knowing that they have completely lost the negotiation, Giana and Sebrof instantly moved to realize that there is no more room for talking. It was already too late, the damage they did to Rex can't be reversed now.

Jumping high into the sky, Sebrof raised both of his sabers up, calling for the rumbling lightning.

Blitz!

CRACK!!

A devastatingly powerful lightning strike hits both of his red lightning sabers, imbuing them with more power than ever before. Sebrof already clenched his jaw strongly while slashing down his two sabers, "Ultimate Arcane Spell, Heaven's Twin Abomination Judgement!"

Simultaneously, Giana also chanted from the back turning her chakrams into one astral bow.

Pulling back the astral blue strings while gathering a destructive amount of arcane mana and spirit energy, her eyes sparkle with a blue light as she manifested a blue water bow that is enhanced with sparking lightning.

"Empyrean Dancer of Annilihation Art, Third Form!"

Upon the arrow fully manifested and reinforced, Giana then continues with a hint of guilt before letting go of the string and letting the arrow loose. Rex left her no choice but to react like this, "Evoke of Annilihation!!"

SWOOSH!

Like a concentrated meteor from the sky, the arrow swiftly pierced the air and headed to Rex.

Out of all the others that are present within the Elemental Dominions and the black dome, they all rushed outside knowing that the devastating result of the attack would be catastrophic even for them at such a close distance.

It would be better for them to get outside and blocks the shockwave and minimalized the damage.

Even if they try to stay inside the Elemental Dominions and black dome, they wouldn't be able to just like Ryze that was pushed away crashing like a rag doll just from the air of the incoming full-power attacks from two ninth-rank realms Awakened.

Harnessing the full ability of a ninth-rank realm Awakened, their attacks were catastrophic.

Rex stood there without moving an inch while the two incoming attacks swiftly got closer and closer, he was not reacting even the slightest bit despite the gushing energies that are directly aimed at him.

Knowing that their combination attack would decimate any ninth-rank, Sebrof sighs inwardly.

'It's a shame, but he has given us no choice. Even he wouldn't be able to block our attacks. We make a grave mistake, but we need to do what we have to do to save Humanity from collapse and secure the future', Sebrof thought grudgingly.

But as two of his sabers and the arrow coming from the front were about to hit.

BOOM!

Rex's aura suddenly exploded but this time there were some changes in his King Mark, half of it slowly being dyed with red color splitting his King Mark into two parts. Something that was never seen before.

- <Engraving the Blood Moon King Mark, completed!>
- <Congratulation on activating Dual King Mark, the user's stats has been increased tremendously!>
- <Diabolic Claws of the Origin Fragment has been automatically absorbed from being accepted by the Blood Moon and achieving the Blood Moon King Mark, the user has instantly unlocked one of the Origin's unique power>

<Unholy Claws of the Reaper passive skill has been unlocked!>

Chapter 603 Awakening: The Orchestra Of Pain

Somewhere far away from the catastrophe that is happening inside Ratmawati City.

A group of people wearing light brown button-down shirts with pockets and chinos are going through a desert, the wind brought along golden sand that irritates the skin and eyes. Each one of them is also wearing a mask to protect their face from the prickling sand.

"Barrier up, the wind is getting stronger", a man with green eyes commanded to the others.

Upon the command from the man that seemed to be leading this group of ten people, each one of them started to circulate their mana and create a barrier a couple of inches outside of their bodies, showing that they were all Awakened.

Even though they were Awakened, for some reason the wind still made it hard for them to advance.

Not only that but the Wind Elementalists amongst the group find something weird since for some reason they weren't able to reduce the wind blowing on the group, it's like they are unable to access nature's wind around here.

Almost feels like someone is controlling the wind, and they can't overpower that person's power.

Slowly the group traverses through the barren and flat land that covers as far as their eyes can see. Above them was the bright golden sun blazing their skin, but it feels like the sun is an inch away from their temple due to high the temperature in this place.

Under the same boat as them, there are a couple of mutated hawks flying over their heads.

"How long are we from the reported site?", the man with green eyes asks.

Another guy tapped on his smartwatch before a holographic map popped out, there were an arrow and a red dot on the holographic map and they were close, signing that they will arrive at the destination in a bit.

"About thirty minutes of walking at our current pace", the guy replied with a sigh.

Out of their lives as Awakened they have never felt burdened by the nature like this, and it really feels like being a normal person again, "Just what is wrong with this place, how come I can't manipulate the wind mana around here?", a woman grumbled before wiping the sweat dripping on her forehead.

Each one of these Awakened covers the four fundamental elements, they are a versatile group.

But even though they were very versatile having different elements from fire, water, wind, and earth, the blowing wind still made their bodies heavy. Not only that but the closer they got to the destination, their barriers started to get blown by the wind.

It's not that their barriers shatter, but they are slowly being unable to harness their powers.

At first, the barriers of wind around the Wind Elementalists get blown by the gushing wind, and soon the other Elementalists are also robbed of their barriers making their advancement even harder due to being hit by the full brunt of the blowing wind.

Some of them kept trying to use their elements but ultimately failed miserably.

"Maybe there's an artifact here"

"Whatever it is, we're a part of the Exploration Department. It's our job to check it out"

After the man with green eyes said that, the group of ten picked up their pace.

This group of ten follows the sun which will lead to the destination that was tasked to them. Some of the citizens from nearby cities were hit by a subtle shockwave alongside an earthquake a couple of months ago, it was not that destructive so they aren't really worried.

But in the last couple of days, a weird phenomenon appears. An endless sandstorm.

Coming from the direction of the shockwave, the citizens are sure that the thing that created the shockwave months ago is the one that sparks this endless sandstorm. Many of them started to worry and finally tries to reach out to the UWO.

Just about today when the group arrived, the phenomenon becomes stronger.

Not only was the wind blowing even harder, but the water source for the city and the mutated animals are starting to act strange. From the local people, they said that their farm animals are behaving chaotically, almost as if they were expecting a natural disaster.

Other weird occurrences are also happening, and this group is going to check them out.

About twenty minutes later after a hazardous and tiring move against the strong wind, they were about to arrive at the destination but out of nowhere the ground suddenly quaked forcing the group of ten to crouch and hold onto the ground strongly.

Even though the sandstorm has proven hard enough to deal with, the grown also started to quake.

Without being able to use their powers, they can only do this to prevent them from stumbling over.

Embedding their fingers into the sand, they try to hold on as an earthquake happened, "Hold on! Don't let go or you'll be blown by the wind! Grab onto each other strongly, it's going to be hard to find you if you got separated!"

Upon hearing this, each of the Awakened tries to hold on with all their might.

But a man at the very back got gushed by a powerful wind and his hand slipped, his eyes widened trying to grab onto the person at his front but his fingers are unable to reach him. With nothing to hold onto, the man got pushed away rolling on the sand.

"No! Help!!"

Many of them glance to the back but the man has already been engulfed by the sandstorm.

Gritting his teeth, the leader shouted once again to lay low and refrain from moving much. About three minutes later which felt like an eternity, the earthquake finally receded but the sandstorm didn't grow weaker.

All of them stand up before they look back at where the man has been blown to.

"We should pause for a moment to search for Amal, he's probably pushed far by the wind but we can't leave him alone in this kind of place", a long black-haired woman said in concern, the wind is strong and Amal definitely unable to stop the momentum without being able to use any spells.

Upon hearing this, the leader was about to say something but got interrupted.

"I don't think we need to search for Amal..."

Each one of them shifted their eyes at another guy bringing a huge backpack at the very back, he looks at them all before pointing in a direction. Following the direction the guy pointed at, the others sucked in a cold breath.

Amal can be seen not far from them, stabbed by a huge broken twig on his chest.

Despite being unable to use any of their powers for some reason, their bodies still belong to an Awakened's body which is strong and durable. But Amal was killed by a huge broken twig of a tree, it's very surreal for them.

Seeing that one of them has died, the leader and a couple of others check on Amal.

While they were checking on Amal to try and figured out how he died like this as if his body is as fragile as a normal human, the others try to decipher what just happened to them.

"What timing to have an earthquake here..."

"Yeah, but I don't think it's a natural earthquake. I think it's caused by a powerful shockwave coming from the south, I vaguely sensed a gust of light energy that is not mana"

"South? Isn't that Ratmawati City's direction?"

Many of them started conversing regarding the sudden earthquake out of concern, they thought that it was bad luck at first but it seems it was not. But the leader snapped them back and remind them of their objective, finishing checking Amal's copse.

"It doesn't matter where it's from, we're going to keep on moving. The state of war against the Supernatural is on our shoulders, so we need to keep moving"

Upon hearing this, they nodded their heads firmly before continuing their journey once again.

The guy that finds Amal's corpse first didn't forget to cover Amal's face with a piece of cloth before following the others, he swears to himself that he's going to bring Amal with him on the way back out of respect.

Even though the group has just been formed, it's not proper to leave Amal's corpse like this.

After moving forward once again they finally find a lake on their left side which is the trademark sign that they have arrived, the destination should just be over the lake. But as they were about to check the perimeter, they saw something is happening on the lake.

Splash!

"What the heck?!", a man falls butt-first, caught in surprise when the lake suddenly exploded.

Hearing the sudden yelp and splashing sound, the others instantly went over to the man and saw the lake that exploded, blasting water high into the sky before suddenly freezing into ice in a blink of an eye despite the scorching sun.

It was a hunch at first, but they were even more sure that something is not right here.

A particular elemental mana's abundance relies heavily on the terrain, fire mana will be abundant in volcanic terrain, while water mana will be abundant in the sea. But now, this kind of phenomenon happened randomly.

Working in the Exploration Department, a phenomenon such as this is quite common for them.

But what makes this phenomenon surprising was the fact that the mana around here and the phenomenon don't add up. Usually, a phenomenon like this was caused by too much existence of a particular elemental mana in a certain place, something this random shouldn't happen.

A water and Ice phenomenon in a desert, something is definitely not right.

Helping the man stands up, the group saw the ice slowly turns to water again, filling the lake as if the phenomenon never happened. It was weird but the leader standing past the lake signaled for them to follow him.

Standing idly while inspecting the space in front of him, the leader noticed something.

Despite the sand and wind blowing right into his eyes which makes it hard to see, the leader noticed a weird translucent wall that looks like an invisible barrier in front of him. Upon a touch of his index finger, a ripple effect happens almost as if he's touching the water's surface.

From the back, the leader looks like touching nothing but air, "Did you find anything?"

Upon hearing this the leader unsheathed his sword before he signals for the others to step back, he then points the tip of the sword forward before he thrust the sword into the invisible barrier to test the water.

While looking weirdly, the others were surprised to see the tip of the sword disappear.

Just like thrusting into water or another dimension, the sword went through the invisible barrier all the way down until the end of the blade. The leader frowns before he pulls back the sword and finds that nothing happened to the sword.

"This is the place...", the leader said firmly.

From the report that they received, the weird occurrence comes from beyond the lake.

Sheathing back the sword, the leader intends to put his arm into the invisible barrier but is stopped by a man behind him, "Alex, it's dangerous to act impulsive like this. Why don't we run a couple of tests before going inside?", the man suggested out of carefulness.

But the leader, Alex waves his hand, "Nothing happened to the sword, it should be safe"

Upon hearing that the man pulls back his hand not intending to stop Alex further, he and the others watch as Alex tries to put his arm into the invisible barrier. Unconsciously, the others held their breaths even though they were not the ones putting their arms inside the invisible barrier.

Swish!

Alex touched the invisible barrier with his fingers and finds the sensation feels exactly like water.

