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Chapter 991 - Anger

Boom!

The explosions shook the people's hearts, wondering if their Palm God was alright. Luckily, only three hundred hands got destroyed.

He could also see the Six Elemental Gods and Five Guardians owned his force since there was a huge gap between their prowess. The number was not enough to overwhelm them unfortunately.

At the same time, Lin Xingzhi kept supporting them, resulting in him protecting them. He could simply ignore his subordinate, but it might be admiration or whatever, he couldn't do that heartless. They were his followers, so he would treat them well. Even though he couldn't do as extreme as Alex, he still did his best in this regard.

Nonetheless, everything was useless. Lin Xingzhi had yet to show her trump card while his trump card already almost broke.

It was indeed terrible to fight someone that had been in this path for thousands of years while you only had several hundred years.

He looked at Lin Xingzhi's cold face and took a deep breath, wondering how to take her by surprise.

Suddenly, three Gods managed to slip past their defense and headed straight to Evelyn, thinking they could do something to her since she was only a Rank 10 God.

However, the Light Spirit God managed to keep track of them and appeared between them and Evelyn.

"You three...What are you going to do?" He looked at them with his cold gaze.

The three tried to split up to dodge him.

Seeing this, the Light Spirit God raised both hands as they were covered with yellow light. He then released the attack like a laser and pushed two of them back. This is perfectly what they planned to do.

The last one would surely arrive, grabbed Evelyn, turned around the situation.

Lin Xingzhi raised her left hand as if she wanted to deal with that guy, giving the Palm God a chance to come closer to her.

Little did he know that she had perfect trust in everyone she brought. Instead of stopping halfway, she completely raised her hand to the top as another Disturbance occurred. It was another Lightning Disturbance.

The Palm God realized she had tricked him into coming closer.

Unlike the previous Lightning Disturbance, she drew all the power within the Disturbance and released it in one go, striking down.

The Palm God gritted his teeth and used his hands to block the attacks. He got pushed down by this thing, but he didn't want to back down just like that.

Even though cracks started to appear in his hands, he still managed to send his attack to Lin Xingzhi in the form of ten arms.

These ten hands flew toward Lin Xingzhi, who were close enough. Each of them contained his powerful strength and Pure Palm Qi.

Lin Xingzhi glanced over this attack and smiled. When the palm was about to hit her, many small disturbances occurred again, stopping all ten palms precisely.

She then waved her other hand, sending her Divine Energy. The ten palms then got obliterated as if they popped out like a balloon.

Lin Xingzhi turned out to be sending a portion of her power to create another Small Disturbance inside the hands to make them burst.

At the same time, the trust she put in her friends also succeeded. Zark came to his way and created a Spatial Gate to get the Light Spirit God's attack and send it to the one coming for Evelyn.

"I borrow this."

"Oi. I still need it to push this lad back!" He complained.

"Don't worry. I have finished your matter." Zark shrugged before the man was seen to be restricted by something. A Teleportation Array appeared beneath his feet and sent him back to the spaceship. As for the person in front of him, he got pushed back by the power borrowed from the Light Spirit God.

The last two finally returned to their positions because Zark and the old man managed to push them back.

"Give me money for renting my attack." The Light Spirit God put his hand in front, asking for money.

Zark gave him the money with a fancy Space Ring.

He was content with that achievement and checked the Space Ring, finding there was only a Spirit Crystal inside. "Oi, oi. One Spirit Crystal?"

"Take it or leave it."

"You are stingy."

"No, you are." Zark shrugged before watching the battle between Lin Xingzhi and the Palm God.

Lin Xingzhi seemed to release another attack. She created another Fireball, but this time was bigger.

Not letting her do as she pleased, the Palm God went back and destroyed it again. However, he couldn't contain it anymore with the two palms and used his remaining hands instead.

The hands then crumbled after those continuous attacks and Lin Xingzhi knew this was a perfect time to beat the Palm God.

She created another disturbance and planned to hit him, but...

