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Chapter 751 - Freedom Sect's Stance

Three weeks later,

Rose had finished absorbing every bit of energy inside the pill. Alex could see the flow of her Spiritual Energy and realized the effect was far better than he expected. Unfortunately, there was nothing to see for him because even his Spirit Eyes couldn't discern how much the effect was. The only thing he could do was to wait until Rose cultivated for a month or two.

As promised, Alex spent two days having a pleasant talk with Rose from small things like how she spent her days to big things such as their next plans. She told Alex that she had permission to help him if she managed to beat the Potential Tower. As much as he wanted to stop her from joining, he realized that the bird finally needed to use her own wing to soar in the sky. In the end, he agreed with Rose's request.

On the other hand, Rose felt refreshed after talking about everything with Alex. Just like how Alex sometimes enjoyed his life, being able to talk to him like this relaxed Rose.

After they sorted everything out, Alex then used his Teleportation Array to go to the southern part of the Divine Kingdom, where the cave resided.

"Such a big hole... And it's full of water." Rose was amazed by the hole. Due to the tsunami, the hole was completely covered. He still remembered where they needed to go to the surface first before Ryuu and Maya could see the spirits.

"That's right. The entrance is inside this place. I have remembered the place, and we should be able to go there without meeting any monsters." Alex nodded. "Let's go."

"Yes." Rose followed Alex and covered her body with Spiritual Energy to prevent the water from making her clothes wet before jumping into the water.

Alex led her through the cave and arrived at the entrance after a few minutes of swimming.

The two people guarding this place realized Alex's presence, so they slowly approached him.

Alex knew they needed to check his identity, so he took out the token and activated his Spiritual Energy, showing the golden Fire Symbol.

The two disciples immediately opened the gate for him. "I am sorry, Elder. I didn't recognize you earlier."

"Good job. You two should be careful no matter what." Alex shook his head and acted friendly. "I am going to enter the sect."

"Please." The two disciples let Alex in as one of them guided him to the portal while the other closed the gate.

Alex then activated the array and teleported with Rose. He didn't forget to leave a message to both of them. "I won't be long."

They didn't understand his words but chose to store it inside their brain. They didn't doubt Alex because his strength already reached Martial Saint. Although there were many problems to have an elder like that, sometimes they needed an exception.

On the contrary, Alex chose the Space Temple as his destination because Aileen would be the one teaching her.

"Master... That tower..." Rose pointed her finger at the Space Temple as she never saw a building with this design.

"That's our destination."

Rose said nothing more and observed their surroundings until they arrived at the bottom of the tower.

"This is the Space Temple." Alex smiled before two disciples stopped him from going. He simply showed his tokens before the two disciples let them in. Without paying attention to the other elders, Alex climbed the stairs to the top floor and knocked on the wooden door.

"Come in!"

Alex pushed the door while holding Rose's hand, pulling her inside.

"It's been a while, Great Elder Aileen."

"!!!" Aileen was busy with her works, so she didn't pay attention. Only when she listened to this familiar voice that she finally looked up with a shocked face. "Alex!"

Alex smiled and nodded. "I have returned with my disciple."

"Disciple?" Aileen raised her eyebrows and shifted her look to the young girl beside him. She was utterly shocked when she saw Rose. Not only was she a 3-Star Martial Monarch, but her Bow Intent was also beyond her imagination.

"This is my disciple, Rose Skewes. As promised, I come with my disciple, so she can get the Space Element and train here. I hope Great Elder can guide her... Just don't steal her from me." Alex teased her. If she knew Rose's talent after getting the Bow Mastery, she must want to steal her.

"What did you say? Are you looking down on my Ryu and Maya? They are strong too." Aileen pouted before sighing. "Albeit... Compared to you, they are still nothing. To think that in this short time, you can reach 1-Star Martial Saint..."

"Haha..." Alex scratched his head before saying. "Anyway, my business here is to send her here and discuss our grand plan."

"Ah! Are you going to attack them now? Even us can't mobilize our force that fast..." Aileen furrowed her eyebrows, having a complicated expression on her face.

"No, no. I can only tell you the rough date, but it is after Rose has finished her training here. Considering the Potential Tower will open every three years, she has roughly two years in this place. Within that time, I want her to learn Space Element... Maybe you can teach her about Bow yourself... But once again, don't steal from me." Alex shrugged.

"I only have one Master in my life, and it won't change," Rose grabbed Alex's shirt and said with a sad look.

Alex smiled and patted her head.

"I understand. Since this is within our cooperation, I will arrange it all. I need to inform the council first, so we can discuss it together later." Aileen paused for a moment. "I will send you to your previous house first, so you can give her a house tour while I am calling the council over. Will that be fine?"

"Sure." Alex nodded.

Aileen nodded her head and walked outside her room. She looked at an elder not far from her and sent a thought transmission. 'Elder Ma. Take care of my matter for today, I have an urgent matter.'

After giving the message, she returned and snapped her finger, creating a Spatial Gate for them to go through.

Alex and Rose blinked, and the scenery changed. Rose looked at the house in front of her and glanced at Alex, waiting for his decision.

"I will be leaving you here." Aileen waved her hand and went somewhere with her Spatial Gate.

Alex nodded and entered the house with Rose. "Let's go inside."

"Un!" Rose nodded with a smile as she was wondering what kind of house Alex stayed in for a while.

Alex just showed some parts of the house he used and created a rank 8 Gathering Array. Not long after, all the Great Elders appeared in front of the house, of course, by Aileen's Spatial Gate.

Alex came out of the house alone and looked at them with a smile. "Where do you want to discuss this matter? Or do you want to discuss it inside? It won't take too long anyway."

This was certainly unexpected. They looked at each other and nodded.

Alex then led him to the backyard, where the group decided to sit down on the grass without thinking. As expected, Licht was the one who negotiated with him.

"I only have a few things to say." Alex cut to the chase without offering any greeting, and the Great Elders didn't particularly care about this anyway, so he continued. "First. I want to borrow Great Elder Aileen and one 10-Star Martial Saint to help me threaten the Ancient Blue Family.

"If we pass this hurdle, we might only need to fight Snow White Mountain and Fire God Clan. With the help of Drunken Pavilion and Blackwade Clan, they shouldn't be able to do anything."

Licht closed his eyes for a second. "Do you want to use her Space Element to threaten the Ancient Blue Family?"

As expected, Licht realized his intention. Alex smiled and explained. "Knowing that you are going to resurface, it means you won't hold back and hide your Space Element. That's why I choose to use it first. It can also make the allies that I have the backing of Space Element experts... Or even more. This way, they won't betray us."

"When do you need them?" Licht could agree with Alex's plan since it was indeed a good idea.

"Two months from now."

Licht then glanced at Aileen and Viola, asking their opinion.

Aileen nodded. "I can go at that time. Although I am only an 8-Star Martial Saint, my Space Element should be able to scare them. We just need to cooperate to make a deep impression within their hearts."

"Sure. As much as I hate to cooperate with this woman, I will go according to this plan. Meanwhile, Elder Licht can start the preparation."

Licht nodded and looked back at Alex. "You heard them."

"Yes. They are enough." Alex nodded.

"When are you going to start the war?"

"Two years from now. I want my disciple to beat the Potential Tower first." Alex smirked.

"Ho!" Licht narrowed his eyes as the others looked astonished. It was a bold claim from Alex. They looked at Rose, who was standing in the corner, scanning her up and down.

Rose flinched for a second because of these stares, but she had her resolve. She stood tall and looked back at the elders, telling them Alex's disciple wasn't a pushover.

"Don't scare my disciple like that... I just believe she will beat the tower." Alex smirked. "I haven't told her a single thing about this place though."

Licht thought for a moment and nodded. "I understand. I will go according to your plan. Aileen and Viola will go with you two months later while I will gather all the disciples who want to migrate while leaving some to maintain this place. Do you know the specific date for this? I want to know the deadline to make it easier."

"I don't have a deadline. I am thinking about fighting them after I reach 5-Star or 6-Star Martial Saint. Although it's hard, I believe I can reach that stage within two years if I push myself to the limit. Besides, I have a few things to do on the surface to ensure our victory." Alex shrugged before taking out a token. "This is my token. Just activate it when you reach the surface, I will be able to sense it."

Viola was the one who took it since Viola was careless with this type of thing.

"I will be teaching the basics for your disciples first within these two months... Since she also has a bow as her weapon, she is my friend." Aileen nodded.

"Thank you. I will leave her in your hand, Great Elder Aileen. Though I need to apologize in advance if Maya gets disheartened once again."

"Hmph!" Aileen snorted. "She has been training like crazy, so it won't happen."

"Is this all?"

"Yeah. If I discuss the details now, it might change depending on how the others react later. It is best if I observe a bit more and plan accordingly." Alex nodded.

"I see... Since you are coming here, how about staying for a day?" Viola asked.

Alex glanced at Rose for a few seconds before shaking his head. "No. I will be returning to the surface after this."

"Alright then. I shouldn't keep you any longer." Licht cupped his hand as he brought the other elders and exited Alex's house, leaving only Rose, Alex, and Aileen inside the house.

Alex introduced her. "This is Great Elder Aileen. She is a bow user with a Space Element. I have no worry about your bow anyway, so focus on your Space Element if possible."

"I understand, Master."

"Then, I will leave her to you, Great Elder."

"Sure."

Alex took another glance at Rose's face before using his Spatial Gate to leave.

Aileen was stunned. The stability and power behind the Spatial Gate were far greater than she expected him to be to the point she muttered. "Monster."

Little did she know it was coming from the inheritance inside the Ancient Ruin.

Chapter 752 - Freedom Sect's Representatives

After returning to his base, Alex locked himself inside his room, cultivating to the next level. It shouldn't be that far away, so he wanted to be a 2-Star Martial Saint first before negotiating with the Ancient Blue Family.

Firia and the others didn't disturb him this whole time as they also had something to do. They were wondering how much they needed to give so the Ancient Blue Family can stay silent.

From a million Spirit Crystals to a few million. From a five percent share to twenty percent share of the loot. They thought everything they could, wondering if Alex had an idea how much they would be able to buy the Ancient Blue Family.

Fast forward to two months later, Alex finally finished his cultivation. As soon as he walked outside the room and met the others, he showed his 2-Star Martial Saint cultivation with a smile.

"Alex!" Anya came to him with a few documents in her hand.

"I have finished my cultivation. Great Elder Viola and Aileen should probably arrive today or tomorrow, so I will fetch them before heading to the Ancient Blue Family. Well, the Blackwade Clan and Drunken Pavilion should have arrived by now."

"Yeah. Since you have a Space Element, you don't need to calculate the traveling time, so it's fine to arrive at the last minute. As soon as the two Great Elders activate your token, we shall inform the two

influences to meet us in the inn that I have booked." Anya nodded in agreement, handing a few documents to him.

"What is this?" Alex asked.

"Who is going to accompany you? I think it won't be appropriate if no one accompanies you in an important meeting like this?"

Alex smiled as if he had chosen this person a long time ago. "Nelson! I can use his stealth ability to make an impact..."

However, Anya was troubled upon this answer. She had promised Nelson not to say anything regarding his disappearance, but Alex just wanted him. Nelson was one of the first candidates when she thought about this, but it seemed she needed to convince him to take another person.

Noticing the distorted eyebrows on her face, Alex tilted his head, thinking she would reject his idea.

"I am sorry, but Nelson is unavailable. He is leaving for a secret mission for this, so I think he won't be able to accompany you in this matter. Can you change to someone else?"

Alex became even more confused. "A secret mission?"