Gathering his courage, he slowly puts his hand into the invisible barrier and felt nothing but coldness. Not bone-chilling cold but night cold, it feels like his hand is being breezed by the night air on the other side.

Feeling nothing is wrong, he puts his entire arm in and went inside the invisible barrier completely.

Immediately after entering the invisible barrier, he can feel weird energy enveloping his entire body, the feeling is akin to being guided into another dimension. For a moment he can't open his eyes, but soon enough he can finally open his eyes and marvels at the scene in front of him.

Aligning with his expectation, he was definitely teleported into another dimension.

What greeted his eyes upon being opened was a huge Egyptian temple that is dim-lit with only a couple of torches around, it was very spacious and cold. Inspecting the entire place clearly proved to be difficult as his eyes are still not used to the darkness.

Aside from the Egyptian temple, his eyes saw a couple of statues and trees around the place.

Even though there should be lives if there were trees in this place, there is not one mutated animal that can be seen. On top of that, there seems to be a fight here since there are a couple of scars around the place.

Not long after, the others followed inside and also marvels at the scenery.

"What is this place? A hidden temple?"

"Woah... it's huge, there are definitely artifacts inside that temple. We might've hit a jackpot!"

Upon hearing this Alex gazes around trying to search for any lurking danger that they needed to be wary of, but his eyes were fixated on the ominous feeling coming from the entrance of the temple that seems to be blocked by a blue barrier.

Just when Alex was about to try out his power again, his eyes suddenly dilated.

"Hmmm...?"

Wanting to try out if he can use his element again in this place, he finds that he still can't. The elemental mana in this place is unmoving and unable to be used, now he can sense that it's not that he can't use his power but the elemental mana seems to be tied to something else.

As a fire Elementalist, Alex can see the fire mana trying to get to him but can't.

Even when he tries to attract the fire mana stronger, the fire mana only trembles on their spots without even moving an inch closer to him. Something is controlling the mana inside this place, but Alex still finds it unbelievable.

'One element is natural, but the others also can't use their elements...'

Looking at the entrance of the temple once more, a bead of cold sweat runs down the side of his face, 'Whatever creature that controls the elemental mana must be a quadruple Elementalist which is impossible...'

Before the group of nine can do anything, a voice suddenly caught their attention.

"Let me out..."

"Humans... come closer and help break the restraints"

An astral voice seeped into their ears forcing them to look around warily, they immediately alerted knowing that something is inside here with them. Nothing can be seen around them, they should be alone but the voice clearly indicates that there is something else in here with them.

Most of them started to panic, it's the fear of not knowing that grips their souls.

but then suddenly a very loud banging sound surprised all of them.

BANG!

Out of nowhere, a very loud banging sound surprised all of them, it clearly comes from the entrance of the temple. Something just hits the blue barrier, and it seems to want to get out of the temple.

"Remember, remember, when the execution trumpet roared..."

An echoing voice resounded once again that sounds eerie and evil to the core.

"Little bad insects who deemed themselves Supernaturals. Chuckles of the Supreme, adjudge them to extinction at the hands of the Orchestra of Pain. Reminding their descent to the bottom, their weak lineage, and pitiful selves going through the accouch of slavery"

Gritting his teeth, Alex looks around trying to find the source of the voice to no avail.

It's untraceable.

"Remember, remember..."

"Ask the wails of the trillion dead, screaming at the holy profession, begging for leniency on their misconduct. Remember, remember, as any misbehaving weak insects will meet the Executor"

BANG!

Each one of them was surprised to feel a gush of energy pushing them back.

Out of everything that they have ever sensed in their lives, nothing has an energy that is even remotely close to this one. There was no doubt that this thing should be the one controlling the elemental mana, and it was very powerful.

From the gush of energy alone, they can feel a shiver running down their spines.

Not even ninth-rank Awakened and Kings of the Supernaturals can replicate this chilling energy, this kind of ancient energy was akin to the energy of a God that was sleeping dormant inside the Egyptian temple.

Chapter 604 Awakening: Being Of The Ancient Past

"Alex! Where does that voice come from?!"

Finding the eerie voice keeps on resounding and echoing inside the dark place, and the emotions of fear started to envelop them. Some of them wanted to get out but can't, the invisible barrier disappeared, wiping their only way out of this place.

Going into formation as they were trained, they put their backs against each other.

Although they were very scared at this current moment, the will to survive is still there and they are not willing to die without even trying to survive. Each of them listened to the echoing voice, speaking in riddles.

But despite hearing it attentively, not one of them managed to find the source of the voice.

On top of the fear of the unknown that is stiffening their bodies, their fear also increased from the fact that they can't use their elements to protect themselves. Just like a normal human, these Awakened feel fragile as glass.

Despite not knowing where the voice comes from, Alex trusted his guts.

Looking straight at the entrance of the Egyptian temple, he then said to the others, "We're going to the entrance of the temple, it's our only bet in getting out. Standing here like this would get us nowhere"

"I don't think we should get inside the temple..."

"Agreed, who knows what kind of traps are prepared for us inside"

Many expressed their disagreement but Alex already heads over to the entrance, this made the others helplessly follow him as splitting up is an even worst idea. The group of nine heads over to the entrance of the temple carefully.

Upon reaching halfway through the way, one of the Awakened stumbles on something.

"Eugh...", the woman looks down to the sandy ground and finds a mount there, she was confused as to what is buried underneath the sand and got curious. Poking the mound with her feet, she finds that it was not a rock since the surface is somewhat soft.

Digging her feet underneath the mound, he flips the thing over before she screamed.

Since the place is completely silent from the fact that the group was fearful of whatever is the thing inside the place with them, the scream surprised all of them, prompting everyone to look back at the woman.

Looking at the woman that has expression drained from all colors, Alex went over to her.

But the woman didn't even look at Alex and kept her eyes on the mound that she just flipped over, this made Alex looks at the mound and finds out that it was a corpse of a person! It was buried very well under the sand and unseen from the surface.

Not only that but the surrounding place has many mounds just like this one.

Realizing that it was a corpse the others also yelped as some of them are standing above a mound. From counting roughly, there are about thirty mounds scattered all over the place. Fear and crisis started to develop strongly inside their hearts.

Out of fear, half of them forcefully activate their elements using their permanent mana.

Swoosh!!

Harnessing the permanent mana inside their bodies, these Awakened started to brim with power as their auras exploded to the surroundings. Even Alex needs to hold on tight to not get pushed by the gushing aura.

"Calm down! Don't panic!", Alex tries to calm the others down but fell on deaf ears.

While the others are starting to panic he looks down at the corpse, his eyes squinted realizing that the corpse is actually an Awakened. Inspecting the corpse, Alex finds that the medias on their major joints shattered and there's also a big hole in its chest which is supposedly the attack that killed it.

Frowning for a second, Alex's eyes widened before he looks at the others.

"Stop!! Don't activate your elements here!!", Alex shouted trying to warn the others.

As they were already panicking they were already exposed fully to their elements, but in the next second their auras got blown away, stripping them from power. It happened in a second and this catches the five Awakened off guard.

Not only were their auras stripped, but their bodies becomes as weak as normal humans.

Without even wasting another second Alex ran at the nearest Awakened that had already activated his element earlier, but before he can reach the Awakened a blade came out from the ground beneath him before impaling him from below all the way to the head.

Upon seeing this, the others wanted to run but four other blades also came out of the ground.

Stab!

Stab!

Exactly five of them excluding the ones that didn't activate their elements were killed by the blades that look rusty, but these blades are still very sharp since there's a mix of energy cloaking them completely.

Feeling the mix of energy cloaking the blades, the remaining four sucked in a cold breath.

Everything that they had experienced ever since stepping into this place has been horrendous, but their surprise peaked when they saw this energy that excludes a hint of all fundamental elements. It was an energy that is a mix of water, fire, earth, and wind.

Although some Awakened are born with dual elements, their condition is very rare.

Dual element condition is rare not because, without a reason, there's one distinctive reason. Basic elements are very contradicting each other as they act as a counter and neutralizer at the same time, it's hard for them to be used at the same time by one Awakened.

In some cases, the elements are impossible to be fused together such as Fire and Water.

But now the energy cloaking the blades that impaled and killed their friends contains all four fundamental elements and not only that but they are also fused perfectly without any friction and even create harmony.

Something that is unheard of, requiring an impossibly God-like control over elements and mana.

Watching five of them die in an instant struck the others with imminent fear, they were completely helpless not knowing what to do. Just like a couple of sheep that are stalked and preyed on by wolves that are hiding inside the darkness, they were completely defenseless.

After the Awakened killed, the eerie voice appears again but this time it's chuckling.

But for some reason, Alex feels that the chuckle wasn't directed to his people that were killed, but instead was directed to the thing itself, almost like a ridiculing chuckle filled with self-pity.

"Who are you?! What do you want?!"

Upon hearing the shout from Alex who is glaring at the entrance, the blades slowly retracted back into the ground before the corpses of the people under him fall to the ground. Soon enough, the voice answered.

"Come closer..."

Alex clenched his jaw before striding forward straight to the entrance without a hint of fear.

The remaining four immediately follow after him fearing that the blades would impale them from below, standing above the sand makes their heart thumps faster, it's better to stand at the stairs leading to the entrance of the temple.

Reaching the entrance of the temple, Alex looks at the tall blue barrier blocking the entrance.

Beyond the blue barrier was filled only with darkness, even the light that comes from the blue barrier can't penetrate the thickness of the darkness inside the temple. Aside from that, Alex saw a couple of coffins leaning against the wall near the entrance.

In fact, there are seven Egyptian coffins with a weird symbol of a blood droplet carved on them.

One word is engraved on each coffin, and 'Believers' is the word.

While looking beyond the very thin blue barrier, Alex can feel that there's something staring at him from the inside but he can't see the thing from the outside. Not long after, the same voice resounded once again.

"Humans, do you believe in the Supreme Origin?"

"Only Supernaturals have an Origin, we humans don't have an Origin. We only have Gods!"

Alex replied confidently which sparks a choking couple of seconds of silence.

"Do you believe in Gods?"

"Yes"

Right after Alex said yes, the ground on their backs started making a mechanical sound, and the sand started to fall down into the circle-shaped hole that appeared out of nowhere. Soon another circle-shaped surface replaced the hole in the ground.

But unlike before, this circle-shaped surface has many runes and writing engraved on it.

Inside the circle-shaped surface is a triangle with three pointy points, the three edges of the triangle have another smaller circle. Aside from that, there's also a skull-shaped chalice in the middle of the circle-shaped surface, its hollow eyes are glowing with a red light and bring an ancient and evil feeling.

Alex and the others feel like they were absorbed into the darkness when looking at the chalice.

While they were looking at the surface, the voice echoed once again.

"Believers of the Supreme Origin will be granted the ultimate mercy, only three believers can be escorted to a better place. Endless joy awaits, but one needs to continue serving in the hollow world"

Upon hearing this, Alex looks at the three others.

"I don't know what this creature is but it's definitely very strong, you guys go on ahead. As the leader of our group, I'll stay behind and take the fall for all of you", Alex said determinedly, it was the leader's responsibility to care for those under him.

Despite feeling reluctant to leave, the three nodded their heads and stepped into the small circles.

Slowly but surely the entire runes engraved on the ground started to light up with a red light, they created a connection to the skull-shaped chalice in the middle, making the glowing red light in the skull-shaped chalice's hollow eyes glow even brighter.

Not long after, three light beams shot from the skull-shaped chalice toward the three people.