A loud voice suddenly rang in everyone's head. It was a thought transmission that said, "Kubard, you bastard, what you just did to your daughter? Kneel down to me!"

When Lin Xingzhi heard this, she instantly knew what happened. Only one person would have the ability to call his name like that. It was none other than the current Rank 2 God called War Goddess, Xue Nu.

She had long blonde hair tied into a ponytail and wore a green military uniform that made her look like a natural born fighter. Her eyes were sharp as if they could kill someone with her gaze alone. She was Kubard's wife and Silvia's mother.

The battle stopped, and Eulja immediately retreated to see whether she had a reinforcement or not.

"Hoho...The scary wife comes now." The Light Spirit God grinned and jumped to his wife. "Wifey. You were like that too in the past. But the gentle you or the spirited you are always my favorite. No, everything about you is the best."

The Dark Spirit God twitched her eyebrows and kicked him in the face.

"Kick of love!" The Light Spirit God said before he was blown away.

Lin Xingzhi and the others could only shake their head helplessly since these two were the most powerful couple in Eulja other than Alex.

"Still, why?" The Dark Spirit Goddess wanted to beat that guy but shook her head to calm down before asking. "She shouldn't come..."

"I don't know, but I told Evelyn to inform Anna about this...Probably she explained the whole situation to Alex." Lin Xingzhi answered while glancing over Evelyn. "You alright?"

"Yes. Thank you for the help, Sister." Evelyn bowed her head to everyone else and also thanked them, not knowing how to repay them.

"Haha...I am going to ask my daughters about her." The Dark Spirit Goddess chuckled before moving to Evelyn. "Hello, nice to meet you. I am Anna's and Anya's mother. Unfortunately, the old mannerless guy is their father. Such a shame. This is why Anya acted a bit...weird. It's that guy's fault."

"How can you say that? You should say she inherits my gene, proving she is my child." The old guy appeared again with a proud face.

The Dark Spirit Goddess blew him away again.

Lin Xingzhi smiled and said, "Let's go back then. The matter is over. I will have the N Squad to monitor them, but I don't think it's necessary because he won't be able to do anything for the time being if I read the War Goddess right. Zark, teleport us please."

Zark nodded and created a Teleportation Array for them, and the Light Spirit God rushed to them while shouting. "Wait for me."

The Teleportation got activated, and the Light Spirit God just barely reached them and got teleported as well.

On the other hand, the other party didn't have time to think about their opponents. The War Goddess was well known in their territory. She had been leading their territory and expanding it like crazy. In a span of a few hundred years, from Kubard and herself, they got a total of ten Rank 2 Gods and many Divine Worlds.

She was like Anya but had the power to fight. If she met Aria, she might even make her a disciple since they would fit with each other, but Alex had gotten her first.

Still, the Palm God already did something beyond repair. And the wife came to do her daughter justice.

Kubard suddenly remembered a certain thing that Lin Xingzhi told him earlier. He never heard anything from his daughter, but it turned out to be wrong.

Due to the agreement she had with Alex, Silvia didn't give any information about Alex during her stay, leading to this misunderstanding that forced Kubard to play it this way. What Lin Xingzhi said about him having two chances but destroyed both of them were Evelyn and his daughter.

He was found out by Lin Xingzhi when he kidnapped Evelyn. Meanwhile, his daughter should have met Alexander Sirius himself. Unknowingly, his action angered the real Alexander Sirius, and the situation turned out to be this way.

Although he didn't know about the details of the situation, he knew that everything was his fault. His wife appeared before him while releasing her killing intent.

Silvia obviously had gone back to her world and told her about everything. She was furious and came to this place with a Space Element Array Master to reach this place in a matter of hours.

She just wanted to butcher this clueless but obsessed guy.

He dropped on his knees as both of them instinctively looked at Lin Xingzhi and the others since the war had yet to end, but their group already disappeared from the battlefield.

Knowing this, his wife couldn't control her anger anymore and shout. "We are going back! Whatever job you have right now, leave it and return to the ship. I am taking full control of this ship right now and be grateful that the other party didn't want a war. None of you died in this battle. If you know what the best is, make sure you don't tell anyone about this and just treasure your life! All troops, move out!"