His eyes were demanding the answer from her, but the latter couldn't give it. She sighed. "I can't tell you yet, but I assure you this is a very important mission."

"..." Alex furrowed his eyebrows. "All the more reason I need to know this."

Anya contemplated for a few minutes while thinking about the overall situation. The reason she didn't tell him was that it wasn't assured that the negotiation would go well, so it was better to hide it until everything is confirmed. Yet, it seemed today she needed to tell him. "This is still not fixed, but I will tell you... Only you."

Alex didn't know what kind of mission he had, but he almost fell on his butt after hearing the details about the mission. It was sent by a thought transmission, so only Anya and Alex knew about this. It showed how low the probability of this mission was, so it was better not to let everyone know, lest they were disappointed later.

Alex could understand why she didn't want to talk about it. He thought for a moment and sighed. "I understand. Let's change a person. I will have either Leoz or Jeanne for this."

"Your reasoning?"

"I can use Nelson's strength as a deterrent, but I don't think it will be that effective since the other influences will attend with their 10-Star Martial Saint. That's why I am going to have Jeanne. By taking advantage of her tiny figure, I can mask her as a child to show that even a kid in our Spirit Nest has reached 4-Star Martial Saint."

"That's a good idea. I, at first, wanted you to bring Leoz, but it seemed Jeanne would be a better option."

"Well, I need her to act on her part... So, I am still hesitating for this..." Alex scratched his cheek as he was a bit uncomfortable about it.

"Ah!" It took her an instant to realize Alex's real plan. "If you want her to act like your sister or other relationsh.i.p.s... You might want to do something more intimate to show her attachment to you. In that case, you are worried about us getting jealous over a simple thing like this?"

"I am not worried about that..." Alex thought for a moment and sighed. "Alright. Since you are fine, just tell Firia and Anna about it. I will tell Jeanne about my plan."

"Sure." Anya nodded before taking out Jeanne's card and summoning her. "I think I shouldn't explain too much, right Jeanne?"

"Yes." Jeanne nodded before appearing next to Alex and hugged his hand. "This is what I should do, right?"

"Yeah. That's basically your role. Make sure there is no woman approaching as well." Anya gave a thumb up.

"Don't worry. I am his bodyguard this time, including that kind of bodyguard." Jeanne made a cheeky smile.

'She must be thinking of some tortures if anyone dares to get close to me...' Alex thought with a complicated expression. He shook his head and regained his calm. "Anyway, we are waiting for the Freedom—!"

Before he could finish his word, he was surprised to sense a Spiritual Energy coming from the room behind them. It was Anya's study room, where she planned everything. Anya and Alex realized where this Spiritual Energy came from and stormed inside the room, finding the token had been lit.

"I am going," Alex said almost immediately.

"Sure. Be careful in negotiating, and don't make him extort us too much." Anya nodded with a smile.

"Don't worry. I won't let them have their own way. That's why threatening is a more correct term for this." Alex smirked. "Unfortunately, I can't add Nelson to this negotiation because it's not finalized yet."

"Yeah. Anyway, you shouldn't let them wait any longer." Anya waved her hand, telling him to leave. "I will handle everything when you are away."

"Then, should I go to my card?" Jeanne asked. If she went like this, it was just adding the burden to Alex's body, so she thought she needed to go back.

Alex shook his head. "It's good to show you to the Freedom Sect as well. Not only will they know about our strength, but the others will also more likely believe if you are coming with me, not mysteriously appearing out of nowhere."

Listening to Alex's words, Jeanne nodded obediently and thanked him.

"I am going." Alex smiled at Anya and created a teleportation array according to the direction the token pointed at.

A few minutes later.

Alex had arrived in the cave since the two seemed to wait for him here. In front of him were two beauties together with a calm man. Yet, Alex furrowed his eyebrows when facing him.

The females were naturally Viola and Aileen, but the man was none other than the Lightning Temple's Great Elder, Riadon.

"If you don't mind, I am coming here as an assurance that Great Elder Licht sent to protect the two ladies. If you need me to do anything, just say it to me, and I will surely do it. The main problem is to make the Ancient Blue Family step back. That's why if the two Great Elders are enough, I will make my appearance." Riadon cupped his hand politely as if they were two equals talking with each other.

Alex narrowed his eyes. The real reason was probably the first one. There was no way a person such as Licht wouldn't know that Viola and Aileen weren't enough. However, Alex couldn't arrive at this conclusion because the Freedom Sect couldn't trust him.

'Wait! He doesn't seem to lie... Did that Licht not tell this to Riadon and made him believe these two are the only cases? No. I think he trusts me about this matter. The ones that he can't trust are the other influences. He is ensuring their safety because even if the Blackwade Clan and Drunken Pavilion turn on them, they still have the strength to fight.

'On the other hand, they will be completely hopeless if the Spirit Nest is also betraying them. Licht will be doubting us now if Rose isn't staying in the Freedom Sect at the moment... I don't have a complaint about this, but it surely makes me uncomfortable.' Alex sighed before agreeing to his request. "I will leave them to you."

"Sure." Riadon nodded before noticing the kid beside Alex. He was perplexed when he saw Alex brought a kid instead of an elder from his influence. However, his opinion vanished the moment he saw her strength.

'Impossible!' Riadon screamed inwardly. 'Looking at her body, she is most likely less than twenty years old. Even if she has passed that age, it won't be that long. Yet, she has reached 4-Star Martial Saint. This is insane. But what is more surprising is her element!

'Even my lightning element is trembling upon seeing her as if we meet a king right now. I want to bow down to her. What kind of monster does the Spirit Nest groom?' Riadon sweatdropped. He didn't know Jeanne's identity.

How could he know that the kid in front of him is an old Spirit? She also possesses an identity as a Lightning Spirit. In Eulja, she can be considered as the lightning itself. It might not be that much, but her element can be considered equal to the Sacrificial Lightning element in her True Spirit Body.

Riadon would never know that the Spirit could choose their own respective body. If they wanted to grow up, they could, but Jeanne had chosen otherwise, resulting in her appearance. It was already beyond Riadon's imagination. As for her element... Lightning Spirit isn't a concept here, so there was no way he could understand the principle of her body.

"Since three elders have come, I wish to go toward the Ancient Blue Family right now. I hope that the three elders are not tired after your journey." Alex didn't care about whatever in his thought and proceeded to the business.

"Ah, yes." Viola, who seemed to be the calmest one, answered Alex. She had been handling Alex for one year, so Licht also agreed to let her take care of everything. The only message Licht passed was to follow him and fulfilled his need because, in terms of planning alone, Alex might have surpassed him.

As much as she didn't want to believe that, the explanation had been given, and she knew she wouldn't be a match in a mind battle.

"By the way, how is Rose?" Alex was curious about this for a while. He thought it would be fine to have an idle talk for a bit.

"Rose is a monster... This is a compliment, not an insult. Her bow foundation is rock-solid. In fact, she might have surpassed me at this time. If she trains for a few more years and attains Bow Saint Stage, she will surely surpass my Bow Technique. As of now, I don't dare to teach her about Bow since it will only ruin her foundation."

"How about her element training?"

"She is learning the basics right now. Ryu and Maya are helping me when I am away like this, so her progress is quite fast, not as fast as you though."

"Do you think she can complete her training within two years?"

"Hmm... That's hard to say. She has less understanding than you, and her control over Space Element isn't too great. If I push her to the limit, she might be able to learn Space Plate, Spatial Gate, Space Bind, and Space Mark within these two years."

"That's good. I am glad to leave her in your hand." Alex smiled before Jeanne came from behind and tugged his hand, showing a little bit of skinship with Alex. At the same time, she wanted them to know how she relied on Alex.

Noticing this, Alex nodded to her and created a teleportation array. He smiled at the three Great Elders and said, "Let's go."

"Teleportation."

Chapter 753 - Before the Grand Meeting

They teleported a few times before arriving at the empty field outskirts of the Ancient City, where the Ancient Blue Family resided.

The others didn't really care about the details, but Aileen was surprised, not by the town, but by Alex's precision. Even she couldn't make precision teleportation like him unless she knew the exact details, directions, and terrains. Yet, Alex had this kind of prediction a year after leaving the sect.

Insane might be an understatement for him. Now she understood why a 4-Star Martial Saint young girl seemed to be attached to him. If she added Rose to the picture, she was scared to think about the extent of Spirit Nest's power.

'How many people are like him or her in the Spirit Nest? I wonder what will happen if the Freedom Sect chooses to be their enemies... Seeing how many geniuses in their place, I am sure they have more powerful elders in their influence. Luckily, the Freedom Sect has allied with this super influence.' Aileen thought as her heart beat rapidly.

If they knew what kind of insane thought Aileen had, Viola and Riadon would agree with her. They might even put a drastic measure, including informing Licht. If they truly did that, Licht would probably have someone to stay on Alex's side, just like how the alliance with marriage works.

Unfortunately, Aileen had no way to think about this as she calmed her heart down, readying herself for a business talk.

Alex glanced at Aileen and asked. "I wonder if Great Elder Aileen can create a Spatial Gate to a precise location if you know my position with my token?"

"I can." She nodded without hesitation. "Well, I can also stay inside the Space World, following you around. As long as I am not near the people, they shouldn't be able to sense me. When you want me to appear, I will then create a portal and come out with Viola. As for Great Elder Riadon, he should be able to stay a bit longer.

"I will book an inn room and place my Spatial Gate there, so if he can't stand inside that place, he can always go back to the real world with that Spatial Gate."

Alex thought for a moment and nodded. "I understand. I will go according to your arrangement. As for an inn, I have booked a few rooms. You can use one of them since one is for me while the other one is for the meeting room."

"Should we join you?"

"No. It will be better if you only show your presence in front of the Ancient Blue Family. The Blackwade Clan and Drunken Pavilion will know anyway." Alex shrugged, waiting for another question, but it seemed she was no longer confused. "Let's go. I will lead you to the inn."

They nodded at the same time as Viola and Aileen put on a veil while Jeanne simply walked while hugging his hand.

To everyone's surprise, someone suddenly appeared in front of them as soon as they arrived in the city. Alex instantly recognized this person and asked, "Nano. Lead the way to the inn."

"Understood." Nano turned around and stretched his hand, asking them to follow him. "This way."

Alex and the others followed him. They had suppressed their aura, so they didn't cause a disturbance and walked according to Nano's path.

Alex realized later that Nano was actually walking while avoiding any places that might cause a problem in their plan, so he thanked him later.

A few minutes later, they arrived in a grand inn with a golden door as its entrance. There was no need to say anything since Nano suddenly pulled out a token that seemed to be the identity token as a guest in this hotel.

No one stopped them, and they headed to the highest floor. Nano showed them their rooms, and Alex entered the room in the middle. There wasn't anything to say about the building itself other than the word extravagant.

It seemed to be an inn for elites, so the decorations and other details seemed to be made from expensive materials. Albeit, Alex didn't really care much and sat on the chair while Jeanne took the seat in front of him instead of beside him.

"Master. Did I do anything excessive before?" Jeanne asked with a worried expression.

Alex shook his head. "No. You did great. Thank you."

"Master. Should I inform the other two?"

"Yes. Have them come to our meeting room." Alex nodded before heading toward their meeting room. He spared no glance in spending this much since he had more to make it up.

Alex sat on one of the main chairs, where he could face the two behind this round table. Luckily, the chair was large enough, so Jeanne suddenly walked in front of him like her own sister.

"Should I sit anywhere else?"

"No. It should be fine. Well, if we meet Ancient Blue Family later, you might need to stand up or rest your arms around my neck."