Alex watches this silently while sighing inwardly, if he had known that the place is this powerful then he won't volunteer his group to check on this place. In a way, it was his fault for bringing his group here just to die.

With being unable to use his elements, there was nothing he and the group can do.

Out of nowhere the three people that the mysterious creature called believers started to float, they were going to be teleported out of this place but then suddenly, "A-Alex...?! Arggh! Make it stop!!"

"Raarghh! Stop!!"

Upon hearing their cries, Alex's eyes widened as he didn't expect this.

Even without any enhancement from the element he was associated with, Alex ran at the three trying to save them from the clutches of the red light. But he was met with a barrier that blocked his way inside the circle-shaped surface.

Looking at the three with bulging eyes, Alex started banging on the barrier.

But he was not able to do anything but watch the three scream in pain as the red light started to become stronger, the red light makes the three's inside glow brightly like a lightbulb until suddenly.

SPLAT!

Alex watches their bodies explode, staining the inside of the circle-shaped surface with blood.

From the moment he was birthed into the world, he has never been this helpless in his life. The scene zapped the power out of his body, making him weak and fragile as he watches the dripping puddles of blood.

Soon the blood started moving toward the skull-shaped chalice, filling it up completely.

Alex started panting heavily while he watch the skull-shaped chalice slowly levitate in the air before heading straight to the blue barrier, it was not obstructed by the blue barrier as it went inside, into the darkness smoothly.

Due to the silence of the place, he can hear the sound of chugging before a steely sound followed.

Without even being able to see the creature inside the temple, Alex knows from the sound that the creature chugged the blood inside the skull-shaped chalice before dropping it to the ground and creating the steely sound.

Ominously started to be induced into Alex's heart as he watches the darkness with troubled eyes.

But in the next fraction of a second, a big humanoid fist hits the blue barrier and shatters the blue barrier completely. Energy from the blue barrier evaporates into the stormy dark clouds above the place before disappearing.

Upon hearing the footsteps slowly coming out of the darkness, Alex held his breath nervously.

Stepping outside of the thick darkness of the temple, Alex marvels at a figure that is towering and brings an overbearing aura that of a God. Looking at this figure, his mouth trembled to realize that the figure is not as he expected.

"H-Human?!"

Alex saw the gigantic figure standing twice his height and finds that it was definitely a human.

Even though he was sure the figure was a human male judging from its body structure and composition, its appearance is unlike any other human that exists in this era. The figure's gigantic body is thin and slender, some kind of red marking can be seen on his face, and his red eyes are looking at Alex with a hint of boredom.

Wearing a sleeveless black robe and black armor underneath it, the figure looks battle-ready.

What seems to be vambraces on his arms were nothing like Alex has ever seen, the vambraces cover its arms but turn spiraled all the way to the figure's shoulders. But then, Alex's eyes caught the eerily sharp nails the figure has.

Out of all the things the figure has, the long black staff in his hand emits the most dangerous vibe.

Towering over Alex before looking down with his sharp red eyes, the figure then reaches out his hand, "Lesser human, help me break the restraints and it'll be my pleasure to bring doom to the insects", he said with an austere voice.

Just like that, Alex was given a perfect proposal as if the figure can read his mind.

"W-Who are you?", Alex asked nervously.

Upon hearing the question, the figure's red eyes flashed before he paused for a good couple of seconds, just staring at Alex blankly, "Darkness side of the Supreme Being, I'm the Executor..."

Although he was confused, Alex is still tempted by the proposal.

Despite feeling reluctant since his people were killed by this monstrous human, Alex swallowed back his pride for the sake of many, "I-If you help humanity win, then I'll do as you say. W-What do I have to do...?"

Chapter 605 Incident During The Godking Summit

Supernatural territory, Demon Kingdom.

Just like any other time of the month during the war against humans, the Godking Summit was held to discuss the matters of importance that needed the attention of all the Kings of Supernaturals. Unlike before, everyone was present this time.

Watching and inspecting from their own seats, the six leaders of the Supernaturals gathered.

Each of them sat on their respective seats with a trusted member standing on their side, the six of them gathered at a round table made of black stone and lava that are influenced by the demonic energy inside the place.

Despite the meeting already starting ten minutes ago, the place is still silent.

King Saruth rests his cheek on his fist before his burning eyes gaze at King Baralt, he was giving King Baralt a curious look while waiting for the others to open their mouths. But the silence that is present here was not because of the destruction of the Vampire Stronghold.

None of them has said a word due to the blue demon standing beside King Baralt.

Although it's the first time he has brought Azzen to the Godking Summit, the others Kings are surprised by his sudden appearance and the power shifted heavily to King Saruth which sparks a smile on his face.

Only the Vampire King, King Solomon is not surprised by Azzen.

"Well, let's start the meeting if none of you wanted to open it. How about starting from the fact that the Vampire Stronghold has been destroyed?", King Saruth said while clasping both of his hands on the round table.

Upon hearing this, the others instantly gaze at King Solomon for an answer.

Without even looking bothered by the gazes he received, King Solomon instantly looks at King Baralt and shifted the attention to him, "It's best for King Baralt to explain the situation, I believe he knows more about the attacked than I do"

"Tell us, King Baralt. Who can destroy the stronghold that quick?", King Oddity asked.

Instead of back then when King Oddity takes his neutral form that is featureless, now he's taking the form of a devilishly beautiful woman with ashy skin and yellow eyes. As the leader of the Shapeshifter, there was no limit to the form he can take.

Although a bit troubled, King Baralt opens his mouth, "Two Princes appeared in our ranks..."

Just from saying that alone many changes in expression can be seen in the others, but the ones that surprised the most were King Oddity and Queen Catsha as they were completely unaware of this matter. Only the Demons and Vampires have a direct conversation with one of the Princes.

But these two races also don't know the fact that there exists another Prince.

"One of them died, the Dark Prince died, I can feel it. But the other one is still alive and is the Royal Black Prince it seems, the Night of Parturition was caused by that Prince that has just been accepted by the Banished Dark Moon. It is also he that destroys the Vampire Stronghold in the same breath as gaining his King Mark", King Baralt explained.

Upon hearing this, King Oddity frowned as he noticed most of them doesn't seem to be surprised.

While processing the news he received King Oddity's eyes then widened in realization, he then said, "So the disturbance of energy in the humans' capital city comes from him? I thought he was on the humans' side, why is his aura riled up like that?"

"Don't act so surprised, King Oddity. We know what humans are, they're nothing but filth"

King Solomon glances at King Oddity with a meaningful look and said before he continues, "My guess is that they did something to anger that Prince, they are always arrogant and unwilling to gain help from anyone except their own"

Upon hearing this, King Oddity nodded his head, knowing exactly what King Solomon meant.

Adding from the side and attracting the gazes of others again, King Baralt then added, "With the preparation, we can get the Vampire Stronghold back in no time. Although I haven't mastered mine vet, I think moving right now would be a good idea"

"Your kind always brings problems no matter the era, is learning a simple spell too hard for you?"

Hearing the sudden mockery coming from King Saruth that is chuckling descendingly, King Baralt's expression turns hideous, clenching both of his hands under the table trying to control the anger within him.

But then King Lax'rad finally opens his mouth, "No matter, we can attack right now"

"Most of us are already mastered the assigned spells, even without the Werewolves, humans wouldn't know what's going to hit them. With the fight inside the capital city, we can use that to attack the two ninth-rank realms Awakened near the Great Barricade", he proposed with his eerie and astral voice.

After the proposal, the six leaders started to take a vote to attack.

Queen Catsha all the way to King Lax'rad voted to attack due to the perfect timing, leaving the last vote for King Oddity. Either way, they would attack as the vote has already leaned to an attack, but before King Oddity can say something.

Rumble!

"What is this, power...?"

"No, it can't be... I think the Prince has just received his second King Mark!"

Upon hearing King Baralt's remark, the others immediately felt the crisis as the shockwave even reaches this far. The Demon Kingdom is not near humanity's border, this place they are in right now is very far from the border.

But to think that the shockwave reaches this far is astonishing, very powerful indeed.

Despite the shockwave only managing to shake the ground a little bit, it doesn't deny the fact that the shockwave should be very powerful to reach this place. It definitely a force that they need to take seriously.

King Baralt stood up from his seat, "We need to kill him, he's a huge threat"

"Although it would be doing you a favor, since the Prince wouldn't claim the throne if he died, I agree that we need to take care of him. If this goes on, the Prince would definitely leave humanity's territory. We can then kill him by making a trap on the Werewolf and Vampire territories", King Baralt replied while waving his hand nonchalantly.

Even though the power is astonishing, it was not in the realm of invincibility.

Vampires, Werewolves, and Demons have already taken interest in the Prince inside humanity's territory for a while, but the only reason they can't reach him was that he's inside humanity's territory.

If for some reason the Prince left then he would be stepping to his doom.

Unlike humanity's territory, which they have little influence over, the Supernatural territory is under their thumbs. Not even the most desolated sector of the Supernatural's territory that their influence and power can't reach.

Queen Catsha nodded her head, "Me and King Lax'rad can prepare the traps for the Prince"

But out of the leaders present here that are discussing the Prince that has just received his second King Mark, King Oddity was oddly silent in his seat. Looking down to the ground, King Oddity's expression shows a hint of trouble.

More matters were discussed in the meeting as time flies by.

Now the topic shifted to King Oddity as he was asked by King Baralt, "How is the exploration going? Have any of your people found any remnants of the ancient? Any tombs that may contain beings that we need to take care of?"

Waiting for a moment, the others were confused to find King Oddity in a daze.

"King Oddity? What is wrong?", King Baralt asked again for the second time, it's rare to see King Oddity space out like this in the middle of an important summit. Something he never does.

Upon hearing the second call, King Oddity snapped out of his daze.

Even though he wanted to answer regarding the exploration that is tasked to his people to contribute to the Supernaturals, King Oddity finds it hard to talk about that as he finally said, "I've always believed that the world we're given is too good to be true, those monsters definitely have some backup plan, time is not cruel to them"

Despite not answering the question, the others knew exactly what King Oddity is talking about.

For something or someone to be called monsters by the powerful leaders of the Supernaturals, it takes a huge feat to make them do that, but even referring to those things as monsters is an understatement for what they have done is outright cruel and diabolical.

"I've searched our entire territory and found nothing, not even a trace of them", he added.

But then King Oddity raised his gaze to look at the others before he continues, "But deep down I know that there's something, something that they left in this world foreseeing this would happen. I'm sure of it..."

Looking up at the rocky ceiling, King Oddity looks very troubled and even pale.

"If there really was something they left behind, I think that Prince's aura is going to do something to it, and believe me that we don't want anything to do with that. My proposal is we kill the Pr-"

Just before King Oddity finish his sentence, everyone jolted up from their seats.

Even the trusted member they brought alongside them in the meeting place was confused seeing the leaders suddenly jolted up from their seats like this. Moreover, they were not wearing their normal confident and overbearing expressions that of a King and Queen.

Although they find it surprising, the powerful leaders look very scared.

Out of everyone that suddenly turned like this, Queen Catsha was the one that shows signs of suppression the most. With her shoulders rolled a little, she was breathing heavily as if she was carrying a big weight above her.

Not stopping at that, Queen Catsha was even forced to support her body using her hands.

Pressing both of her hands on the round table made of black stone, Queen Catsha tries to keep standing which makes the trusted members to sucked in a cold breath. Even though she was the weakest knowing that she should've been under King Saruth, she was still a ninth-rank being.

To think that she got suppressed like this is out of this world.

"It's too late...", King Oddity murmurs inwardly as his entire body started trembling.