The moment they realized no one died and only some got a few injuries, they quickly followed her order, feeling a bit relieved that Eulja had no intention of creating a war.

Meanwhile, the War Goddess looked at her husband and threw him to the ship, where he landed perfectly at the opening for the people to go back to the ship, but that throw shook the ship and even made it tilt slightly to the side.

The people outside were shaking as they feared the spaceship would get destroyed while the people inside began panicking, thinking they would die.

She only looked around with a cold gaze and asked. "What? Any of you want to fight me in the Martial Court?"

"No, Ma'am!" The group rushed into the spaceship before they heard another order from her. "Don't forget to step on that bastard over there. Each of you needs to do it once. Any questions?"

"NO, MA'AM!" They shouted with their Spiritual Energy so it could be heard in Outer Space. Even though Kubard was the strongest, the one that needed to be feared was actually his wife because, without her, he wouldn't achieve something this big in his life since he only knew how to cultivate and do useless things like this.

The God Rank Experts that went out only closed their eyes and stepped on Kubard while saying sorry. Xue Nu only glared at them until they finished their job before following them inside.

When Kubard saw her expression, he knew that this wife wanted him to die.

"Do you know what happened to your daughter?"

Kubard couldn't answer. His face remained down.

"You dared to do all this but didn't dare to answer my question?" She stomped the floor, tilting the spaceship once again.

"Everything is my fault." He hurriedly replied with a low voice.

Anger swelled up in her heart even more as she prepared to do a continuous combo for the last blow.

Chapter 992 - Is It Over Or A New Beginning?

When Evelyn just told the truth, Anna instantly relayed the message from Evelyn to Alex, and it completely stunned him.

Alex fell silent and looked at Silvia. For the past few hours, she kept sitting on the ground while crying. This might be the first time she felt very hurt when no one believed him, yet she couldn't say anything to Alex because of what her father did.

No matter how you looked at it, there was no way Alex would believe her. She was at a complete disadvantage. To that end, she could only wait for the next news without attempting to do anything to show Alex that she didn't know.

She didn't know why but this felt even more painful when she recalled everything they had experienced during the past few months. At this time, she realized that Alex had a big part in her heart despite not knowing him for long.

The time she spent with him was fulfilling and fun to do. She noticed that her feelings weren't that shallow anymore. But this was why the whole thing became even more painful.

At first, she and her father did this to get Alex, but when everything went well, and her feeling gradually bloomed, the fall was also harder.

Alex also felt uncomfortable doing this, but he just couldn't endure a betrayal. He had it enough with Sandra, but this thing reminded him of her.

The moment the truth came out, he dropped his sword and fell to his knees.

Silvia obviously couldn't understand his action. Despite the pain, she tried to put on her best smile and asked. "What happened? Are you sick?"

Alex felt even more guilty. Even though he treated her this harshly and wouldn't believe her anymore, she still showed her concern to him.

He lowered his head and said the only thing he must say at this moment. "I am sorry."

"What...happened?" She became even more worried while grabbing his hands.

"Everything is my misunderstanding. As soon as I heard someone important than me got kidnapped, I blocked everything despite not knowing whether it was the truth or not. I..."

"It's okay." She slowly hugged him as she couldn't bear his guilty face. This wasn't his fault. She and her father knew about his character, and yet, her father actually did a risky thing that destroyed their relationship. Even if it were fully restored, they wouldn't have the same relationship anymore. If what he did wasn't known by Alex, everything would indeed go according to his plan.

After all, Lin Xingzhi and the others would need a long time to search for their location, allowing him to successfully make Evelyn his daughter. At that time, Alex had no choice than becoming his son-in-law.

Unfortunately, he didn't know the power of the Gacha System that was able to locate his position that easily and ultimately destroyed everything.

She blamed everything that happened to her father.

Alex decided to tell her about the truth of what happened.