"Understood." Jeanne nodded.

Not long after, Nano informed him that the two influences were heading toward his position.

Alex waited for them with his eyes closed. It was only after two guys walked on the top floor, he opened it again. He started stroking Jeanne's head like a brother before greeting the two people with Jeanne.

"Thank you for coming, Young Master Song Jiaoren and Patriarch Song Ping. Please come in."

He intentionally left the door open, so they knew where to go. The moment they entered the room, the duo cupped their hands and greeted him. "No, no. It should be us who need to thank you for your hospitality."

Jeanne lifted her skirt a little bit for a greeting and remained silent.

Of course, her previous action was noticed by the duo. They never expected there was a 4-Star Martial Saint this young and acted intimately with Alex like a sister. If she were more monstrous than Alex, the Spirit Nest would be extraordinary.

"If you don't mind, can you serve the tea, Jeanne?" Alex asked with a smile before noticing Manness had arrived on the top floor.

Jeanne also poured the tea for him, albeit only one cup for Manness since he came alone.

"It's good to see you, Elder Manness." Alex cupped his hand, greeting him like he didn't know any shrewdness.

Manness was clicking his tongue inwardly, knowing that all of this was an act of Alex. However, he indeed couldn't ignore Jeanne as he maintained his silence not to show his weakness.

The same applied to the Blackwade Clan. They were waiting for Alex to open the meeting and wanted to end it immediately before the damage broke their heart.

"The Ancient Blue Family has known our presence here. I will ask for the current patriarch to let us enter their mansion to talk. I think he will be accompanied by the previous patriarch."

"It still won't help them from this checkmate." Manness snorted.

"Yeah. He should be able to choose which one is better when I heard how he rejected the Fire God Clan's proposal because the risk was too great. That's why I am confident in 'persuading' him. My only concern is his greed." Alex narrowed his eyes.

"True enough. Although the current patriarch still doesn't have much support, he should have grasped some power from the previous one. In other words, he can negotiate with us, but it won't be too high."

"Do you think a million Spirit Crystals can buy their loyalty?" Song Jiaoren asked.

"I don't know. It can be considered as a few decades' worth of revenue... But their family will be threatened by our presence the moment the Fire God Clan disappears... Probably with Snow White Mountain. After all, no one will be able to stop us later." Alex shook his head.

"How about the Heavenly Oath? If we can swear not to touch his influence, I think it won't have any problem." Manness stated his solution.

"No! I am going a bit further." Alex shook his head and waited for a few seconds before giving his own opinion. "I will promise them to disband the alliance and doesn't threaten any influences for a few decades to show them that our true targets are only the Fire God Clan and those who side with them."

"In that case, I think you might want to promise to stay neutral. Spirit Nest is always unknown for us, so if you stay neutral, there won't be a threat to any other influences." Song Jiaoren suggested before realizing what kind of absurd request he just made.

However, Alex thought this was a reasonable request. "Alright. If the war has finished, I will disband the alliance and stay silent unless they are bothering me."

"I agree with this solution. Our Blackwade Clan will follow your instruction," Song Ping stated as the patriarch. "However, I would like to request you one thing, Sir Alexander."

"!!!" Manness lifted his eyebrows, wondering if he misheard that the majestic Song Ping called Alex with Sir. He blinked a few times and realized it wasn't a dream, nor was he hallucinating. This would mean... Manness kept staring at him in this conversation.

Alex ignored his stare and nodded. "Since that is the case, please do tell me your request."

"Father!" Song Jiaoren wanted to stop him, but Song Ping felt if he said it at this particular time, it would be more valid than the one in Song Jiaoren's plan. So, he ignored his son and continued with his thought transmission. 'I wish for you to nominate my son to the Main Blackwade Clan.'

Alex didn't say anything as he had expected this. Still, he also felt troubled with the request because of the uncertainty of this matter.

After thinking for a while, Alex nodded and replied with a thought transmission. 'I will promise you that I will nominate him to the main clan. However, I can only nominate you when I actually arrive at that place, so you need to wait.'

'We have prepared for it. Besides, I believe Sir Alex won't need too long.' Song Ping nodded and bowed his head again.

Meanwhile, Song Jiaoren didn't know whether this was a good idea or not. In the end, he accepted the shameless word that was attached to his back. Even though he couldn't listen to their conversation, Song Jiaoren already knew what kind of thing they talked about. "If you need anything, just call me. I will surely complete it."

Alex thought for a moment and sighed. "I understand. Just make sure that you are prepared to go there."

"Thank you for Master's word. It will remain on this one's heart." Song Jiaoren smiled and bowed.

'But you don't mind if I give your Blackwade Clan only ten percent of shares from both influences, right?' Alex asked.

'Yes. That is completely fine.' Song Ping had great expectations for his son. Even though ten percent was big, it couldn't be compared to the future of his son. Not only would he become a respectable God Rank Expert, but the wealth that could be brought to their family and other things were going to appear one after another.

Alex squinted his eyes for a few seconds, observing Song Ping's expression before nodding his head.

"Alright. We have come to an agreement. As for Elder Manness, you are satisfied with the twenty percent of loot, right? You also didn't need to spend a single penny on this occasion."

Manness nodded.

"Good. We are going to meet at this place tomorrow morning before facing the Ancient Blue Family." Alex concluded the meeting with only a short session because he had been building up the relationship and plan for a few years already.

These three also had no objection and left the room before taking another glance at Jeanne's and Alex's scariness.

They wanted to ask about the fourth influence, but it seemed they had no need because they could sense two 10-Star Martial Saints aura coming from another room. They thought the first one would be Alex's backing while the other one came from the fourth influence. This misunderstanding allowed Alex to persuade them without saying anything.

The night soon came, and Rio, the current patriarch, had retired early. He was exhausted after dealing with so many matters, but he was stopped by a single letter in front of his door. He took the letter and saw something written on it.

"Tomorrow morning."

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The next day.

Inside a small room with a wooden floor, completely surrounded by walls with only a single door as a decoration. Four people were sitting before the round table, facing each other. The other four decided to stand right next to them as they were only accompanying those who sit.

"Thank you to Family Head Davi for granting this visit despite the short notice." Alex obviously greeted him first by cupping his hands and throwing some flowery words.

"Spirit Nest has been sending letters to me for a few weeks already, and I assume this must be the reason, right?" The middle-aged man narrowed his eyes, observing Alex with his keen eyes. He had spiky long blue hair running down to his waist. His no sleeves shirt exposed his muscular body, causing his skin to release a certain youthful radiance. Yet, anyone could feel a mysterious feeling, telling them not to underestimate a person such as him.

Despite having the cultivation of 9-Star Martial Saint, this person had been sitting on the leader seat for more than two hundred years, only a little bit to reach 10-Star Martial Saint after his father.

"Yes. I apologize if Family Head Davi doesn't like this kind of thing, but we are also bound by our situation, so I hope Family Head can forgive me."

"No need for these pleasantries. Looking at Song Ping from Blackwade Clan and Manness from Drunken Pavilion, I don't think you want to bother with this kind of pleasantries, right? So, let's cut to the chase." Davi shook his head before he released his Spiritual Energy, "Depending on what you say, I will join or not join the alliance with the Fire God Clan."

Song Ping and Manness immediately neutralized the pressure before Davi decided to retract it. They hadn't reached the core of their meeting, so it was better to sit still after getting his momentum from this.

"Certainly. Since Family Head Davi has spoken, I shall not make you wait." Alex smiled upon the pressure and gently placed his hands on the table, talking in a relaxed manner.

"Sure. I am wondering... What does Alexander Sirius, leader of Spirit Nest that is currently in a war with Fire God Clan, have to say." Davi smirked.

"In the business meeting, it's required to know the opposite party personality and characters. Hence, I won't beat around the bush." Alex paused for a moment before slyly grinning as he made the offer. "Family Head Davi, when you met with the Fire God Clan Patriarch Leo... How much did it cost him to buy your loyalty?"

These words shook the entire room. Alex had heard numerous reports about this Davi. His mind might not be filled with business and such, but it didn't mean he thought like a saint. In his perspective, everything would be decided after calculating the pros and cons, including the benefits he would receive. Alex dared to say such a thing because he knew Davi had this personality and had been living in this type of environment for a long time.

However, these words certainly couldn't be taken lightly by the other two on his side. The right one was a male that he had met a few times. Although the beastly aura in his body was still too light compared to Davi, it was refined and had a big room to grow. The man was none other than Rio, the current Patriarch of the family. Unfortunately, he couldn't lead this meeting because his prestige was still not enough.

On the other side, the blue-haired beauty was not light either. Despite her strength only reaching 10-Star Martial Monarch, there was a mysterious aura enveloping her. Alex saw nothing but Spiritual Energy swarming her, signifying the result of her training. It seemed she could almost advance to 1-Star Martial Saint. This beauty was none other than the second young miss of the Ancient Blue Family, the one that almost got married to the Fire God Clan young master, Rena.

"What did you say?"

"You dare insult our father?"

The two roared at Alex before they stopped upon sensing Davi's Spiritual Energy. He raised his hand as if he wanted to slam the table. Yet, the index finger and thumb touched each other, creating an 'O' with three fingers facing the normal way. He gradually rubbed the two fingers against each other and laughed excitedly.

"At the end of the day, warfare is nothing more than a job whose sole purpose is to obtain great riches, wouldn't you say?" These words shook the room once again, changing the tense atmosphere into confusion.

"Certainly." Alex smiled lightly and asked with a serious face. "Hence, I, Alexander, asked, exactly how much was promised to you, Patriarch Davi?"

"Haha... Honestly, I am not too sure either." Davi placed his hand on top of the table and rested his cheek on that palm. He raised his other hand as if he didn't care about this. "But Leo's proposal was to have my daughter marry that guy's second son. It was a good deal considering he was planning to have you spit up that Sacrificial Element of yours.

"At the same time, he also proposed to split all of your treasures, including those Martial Arts that could transform you into half-beasts and change back... Of course, everything will be split 50-50."

"..." Alex closed his eyes for a few seconds and realized the ambition. "You have overestimated me. I don't have anything other than some money that I acquired recently from the Blackwade Clan. This is my offer to you. I will give you one million Spirit Crystals and promise not to harm a single member of The Ancient Blue Family. I am prepared to make a Heavenly Oath for this."

"Are you joking with me?" Davi narrowed his eyes, releasing his killing intent. "The moment you have destroyed the Fire God Clan. Your swords will aim to my neck. Even if you are not, there are others that will do that. Do you think I am a fool that can't discern such a thing? What I want is a long term promise, not a shallow promise like that! Considering your cultivation speed and progress, I assume you are aiming to become a God Stage Expert, right? The moment you are not in this world, there is no guarantee that the Ancient Blue Family will be able to live in peace!"

His short term goal was to stabilize this family that had been weakened due to the Patriarch Selection, while his long term goal was to prosper the Ancient Blue Family. That was why Alex's promise was nothing but empty words.

Alex furrowed his eyebrows but didn't have a change of expression. This was still within his calculation. "I agree with the Patriarch's words. Then, do you want to propose something?"

Davi smirked and slammed the table. "Mine is simple. The Fire God Clan promised me the prosperity of this family by having my daughter marry their successor. I want the same!"

"!!!" Song Ping and Manness were startled at first, never expecting that Davi would propose this bizarre condition. It was obvious that he wanted to make Alex his son-in-law.