Upon hearing this King Saruth clenched both of his fists and asked, "King Lax'rad, mark that direction using your spells. We will need to do something about that, not that I know if we're capable of doing so..."

King Lax'rad summons his floating orb before chanting a spell.

With a little chant from his mouth, the source of devastating energy that they all recognize instantly was immediately marked by King Lax'rad. But then King Baralt said, "Of course, you're not going to find it, King Oddity, it's in humanity's territory from the start. It's only one, we can take that monster on"

"No, we can't...", King Oddity replied with extreme terror in his voice.

Gazing at King Baralt with his glowing yellow eyes, he then continues, "The energy we sensed is muffled, there seems to be a barrier blocking its energy. But if those monsters only put one here, then it must not be the regular ones..."

Although he was trying to be calm earlier, King Baralt can't hold it in anymore.

"Yes, it's an Executor. The Ancient Humans put an Executor just in case, we can't fight that with our strength. Even though it is probably still restricted by the world and only as strong as a ninth-rank, the black staff is a problem", King Oddity added while having flashbacks of the Executor.

It was the most ruthless ancient humans that are tasked to keep them in check.

King Solomon glanced at King Oddity with his trembling red eyes before he said stutteringly, "W-We have the Origin Cutlass in our arsenal, worst-case I'll need to wield that if the Executor tries to attack us. But I don't know how many clashes the Origin Cutlass can withstand..."

"At the very least, it will give us a fighting chance", he added.

Upon hearing this King Oddity nodded his head, "We'll use that for the moment, only Origin's weapon can clash against the Executor's black staff. But we're safe for now, the Executor seems to be still in captivity"

"So what will we do now? Attacking the humans are out of the options", King Lax'rad asks.

With the Executor already awakened and wide awake, more energy they caused would hasten the Executor's break from captivity. It would be the end of them if that happened, so there must be a change of plan.

King Saruth finally opens his mouth from the side, "We need to make plans to deal with it"

"But for now we're going to prevent the Executor from breaking free, and that can only be achieved by one thing. We know to not use too much energy so that the captivity didn't break, but that Prince doesn't"

In the blink of an eye, their eyes turn murderous almost instantly.

Looking at each one of them in the eyes, King Saruth then added, "No matter the cost, we're going to kill that Prince before he did something stupid and hastens the Executor's break out. We're not stopping until he's dead..."

Chapter 606 Vengeful Person

Way back thousands of years ago when the Origins of the Supernaturals started appearing rapidly across the world, birthing monstrous creatures that are inhuman in every way, everything started from legendary curses that made this possible.

Only the eternal races are true in the essence and were not made through curses.

Back then there were only Humans, Demons, and Angels which are the three eternal races that exist before time was even known. Other than those three prominent races, every other race was caused by curses that invade the world.

Users of black magic and worshippers of debauchery caused the start of the world of war.

Inside those legendary curses was the Curse of the Full Moon which birthed the Werewolf race, they are monsters that are trapped inside the essence of anger that spikes during every full moon. The linkage between monsters and the moon.

Due to the Curse of the Full Moon, these upright wolves are influenced by every full moon.

Gaining power beyond measure through the linkage they had with the moon which invented King Marks from each respective full moon is the ladder of power that a Werewolf can go through to become the peak of power.

Princes were birthed because of that, they are Werewolves that have talent in gaining a King Mark.

For the sake of fairness and balance in the world, other Werewolves also have a shot at gaining their own King Mark. But the restriction is set in place by the legendary curse, only by the birth full moon can they gain their own King Mark.

But in every restriction, there's always an anomaly. It's just how the world works.

Royal Black Werewolf was the anomaly against that restriction, not only it can gain a King Mark not related to its birth full moon but it can also gain multiple King Marks making its power very near to the Origin itself.

It was a bloodline that very rarely appears, there's only one in the Origin era.

Although the Royal Black Werewolf can deceive the Curse of the Full Moon, it was not able to overpower the law of power. There's a reason why a Werewolf can only gain King Mark from its respective birth full moon.

Compatibility is the main factor, and that rule is unbroken even for the Prince of Anomaly.

Gaining the King Mark of its respective birth moon has immense compatibility and will give more benefits than getting unrelated King Marks, and currently, Rex can feel that clearly inside his blood and bones as the effect takes place.

Even though he already experienced getting a King Mark, this is a completely new feeling for him.

Rex suddenly feels everything has slowed down as if time itself is slowed.

Blitzing red lightning that is sparking powerfully from the descending sabers in Sebrof's hands was slowed to the point of standing still, and the blue arrow spinning and piercing the air which creates a spiraling motion was also slowed.

Despite everything slowing down, Rex can feel the Blood Moon's kingly energy infiltrating his body.

Starting from his forehead which is now displaying the full moon symbol that is half black and half red, the pain quickly travels throughout his body, spasming his entire body stiffly. It made his blood boil and his bone crack, the pain is unbelievable.

Unlike the Banished Dark Moon King Mark, his body is reacting to the Blood Moon perfectly.

Although it's hard to describe the sensation that he was feeling right now, it feels like a tree resonating with mother earth in harmony. But in his case, his body is resonating with the Blood Moon's kingly energy, accepting any amount of energy that infiltrates his body.

Following the circulation of the blood, the kingly energy rotated and went back to his forehead.

Rex's eyes instantly glows brighter with two clashing kingly energy inside his body, and soon enough they started to run rampant in his forehead. It was akin to the moment of a bomb exploding, his King Mark sparks with two different energy.

In that sense, time went back to normal again as his entire being exploded with energy.

Kaboom!!

But contrasting to back when he received the Banished Dark Moon King Mark, the explosion of energy is not chaotic and forceful. Instead, it was subtle but chillingly powerful which gives goosebumps to both Giana and Sebrof.

Even though they can instantly feel the changes, they didn't back down and keeps on forward.

Swoosh!

Blitz!

Serbof swung down both of his red lightning sabers powerfully, imbuing everything he got into that strike that he only uses a couple of times throughout the years. The sound of a roaring tiger that split the sky resounded, threatening to crumble the entire place.

With the current Gladiator Form, Sebrof looks like the God of lightning to bestow judgment.

The explosion of subtle energy from his King Mark earlier cleared his mind completely, his eyes saw the descending two sabers before he block it by holding both of Sebrof's wrists. Immediately after that, the entire ground shatters from the rampaging red lightning which has already become chaotic.

It was surprising for Sebrof to find that Rex is able to block his attack rather easily.

But the current of red lightning that travels around Sebrof's body keeps on infiltrating Rex's arms. Anybody aside from him would've been electrocuted to death by the red lightning, but not Rex, he has some resistance against lightning as he was a Lightning Elementalist himself.

Despite that, he can't lie that Sebrof's attack was no joke.

Rex doesn't know where he gets this power from, but now it's not a problem anymore.

If it was before when he hasn't gotten the Blood Moon King Mark yet then he would've been hurt badly by this attack, but the attack comes too late as Rex has already finished engraving the Blood Moon King Mark.

Looking up at Sebrof, his eyes dilated seeing Sebrod didn't stop there and sent a knee to his chest.

Bam!

Since his hands were grabbed and can't be pulled back, Sebrof used his knee imbued with red lightning to hit Rex's chest. That knee shatters the red force barrier and lands solidly on his chest, it was clear that Sebrof was giving it his all.

After he did that, Sebrof suddenly jumped while his wrists are still grabbed by Rex.

Even though he was not able to go anywhere with his wrists grabbed, it gives him enough space to let the blue spinning arrow aim at Rex's chest which is now vulnerable with the red force guarding his body shattered.

Stab!

"Krrghhk!", Rex gritted his teeth as the tip of the arrow landed on the middle of his chest.

Giana who saw this from the back pours more energy into the arrow, forcing the spinning to become quicker. But even with all that spirit energy and arcane mana inside the arrow, Rex stands his ground without being forced to even take one step back.

Under the two powerful attacks from two ninth-rank Awakened, he stands there unfazed.

Despite being caught off guard by the sudden spike in power which came out of nowhere, Sebrof gritted his teeth and did the unthinkable. With blood gushing out of his mouth, Sebrof channeled every single arcane mana he had in the two sabers into the arrow.

It shouldn't be possible, but both of them are also Lightning Elementalists.

Sebrof is a red lightning Elementalist while Giana also has a lightning element as her second element, this made it possible for Sebrof to do this and Rex can feel the increase of the arrow power almost instantly.

SWOOSH!

Rex's eyes bulged as the arrow blasted with an unbelievable amount of energy.

Even with his feet engraved into the ground trying to stop the momentum, his feet finally take a step back before the momentum got even stronger and pushes him back. Despite his attempt, he kept on being pushed back as the arrow started to drill into his chest.

While stretching their arms forward, Giana and Sebrof roared giving it their all.

But the reality was unkind to them as Rex's kingly energy that is now at the very least two times stronger circulates and imbued his body with power, he clasps both of his fists above before he slammed it down at the arrow.

Clang!

BOOM!

Under his raw strength, the arrow got pummeled into the ground powerfully.

Giana got pushed back when the link between her and the arrow got severed completely from that attack, she sucked in a cold breath finding that both of their powers combined only manage to slightly injure Rex.

Touching his bleeding chest, Rex looks at his own blood before he raises his gaze.

Looking at Sebrof and Giana that are completely caught in a trance when they realized that Rex was not injured enough from their attack, Rex's mouth quirks into a devilish smile with the kingly energy circulating around his body even stronger.

Even the wound in his chest slowly closes, the arcane mana hardly slowed his regenerative ability.

Crack!

From the circulation of both kingly energies, Rex's aura becomes heavier and thicker.

"My turn..."

Swoosh!

Rex disappeared from his spot and instantly dashed straight at the two of them, their surprised eyes turns serious again anticipating the relentless series of attacks they were going to be receiving judging from Rex's eyes alone.

Just like three streaks of lights, they clash once again in the sky, breaking everything and anything.

But unlike before the winner of the clash can be seen almost instantly, Rex dominated the fight as his speed and attack becomes even faster and stronger. In mere seconds, Sebrof and Giana got sent crashing away violently.

Giana was flung away destroying many buildings while Sebrof crashes into the ground below.

"RAARGHH!!"

Without even pausing, Sebrof jumps up from the ground and exchanges attacks with Rex like a raging beast. The Ameurus Katana and the two red lightning sabers clashes, again and again, creating shockwaves repeatedly.

It was a fierce fight, but then suddenly Rex can feel his claws throbbing.

Looking at his claws briefly he saw the Blood Moon's kingly energy gathered onto his claws the most, it even started to make his claws throb wanting to be used. Rex then saw Sebrof swinging his sabers before he decided to use his claws.

Clang!

Shatter!

Sebrof's eyes widened when he saw both of his red sabers were broken from that clash.

Now that he was very serious about fighting Rex, the red lightning sabers were the things he concentrated on the most to make them stronger. But now his red lightning sabers shattered when receiving a clash from Rex's burning red claws.

<Unholy Claws of the Reaper>

One of the Origin's unique power that allows the user's claws to turn into Unholy Claws which will bring devastating effects, it has the ability to cut anything without exception excluding energy above Origin-level power. It's an absolute skill that negates any defense of the opponent.

Grinning massively, Rex slashes his Amuerus Katana straight at the defenseless Sebrof.

In the nick of time, Sebrof manages to create a red lightning shield but Rex's strength is out of this world, stronger than any ninth-rank realm being alive. Under that attack, Sebrof was sent crashing like a jet straight in the direction where Giana was flung before. He was completely overpowered.