She never expected that her father wanted Evelyn to become his daughter. She had a mixed feeling as his daughter. On one hand, he blamed the father for doing this reckless thing. On the other hand, she wondered whether her existence was only for this and didn't mean anything to her father since he could easily choose to adopt someone?

Including this misunderstanding, her heart finally broke. The tears that she had been holding on finally fell again.

Alex reflectively hugged her back. It was his turn to calm her down.

After crying for five minutes, she let go of her feelings and released Alex.

"I am truly sorry...Telling both of us to forget about it... Won't be possible, right?" Alex scratched the back of his head. "That's why...Can you forgive me for this? I will do my best to—"

Before Alex finished, she stopped him with her hand and smiled. "I...I need time. Can I go to your room for a while? I promise it won't take long."

Since the situation became like this, he nodded his head.

"Thank you." She weakly rose from the floor and walked staggeringly to his room. Closing the door, Alex could hear her sobbing sounds, but he couldn't do anything.

Three hours passed, but nothing happened. There was nothing wrong with the room, and Silvia was still there.

Suddenly, Alex sensed the fluctuation of the energy. He immediately went to his room, finding no one in the room.

He thought she went to her mansion just to get some time alone, but he saw a body on the ground. The body was like a doll, and its purpose was none other for his dead body. On the body's right hand was a piece of paper that seemed to want to address him something.

Bending down his knees, he took the paper, found the writing behind it, and read it.

"I am sorry, Alex. Everything is my and my family's fault. I never thought that the person you cared about got kidnapped by my own father. I don't want to say something to make me look like I am not at fault, and I am sorry, I really can't handle it anymore.

"I don't have a face to meet you anymore, so I should disappear again. I have made you a body that you can use to fake your death. Don't remove the needle on the face and body since it is in the nurturing process. After you think it has the same face and body as you, you may remove the needles.

"You may then pour a drop of your blood, a drop per day. This would nurture the body's constitution, blood, and Spiritual Energy to look like yours. A month is enough to become a complete body.

"You may treat it as my way of apologizing, but for me, I will always remember it as fulfilling my promise.

"And on the other hand, you will find a crystal. If you destroy the crystal and pour the powder into a compass, you will find my position. Please use it when you reach the stage where it's hard for you to get stronger. I will give you another session of acupuncture.

"I've said it, right? Even if we are separated, I will always be your friend. And I know that your burden is far higher than this, so I will help you as much as I can. However, please don't look for me other than that.

"My family is well respected, and I have been in the center of attention since young...But after meeting you, I believe that a family is built by two sides that love each other, not because of family background, strength, or wealth. It's by how happy you are with him, how enjoyable your time together, and how you wish to make the current happiness last longer to eternity.

"Unfortunately, I feel like I can't fulfill that, so please forget me. I am honored if you still think of me as your friend, but I don't dare to be called more intimate than that.

"I hope your happiness lasts until the end of time. I will be watching you from far away so that not even my father can't find me. Don't worry. I will tell my mother everything since this is my father's fault for going overboard. I will have him apologize to Eulja and try my best to fix the situation.

"People come and go...Unfortunately, this is the time where we need to part ways. Still, there is one thing that I want to convey to you. I love you...And wish you all the best. Goodbye."

Alex dropped to the floor and leaned on one of the bed's legs. He looked at the ceiling, having complex feelings. Everything looked spinning.

If he could believe and didn't put a deaf ear to her explanation, all of this wouldn't happen. He could feel the wavy parts of the paper as if the paper just got dried.

He could even imagine her crying face, and her tears fell on this paper while writing it. They might be God Rank Experts, but before that, they were only a man and a woman that had their weaknesses.

This might be the first time he wished to have the ability to turn back time, fixing this mistake.

Unknowingly, his feeling bloomed when he read the letter, albeit it was too late. He clenched his hands until blood started dripping to the ground.

[Alex...]

"I know, Anna. I know, but..."

[Do you know that when you died, I wanted to kill myself? I even prepared to go to another place and destroyed many planets until someone killed me? But then I realized...Time will heal your wound, and the people around you will accelerate that.]