'Hmph. Do you think it's easy to pressure me? There are only three of you here... We will only be fighting on equal terms if my family joins the Fire God Clan's side. Rather than a fight that will bring me too much loss with a low probability of winning, I will rather join another side and annihilate the Fire God Clan. Isn't this a perfect solution? Besides, Alexander Sirius is known to be loyal, so my family will get more than the Fire God Clan can give.' Davi snorted inwardly.

"I am afraid that is not possible." Alex smiled and shook his head. "Would you mind changing your condition?"

"Listen here. You might not understand me enough, so allow me to say this, Alexander Sirius. When it comes to doing negotiation, I have never in my entire life budged a single inch from my offered price." Davi's voice was filled with confidence that he had built up since he was a young a.d.u.l.t.

Alex knew that he wasn't lying and turned serious. "Then, I shall reveal one information first. I have given my Sacrificial Element to my wife. Besides, I already have several wives, so it will be too much to take another one. Before I need to get serious, I think it's better for Patriarch Davi to change your condition or else... I might probably let you experience the first time in your life what it means to know your limit."

"Ho! Your words are not light." Davi released his Spiritual Energy and killing intent. "Are you threatening me?"

"An end is just another beginning. The moment the negotiation ends, then there will be a new beginning." Alex's smile caused excitement from Song Ping and Manness, knowing there was a fourth influence in Alex's back.

Davi's expression became colder as he said, "The pointless haggling ends here. Even if there are three of you here, only two of them are capable of fighting me. Unfortunately, you don't have any reinforcement that can help you here. Do you think I haven't checked and tightened my defense? I know you only have these people here... What? Do you want to target my son and daughter? This is always the tradition of the Ancient Blue Family. If they are strong enough, they will be better to run away or die.

"Let's see... You have said something interesting earlier... Since you are threatening me here... Do you think you can escape from this place or even bring me down in the midst of my territory? If I don't get what I want today, you can stop thinking about leaving here." Davi snorted, looking at these people with a solemn expression.

"Ridiculous!" Song Ping and Manness stood up and shouted. They couldn't take this anymore. They had stayed silent this whole time because they believed in Alex. However, they never expected that Davi was this shameless. Not only did he offer a ridiculous condition, but he also threatened them.

Before they could do anything, the applause from Davi stopped them for a few seconds.

"Now the cards are on the table. All that remains are two choices. Will you choose to be my son-in-law and form an alliance? Or will you and the others here fight us?" Davi said with a snort. He knew that it was impossible to kill Alex even in the middle of their territory, so he only planned to get a good grasp of his ability on this occasion. That was why all these talks were necessary.

"It seems this can be turned out this way. I have no choice other than forcing you to submit then." Alex activated his token and smiled as he released his killing intent. "Patriarch Davi. Do you think I need to care for the likes of you? You are overestimating yourself. What? Do you think you can handle us with Fire God Clan and Snow White Mountain?"

"Hmph! You have three influences, while I also have three influences on my side. Although the war will cost me quite a bit, I don't believe you will win." Davi snorted.

Alex would be thinking the same if the Snow White Mountain successfully transferred the soul of their ancestor to that girl, albeit he wouldn't let them succeed. Besides, Davi also didn't know about this fact, so Alex still gained the upper hand. He smirked and slammed the table. "I have three influences? Are you kidding me? Or have you become too old to recognize it? Do you think I am that idiot who will fight you like this? Let me tell you something. I never pick a fight that I can't win!"

The moment he uttered those words, two Spatial Gates were opened not far behind Kai. Two women, 8-Star Martial Saint and 10-Star Martial Saint emerged from the first one while a cool middle-aged man walked through the second one.

"If you think three are not enough, how about four?"

"!!!"

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"If you think three are not enough, how about four?"

"!!!"

The female voice reverberated in everyone's ears. Because of this type of situation, Aileen thought it would be wise to come out only with Viola while Riadon needed to come out alone. Hopefully, Davi would think that Riadon came from another influence or Alex's Spirit Nest. This way, there would be three 10-Star Martial Saint, one 9-Star Martial Saint, and one Space Element user. This line up would certainly scare anyone away.

"I was wondering when you were going to come out." Alex smiled and cupped his hands.

"Fufu... You are negotiating with them, right? Unfortunately, this guy is still unable to see the depth of your Spirit Nest... Well, I might probably do the same if I were in his position." Aileen shrugged while smiling.

As for the rest of the people, they were utterly shocked by this. Never they expected to see two 10-Star Martial Saints and one Space Element user like this. After the great purge, there was little to none Space Element master. Even some would probably have died under the constant power struggle to obtain such a person. Yet, there was someone who managed to cultivate until 8-Star Martial Saint in front of them. How could this not shock them?

'This? Is this what he meant by the Fourth Influence? To think the Spirit Nest and this fourth influence would reveal a Space Element Master... This is something huge. All influences want someone like her since she has grown to this level. However, it will be hard to bring her over. In other words, she must have grown up in this Fourth Influence. What kind of influence are they to stay silent and let such a talent grow?' Manness was baffled, thinking every possible scenario in his head.

On the contrary, Song Ping's confusion was filled with praise. He just thought that Alex was really a mysterious person because he was able to connect with such a person. 'My son is indeed lucky and wise. He might have overcome the gamble of his life. Since this is the case, I will lead the Blackwade Clan to help him in this world.'

The dumbstruck Davi tried to regain his calm at this moment. If they were facing this lineup, they wouldn't be able to trap them inside the Ancient Blue Family due to the Space Element woman. Not only that, there would be a possibility of an army coming here through her gate.

This way, the Ancient Blue Family would be extinguished first. Even if they tried to inform the other influences, they wouldn't be able to withstand their onslaught before the reinforcement came. Davi finally realized Alex's true intention.

Alex wanted to extinguish the Snow White Mountain and Fire God Clan from the roots. The only way to do it was to lure every single one of them and eliminate them in one single sweep. However, this wasn't possible due to the fact they didn't have enough men, and it would be hard to fight that would involve a few hundred if not millions of people.

It would be different with the presence of the fourth influence that everyone knew nothing about. Not only were they dangerous, but they also possessed the element that could bring or trap an army.

Now that he thought about it, Alex must have known about this. He remembered when he said he would force him to change his condition, and it turned out to be this way.

'Sh*t.' Davi screamed inwardly. How could he know there is another influence on this continent? Even after searching for such an influence for hundreds of years, they never found them. Only one possible scenario came to his mind. They were hiding inside a Special Realm that no one had knowledge about... Even so, it was almost impossible to hide that kind of place under the nose of Martial Saints, but it seemed they were far better than the average ones because they could hide for such a long time.

On one hand, Davi wanted to take advantage of this even further, especially concerning Alex, who managed to know such an influence and looked very friendly. On the other hand, he had lost that opportunity after threatening him.

He gritted his teeth. 'My plan was perfect... To think all it takes is the appearance of these people to overturn the whole situation. I have fallen from the best possible future to a beggar-like future.'

Rio and Rena retreated a step back and waited for their father to respond.

Alex then turned around and sat back. "Now... What does Patriarch have to say?"

Davi was in a pinch. He had nothing to say at the moment since his brain couldn't work under this pressure. 'I need to buy time first and search for the best option...'

"Why don't all of you have a seat first?" Knowing what to do, he asked. He then turned to his son and ordered. "Bring me some chairs!"

"Ye-yes!" Rio had no other choice than going, but Aileen stopped him with her voice.

"You don't need to bother. We are coming here simply to assist our friend in his problem." Aileen said and stood behind Alex with the others. Even Riadon nodded to Jeanne as if he was trying to be polite to her.

'Father... That 10-Star Martial Saint...' Rena sent a thought transmission.

Of course, Davi didn't let go of such a detail. 'Just looking at how they stand behind Alex instead of sitting down already signifies his status. Despite saying they only want to help a friend, it's easy enough to see that Alex's status is higher, along with that 4-Star Martial Saint kid. And if such an influence actually has two 10-Star Martial Saints... What kind of power does the Spirit Nest have?'

'Since they didn't know about my father, I thought I could threaten them with an empty lie. Unfortunately, we have been caught in his web... And my father has become a God Rank Expert. We have no way to ensure our family livelihood the moment they know about this.' Davi gritted his teeth.

'What? Grandfather is...'

'Yes. Reaching God Rank can be considered as a blessing and a misfortune. They can be considered a blessing and pride since there will be a member of the influence out there. However, don't you think it's strange that those God Rank Experts actually never returned to this place as if they have died out there?'

'Then Grandfather...'

'We don't know yet. But from what he said, the God Stage Expert couldn't return to this world. Even if he wants to send a reinforcement from outside, he needs power and prestige from another world to send such a thing. Your grandfather is already so old, so I doubt he can reach far.'

'On the other hand, that Alexander Sirius has reached this point despite being less than forty years old. That alone will guarantee him as a genius. And there will be a chance for him to come back... It's not directly, but it's enough to send a few people to us or even bring a few people to be a God Rank Expert. That's why I was forcing you to marry him.'

'Unfortunately, everything is gone. If only I know more about his influence and this so-called fourth influence...' Diva bit his lips until blood flowed. He had been beaten by a single young man called Alex. In fact, he had been dancing in his palm this whole time.

First, Alex acted humble to raise his dominance, and he succeeded in doing this. The result was that threat. After pushing him that high, he smacked him down like a fly.

With no more card to play, he had no choice other than surrender. Not only he couldn't demand an exorbitant amount, but Alex also wouldn't trust them. In other words, the chance of his daughter to get closer to him had gone to dust.

'What a devil...' Diva took a deep breath and answered. "I apologize for my rude behavior from earlier."

"Now that the situation has escalated like this. What is your demand, Patriarch Davi?" Alex looked at him with a cold gaze.

"Since you have offered us a second chance... I only need one and a half million Spirit Crystals, and everyone's promise not to hurt anyone from the Ancient Blue Family for a hundred years. You don't need to be our protectors; we only want you to let us alone. As for the payment, I will not say anything regarding this incident. Besides, it's already futile to say anything to them since they don't know they have been checkmated this whole time."

Alex narrowed his eyes and looked at the other parties.

"I think it's fine." Song Ping nodded. "I have known Patriarch Davi for a long time, and I am sure he is someone who knows what is good for them."

"Fair enough. I am here just to help an old friend's disciple." Manness shrugged.

"We don't have a problem as well..." Aileen nodded with a smile. Their ultimate goal was to resurface and live like in the past. As long as Alex agreed to one thing, it was better to follow him... Or so what Licht told them.

Alex nodded. "Sure. Since everyone has agreed to this, let's conclude this meeting."

"Fufu... I have another suggestion." Jeanne sat on Alex's lap and raised her hand like a child, stopping Alex. However, this cute kid suddenly turned into a devil the moment she uttered her next words. "How about we torture them first?"

Alex chopped her head gently. "I know that you like such a thing, but we shouldn't do it."

"No. That's not what I mean." Jeanne shook her head furiously. "What I want is to have the Ancient Blue Family act like this never happens and join their alliance."

"!!!" Alex realized her plan. "By luring them into having an all-out war against us, we will break their hearts by showing the fourth influence and the betrayal of the Ancient Blue Family? This way, not only will they mobilize all their people, but they also get weakened by this crushing truth."

Gasp— It was everyone's turn to gasp as they never thought about this possibility.

"Isn't that nice? I wonder what kind of face they will make at that time?" She smiled like a devil child. It even sent a chill down to their spines.

As expected from a torture specialist, Alex thought. Jeanne could think something like this because she only wanted to torture them. Just like she said previously, the best torture is the one that breaks one's spirit until they are completely blank. Killing them is only a relief.

Alex was speechless as he patted her head before glancing at Davi.