But Rex didn't stop there as he dashes from the sky straight to Sebrof.

Upon finding Sebrof's position he saw that Sebrof landed right beside Giana that is still hurting and bleeding from her mouth, but compared to the pain his mother went through this was nothing, Rex was not going to stop.

KABOOM!

"HAAHGGK!!"

"HUAKHH!"

Sebrof and Giana spat a dangerous amount of blood from their mouths.

Both of them were stomped by Rex's feet right on the abdomen, caving their bodies into the ground that is already a mess. That attack alone zapped their bodies of power, it hurt them severely as this kind of power exceed their expectations.

Putting his Amuerus Katana away, Rex stabbed his red claws into both of their chests.

Stab!

In reflex, the both of them grabbed Rex's arms feeling the stabbing sensation in their chest.

Although there was no one around here, the mental impact would be incomprehensible if anyone were to see that two ninth-rank realms Awakened are under a Werewolf's mercy. It would spark chaos everywhere.

Rex's purple eyes stare directly at them before he slowly lifts them up.

With the claws still stabbing through the chests, he lifted them up and savor the hurting expressions Sebrof and Giana are wearing right now. One that pleased him the most was Giana's expression, she was the one that killed his parents so she deserved this.

"My mother is dead, and you people did this. Usually, it's an eye for an eye, but I'm quite vengeful"

Smirking devilishly, exposing his sharp fangs that are already stained with blood from eating Zero earlier, he then continued, "So in exchange for what you did, I'm going to kill both of you and then those close to you. Only then I will consider it even..."

Just like a breeze of cold air, Giana and Sebrof felt a chill on their necks upon hearing this.

But just before Rex was about to do anything, a desperate shout called out to him from the back which sounded very family. In fact, Rex knows the person before he turns around to look at him.

"REX!"

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Whispers from the devil itself penetrate their ears as they were helpless under his mercy.

Despite the claws that are penetrating their chests, stabbing cleanly all the way to the back, their arcane mana and spirit energy that is equivalent to the peak of power kept ragingly trying to push Rex back like a torrent of a violent wind.

Sparks of lightning and arcane water mana blasted around them in desperation.

Blood slowly seeped out of their penetrated chest and decorates Rex's claws that are under the effect of the Unholy Claws of the Reaper passive skill, their elemental dominions started to get noticeably smaller and get immensely suppressed by Rex's dark dome.

Grabbing onto the muscular arms, Sebrof and Giana slowly got lifted off the ground.

Even though their life force as a ninth-rank realm Awakened is exponentially denser than any living humans and even Supernaturals, the pain that was brought by Rex's claws is not something to be underestimated.

Painful expressions decorate their faces while trying to get away from Rex's steel arms.

Most of their energies were gathered to block the infiltrating energy from Rex's claws, their energies were too busy doing that which makes them unable to accumulate enough strength to break free from this predicament.

A bloodied grin was directed at the both of them as Rex intends to do the unthinkable.

Despite their lowest point of battle where Sebrof and Giana are under Rex's mercy, the destruction still spreads as the other eighth-rank figures are not able to get close due to the increased power of Rex's dark dome.

Even though they wanted to help, they can't. All they can do was watch from the sidelines.

"So in exchange for what you did, I'm going to kill both of you and then those close to you. Only then I will consider it even...", Rex said with a tone filled with murderous intent, his mind was cloudy and he can't think straight even if he wanted to.

Not to mention that he doesn't want to think straight, all he wanted is to exact revenge.

But his rampage against the killers of his parents was disrupted by a voice calling him from behind, it was a voice that he recognized almost instantly. Looking over his shoulder, Rex saw his only friend in this dark world being supported by Kyran.

Instantly after that, the dark dome around him shrinks as he was caught in surprise.

Since he wasn't paying attention to the notification from the system earlier when he gave Edward the Bead of Life, he was not expecting him to be alive. It was just a desperate act of his, wanting to at least do something to save them.

From the looks of it, the Bead of Life managed to heal Edward's wound before it was too late.

Without even commenting on the disbelief look that Edward is wearing right now, Rex trains his face to his front again and commanded with a cold tone, "Search for both of their families and bring them to me, I'll show them the feeling of losing their loved ones in cold blood"

"Each of your loved ones will die today, and after that, I'll simply say sorry... just like you did"

Rex directed his purple eyes straight at Giana that has the audacity to actually apologize for killing the most important person in his life, he was not going to accept that. But it seems she doesn't understand the bearing of what she did.

Because of that, he will teach her the feeling he's feeling right now to see if she can forgive him.

Upon hearing this Edward started walking limply toward the dark dome that has now shrunk from its regular size but condensed, even more, his hands then tries to get inside the dark dome but he got instantly zapped and pushed back.

Kyran went over to Edward's back and prevent him from falling by catching him.

While he was trying to stand back up to try once again, Edward's eyes landed on a headless corpse on the side. From the uniform the headless corpse is wearing, he instantly recognized that headless corpse to be Zero, the one that started all of this.

Realizing that Rex has crossed the line that he set himself, Edward clenched both of his fists.

Looking at his friend that is now already on the verge of being stripped of his humanity, he can feel the sadness overwhelming his entire heart as he never had expected that it will end like this. Both of them have the same purpose in life, the urge of helping humanity win the war.

Not in a million years has he ever thought of Rex causing severe damage to humanity like this.

Although he still wants to believe that it was impossible for his friend who is the person that hated the Supernaturals the most that he knew to do something like this, the proof lies in front of him to see.

It seems what Mrs. Greene said to him back then was true, the rope is weak and now it snapped.

But knowing the real history of Rex Silverstar from the start, Edward knows why this incident is very devastating for him. What birthed the extreme hatred he had for the Supernatural was the fact that his birth parents were killed by a Werewolf.

Just like that, the same thing happened again but this time humans were the ones responsible.

Saying that the impact would be devastating to Rex is an understatement, he was caught in the middle where he has nowhere to go. Both sides have done him wrong, the only outcome would be a bloodbath exactly like the current moment.

Edward strengthens his resolve before he walks forward once again, "Don't do this, Rex..."

"I know you for years, and I know deep down you didn't want to do this but were forced to do this! Stop this madness or you'll be the reason humanity falls, your mother doesn't want this! She declared it right before her death!", he shouted with a hint of desperation.

Although he wanted Rex to stop, a part of him is conflicted in saying this.

Out of no circumstances that he would be able to refrain from doing the unthinkable when either Zelene or his uncle was killed in cold blood like Zero did to Rex's parents, but he also know that Rex is stronger than him physically and mentally.

But upon hearing this, Rex's head suddenly turned back abruptly with a hint of disbelief.

Rex was looking at Edward as if he just saw a ghost, his eyes are fixed and his body went stiff as if he was in a state of absolute disbelief. With one swift motion, he pulled his claws out before summoning the Amuerus Katana and also the Silver Eye before he pinned Sebrof and Giana on the ground by stabbing their stomach with those weapons.

After doing that, he deactivated the Night of Full Moon Dome and approached Edward.

Upon seeing the heavily stepping Rex who is heading towards him, Edward held his chest in pain before he added, "You out of all people know how much impact if you kill Sebrof and Giana right now, the Supernaturals will raze humanity to the ground..."

Like a raging bull, Rex's breaths started to get heavy as his anger mounted once again.

"Me? You're blaming me for doing this when they are the ones that did the killing?! Do you understand what they did?! They took everything from me!!", Rex roared before stopping right in front of Edward, towering over him.

With the Werewolf form that he was currently in, Edward looks tiny in comparison.

Glaring purple eyes that are filled with murderous intent and have no sight of the friend he once knew, suppressing horns that are the main regulator of the Dual King Mark, and also the roughed breaths that show the erupting anger inside of him.

Anger was present but that was not the only emotion present inside of him right now.

In the midst of the erupting anger he had from realizing that Edward, his only friend is siding with the killers of his parents, there was also a hint of disappointment in his heart. Out of all people, Edward should've been the one that understands him.

Everything he did was for the sake of his parents whether his birth or foster parents.

Rex's entire purpose in life was to give peace to his birth parents in heaven right now, and also give a life worth living to his foster parents that helped him overcome the darkest time of his life from losing his birth parents.

But now they were also taken, at the very least he expected Edward to side with him.

"You said that my mother doesn't want me to do this?", Rex mutters intently, he then chuckled mockingly before he continues, "It's easy for her to say that, she's dead! She's not the one that keeps on living and having to deal with the nightmares that are going to haunt me again, it's me that needs to deal with all of it!"

"You're my friend! But you're helping them?", he added with a tone of disbelief.

Although his voice was rough and endearing since he's in his Werewolf form, the disbelief and pain inside his tone are evident. Now he feels like he loses his friend too, pushing him deeper into despair.

Upon hearing this, Edward puts on a genuine smile to comfort the anger inside of Rex.

Even though Rex's eyes has already changed and shows signs of hostility toward him, Edward kept a genuine smile and said softly, "I'm not doing this for them, I'm doing this for you. You've suffered enough, there was no need for you to live a life of revenge again..."

Rex was stunned upon hearing this, for a second there his mind was cleared from the clouds.

'No matter what I've experienced in the past, it doesn't justify what I did to your family just because they were also humans. But I think you know that now since you're alone here...', for a brief second, Ruston's voice rang inside his head reminding him about what he had just realized.

Closing his eyes, his mind also repeated the vision he saw back at the hospital earlier.

'Forgive them'

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

Now that he knows that his parents are dead, he realized that the voice he heard earlier and the brown wolf that visited him was none other than his mother, Mrs. Greene saying goodbye. It was her voice that reached his heart.

Rex finds it unbelievable that a connection they had can spark that kind of illusion.

But then his mind reversed back to his mother's corpse, lying coldly on the ground killed by the cold hands of a human. Unconsciously, Rex clenched his hands tightly, 'I want to, mother... But I'm sorry, I can't do that'

Immediately after that, Rex opens his eyes which are already turned cold.

Looking at Edward who is wearing a pleasant smile, trying to dissuade him from exacting revenge, he raises his chin coldly, "I know exactly what you're doing, Edward. You're just as selfish as them that dare to apologize after they did the killing", Rex said with anger stated clearly inside his voice.

Upon hearing this, Edward frowns as he was caught off guard by the sudden change.

"You're not doing this for me, or them... you're just doing this for yourself!", he added ruthlessly.

Bam!

Rex hit Edward with his backhand, sending Edward crashing away to the side.

Without minding what happened to his only friend that betrayed him, Rex turns around to resume what he was doing to Sebrof and Giana that are still pinned on the ground. Slowly his claws burn with the energy from the Unholy Claws of the Reaper once again, intending to hurt them again.

Jumping high into the sky, he bares the full power of the Dual King Mark.

The clouds in the sky started to turn into a vortex of whirling wind as Rex poured everything into his claws, his eyes flashes murderously intending to hurt Sebrof and Giana real bad for doing what they did to him.

Not a strand of sanity can be seen inside his eyes, every fiber of his being is fixated on revenge.

Swoosh!

CRACK!

Under such an intense amount of power generated by the Dual King Mark that gathered onto his horns, cracks in the dimension started to appear, showing an empty void that feels chillingly eerie.

With one jolt of power, Rex descends down from the sky like a meteor.

But when he was nearing Sebrof and Giana, out of nowhere, a powerful ringing sound blasted his mind. Upon the sudden ringing sound that rattled his mind, Rex stopped in his tracks, dazed as his energy dispersed.

It was sudden and he was also surprised by this, Rex falls from the sky and landed on the ground.

Boom!