[I was glad to have two sisters beside me that pulled me before I died. That's why... It's never a goodbye until you die, so don't give up. Even after you died and got my determination back, I didn't give up a single time, and finally...Everything was rewarded.]

[It's never too late. It's just whether you want to fight for it or not.]

Alex closed his eyes and bit his lips. He was pensive, looking back at the time he spent with Silvia.

The time kept flowing until two hours passed. Alex pinched the bridge of his nose, having finished sorting his thoughts.

"I am sorry. I have made you worried." Alex made a small smile. "That's right. This is not a goodbye."

He grabbed a marker from his Inventory and crossed the word "Goodbye" in the letter. He then wrote three words under it, saying, "See you later."

"I will let some time pass. In the meantime, I will handle all the immediate business like meeting your father and mother, meeting with Song Tao for my new spear, and other things. After that, I will search for her again, telling her this is still not over.

"Let the wound recover a little, so I can see whether we can get together again or not. After all, I will just be a nuisance if I come to her right now. If there is still a chance, I will do my best to make it work again. If not...Then I will also wish her happiness."

With newfound determination, he slowly rose from the floor, grabbed the crystal, and stored it inside his Inventory since a Space Ring could be taken, but the Inventory could not. He then placed the body double to the side and stored the letter.

"I am sorry, but I will chase her." Alex apologized again, feeling a bit guilty to chase another woman in front of his wives.

[We will support your decision. Besides, you still have more than two years from the end of the promise.]

Alex smiled when hearing this and agreed. "Yeah. The beginning has an end, and no end has a beginning. Since this relationship is basically over, it will be the mark of a new relationship. This time, I will strive for a stronger one that can't be shaken anymore."

With this thought, he finally fixed his appearance to avoid making Aria worry and came to the training field.

Chapter 993 - Going

Due to that event, Alex focused on his training and slowly regained his calm. He had sworn to settle their relationship at another time, even if it meant ignoring her letter. After all, this wasn't something that could make it over.

Aria soon realized the missing Silvia and asked Alex. However, he only said that she had something to do in her home, so she returned. Not only after, Navin, who wasn't informed by the whole situation, came to Alex.

"What do you want?" Alex asked with a serious expression. If it was Navin alone, he believed he had become stronger than him, so he wasn't scared of him.

"Nothing. I have gotten the information about the young lady, so it's time for me to return." Navin shook his head. "Do you know about the reason why I attacked you back then?"

Alex furrowed his eyebrows. Lin Xingzhi seemed to know about the reason, but she refused to talk. And this had been in his mind this whole time, so he answered. "No."

"My eyes are a bit special. They are called Time Eyes. Although their ability varies, mine can see someone's lifespan. After calculating everything, I found your report and noticed your lifespan. I noticed that you might be the key to break the chain of lifespan that binds people in the Universe.

"It's as if the universe is going to end. So, I try to gather people that might become the keys in the future. But I can't find people like that every so often. The reason I became the Palm God's disciple was due to the fact that both the young lady and her father were the keys to this mystery."

"So, what is my lifespan?" Alex asked.

"I won't say the details, but it's less than a hundred years."

"I see." Alex sighed. "It seems I won't be able to solve it."

"No, no. That's not what I mean. I have said about the key, but imagine a tree. The main trunk has a few branches, and those few branches gave birth to many more branches. This is time. There are so many factors that will shape the branches of your future, but you can only take one.

"For example, in the future, you will meet your demise, but because you gain something precious and change your fate, the future will change according to it. That's why your time will be extended or decreased, depending on your action.

"It will keep changing, so I can't really say the exact details since it won't be precise due to the reasons above. Anyway, the future can be changed. Even if I can see that your lifespan is extended to a ridiculous degree, I won't say that nothing will happen to you.

"And your enemy might also get the transformation they needed to defeat you. So, all I can say is good luck. I hope you have enough time to become strong enough to save the universe."