"So, you want us to be a double-agent?" Davi narrowed his eyes.

"Since there is a better plan, I am ready to pay the price as well."

Davi thought for a moment before recalling a certain matter. Although it was considered disgusting, he had no choice other than to beg Alex. "Actually, I have one request."

"Ho?!"

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"Actually, I have a request."

"Ho?!" Alex squinted his eyes, wondering what kind of request he wanted.

Davi pondered for a moment and said, "I think I should start with this first. Do you know why we are interested in your martial arts that could change one's to a half-beast?"

Alex shook his head before throwing his speculation. "Is it related to your family? No, I should say that there is this beastly aura coming from all the members of the Ancient Blue Family."

"That is correct. What we are practicing is closely related to monsters... Mostly beast type monsters."

"!!!" Alex suddenly realized something after hearing this statement. That something was inside Davi, Rio, and Rena. He found out that there seemed to be another energy coming from them. It was hard to see earlier, especially since Alex was still clueless about it.

Now that he saw it again, he found the energy. If the Spiritual Energy had a golden color, the other one has lighter golden color. It was hard to see because the energy seemed to have been diluted several times.

"There are two different energies inside your body... And your son and daughter seem to have the same one, albeit a bit weaker... This kind of Spiritual Energy shouldn't exist in the human body because I can feel that this energy does not come from a human." Alex paused for a moment.

"!!!" Everyone in the room, except those from the Ancient Blue Family, gasped as they just heard something new.

"There is nothing wrong with our body though. The two energy simply can coexist in our body and function as a normal Spiritual Energy." Davi glanced at the others and said to Alex. "Since you have found out, would you mind going to another room to discuss this matter?"

This must be the Ancient Blue Family secret, and they didn't wish to disclose it to outsiders. It was different for Alex since they needed to tell him if they wanted him to help them. Hence, Alex decided to follow him. "Sure. But one of them still needs to accompany me. You can't expect me to trust you fully, right?"

"..." Davi thought for a moment and nodded. "I understand."

Alex took a glance at the others and pointed his finger at Viola. "Can you accompany me?"

He chose Viola because her mentor was Maxwell. At the very least, it should be fine to have her accompany him. Besides, he could also make them think that the Freedom Sect was someone under him.

Having no time to think, Viola agreed happily. It was proof that Alex trusted her more than anyone else here. Of course, Aileen would realize it, but later.

"Sure."

Davi then ordered his son and daughter. "Since this is the case, I would like to leave first with Alexander Sirius. If you don't mind, please enjoy our delicacy for the time being."

Davi opened the room and guided Alex to a room, a few rooms next to them, to ensure no one could listen to what they wanted to talk. Alex even added a Sound Insulation Array to let Davi talk.

"Thank you for your Sound Insulation Array." Davi nodded with a solemn expression.

"Let's cut to the chase. There should be another blood running in your vein. From my understanding, this came from a unique monster that has attained its human form and intelligence. Seeing how weak the current energy is, I believe it should be around one of your ancestors." Alex blurted everything out in a single breath.

"You are correct." Davi didn't know whether he should be happy or not. He had seen the report and observation from his own son, so this kind of thing surprised him and scared him at the same time. Alex was truly the apex of the younger generations in this era. "Our ancestor fell in love with a female lion who attained her human form."

"So, what is your request regarding this problem?" Alex narrowed his eyes.

"Our ancestors created a technique and sealed it in our holy land. They said, when the bloodline has become weak, we shall go there and retrieve the technique. I believe this is the time we should go." Davi nodded.

"I don't see any need for me to go there. You can simply send your own genius to get the technique." Alex shook his head.

"I know. Unfortunately, that place is restricted with so many arrays. In the last place, there are our ancestors will guarding it. The moment we try to get it, it will attack us and repel us. Besides, our strength will be limited to 2-Star Martial Saint..."

"2-Star Martial Saint?" A surprise appeared on his face, wondering how coincidence everything. However, he suddenly remembered that the Patriarch Selection for the Ancient Blue Family was to reach 2-Star Martial Saint and... "This is the reason behind your tradition?"

"As expected of you..." Davi admitted defeat once again to this young man. "We have been holding this tradition to prepare the younger generation to get the technique. Unfortunately, they have failed since my grandfather's generation. That's why I think it's better to have outside help. And you – who is the strongest among your peers – would be a perfect candidate. Now that the opportunity has arrived, I would like to request this from you."

"It seems only one person can enter there."

"Yes. With the setup of our tradition where only the strongest can become a Patriarch, we will have the new Patriarch to get there. My son, Rio, is supposed to go there, but when I found out he couldn't enter the Tower within the Ancient Ruin, I gave up."

"Can you tell me what the technique is first? I need to know what kind of thing that requires me to put myself in danger after all. If you can't say it to me, it's better to abandon that thought of yours."

Davi knew he was going to ask this and answered. "Certainly. The technique is called Two Races Union. According to the record, the technique can stimulate the monster blood's potential by using human blood. Of course, you need the human blood to be powerful and the monster blood to be weak.

"That's why the blood needs to be diluted for several generations. With our current situation, I believe this is the right time to get that. The monster blood will gain strength equal to the human blood and ultimately fuse the two energies, enhancing our power even further. Of course, this requires a few steps and time. At most, only the next generations will enjoy such a privilege."

Alex furrowed his eyebrows as a thought came to his mind. 'Now that I think about it, Sherry can be considered a monster... I have been calling her a beast because I feel bad about the former terms. If Sherry conceives my child... Will the two energies clash?

'Sherry could get my fire, but not my energy. If this is the case, I should enter and study that technique for a period of time before giving it back to Davi. Maybe I will know what will happen when a human has a partner with them and the change they bring?'

Not knowing what to say, Alex remembered that he had his system. 'System, do you know anything about this?'

[Just like you know. The energies won't clash, but they also won't fuse. This is why not many people would take monsters as their partner. You can say that the child won't be able to release its full potential. From my knowledge, I believe their ancestors were God Rank Experts, so their strength regressed on their child.]

'...' Alex didn't know what to say. 'It seems I need to get this technique as well. Maybe I should get a copy?'

[No need. You can read the technique once, and everything will be stored in my database. This way, I can make a copy and give it to you.]

'Really?'

[Of course. I am just utilizing the spying system that always records everything you see... You used to hate this system though, because you didn't get privacy.]

'Ahaha... I have gotten used to it now, so I don't complain. But it seems the system has finally become a useful system, no?'

[Are you going to insult me again with that useless system thingy?]

'I am just joking.' Alex chuckled inwardly. 'Anyway, I am relying on you since this will be our future.'

[Albeit we don't know whether the technique can be used or not.]

'As long as there is a clue about it, I will try,' Alex said with determined eyes. Sherry is his wife. He would spare no effort in creating the best future.

[I understand. Good luck then.]

'Yes.'

After talking with the system, he finally broke his posture, where he appeared to be pondering the matter. He looked at Davi and said, "Sure. I can fulfill this request of yours as an additional payment if you can become our agent."

He widened his eyes as if a ray of hope illuminating Alex. No one in 2-Star Martial Saint would be able to defeat Alex in his eyes, so Alex would be a great help in this matter.

"I would like to request an advance payment for this time. As you know that the Patriarch has changed, we need to do it as soon as possible. I will handle my family member, and you can enter a special place without anyone noticing it. I will take full responsibility for this." Davi nodded with a solemn expression.

"Before that... I would like to ask you one question."

"Please."

"Were your ancestors God Rank Experts?" Alex asked.

"!!!" It was a very long long ago record, but they indeed had such a record. Unfortunately, it was already aged, so they only had a single paper that mentioned this matter. Not many people knew about this in their clan, let alone the other influences. Yet, Alex managed to speculate something like this just by learning the request. At this time, a thought arose in his mind. 'Rather than having a fight against a peerless genius, it's better to get into his good side.'

At this moment, he was convinced that it was better to please Alex. He would commit to fulfilling Alex's request.

"Yes. You are right. There was a sharp decline after our ancestors, but it wasn't that much of a problem. Only after when an accident from a few thousand years ago occurred that there was no longer God Rank Expert and Divine Items in this world. Including those in our treasury... Everything vanished mysteriously."

Alex closed his eyes. 'That must be when my previous life sealed this world...'

"Since you have agreed to this request, let's go back and complete our Heavenly Oath. We can open the realm in a week. If it's fine with you, you can stay in this mansion." Davi stretched his offer again, but to no avail.

"No. It's better if I leave first. Don't worry. I will return a week from now and inform you through the usual way." Alex nodded.

Davi could only sigh and nod as if he had expected this. It seemed the previous actions really blew all of his trust away, and he needed to experience the backlash this time. "I understand. I will prepare everything for you."

Alex nodded. He planned to have the N squad investigate the matter first, checking whether this was only a trap or not. If this were a trap, it would be the time where he eliminated the Ancient Blue Family first, even if it meant only using the power of Freedom Sect and Spirit Nest. It might cause an unforeseeable future, but it would be better than having a knife pointed at your throat all time.

"Sure." Alex nodded and stood up.

They then returned to the previous room and completed the Heavenly Oath according to the terms they proposed earlier. Of course, Viola also used another Heavenly Oath, so she didn't blurt it out to the Freedom Sect. Nonetheless, that information was pretty useless for them anyway. Even if the Ancient Blue Family got stronger, it wouldn't be that strong.

After finishing all their business, the group finally left the city, leaving only Alex and the Freedom Sect in the inn.

Chapter 757 - The Ancient Blue Family Part IV

After settling everything, Alex and the others returned to the inn.

Because he was still suspecting the Ancient Blue Family, he decided to call the Freedom Sect not long after they came back to the inn.

Aileen, Viola, and Riadon sat in front of him while Jeanne stood behind Alex.

"Thank you for your help." Alex cupped his hands and smiled.

"It's fine. This is also to fulfill our dream." Aileen shook her head.

"Are you going to return tomorrow?"

"Yes." Aileen nodded. "We are planning to set off first like a normal person before finishing the rest of the journey with my Space Element."

"Since Great Elder Aileen needs to teach my disciple and Great Elder Riadon needs to accompany her, may I borrow Great Elder Viola for a moment?" Alex asked.

"!!!" This request took them by surprise. They never thought Alex needed Viola for whatever reason.

Alex simply smiled as Jeanne found his decision strange. She asked with a thought transmission. 'Master. Why do you want to ask her? Our Spirit Nest is strong enough to solve your problem...'

'I have two reasons. First, I want to see whether they are wary of me or not. If they trust me, Elder Viola won't have a problem accompanying me. Secondly, I can't trust the Ancient Blue Family yet. There is still a chance for it to be a trap. Hence, I need a 10-Star Martial Saint with me.'

'Elder Viola is more suitable. Not only did she listen to the conversation, but she also knows my master. This way, we will be able to hide our strength for a little longer. As for the Ancient Blue Family, we should be able to escape with her strength and my Space Element.'

'I see.' Jeanne agreed with Alex after hearing the reason.

Aileen's answer surprised him a little bit.

"Sure. We don't have a problem. Viola also wants to see you, her mentor's disciple." There wasn't a single shred of doubt in her face as she decided this spontaneously. In other words, they trusted him with their back, relieving his doubt.

"Yes. I am wondering what kind of lifestyle you have this whole time." She nodded with a smile.

"Riaddon will accompany me back since it's better to talk about this alliance with Licht. I think we don't have any more plans after this other than the war itself, right?"

"I think so." Alex nodded with an unsure expression.

"Anyway, if you need help, just inform us. We will help you to the best of our ability." Aileen said while Riaddon nodded in agreement.