Holding onto his painful head that feels like they were crushed from the inside, Rex was absolutely confused as to where this sudden ringing sound comes from. It almost feels like a mental attack, but there should be none capable of doing this, 'S-System, what is hap-'

Before he can even ask the system, an astral voice resounded inside his mind.

'How dare you...'

Rex heard the devastatingly powerful voice inside his mind, he recognize the voice and it definitely comes from the Countess of the Dark Lunirich. It sounded like she was angry beyond comprehension.

<Countess of the Dark Lunirich is trying to devour the user's existence!>

<Repelling the hostile energy...>

<Completed! Countess of the Dark Lunirich's power has been negated and failed to devour the user's existence>

As if it was a powerful hit to his mind, his cloudy mind was cleared once more.

Upon reading the notification from the system, Rex staggered as his mind was exhausted just from the sudden attack from the Countess of the Dark Lunirich. But then, an eerie chuckling sound can be heard inside his mind but it was not the Countess of the Dark Lunirich.

'Kaiser...? Is the Countess angry that I got the Blood Moon King Mark too?'

Realizing the possibility, Rex gritted his teeth before he raises his head to glare at Sebrof and Giana in front of him, 'Please... not now! I need to make them suffer and exact revenge for my mother!', but his hope was shattered when the two kingly energy started to reject each other.

"GRAARGHH!!", Rex shouted at the top of his lungs as the kingly energy attacked his body.

But as if the world wanted to prevent him from doing anything to Sebrof and Giana, and thought that the pain he was feeling right now was not enough, another notification from the system appeared.

<Ancient Rune of Harmony has been activated!>

'W-What is it now?!', Rex exclaimed inwardly, cursing the series of unfortunate events.

Chapter 608 Splitting Path

Rex falls to his knees from the sudden outburst of the two kingly energies that are rejecting each other and coupled with the Ancient Rune of Harmony that came out of nowhere. None of this is expected, he was desperately trying to collect himself for the sake of revenge.

At this point Rex has already accepted his fate, the world wants him to live a life of hatred.

Maybe that's the only path that is laid out in front of him to keep on living in this world of madness, he slowly started to see the clear picture now. Rather than keeps on rejecting, it's better that he embrace his role in this world.

Clenching the ground with both of his hands, Rex's purple eyes glared at Sebrof and Giana.

Upon looking at Rex that suddenly fell to the ground from the outburst of his own energy, Sebrof grabs the Silver Eye stabbing him before pulling it out. Silver weapons don't affect humans, it hurts but he ignored it and break-free.

With one flow of movement, Sebrof pulls out the Amuerus Katana and helps Giana jump away.

Since they were both ninth-rank realm Awakened, their life force is too much for something like that to actually kill them. A couple of swift powerful attacks to the spirit core, head, or heart are needed to kill them once and for all.

Although they did this under Rex's hateful gaze, he can't do anything about it.

From the myriad of pain that he has suffered and endured throughout his life, this one is reaching the top as he feels like his entire body is about to be ripped apart from the inside. It was painful but Rex endured it through his hatred alone.

"NOT NOW!!", Rex screamed, punching the ground angrily.

But the Ancient Rune of Harmony started to take effect and calms the anger burning inside of him, just like a fire being splashed by water, his anger quickly decreases under the Ancient Rune of Harmony's effect.

Sensing a couple of figures on the side, Rex saw Flunra, Gistella, and Adhara arrive at the scene.

Realizing that Flunra is raising his arm forward while channeling weird energy in his palm that made it glows with a subtle light, Rex gritted his canine teeth strongly, "FLUNRA!! I'M YOUR ALPHA, DEACTIVATE THE RUNE RIGHT NOW!!"

A powerful roar resounded, scaring the living hell out of Flunra and Adhara.

The expression Rex is wearing right now is by far the scariest, it was a mix of anger, desperation, and sorrow that created such a contorted expression that can induce fear in anyone's heart. Rex was completely desperate and insane, finding that his anger is fading away.

Even though losing his anger means he would regain his senses, he doesn't want that to happen.

"GRARGGHH!!", Rex shouted as he tries to push himself off of the ground, but the kingly energies pushes him back down forcing him to kneel. Blood started to overflow from his mouth, it was his last attempt, and failed.

Now the burning flame of anger inside of him is nothing but a fraction of what it was a minute ago.

Soon enough the rejecting kingly energies gathered onto his horns, clashing for once last time before the Dark Moonlight Kingly energy vanished in a whim, forcing his King Mark to be completely engulfed in the color red.

From the side, Sebrof and Giana are watching this with heavy breaths.

Both of them are unsure whether they should engage or not in this situation, they lost against Rex earlier and it wouldn't be a good idea to engage once again. Additionally, they also want to engage due to the anger slowly vanishing from Rex's face.

Swoosh!

In the blink of an eye, the rampaging energy from Rex vanished leaving not a single trace.

Rex stayed kneeling for an uncomfortable amount of moment before his body moved a little, his arm slowly reaches for his face before rubbing something. Immediately after that, he raises his gaze which has turned indifferent and cold.

Despite his calm demeanor, he was not calm inside. It was nothing but a facade.

- <Warning! The user's condition is weakened and critical!>
- <Due to the drawback from the Countess of the Dark Lunirich, the effect from the Dual King Mark has been removed. The user's stats have been weakened to one King Mark level until reclaiming the power of the Banished Dark Moon King Mark>
- <Sanity stat has been increased due to the Ancient Rune of Harmony!>
- <Mental stat has been reduced back to normal!>

Even with the notifications from the system that are warning him about his condition, Rex kept an indifferent and stoic expression despite feeling his power leaving him. It was a feeling that he loathed as his pinnacle of power was stripped away.

Keeping his body straight like an arrow, Rex gazes at Sebrof and Giana for a moment.

Both of them feel their necks being choked just from Rex's gaze alone, they now know exactly how powerful Rex really is and they don't want him as an enemy. But they don't know if that's possible right now.

Slowly Rex turned back into his human form, exposing his injuries that are covered by furs earlier.

It was not only the injuries that he sustained from the fight against Sebrof or Giana earlier, but more wounds appeared that comes from the clashing kingly energy before. When he feels his body was about to be ripped into shreds, it was not just his mind but his body really experienced that.

While trying to calm his rough breaths, Rex glances to the side at Flunra and Adhara.

Looking at Flunra that is already lowering his arm and deactivating the Ancient Rune of Harmony, Rex sighs inwardly feeling the suspense of anger inside of him is distasteful. Averting his eyes away, he suddenly feel something touching his left hand.

Rex looks down and saw a trail of blood hit his hand before flowing in another direction.

Following the trail of blood, he saw an arm sticking out of the rubble on the side. Someone is buried under the rubble and has already died, evacuating from this close to the fight is not possible for many Awakened much less a regular person.

Upon seeing that Rex takes a deep breath before he gazes back at the two with squinted eyes.

Both of them are clearly hurt from the devastating fight they had earlier, the wounds covering their whole bodies are no joke. If not they were ninth-rank realm Awakened then they would've been weakened or died from blood loss.

Even though many thought that it was already over, Rex refused to go stop with just this much.

Since the King Mark has been overtaken by the Blood Moon, his weakened body was still starting to be rejuvenated by the massive amount of blood spilled around the entire sector and beyond due to his rampage earlier.

Rex has enough strength to do one last thing, and he intends to use it to etch a reminder on them.

SWOOSH!

With the excitement of blood pumping inside his veins, Rex vanishes from his spot, turning into a blur before he arrived right in front of Sebrof and Giana who hasn't even realized Rex is already in front of them due to how fast he was moving.

Maybe his stats have been reduced, but the enhancement from the blood raised it up again.

Despite his exhaustion that is overflowing his entire body, stiffening his movement greatly, Rex turns his hands into claws once more before the Unholy Claws of the Reaper energy cloaked them again. Muscles in his claws contracted as he swiped both Giana and Sebrof.

Being caught off guard, both of them are too late to respond to the sudden attack.

Slash!

Slash!

Giana suffered the most as the claws swiped her from her waist all the way to her face, leaving four claw marks that are splurting blood and are gruesome to see. While on the other hand, Sebrof manages to react and tries to dodge the sharp claws.

But he made a huge mistake raising his arms to block the claws that have absolute sharpness.

With the powerful momentum from the claws, half of Sebrof's entire left arm got severed before the claws also slashed the side of his body leaving a nasty gash. It happened in a fraction of a second, and Rex then went back to where he stood earlier.

"A reminder for both of you, don't think that this is over...", Rex said threateningly.

Sebrof and Giana groan in pain while holding the part that got clawed by Rex.

The Unholy Claws of the Reaper contains Origin-level energy which is very powerful and can cut through anything. Not only that, but the wound inflicted by it would also be unable to be healed without the same level of energy.

Humanity doesn't have Origin-level power, and the wounds Rex inflicted would be permanent.

With a messed up face, claw marks, and a severed arm, Giana and Sebrof gritted their teeth in pain feeling that the energy they were inflicted with is not a joke. Even when Giana tries to heal her wounds, it doesn't work.

Now they knew what Rex means by a reminder as these wounds are incurable.

Rex then added before he turns around, "Not today, not next week, or maybe not in the near future. But believe me that I will have my revenge. When you're not expecting, I will be there with my hands around your neck. Savor what's left of your lives, they are nearing the end"

Rex then leaped and landed near the others that are still processing the scene in their minds.

Although they already know that Rex was on a rampage over something that happened to his mother, they still find it unbelievable that sector 3 of Ratmawati City was reduced to this state. One of the most shocked ones was Adhara as she was living here ever since she joined the university.

Many remains of people under the rubble can be seen, the scent of death is thick here.

But knowing full well about Rex's personality, she doesn't pity these people as she knows that something big must've happened for Rex to be like this. If anyone then blames the one that caused Rex to go on a rampage like this.

Just as Rex was about to leave, wanting to retrieve his parents' corpses, he senses someone.

Glancing to the side, he saw a heavily injured man decorated with blood all over crawl out of the rubble. It was Edward, who surprisingly didn't die from that backhand attack. Upon seeing this, Rex smiled mockingly.

"You're still alive? You're pretty resilient, my parents died and you somehow are still alive..."

Although he was knocked unconscious a couple of seconds earlier, he heard the conversation Rex had with both Sebrof and Giana earlier. Desperately forcing his body to stand up, Edward then said, "We can work this out, Rex. Don't leave or you're stepping on a path with no return"

Rex chuckled descendingly, he can't help but praise this fake friend for still trying.

"I know, and I've already made my decision. No more picking sides now, you can play along with the little war you're having with the Supernatural as much as you want. Since those two wanted me dead, then they don't need my help and my role here is finished" Looking over his shoulder to Sebrof and Giana, he then added, "I'm not on your side anymore..."

With the last declaration of his decision to not be a part of whatever happens to Humanity and Supernaturals, Rex then looks back at Edward again before he added coldly, "And I'm not your friend anymore..."

After saying that, he takes a deep breath before he vanished from his spot, intending to retrieve his parents' corpse to be buried somewhere that doesn't stink of Supernaturals and even Humans.

Upon his disappearance, Edward's eyes shifted to the others that are still in their spots.

"Adhara... we can stop him from going further, humanity needs him and deep down you're all humans, not Supernaturals. Please, just stay here and we'll fix this...", Edward said, he even sounded like he was begging.

But Adhara only glanced at Kyran that is approaching them from the side.

Just as Kyran arrived beside her, he leaned into her ears and whispered something. It was the cause of why Rex went berserk like this, starting from the fact that Giana wanted to kill him and Zero attacked the mansion and killed Mrs. Greene, Robert, and even almost killed Edward.