Alex closed his eyes, absorbing the information he just gave. "I will only save my family, not the universe."

"Great." Navin nonchalantly commented as if he didn't care about his answer. Whatever his motivation, he would get involved in this and needed to see it through, so as long as he dealt with the problem, he didn't give a damn to the motivation.

"By the way, I am Alexander Sirius." Alex stretched his hand, recognizing Navin as one of the fighters that might be useful for the future battle against that beast.

"Olsen, Navin Olsen."

They nodded at each other, knowing they would be fighting their own battle in the future despite having the same goal.

"Good luck."

"You too."

After the small conversation, Navin finally left the world.

Alex, on the other hand, let out a long sigh. It had been a hectic few days. He found Aria kept practicing and smiled. "It's time to practice I guess...Besides, I have to go to the auction in a few months. It's better to prepare myself."

They then trained together for a few months. Alex became more devilish from that point on, torturing her with even more training.

Despite cursing him right on his face, Aria didn't skip a single training, so Alex just followed her and had a spar with her every now and then to keep her motivation up. It turned out to be pretty effective since Aria cultivated even faster.

Alex also got the report about what happened to the Palm God in detail. It turned out that Silvia indeed left her family, saying she wanted to live alone for a period of time.

The result was the Palm God sleeping outside the house without being able to do anything, including go to an inn. The wife was so furious that it might lead to a divorce, but for her kid to have a home to return, she decided to forgive him and punished him in this way.

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A few months later.

In the house, Aria slowly rose from her bed and sighed. "I collapsed again. Why did I always collapse before him, and even though I tried to wake up as soon as I could, I never saw him collapsing? No, that freak was even more resilient than Mya."

"Sigh. There is no end if I talk about him. I can talk a lot about him, but at the same time, I don't know anything. And now, we need to go back to the Luzear Family to attend the auction. I am a bit worried." She furrowed her eyebrows.

When the date became closer and closer, she eventually got a weird idea that she never had with Silvia. There was this repulsive feeling that they shouldn't go to the Luzear Family as if something would happen.

Unlike Silvia, Nella Luzear looked like someone who had a hidden intention in pursuing Alex. She didn't know whether it was her instinct to protect someone who would become her boss in the future or something else, but she still kept this in mind.

"Whatever the case, I should be wary against her. Nyx may look like he knows everything but my sense as a woman is far sharper than him...Yeah." She nodded with a serious expression before coming out of her room, finding Alex, who had been waiting for her, sitting on the couch.

"It's time to go." Alex rose from his seat and waved his hand.

"Yes. I have also brought a formal "dress" for this auction. Considering the scale, I do think I need to dress up a bit." She smiled sweetly as if she was eager to show it to him.

Alex didn't know why but since Silvia's disappearance, she became more conscious of him. He didn't know the reason, but his closest thought was that she worried about him and saw the weak him, so she tried to cheer him up.

Either way, Alex knew that the time they needed to part was near, so Alex didn't put much thought into it.

"That's good. You must look stunning." Alex nodded. In fact, she herself was beautiful. She refused to wear fancy clothes because she had been following the agreement to not stand out unless it was necessary.

Although the main agreement to become someone standing out was half-completed, Alex believed it was enough to make the focus of Ilevis on her.

Alex also had adjusted his plan a little bit and focused on her instead.

With that thought in mind, Alex and Aria flew toward their next target. Their destination was the Luzear Family that would hold their auction in a few weeks.

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The trip took slightly less time than the previous one. It might be due to her becoming a 6-Star Martial Saint. To compensate for her strength, Alex also raised his cultivation stage, but only to 8-Star Martial Saint.

As soon as they arrived in the same city, they found two soldiers in which one of them recognized them. It turned out that he was the soldier that stopped them previously.

Normally, they would go to the Luzear Family and showed this letter to them, signaling their arrival, but Alex didn't really want to have a relationship with them. And even Aria suggested having a room in an inn.

Alex and Aria then headed straight to the inn, taking the closest one from the auction house.

When they arrived, they saw many expensive decorations covered with gold.