"Thank you."

The trio then returned to their room, waiting until everyone had left.

The next day.

Alex saw off the other two influences before going separate ways with the Freedom Sect. Aileen and Riaddon also flew in another direction right in front of the city.

Alex could see a few energy signs around them and smile. These people must be from the Ancient Blue Family. They must want to see what kind of relationship he had with this so-called influence.

Having Viola with him seemed to be effective since they would think he had a bodyguard. There was no way two influences in an equal term would lend their 10-Star Martial Saint away. Aileen obviously hadn't found out this fact when she agreed to his request.

Even if she knew about this hidden intention, she didn't mind because Alex brought hope for them to live on the surface again. Hence, as long as Alex didn't do anything excessive, she didn't really mind.

Meanwhile, Alex flew toward another direction.

"By the way... I didn't ask this question yesterday, but where are we going for the rest of the week?" Viola asked, glancing at Alex's confident face.

"We are going back to the inn and staying there for a week. I have extended the stay in the morning to make them think I would go back to that inn... Little do they know I have returned there just after this." Alex smirked evilly. "This way, they can search for us anywhere and won't be able to find us. The most dangerous place is also the safest... Have you heard that idiom?"

"!!!" Viola laughed out loud, feeling satisfied. "Now I can see why Licht got played by you... You are a daredevil. When are you going to open your Spatial Gate?"

"A bit more, so they can make sure we are leaving." Alex nodded.

"Sure. I will play along with you."

After arriving in a certain direction, Alex took another glance on his back, finding nothing but empty air. He then created another Spatial Gate and entered the Space World with Jeanne and Viola, heading toward the inn.

"Haha... I never thought that these guys could be easily fooled." Viola laughed as soon as she reached the inn after a long flying session in the Space World.

"If you don't mind, just use this room as you please. I am staying here as well, but I might cultivate this whole time." Alex nodded.

"You can't rent two rooms anyway since they will suspect you to have another intention." Viola nodded before lying on the bed.

"If you don't mind, can you tell me how you met your master?"

Alex thought for a moment and talked about it. He only told her about his master Maxwell since there wasn't much to talk about it.

Viola could only shake her head when she realized that Alex grew up alone without anyone's assistance. As for his Spirit Nest, there were many rumors about them. Many even thought that the group didn't exist, and it was only Alex's fabricated lie.

Alex didn't really care about it. If the leaders were wise, they wouldn't pick a fight with someone unknown because there would be too many potential risks. Hence, Alex didn't bother with confirming the group until recently.

Their talk didn't last for even half an hour before Viola couldn't ask anything that wasn't a secret. Alex then waited until next week. Viola also waited patiently without bothering Alex.

Finally, when the week passed, Alex sent another letter to the Ancient Blue Family, asking whether he had finished the preparation, and the latter gave permission for Alex to enter the mansion.

Alex, Jeanne, and Viola walked toward the mansion before sneaking inside this place to not cause a ruckus according to the direction that the guards gave them.

Davi personally greeted him and guided him inside the secret passage so Alex could trust him.

He entered this secret passage in a house near the gate of the mansion according to Davi. It seemed the secret passage was different from the other passages because Alex could see many energy signs underground.

However, he paid no heed because their cultivation was too low, so they weren't ambushers. Following Davi through the underground passage for a few minutes, they found a thick wooden door at the end of the corridor.

Rio and Rena had been standing there for a long time, waiting for them to arrive.

Alex checked their expressions to see if they had any objections about him going inside this trial. After all, Rio was supposed to be the one to enter.

Luckily, he found not a single clue about their dissatisfaction. Rena was completely fine to begin with, and Alex had blown her pride away with the way he handled the matter. As for Rio, he already knew the fact that he couldn't be compared to Kai.

In fact, Davi had arrived at the same conclusion as Song Ping regarding Firia's matter in the tower. Since Alex had given the chance to Firia, he must be powerful enough to consider such a blessing as something that could be easily given away.

If such a person would help them recover something they needed, he had no qualms. Like his father, it was better to see the family's benefit instead of clinging to his pride.

Both of them cupped their hands and greeted Alex politely. It seemed they had a talk in the past week concerning the previous matter. Even the way they talked was so polite. "Greetings, Mister Alexander Sirius."

Davi glanced at them and nodded. "I know that you can't trust us, but I don't prepare any ambush to get you. You can even check the area around to see whether I am lying or not."

Alex shook his head. "I have checked them... There is no place that one can take advantage anyway. However, I will still ask the two of them to guard the gate. I hope you don't mind, right Patriarch Davi?"

"Of course." Davi nodded before taking out a black token with red patterns. "This is the token to enter our secret place. Only the person who holds this token will be able to enter, and we only have a single token."

Alex nodded and took the token before looking at the gate and beyond it.

"Hmm..." Alex paused for a moment, glancing at left and right. "There are many rank 8 Arrays in this place. However, it seems there is even a stronger one. Although it's still a low level, this array is a Divine Array, or you can say a rank 9 array. Though I can still see a few broken arrays in the area..."

Davi could only sigh. Everything was laid on the table in front of Alex.

"You are absolutely correct. Many arrays broke when the world transitioned and abandoned its God Rank Experts. However, I don't know how much it is true because of the lack of record." Davi shook his head.

"Fair enough." Alex nodded without much interest. He already knew this world used to be a Divine World where many God Rank Experts resided.

"There is no problem with the Special Realm itself since we have entered more than ten times." Davi shook his head, assuring him once again.

"I know. I have checked the arrays myself, and they are quite stable from what I can see. The only problem will be how much I can spend in this place."

"There is no time limit basically. You can stay as long as you want until the owner kicks you. Many Patriarchs used this chance to increase their cultivation, including me. Rio is supposed to experience the same, but everything will be resolved if you manage to get the technique for us."

Alex glanced at him for a few seconds and nodded. "I will do my best."

Davi then waved his hand, activating the arrays and the door.

Alex watched the door opening itself from inside. It sent Spiritual Energy as if asking him to come in. He was the holder of the token, so obviously, he felt the surge of the Spiritual Energy.

'It's already rare enough for the patriarchs to enter this place... It seems the Spiritual Energy inside is very dense, rivaling the one in the Ancient Ruin... I might be able to enter 3-Star if not 4-Star in this place depending on how long I stay inside.' Alex thought and sighed. Since the Ancestor was still there, he doubted he could practice for a long time since he wasn't a part of the Ancient Blue Family.

He shook his head and stepped forward, entering the barrier while raising his token. The token absorbed the barrier energy for him, letting him through.

He took another glance at the barrier filled with misty fog before getting his resolve again and walking inside.

'Jeanne, Great Elder Viola, I am going.'

'Yes!' Both of them replied at the same time while observing his condition to ensure he wasn't hurt.

After Alex entered, Davi waved his hand again and locked Alex inside. "The ancestor should be able to open the door from the inside... As much as I want to accompany you here, I am unable to do it because of many matters in the family. For this, I will have Rio and Rena to accompany you."

They furrowed their eyebrows, looking at this smart man. He even dared to use his son and daughter as a guarantee.

Even so, they didn't lower their guard down and let Davi walk away to handle his business.

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Inside the mist, Alex looked left and right to check his surroundings before the token glowed.

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Arriving in a strange world completely blinded by mist, Alex took a glimpse of his surroundings, finding nothing but white translucent particles.

"Where is this?" Alex muttered to himself while activating his Spirit Eyes, trying to see the mist through. Unfortunately, he only found himself surrounded by the golden color of Spiritual Energy. "There is simply nothing but energy here. I don't find a single object or living beings."

Suddenly, the golden token in his hand flashed a bright yellow color, illuminating the entire fog.

"Wait! This light seems to be absorbing the energy instead, and everything is stored inside the token." Alex furrowed his eyebrows before examining the token instead. "I can see the array inside this token, but I don't seem to have the knowledge behind it. According to my previous experience, there are two possibilities.

"First. I don't have the knowledge because even a thousand people can't even cover the entire universe and absorb all their knowledge, let alone a single person. After all, the universe is too big for us to understand... Or at least, that's what I learned back on Earth.

"The second reason would be the lack of understanding of a new array. I assume that the knowledge imparted to my head came from a few thousand years ago. It was also the reason why I couldn't know some of the knowledge in this world. They were just too outdated.

"Though I am still thankful since most of the knowledge seems to have not changed that much. The only thing I need to do now is to learn what kind of array this is..." As Alex uttered those words, he observed the array inside the token with his Spirit Eyes, finding every single symbol inside.

Unfortunately, what he could find was limited. "I know most of these symbols and their use, but it's hard to grasp the usage of this array. I only know one of them, and it is to absorb this mist filled with Spiritual Energy."

Alex contemplated for a moment, wondering what he needed to do inside. The token was still glowing and chomping the Spiritual Energy as if it was alive, so he thought about a possibility. "Anyway, I can gather Spiritual Energy from here. From my speculation, I can seem to use this token to gather the Spiritual Energy around and use it to enhance my power."

Suddenly, a deep voice resounded across the region, startling Alex with its pacifying tone. "That's right. To think there is a talented son-in-law in my Ancient Blue Family. It's been a few thousand years since I could see a man of your caliber. This is truly a pleasant thing to see."

Alex furrowed his eyebrows, released the shield from his Spiritual Weapons, and scanned the area with his Spirit Eyes. It was at this time he finally found another source of energy. This green-colored ball slowly descended to him and approached him with a gentle energy.

However, Alex didn't miss what this energy called him just now. Son-in-law? The Ancient Blue Family's son-in-law? Why would this energy call him with such a title?

"..." In the end, he remained silent because he felt this problem might not be as simple as he predicted to be.

As the energy got closer and closer to him, Alex could finally see its true form that had been covered by the mist. It turned out to be a middle-aged man with the same aura of Shakdi and every other God and Goddess in the Ancient Ruin.

"Are you..." Alex furrowed his eyebrows and raised his defensive stance.

"Ho! A sharp sense and fast reaction speed. Raising your guard in an instant after facing an unknown despite being in your home field. Truly remarkable." This green-colored translucent man nodded with a satisfied expression. "Let me introduce myself first. I am Choong Duy. The founder of the Ancient Blue Family. I was a former rank 9 Array Master. What is your name?"

Alex checked his intention first before giving his real name instead of a fake one. "Alexander Sirius, and I am just a mere outsider.???"

"!!!" Choong Duy also noticed the hidden meaning in his words and frowned. "What? A mere outsider? Did those bastards in the Ancient Blue Family let go of such a genius? Seeing your cultivation and sensing your age alone makes me tremble in fear. Yet those guys... Who is your spouse? I will ask my wife to beat her!"

"As I said before... I am a mere outsider. I don't have a single relationship with your Ancient Blue Family. The pat... The former patriarch asked me to go inside this place and get the inheritance about the promised technique." Alex shrugged.

He showed no fears against such a powerful soul. He had seen plenty of them in the Ancient Ruin, so another one wouldn't be a problem. At the same time, he could simply kill him with the help of his spirits.

"What?! Did my clan decline so much to the point they want you to come in? No... When I met the previous guy who came in, I knew that he wasn't a simple man. Yet he asked you to enter..." The man seemed to have noticed a different answer that lies behind the intent of Davi. "I see. It's not that my younger generations are unworthy... It's just you are too outstanding."

Alex didn't agree nor disagree.

"Still... What kind of condition did they promise you to get inside this place?"

"Nothing. This is just an extra condition from me." Alex shook his head.

"Hmm? Do you have trouble outside?"

"I have... But I don't think I need to tell you, right?"