In a second, her expression turns hideous as she mutters, "Is my father alright?"

"Don't worry, I sensed him running away alongside Zelene and Edward's Uncle. Your father is safe, only Rex's parents were killed", Kyran replied with a grim tone, he didn't see how they died but saw their remains.

Adhara then shifted her eyes back to Edward in the far distance, holding his broken arm.

"I'm sorry..."

"No. please...!"

From those two words that came out of Adhara's mouth, Edward already know where this conversation is going as he pleaded for her to stay. But Adhara then added, "With what happened, these people don't deserve Rex's help. You know what he has done for humanity, but this is how he was repaid for everything he sacrificed"

"I know but we can still fi-"

"That's enough, I'm going with Rex", Adhara intervenes before turning around and leaving.

With her dashing away to follow Rex, Gistella and Flunra also gave one last look to Edward and the others before they too dashes away. No matter what happened, Rex is their Alpha and they are loyal to the very end.

All that is left was on the place was Kyran who is looking at Edward with a troubled expression.

Even though he spent most of his time with Rex who is his Alpha, Kyran can't deny the bond he had with Edward through times spent living with him. It was not as deep but it was still there, and splitting like this still breaks his heart.

"Kyran, don't go. I don't know what I can do if I'm alone...", Edward said, trying to cling to hope.

But no amount of words can change Kyran's mind from following Rex as Rex was the one that helped him during the dark time of his life, if Rex weren't there then he might just already committed suicide due to the sorrow.

On top of that, he also knows the rage of losing someone he loved coldly.

"I don't want us to split like this, but Rex is still the one that helped me the most. By turning me into this... monster, I have the power to kill Supernaturals. It gave me a sense of purpose to keep living on, so I'm sorry Edward but I'll have to follow him", Kyran finally said as a single tear fall down his cheek.

With one last look, Kyran's body slowly disappears and turns into a shadow before disappearing.

Edward falls to both of his knees when everyone left, leaving him alone inside this place he called home. Despite years of having dry eyes, this time tears started to overflow as he sobbed helplessly for not being able to keep his only friend, and people he considered family by him.

It was the worst feeling as more tears started to flow out.

As the devastating battle that destroyed many sectors and killed many innocent people ended, all that is left filling the entire place was the sobbing sound of Edward in the midst of the rubble. It sounded lonely and painful.

Just like having his soul cut in half as one half decided to leave and consider him unworthy.

Chapter 609 Ratmawati City Fallout

Ratmawati City, one of the pillar cities of Humanity was left in ruin.

Silence drifted through the littered street of a ruined city caused by the fight between many would consider Gods, the stench of death and blood wafted from every nook and corner of the ruined city that is still freshly freed from the sound of a fight.

Abandoned cars and other transportation filled the streets, showcasing the chaos that happened.

Only a few people at the edge of sector 3 were saved from the battle's quake, the sudden evacuation left the street in a dreary, and scarred state. Evidence of the hopeful citizen that is desperately in search of safety can be seen around, under, in between, or simply above the rubble.

From the skies, the most part that can be seen was nothing but destruction.

But the silence was not the only thing that governs the place, a distant sob can be heard.

Edward was on both knees letting out his frustrations from not being strong enough to prevent this from happening, if he did then maybe Rex wouldn't have ended in this damaged path that his own mother doesn't want him to go through again.

Self-blame was the only thing inside his head as he pointed his finger at himself.

Many ifs appeared inside his head but they only amount that much, these ifs will forever stay inside his head as reality has already proven that he didn't do any of that. Zero managed to kill Rex's parents, and he was not able to convince Rex to stay.

Despite the ruined place, Edward didn't move as he was in so much mental pain right now.

Even though he knew that the pain was not real and it was only inside his heart, the self-blame turns the pain into reality as his chest started to feel like burning from the inside. Edward puts his forehead against the rough ground crying while holding his burning chest.

Just like that the world denies him from paying his life debt once more, giving him only disarray.

While he was sobbing in the middle of the ruined sector that was once a pedestrian street filled with buildings, a place where society gathers, Giana and Sebrof were also in the same boat as the world of pain has downed on them.

Vargas and the other eighth-rank figures approached the two out of worry.

"President Sebrof! Lady Giana! Are you okay? We'll need you to bring you to Sir Lewis so that he can heal both of your wounds", Lauren exclaimed, wanting to bring both of them to the best healer in the entire Ratmawati City.

Upon hearing this, Giana glanced at Lauren before she showed her the wound on her face.

Despite already seeing much gore and blood in her lifetime, Lauren was still surprised by the wound on Giana's face that took almost half of her face. It made the left side of her face completely entangled with chunks of flesh and blood.

It stained Giana's beautiful face into a horrifying one that would be very hard to be hidden.

Channeling the water arcane mana into her bloodied palm, Giana tries to heal the wound on her face. At first, it started healing, but then the burning red energy overpowered her arcane mana before the wound turns back to normal.

Even though Sir Lewis has the best healing ability, he's at the very least a bit stronger than Giana.

Now that even Giana's healing ability from her water element can't heal the wound even for a little bit, then Sir Lewis would be the same. Just from that alone, they knew that the wounds are incurable which is why Rex said that these wounds are reminders.

But then Vargas intervenes, "Should we pursue them? It seems Rex is weakened right now..."

"When the outburst happened to his energy, the King Mark on his forehead turns from half black and half red to completely red. If I'm not mistaken, that means he lost the power of the Dark Moon and is definitely weakened", he added sternly, remembering seeing that for a brief moment earlier.

Sebrof groans while holding his severed left arm before he slowly stood up.

Looking at Vargas right in the eyes, Sebrof ignored his question before he said, "Tell Brigitta and Denzel near the Great Barricade to stand down, don't engage no matter what. Let them through if they decided to leave humanity's territory"

Upon hearing this, Vargas was clearly disagreeing as he wanted to rebut.

Although he knows that Giana was in the wrong for trying to kill Rex and even resulting in Rex's parents' death, the damage Rex did to the entire Ratmawati City is devastating. Probably millions of people died, crushed by his rampaging aura alone.

Not only that, the damage done to the infrastructure is horrifying. It would take years to rebuild.

But before Vargas can even say anything Sebrof already gave him a warning look, "I know how you feel, but another fight despite him being weakened would result in more destruction. On top of that, if they fight near the Great Barricade then the Supernaturals would join in for sure and take advantage of the situation"

"Just let them go for now...", he added before sitting on the rubble tiredly.

While sitting on the rubble, Sebrof looks at the destruction that reaches as far as the eyes can see.

Everything happens so fast and he knew that even though Giana was the one to start, he was also at fault for keeping Rex's identity as a Werewolf a secret. Most of the people here blame themselves for what happened to Ratmawati City.

It was not some light matters, millions of people died and Sebrof will be demanded to answer soon.

Not just normal humans like the citizen and the military, but Awakened also got obliterated by the sheer aura of the Dual King Mark. Many of them are probably young and the future of humanity, but they died because of this incident.

As if the sky can feel their sorrow, snow started to descend from the sky.

Clashes that happened in the fight earlier tore the dimension of their reality, the arcane mana, and Rex's kingly energy from before dropped the temperature and resulted in this snow. An additional ornament of the sorrow they were feeling right now.

One of the most affected by this snow was Giana knowing that the deaths of millions are on her.

Despite being a powerful being that is at the apex of power, Giana succumbs to her guilt as she covers her mouth and started crying. Even powerful figures such as them are still humans that experienced all kinds of feelings.

While Giana was crying, Vargas approached Sebrof again as he trains his eyes forward.

Looking at Edward not too far from them, Vargas sighs before he then asks, "What are we going to do about him? Rex has abandoned him, and he's still a criminal for protecting the identity of a Supernatural"

Upon hearing this, Sebrof was silent for a brief moment.

"Everyone around Rex is powerful including Edward, he even managed to stall Zero despite still being a seventh-rank realm Awakened. We'll let him do what he wants, he's definitely going to keep on fighting to bring Rex back and we'll assist him in it", Sebrof finally said firmly, he already made up his mind.

It's clear in his eyes that Edward really wants Rex to still in humanity's side.

Although hiding the identity of a Supernatural makes him a traitor and is punishable by death, this is a special case and their necks were still out in the open from Rex's last declaration before. On top of that, Edward is talented and may be able to reach an exponentially high realm if nurtured properly.

Vargas kept his eyes on Edward before he mutters, "Basically, he's going to be our weapon?"

"Yes, if we can make him strong enough we would get an additional powerful Awakened and also a strong wall to deal with Rex due to their history. If he can reach the seventh-rank realm in a matter

of months, then a year or two would probably be all it takes to help him reach the ninth-rank realm", Sebrof explained further, exposing his plans.

With the matters out of the way, Vargas went on to another urgent matter.

This tragedy that happened this day would be remembered for as long as Ratmawati City is still standing as it's the first time Ratmawati City suffered this much damage, and the survivors would definitely ask questions.

"What kind of story would we give to the people?", Vargas asks again.

But even in this stressful moment, Sebrof's head is still crystal clear as he replied almost instantly, "Nobody should know about the truth, we'll just blame it on King Baralt that managed to break inside our walls and catches us off guard. But with the invention of the Supernatural Radar, we can convince them that this wouldn't happen again. It's the perfect solution to calm the mass down"

Just as he said that a blast of green smoke exploded in front of them.

Vargas created a barrier to protect both of them from the green smoke, but it didn't take long before two figures appeared from the midst of the Green Smoke. It was clearly King John and Prof. K from the SCO.

Fixating his eyes onto Sebrof, King John stepped forward and said, "I want an explanation for this..."

Meanwhile, Edward is still sobbing with his forehead on the ground.

Since it's the first time that he finally breaks he decided to pour all of it out as he feels like he is a failure and a disgrace to the world, he kept crying and crying until the tears finally refuse to come out again.

Now he's crying with dry eyes that are already puffy.

But not long after that, he heard the sound of rocks being moved coming from the side, he sits back up before he saw that the rubble on his left was moving slightly. Wiping his tears, Edward remembered something, 'Could it be...?'

Edward immediately stood up and stumbled his way to the moving rubble.

From the looks of it, there should be someone underneath the rubble that is trying to get out.

Upon reaching the big rubble he falls on both knees again before helping to lift the rubble out with one arm as the other arm is broken from before, Edward groans as he lifts the big rubble before flipping it entirely.

After doing that he looks down before his eyes widened seeing the person underneath the rubble.

"R-Ryze!", Edward exclaimed in surprise.

Just like finding a diamond underneath a rock, Edward's widened completely as joy started to fill his entire body to find that Ryze was still here. For a moment before, he has forgotten about Ryze but now he remembered that at the very least he still have Ryze.

Out of all of them, Ryze and himself were the ones that are not a Werewolf.

Rex, Adhara, Evelyn, Gistella, and Flunra are all Werewolves underneath the Silverstar Pack with Rex as the Alpha. It's probably due to the loyalty induced in them that they decided to leave humanity for good and follow in Rex's footsteps.

Without wasting any time, Edward helps Ryze who already went back to his human form.

Looking at Ryze that is also injured and coughing a couple of times due to the dust, Edward can't help but hugs him with great care feeling relieved that he was not completely alone in humanity's territory.

Although he still has Zelene and his Uncle, both of them can't help him bring Rex back.

But now that Ryze who is a Heavenly Dragonman stayed behind he feels very glad and not alone, it was the best feeling he has ever had in a long time. The last time he felt this glad was when he got the news that Rex survived the Ghoul mission.