'Is this because of the auction? I feel that the decoration is not supposed to be here since it's too extravagant.' Aria asked.

'I don't know. Since it's the closest, it may have some connections with the Luzear Family,' replied Alex while searching for the receptionist.

When he found the counter, he and Aria walked toward him and asked. "Is there an empty room?"

"I am sorry, Sir. We have been reserved by the Luzear Family to allow only the people who will participate in the auction to stay here until the auction starts." The receptionist politely apologized and explained the situation.

Normally, someone would try to mock him by not knowing his position, and Alex didn't want to experience something like that. Hence, he instantly took out the invitation that Nella gave back then. "I am a participant too."

"Oh, I apologize. May I check your invitation, Sir? This is the process that everyone needs to go through."

"It's fine." Alex nodded and handed the letter.

The receptionist didn't open the letter. Instead, he went straight to the blue seal that kept the letter closed and took out a certain device.

When he saw the writing on his device, he was shocked and almost dropped the device to the ground. He sweatdropped and instantly handed back Alex's letter.

"If I did something wrong, I would like to apologize."

"It's fine, you didn't do anything wrong. So, how is the invitation? Can I stay here?" Alex asked politely. Since the other party didn't treat him unethically, he didn't mind giving them respect too, no matter how weak they were.

The receptionist repeatedly nodded and stretched his hand to the side. "I will personally guide you to your room."

Alex and Aria exchanged looks and nodded. "Please."

The two followed him to the highest floor.

"There are only three VVIP Invitations that the Luzear Family handed...The reason for that is the floor. On this floor, there are only three rooms to serve the VVIP guests. If you need anything, please notify us. We will do everything to satisfy you." The receptionist nodded. "I will guarantee it as the head of the receptionists."

"Alright." Alex nodded. "I will be relying on you if I need something."

"I am honored."

Alex then went to his room and instantly activated his Spirit Eyes. He found many God Rank Experts staying in this building, but the most noticeable ones would be those on the same floor.

He recognized their strength since they were Rank 6 Gods.

"I found my way to kill myself and blow it up to a greater scale." Alex smiled.

"Hmm?" Aria turned around and furrowed her eyebrows. "What did you say?"

"Nothing." Alex shrugged. "I just want to warn you that there are many God Rank Experts around us. So, take this with you."

Aria felt Alex's movement and stretched her hand. When she felt scrolls on her hands, she opened her eyes. "What is this?"

"Teleportation Array Plate. Divine Rank ones. You might need to use it later."

"Is that so? Well, there are many experts around this, so if you are targeted, it's hard to imagine you fending them off." She nodded and stored the scrolls inside her Space Ring.

"By the way, here is for you." Alex handed her a book and a letter.

"What are these?" She asked. Alex had been acting weird since they came to this city, but she also couldn't understand what he was thinking.

"You can only open the book when you reach God Rank while you need to open the letter after we leave this city. Can you promise me?"

Aria became even more suspicious but still nodded her head while storing the items inside her Space Ring. "I understand. I promise you."

Chapter 994 - The Night Before The Auction

It seemed his choice by not notifying the Luzear Family was right. No one actually paid him attention, including Nella herself for a few days.

During the night before the event, Aria visited him to talk about the details of the auction.

Alex was sitting on his bed while looking at the moon shining brightly outside his window. The view was amazing for both Alex and Aria.

In Aria's eyes, the moon shone upon Alex and illuminated the room. The wind gently brushed his hair, blowing it lightly. His expression looked gentle, but there was a solemnity behind it as if he was thinking about something important.

Aria never thought that she would see this sight with her Sword Eye. Something rose in her heart, but she didn't know anything about it. On one hand, she wished to comfort this guy that had so much burden on his shoulders. On the other hand, she had yet to be qualified to do that, whether in terms of strength or other things.

'Ah, I wonder...Will I regret for not seeing this sight if I don't have the Sword Eyes that allow me to see? Despite showing his relaxed, calm, composed sides, he actually has so much to bear. And I don't know why but he seems to be different ever since Mya left. I wonder why...' Aria gulped down before gradually walking toward him.