"Fair enough. Even if you satisfy my curiosity, I can't even do anything. In fact, the world will just erase this soul of mine." Choong Duy nodded before glancing at Alex's weapons. "Though you are really a man filled with mystery. If I am not wrong, the weapons in your hands are Spiritual Weapons. They are weapons that have a will residing inside them.

"This kind of weapon shouldn't appear in this world and all those around our world... Along with the worlds that connected with us. And yet you have the weapons... This is very strange. Wait! I think there is a world that has such a technique to create a Spiritual Weapon. The world that only has three races."

"!!!" Alex never thought that the man instantly recognized the weapons and those from the special realm on the Sacred Continent.

"Now that I think about it, I can sense something similar to Array. If I am not wrong, this is called Rune in that world. What is your relationship with that world? I know that the two worlds shouldn't be connected, so are you an intruder of this world? No, have the world got invaded?"

Choon Duy released a part of his Spiritual Energy. Although it wasn't enough to pressure Alex, it was enough to show him how serious the matter is.

Alex simply shook his head. "I helped them, and this is how they repaid me."

"You have no connection with them then? Wait! I heard that there were remnants of them on the Sacred Continent. They were just a peace-loving race that would only act if they were bullied, and that happened a few thousand years ago... Did they make the weapons for you?"

"Yes."

"I see. From what I understand, you need another race's blood... Monster blood can be a replacement, but they need a high enough intelligence to do so. Seeing how you can react so fast... There is only one place that meets your requirement. It's the world that is connected to the Northern Continent. And from what I can see, there are Dragon and Phoenix auras inside those weapons of yours... What a lucky guy."

When he was talking like this, Alex felt uncomfortable. It was like that this man had a boundless knowledge that was enough to pry him open.

He might be able to stop him from blabbering as long as he released his Spirit Crown that seemed to have a huge impression on those Gods and Goddesses, but it would also blow his identity away. In that case, he ended up letting this guy run his mouth.

"You are indeed a man with many mysteries inside you?? To think that my Ancient Blue Family couldn't have you, such a shame... That's why I have a proposal for you?"

"Hmm?" Alex frowned. If this were about a marriage thingy, he would reject it instantly. As for the others, he would look at the pros and cons first.

"How about a marri—"

"I refuse." Before the man said with that carefree smile of his, Alex rejected him with a serious expression. "If this is what you want to talk about, I would like to continue what I need to do and recover the technique as soon as possible."

"Tch!" The man shrugged. "Fine. Joke aside, I have another proposal for you."

"What is it?"

"Follow me first." Choong Duy shook his head and flew away.

Alex had no other clue, so he followed him a bit farther to make sure he could react to any possible action.

Choong Duy also understood his intention and sighed in disappointment. Whether he was disappointed because the Ancient Blue Family couldn't have this guy or the fact that he didn't trust him yet, it was still a disappointment.

After flying for so long, Choong Duy suddenly rose to the sky, escaping from the mist that surrounded them. Alex also followed him to the sky and saw the entire region with his eyes. The look was spectacular.

The ground was filled with dirt. The scenery was green because of the grass, but there wasn't a single tree living inside. The white mist covered the entire region, except the place that he had gone through before.

He finally noticed that the token also dimmed down after leaving the mist area. It seemed that the token only reacted to the mist.

"Let's go to that place." Choong Duy pointed his finger at something in Alex's back.

Alex turned around and finally found the only tree inside this region.

'Huge!' This was the first impression he had when he looked at the tree. He had seen the world trees twice, or at least that was what they claimed. However, their size couldn't be compared to this.

The branch that pierced the sky and the leaves that beat the cloud, it was a magnificent tree that couldn't be compared to any of the trees in the world.

"That's the only tree we can grow in the past few years. Follow me first..."

Alex activated his Spirit Eyes and opened his mouth in surprise. 'The tree is alive? It's not an illusion.'

He didn't say anything and followed Choong Duy to the tree before a green dragon flew out of the tree and greeted him with a gentle voice that was not befitting its form. 'Welcome home, Darling. Is this the guy?'

The dragon then turned into a human form.

Alex furrowed his eyebrows when he watched the green dragon gradually changed its appearance into a beautiful young woman that appeared to be 27 or 28 years old. She had long light-green hair, running through her back. Her dragon wings were still there, but it soon vanished into thin air as if it shrunk to emptiness.

"Welcome to my humble home. Still, I can't help but sense a familiar aura within you." She squinted her eyes, scanning him from up and down before Choong Duy gave the explanation.

"He is not from the Ancient Blue Family, Chavel. However, he seems to have a connection with your world."

"Ah! Now that you say it, I can sense the dragon aura inside him and a phoenix aura along with it." Chavel covered her open mouth with her hand. "The aura I sensed earlier must come from the Dragon Strengthening Technique from my Royal Family. I see..."

"Chavel... It seems we have a lot of talk with this guy. For now, let's invite him first to our house. I also want to request something from him." Choong Duy stopped her and flew to the tree.

"Sure." Chavel gently nodded before smiling at Alex. "Please come in."

Alex was curious about this and followed them.

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Five minutes later.

Inside a small house hanging on the tree, Alex looked at Choong Duy with a serious expression. In front of him was a cup of green tea that Chavel had cultivated underneath the tree.

"This is a tea that Chavel cultivated and brewed. There is no poison in it, so you can rest assured." Choong Duy stretched his hand before sipping his own tea.

Alex knew that there wasn't a single poison inside with his Spirit Eyes. He took a glance at Chavel, who was busy preparing a meal and finally sipped his tea.

Not long after, Chavel brought them a full course meal of vegetables and meat.

Alex could understand the vegetables, but he couldn't see where the meat came from. It was a standard meal but seemed to have been polished to the perfect degrees. Maybe he should say as expected from a woman who was living for a few thousand years.

[For your information, I can also cook a meal at this level.]

"..." Alex twitched his eyebrows and asked inwardly. 'Why are you comparing yourself with her? Don't tell me you are jealous? Please, I don't like the NTR tag.'

[You are too serious right now, so I just want you to relax a bit. This woman must come from Stina's world, so I think you should mention something about that world.]

'I know. That's my plan.'

[Then, I will leave you alone again.]

Alex took a deep breath before looking at Choong Duy with confusion before his wife explained it. "I picked this vegetable this morning while the meat comes from a rank 8 monster that we caught a few days ago."

Choong Duy smiled and added praise to his wife. "Everything is amazing, especially the taste."

Without waiting for Alex, Choong Duy already started eating with a face full of smiles. He didn't care if Alex wouldn't eat it because it would mean he had another portion to eat.

Chavel also didn't care about his manner and simply smiled, watching him eating her cooking.

"Eat first. After that, we can talk." Choong Duy shrugged and pointed his finger at Alex.

Alex sighed and started eating. He wasn't a gourmet himself, but it was indeed one of the delicacies in the world. He didn't eat that much since becoming a cultivator unless he planned to enjoy his time and relax his mind. Most of the time, it was only tea or a wine, not a meal like this.

He elegantly ate the whole meal.

A few minutes later, Chavel brought the dishes to the sink and washed them, leaving Choong Duy and Alex facing each other.

"Since you are not my Ancient Blue Family member, let's go with this scenario. You can ask me one question, and I will ask you one question. None of us can lie, but we can also choose not to comment if it's too private. Of course, we can't disclose what we talk about outside this place. How about it?"

Alex had no problem with this and agreed. The two then made a Heavenly Oath to ensure the other party they told the truth.

"You first."

Alex nodded and uttered a must-ask question. "Who are you and your wife?"

"I am Choong Duy, the founder of the Ancient Blue Family. Duy in my name means blue, so you can see why I chose such a name... As for my wife, I think you are familiar with her world. As you know, there is a secret passage that leads to that world.

"I never know about such a passage if my wife doesn't tell me. She originally came from that place and went to this world through that passage. It was already a long time ago... Well, she lost her right to succeed the throne, so she came to this world to try herself.

"In the end, she became a God Rank Expert as well as my wife. I never regretted having a wife such as her. In fact, I am blessed until now."

'As expected... That's why she could sense the Dragon Strengthening Technique. Although that technique has been polished further by the Supreme, it still couldn't leave its root.' Alex nodded and let Choong Duy ask him a question.

"I have the same question as yours."

"I am Alexander Sirius..." Alex paused for a moment, stopping himself from saying anything related to his previous self. Instead, he would tell a little story he had in Chavel's world and this world. "I have been traveling through worlds around... Well, most of them due to lucky encounters.

"And yes, I have come to her world once and end up having two phoenixes from there. Not that I can't show you though since they are not with me. That world has six races and a limit up to 7-Star Martial Emperor. With this information, I am sure you can believe me. I currently have an enemy that I need to defeat, so I come to the Ancient Blue Family to stop them from interfering... After all, we also have small friction before."

"!!!" Choong Duy's expression turned serious. He pondered for a moment and nodded.

"Why are you here?"

"As you already know, I am just someone who wants to see my family prosper. Of course, I am also guarding that technique. Although we have died for so long, the existence of this realm is maintaining our soul and... You know how boring this place is when you live for a few thousand years inside, so we start gardening and such. Even my wife has practiced her cooking from a poison that could kill millions to one that can please billions," Choong Duy said with a smug expression. "You can say this is our retirement life. Until we have found a guy that can take our technique away, we will enjoy our time here."

"..." Alex couldn't say anything about poison cooking as he recalled when Alicia and Firia gave him the exact thing.

"My turn again." Choong Duy glanced at his wife as if asking her what she wanted to ask. However, the latter simply winked her eyes cutely before saying. "Don't worry about me. I will join you later. You can ask him whatever you want first."

He nodded and asked Alex. "What are you going to do with our technique? Will you really give it to my family?"

"Yes. I am a man of my word. I have promised them to get it from you, so I will give it to them if I get it." Alex said with a solemn expression. "Now my question is, how can you stay alive for so long? I know that you are a Divine Array Master, but your element and the function of the array doesn't match up."

"We got help from Shakdi... I mean, this world Space God. He made us this Special Realm along with the basic function. As for this tree... We have grown it up for several thousand years. With some care and a few rank 8 items, we somehow mutated this tree and evolved it to rank 8 tree."

"Oh." Alex nodded in understanding as he thought, 'Now everything has linked up. His wife came from Stina's world. With the timeline and such, I could see she was born far before the Supreme. At that time, the portal must still be hidden from the world's attention.'

'In fact, there might be a few more people coming from that world, but stay hidden in this world. And the reason why the people in this world could know the portal's existence... Someone must have blurted it out. Maybe after a series of torture.'

"What will be your stance against the Ancient Blue Family now?"

Alex frowned and answered with his principle. "I will only kill my enemy."

Choong Duy closed his eyes and nodded. "It seems I need to send some letters to the current patriarch. Anyway, let's continue. Your turn."

"I don't think I have another question in my mind. As long as I know that you are not dangerous to me, everything should be alright." Alex shrugged.

"I should have expected you to have this kind of personality." He scratched his head and said, "Let's get down to the business then."

"Sure."

"Since there should have been 14 generations after me... I think it's enough time to do this. You know that technique is required to have weak beast blood, right?"

"Yes. Though I can also interpret it as powerful human blood." Alex said mysteriously as if he was drawing another concept in his mind. He wanted to check whether this technique was useful to him or not. After all, it would be too sad if his child with Sherry needed several generations before they could use this technique.

"You may also interpret it that way. I want you to help them stimulate their blood and achieve fusion. To do this, you require a rank 9 array, which I will give you later."