"W-What happened...?", Ryze mutters softly, catches by surprise by Edward's sudden hug.

Upon hearing this Edward pulls back before he holds both of Ryze's shoulders firmly, his expression softening before he replied, "Rex has left humanity's territory, he's disappointed in receiving this kind of treatment despite helping humanity from the shadow"

"But you don't have to worry, we'll bring him back...", he added with a genuine smile.

Ryze blinks his eyes a couple of times before his mind finally clicked, he had already exerted his all in killing Zero but it seems that he didn't make any change. In fact, he probably made it worst since he took the joy of killing Zero from Rex.

Just like the others, Ryze also blames himself a bit because of this tragedy.

Reminded that he still has the power of the Heavenly Dragonman, Ryze's expression turns serious as he said with a hint of determination and pity for Edward, "Okay, no matter how hard it will be. I'm going to help you bring Rex back"

In his eyes, Edward is like family just like Rex and he would do anything to reunite them.

Chapter 610 Retreating Supernaturals

Ruined Vampire Stronghold, The Great Barricade.

Using the earth manipulation spells from many Awakened stationed inside the Ruined Vampire Stronghold, a couple of temporary houses made of dirt and clay can be seen built inside the stronghold for the Awakened to rest.

Not only that but the military also has contributed with modern weaponry on the walls.

Modern weapons from heavy artillery, ballistic missiles, and even tanks can be seen on the walls and inside ready for a sudden attack from the Supernaturals. With the additional tens of thousands of military men, the Ruined Vampire Stronghold has been fortified greatly.

In the middle of the stronghold lies quite a big house where Brigitta is sitting inside a room alone.

Although the room was tranquil with nothing but silence that can ease the mind, Brigitta's expression is far away from tranquil as she was experienced a stressful moment that might triumph over any bad moment she experienced so far.

Brigitta knows that Ratmawati City is being attacked, but she can't do anything about it.

The powerful gust of shockwaves that came from Ratmawati City can be felt directly by her as her senses span miles and miles away, and that sense of her makes her even more stressed as these shockwaves are no joke.

With both of her hands supporting her forehead, Brigitta stayed silent for about ten minutes.

Many bad scenarios run through her mind which is very troubling for her, it's also the reason why she was sitting alone inside this room because she can't let the other Awakened and military men here saw her being like this.

Cultivating the strict and cold persona, Brigitta can't show any emotions in front of the others.

But soon enough the sound of footsteps can be heard from outside the room forcing her to lean back on the chair she was sitting on, taking a deep breath she erased the worry on her face in the blink of an eye before an Awakened knock on the door and stepped inside.

Going in a military salute stance, Brigitta waves her hand before the Awakened relaxed.

"I've received news from Sir Denzel about Ratmawati City and am here to report it to you", the Awakened said clearly, and this made Brigitta's eyes widen in anticipation as this is what she wanted to hear the most.

Out of everything, it's about time she received the good or bad news about Ratmawti City.

Although she was anticipating this moment to come, the Awakened's expression turns gloomy making her unconsciously forget to take a breath, "Ratmawati City has been attacked suddenly by a ninth-rank Supernatural, it started at the Silverstar Family's mansion and devastate a huge part of sector 2 and sector 3. Most of the Silverstar Family died from that attack including Rex Silverstar, but President Sebrof and Lady Giana managed to fend off the Supernatural off until it got away. Both of them were heavily injured but will survive. As of now, the statistics show that proximately a million lives have been lost from that attack..."

Upon hearing this, Brigitta's eyes train down to her desk, stunned by the news she just received.

Even though she already expected that the damage would be catastrophic since the Supernaturals has never reached Ratmawati City ever since the Supernatural Emergence, which leads to their defense protocol inside being weak, the news was just too shocking.

It was like a bomb exploding inside her mind, this kind of damage was way out of her expectations.

Not only was sector 2 and 3 got decimated by that sudden attack, but the victims reaches a million in numbers. On top of that, the rising star of humanity, Rex Silverstar died from that which is a very huge loss for them.

Despite never meeting the man, she has high expectations of Rex Silverstar.

Giana has talked about Rex a couple of times to her and she also has high expectations for him, which is why she's anticipating for Rex to become the fifth ninth-rank realm Awakened of humanity, putting them closer to the Supernatural's overall power.

But now the news she received told her that he was dead, and that made her slump in her chair.

The Awakened kept silent for a moment to let Brigitta process the news she just heard since he also needs some time to collect himself after hearing the news, but then steps closer to the desk and stretches out his hand, "Lady Brigitta, this is a personal message from Sir Denzel. He wanted you to read it alone"

Brigitta takes the envelope before she nodded her head and send the Awakened away.

Just like before the Awakened salute once again before turning around and leaving the room, it was only Brigitta and the envelope now, 'What does Denzel want to say to be secretive like this? Does the attack has more to it than what meets the eye?'

Click!

Opening the envelope, Brigitta takes out the piece of paper before she unfolded it.

Upon reading the first sentence that is handwritten at the very top of the paper, Brigitta's eyes widened as she covers her mouth in absolute shock. She was right, the attack was deeper than it seems.

Now that she read this, she realized that the attack was off since Ratmawati City is secured.

Jewel of Last Hope, the barrier surrounding Ratmawati City has been standing for dozens of years and contains a devastating amount of multiple arcane mana from different ninth-rank realms Awakened. It's unbreakable even by the Kings of the Supernaturals and is the thing that makes Ratmawati City a sanctuary for humanity.

Even from afar, Brigitta can still feel the robust energy of the Jewel of Last Hope.

If the Jewel of Last Hope is still standing strongly then the fact that a Supernatural managed to sneak inside is close to impossible, especially a ninth-rank realm Supernatural that would definitely be sensed by the eighth-rank realm Awakened and above.

Focusing back on the letter, Brigitta can't help but frown, "How did this happen...?"

'Rex Silverstar is the one that attacked Ratmawati City, he's a Werewolf Prince.'

Although she already read it a couple of times already in a span of half a minute, Brigitta still finds this surreal as Rex is clearly an Awakened with an affinity to the black lightning element. It's precisely why she finds it hard to believe since no Werewolves have lighting affinity.

One and the only element that the Werewolves can control is moonlight, that's it.

Just from the first sentence alone explains a lot of questions that are inside Brigitta's head right now, but then more questions popped out replacing the answered questions, "Why did he suddenly attack us if all this while he hasn't done anything crazy? Killing Wesley is crazy, but he's long deserving it"

Continuing to read the letter from Denzel, her eyes quickly scan through the content of the letter.

Basically, the letter's content is Denzel sharing the information straight from Ratmawati City that he had just received, the reason for Rex's sudden outburst is also stated there as Giana's fault as one of her men killed Rex's parents.

Keeping this information a secret from the public is a must as they already got a story.

While reading through the entire letter word by word trying to decipher what is the cause of this catastrophic event, Brigitta started to become angry as she blamed Giana for this. But knowing her history, Brigitta knows why she did this.

Even then it doesn't change the fact that the world was affected by her decision.

Soon enough Brigitta arrives at the last sentence at the very bottom which is in capital letters and underlined, and this sentence makes her clench the letter before she looks to the side with a troubled expression.

'Rex Silverstar is going out of the human territory, make sure to not block him'

Although he can either leave human territory through the Great Barricade near her right now or the Demon Stronghold, chances are he would be going through the Ruined Vampire Stronghold. It's nearer and safer so Brigitta needs to prepare.

Other people don't know this and she needs to control the military men and Awakened here.

But just as she was about to go out and regulate the people stationed here, the door suddenly got knocked on just when she reaches for the handle. Opening the door, she saw the same Awakened from before standing in front of the door.

"Lady Brigitta, I think you need to see this..."

Upon hearing this, Brigitta instantly rushes outside following the Awakened.

Reaching outside of the house the both of them instantly jumped to the walls facing the Supernatural territory, the Awakened then points forward before he said, "It's started about five minutes ago, they are starting to retreat for some reason"

Looking at the view, Brigitta frowns as she doesn't understand why they are doing this.

'Did they sense the fight in Ratmawati City? They probably did but still, if they wanted to attack us then why are they doing this?', Brigitta thought, pondering as to the reason why the Supernaturals are doing what they were doing right now.

The army of Supernaturals that are guarding the Ruined Vampire Stronghold started retreating.

Each one of them started to turn around and retreated in an organized manner, they are doing a tactful retreat but the reason is unknown. Not only that but Brigitta also saw that Demelza is also retreating after giving one last look at the Ruined Vampire Stronghold.

From left to right, Brigitta didn't see even one Supernaturals that remained there.

Surprisingly enough even a couple of watchtower that has never been empty was pulled and desolated, the Supernaturals are commencing a full retreat of the entire place as if they were giving up grounds for humanity to reclaim.

"Get back, I'll try to find what's going on", Brigitta commanded before her eyes burned with mana.

In a matter of seconds, Brigitta managed to gather so much green arcane mana and concentrate it to the middle of her forehead, the glow in her eyes becomes even fiercer as a green glow appears, "Ultimate Arcane Spell, Whispers of the Wind!"

Swoosh!

Just after she chanted that, a couple of ripples made of wind arcane mane swept the entire place.

About three ripples that keep on expanding to her front cover every nook and corner of the desolate plain and forest in front of the Ruined Vampire Stronghold, her eyes were closed as she tries to find anything out of the ordinary.

Since the spell is a locating spell, she finds that the Supernaturals are really retreating.

Many of them including the lower-rank ones and the higher-rank ones left the entire place, even Demelza was amongst them, walking back deeper into the Supernatural territory. But upon reaching a certain distance, Brigitta suddenly frowned.

'Hmmm...?', Brigitta can feel the ripples meet a restriction that made it unable to advance further.

Just after clashing against this unknown restriction, the ripples got shredded into pieces before disappearing almost instantly. Brigitta got knocked back to her senses as she looks to the front with a frown, "I don't know what, but the Supernaturals are planning something"

True enough, Brigitta squinted her eyes and find the retreating Supernaturals suddenly disappeared.

Even though the army of Supernaturals that are so massive that they filled the entire forest from left to right, they slowly disappeared one by one as they enter somekind of invisible barrier. It's surely the works of a ninth-rank Supernatural if her spell was broken like that.

In fact, she suspects that it's the work of multiple ninth-rank realm Supernaturals.

Although she was the third strongest ninth-rank realm Awakened after Sebrof and Denzel, a ninth-rank realm Supernatural shouldn't be able to disperse her spell as easily as that. It's impossible as there was no resistance.

The ripples just shatter upon clashing against the barrier which leads her to that conclusion.

But just to make sure, Brigitta glances at the military men on the wall near the ballistic missiles before she instructed, "Fire a couple of missiles forward, give each missile some space from the other. I want to see if there's really a barrier there and how big it is"

Upon hearing this, the military men activate the weapon and put in the coordinates.

Soon enough the ballistic missile launcher positioned itself left and up facing the sky, with a press of a button eight missiles fired before they splits to eight different path. These missiles are quite fast as they launches into the horizon.

Brigitta squinted her eyes waiting for the impact to happen.

Just a moment later the eight missiles exploded one by one upon hitting the barrier, and this confirms her suspicion and also the size of the barrier, "It's massive... about ten miles wide. What are they going to do with this?"

As she mutters that to herself, Brigitta suddenly sensed an aura from the other side.

Looking over to the back she sensed a powerful aura alongside four other auras heading towards the Ruined Vampire Stronghold, and she already guessed who these people are, "The letter came at the right time, he's already here..."