"Are you kidding me?" Alex furrowed his eyebrows. "You need Divine Energy to activate the array. And from what I understand, I might need to control the array until they have finished refining their body."

"I can seal a portion of my strength, so I can activate the array. As for the latter part, I would require your assistance. I will give you instructions on how to control the array." Choong Duy nodded before thinking about his reward. "I can give you the token as payment."

Alex tilted his head in confusion.

"You should be able to see it. This token can absorb the Spiritual Energy around, and the mist outside this place is the condensed Spiritual Energy. In other words, you can gather all the mist to increase your cultivation. In fact, this is how all patriarchs can increase their strength to solidify their standings.

"Since you are an outsider, I can't give it to you unless you agree to my request. Of course, we need you to defeat one of us here if you want the technique. Although I don't know how much it will give you, all those people should be able to reach 4-Star Martial Saint.

"I think you should have no problem reaching 3-Star Martial Saint, considering you have a bigger requirement to advance. How about it?"

Alex didn't answer him immediately and thought. 'It's tempting indeed. From what I can see, I should be able to reach 3-Star Martial Saint within a month with the help of the token. And I should be able to reach 4-Star Martial Saint within another year. I think this is enough to face the Snow White Mountain...

'The only problem is their ancestor soul. I believe it will be formidable enough to stop us from destroying the ritual. The only thing that can fight her is my strength and my Spirit Crown.

'From the information stored in my head, I can enhance my Spirit Techniques. This can also be applied to my spirits. First, I can enhance them and their technique... Albeit, I can only do it for one person. There are several more uses... But it's only applicable to low-rank spirits. In other words, it can only be used when I am in Eulja.

'As for my own techniques, I can amplify my own Spirit Step. Since I haven't reached God Stage yet, I can only amplify the technique to a peak Heaven Tier Technique. Only after I break past the mortal stage can I finally make that technique to reach Divine Technique. Well, That's the only technique I have...

'Though I can also borrow a single element from my spirit. It seems Anya's technique has been enhanced by this Spirit Crown to get that attribute. Unfortunately, the borrowing power won't be as powerful as Anya's.

'At most, I can borrow an element for a day, and I won't be able to use it again for a month. At the same time, I will also understand a portion of their understanding of the technique itself...

'In fact, it's the reason why the previous me was able to use all elements despite having none himself. He developed this ability to stand on top of Eulja and changed the way of their thinking.

'Yeah. I think this Spirit Crown will be useful for me in the upcoming battle. 4-Star Martial Saint and the Spirit Crown Technique... This should be enough.'

Having come to a decision, Alex nodded his head. "I agree!"

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"I agree."

Alex made this decision because he liked the conditions.

"Good. You should be able to operate the array anyway, and it will only take a week for one go. Since my wife and I will go at the same time, you should be able to finish within a week and enjoy the reward." Choon Duy nodded with a smile.

Alex felt something odd and uttered his confusion. "In that case, are you going to teach the array master how to do it?"

"No. They are going to replicate your technique. Before going to use this, I will explain everything in the note so the current Patriarch can prepare it, including the Array Masters from the family. They will watch how you do it. Everyone who can do it can test it on themselves.

"After all, if they were born from the family, they should have the same problem. As for the ones who aren't, they can test their technique with the family members. It will be my matter after that, so you don't need to worry."

"Alright. I can do it. To exchange that week and one-month cultivation for one star... It's indeed worthwhile." Alex nodded in agreement.

"Good! Now I will explain about the test. It's simple. You just need to beat me in one on one or just make me recognize your strength. Of course, I will be limiting my strength to 2-Star Martial Saint. From what I can see, I might need to even increase my strength to 3-Star Martial Saint in order to fight you." Choong Duy scratched his head, embarrassed. To think he would feel he needed to have a stronger cultivation base just to fight a junior, everyone would laugh at him.

However, Alex felt nothing about it. Due to the constant fight with stronger opponents, Alex grew numb to this kind of thing.

Chavel suddenly returned to the table and sat down, looking at Alex with a gentle expression. "I will be your opponent this time."

"Eh?" Choong Duy and Alex widened their eyes at the same time.

"What? You don't want to fight against a woman?" She narrowed her eyes.

"No. I never have a problem in that case. I only feel that your husband will be angry because of that." Alex denied it almost immediately. Even if the person in front of him were a peerless beauty, he would cut her down, just like Shelka and other girls back in the days.

On the other hand, Choong Duy closed his eyes with agony in his face.

"How many years have we lived together? Are you going to stop me now?" Chavel glared at him and released her killing intent.

"No... I am just wondering why you would want to fight him? Is there any reason?"

"He knows the technique from my family. Hence, I am going to teach him how to fight with his own power. This technique can only be known by the royal family... So, whoever created the technique you have right now, must not know about this technique. You can consider this technique as my payment.

"After all, if you can beat me, it's the time we depart from this world and go to the cycle of reincarnation." Chavel nodded.

Alex pondered for a moment and agreed. "There is no way I will let a chance like this go, though I am mainly fighting with my weapons and doubt I will use this technique."

"Don't worry. Even though the technique is low level, I have strengthened it, and you can also use it with your sword or spear since I am using it with my spear. This technique is called Swallowing Heaven. I will use the technique later, but it can be considered as a peak Heaven Tier Technique.

"Of course, the true technique is a Divine Technique. Unfortunately, you need Divine Power if you want to use it at Divine Technique level." Chavel explained her technique carefully.

"I understand." Alex nodded. "Are there any conditions in the fight?"

"As long as we are alive and well, there is no rule. Just use your strongest power, and I will respond the same." Chavel pondered for a moment. "How about I tell you a secret if you can make me release my 3-Star Martial Saint Strength?"

"Hmm?" Alex tilted his head and asked, "What kind of secret?"

"A secret of your enemy. Just tell me your enemy, and I can tell you their secret. Or I can even tell the Ancient Blue Family to help you in this fight." She smirked.

Alex thought for a moment and said, "I have two enemies. Fire God Clan and Snow White Mountain. What kind of secret can I expect?"

"How to control the Fire God Clan or the secret of Snow White Mountain's founder... I can give you that secret."

"If you are telling me about the anger of the Fire God Clan or the fact that the Snow White Mountain's founder wants to reincarnate... I already know it." Alex sighed.

"Eh?!" Chavel widened her eyes as she blinked a few times. "So, you already know..."

"Yeah. Although I don't know the specific reason for the Fire God Clan, from my observation, they should have a cultivation technique that influences their anger. It's like the flame itself is related to their anger.

"As for the Snow White Mountain... I have a Pure Ice Element friend. However, she is captured right now. Luckily, they have yet to know about my relationship with her, so she is still fine. Her Sacrificial Element has been transferred to another person though, and it's most likely to make their founder possess that body instead of my friend."

Chavel sighed. "You have truly known everything. I don't have anything I can give you, so I will just fight you to the best of my ability."

Alex nodded.

"Before that, I will create an array to store our soul and energy along with the technique to control the array. Wifey, can you send a letter about what we want to do and the secret of this place? Just say that they can use this place as a training place since I have created a rank 9 Gathering Array here. Don't forget about the other messages that I want to pass." Choong Duy rose from his seat and glanced at Chavel.

"Sure." Chavel also rose from her seat and said to Alex. "Please wait a minute."

Alex nodded and waited for a few minutes before Chavel returned.

"Let's talk first since my husband is still doing his business. I am wondering what kind of person is leading the Dragon Race right now?"

"I don't know him well since I am mainly staying with the Phoenixes." Alex shook his head. "However, I believe he is a good guy, brave, and powerful. His son is filled with strength while his daughter has wisdom on par with him. I believe they will be quite a pair to lead your race."

"That's good then." Chavel smiled from ear to ear. She had been away for ten thousand years, so she was worried about her. Unfortunately, she couldn't return due to her body, and when she learned about the devastating news that her realm experienced, she was weakened for a few years.

Luckily, Choong Duy was there with her, accompanying her to pass that hard time. When she learned that the world had chosen to separate themselves from the Northern Continent, she finally felt relieved. At that time, she wanted to thank the Supreme for liberating the anguish of that world.

"How about the Phoenix Race and the other races? I would like to know them as well."

"The previous phoenix queen is with me right now, leaving her daughter in charge of the kingdom. Well, it's only been a few years, and I should be able to go to that world again in the future. Hence, everything is fine..." Alex started explaining about the other races' conditions.

Chavel kept smiling this whole time, feeling nostalgic.

Alex observed her expression this whole time and knew that she still loved her world so much. Unfortunately, she didn't have the power to go there. In the end, Alex was curious about one thing. "Were you frustrated by the result that you couldn't attain the throne back then?"

Chavel looked up and contemplated for a minute. "I felt frustrated back then, but I never hated them. I loved them, and I still love them right now. Even though the six races often fight with each other, they are just protecting their root, and I can understand that.

"Even I will kill Gods and Goddesses that dares to destroy my place no matter the consequences." There wasn't a single trace of doubt in her eyes, expressing her genuine feeling.

"I see." Alex nodded. He could relate to that feeling since he would do the same.

"Alright. Everything is ready. You should go around the tree first and absorb all the Spiritual Energy with that token. Meanwhile, Chavel and I will find a place to fight you. Unlike the others in the past, I believe this will be a big fight, so we need to prepare it. Will that be fine with you?" Choong Duy asked with a smile.

"I understand." Alex nodded and followed them outside before all of them focused on their respective task.

He flew around the area with his Spirit Eyes and token, looking and absorbing the Spiritual Energy around him until not a single chunk of mist could be seen.

Alex had sucked it dry. The only thing he needed to do was to come out of this place and bring back the token with him.

After finishing his task, he flew toward Choong Duy and Chavel. Choong Duy seemed to have modified a plain ground with some walls to prevent shockwaves from destroying this place. He even made an array to do that.

Chavel didn't have any objection because of the same feeling. The field they had cultivated for a few thousand years contained their memory, so even if they were to reincarnate, they hoped to see this place still as it is.

Alex could understand that and landed on the ground gently before looking at Chavel. Unlike the previous one, she had changed her clothes. Her tight green shirt and long pants had replaced her previous loose and comfortable clothes. She tied her hair into a ponytail and carried her spear with her right hand.

The spear seemed to be a rank 8 weapon as well, but it wasn't special like Alex's Spiritual Weapon. Her gentle atmosphere had changed to a fierce and full of fighting spirit as she looked at Alex with an energetic smile.

"I won't hold back."

"I am the same." Alex nodded before taking out his weapons.

"The rule is simple. No killing or doing any irreplaceable damage. Although we are only souls, we can injure or get injured and die in the process. Hence, make sure you pull out in the last blow. The arena should be enough for you, so you can fight to the best of your ability."

"Wait a minute. I have a condition." Alex looked at Choong Duy.

"Sure. What is your condition?"

"I am going to fight with my full power. But can I expect you guys to keep it secret? Knowing that you are going to follow me to the outside world, though it's only for a moment, I am still worried. I have too many bad memories with this type of thing."

Choong Duy and Chavel nodded their hearts.

"I, Choong Duy (Chavel), swear with my name and my wife's name to not say anything that happens inside. If I disclose even a little bit of clue to the people outside, may I get separated with my husband (wife) for eternity and have no chance to reunite, and may we get reduced to nothing and never reincarnate. Heaven and Earth! Please bear the witness of this oath!" Both of them swore at the same time.

Alex never expected them to promise like that, but he knew how they trusted him in this matter. Alex took a deep breath and released his Spiritual Energy.

Chavel also did the same and pointed her spear at Alex.

After checking the two, Choong Duy shouted. "Start!"