Alex turned over and looked into her eyes, smiling. "You've come..."

"You expected me to come?" Aria asked.

"Yes." Alex nodded, pointed at the book on the table, and said. "That's the catalog. I haven't read it yet, so do you want to read it together?"

The answer came in the form of action. Aria brought the book to Alex and sat down beside him.

Alex smiled. This might be the last time they could do something together since Alex had decided to settle this down after the auction.

"Do you have something that you want to buy?" Alex asked while flipping through the pages.

"I haven't found one yet." She shook her head. "Besides, everything I need is already there, so I am not sure whether I want something. Besides, this auction is big, so I won't have enough money to buy it."

Alex fell silent and kept flipping the book until he found something good.

It was called Golden Lightning Brit Root. He instantly recalled the pill called Heavenly Lightning Pill, which seemed to be good to a Lightning Element user. It was perfect for Rose, so he planned to buy one. Other than that, he had no use of them.

"Do you find something?" Alex finished the whole book and asked.

"No." She shook her head. "I don't find anything that is useful to me right now."

"Right now? Then do you have something in your mind?" Alex smiled. "Well, if you are aiming for this Golden Lightning Brit Root, I am going to acquire it myself. There is a chance to make two Heavenly Lightning Pills with a single root, so I will be sending one to you since I only need to give one to my disciple. You can take it as a bonus payment from me."

Aria scratched the back of her head with a complicated expression. "Am I qualified to get something like that? You have been doing everything to me as far as I know. In fact, I am so useless that even without me, you can do it perfectly fine."

"Nope. You don't realize it, but you have helped me a few times." Alex smiled and stopped the conversation since he didn't want to explain it.

"I...Really?"

"Yeah. That's why. Don't reject the pill later, alright?" Alex smiled. "Though I might not be the one refining it."

"Thank you very much." Aria bowed her head to him. "I wonder why you are so nice to people?"

"No, I am not." Alex shook his head.

"No, you certainly are. You are kinder and stronger than anyone else. You know your conscience and will make a decisive decision...One that you won't regret in the future. You must have gone through a lot unlike me who could only cultivate in my own courtyard in the past." She sighed.

"You should be more confident. You also have gone through a lot. Just keep living in this world without being able to see alone is already enough. The mocking, oppositions, and pressure. You are strong, and because you know how it feels like to be on the side of the oppressed, you can become kinder than anyone else." Alex smiled. "There is one thing that I want to say. You have a talent that you have yet to recognize. And I think you can develop that later."

"I have another talent?" She tilted her head in confusion.

"Yes. That might be the reason I invited you to work for me."

"What kind of quality do I have to make you do that?" She started questioning herself to what talent she actually had could impress him. Though, getting praise this high from Alex certainly made one get more hype.

"Anyway, let's go back to the topic. I only have one mission for you. Whatever you do, don't question my decision and just do it. This will be the biggest factor in whether I can achieve my objective or not. Can you do that?"

"What is your plan?"

"I am sorry, but I am unable to tell you that right now." Alex shook his head. He knew if he told her about him leaving her, she would start questioning or even do something reckless like refusing his order.

"I...Understand." Aria certainly felt a bit sad that Alex didn't have the intention to talk about the objective with her, but she decided to trust him.

Little did she know, this would be the last time they could have a peaceful talk like this. Due to him accompanying her for almost two years, she had grown too comfortable with him around. The loss would hit her deep, but without him, Aria needed to grow up once more.

This was the best separation that Alex could give with his current circumstances.

"If you are done, you should rest your body. Tomorrow is a big day after all." He smiled.

"Alright, then." She nodded with a gentle smile and walked toward the door before halting her footstep as soon as she grabbed the handle. "Nyx..."

Alex looked at her solemnly, but the word stuck on her throat, so she could only leave while saying, "No. Never mind. Good night."

"Yes, good night." Alex nodded.

After Aria closed the door, Alex laid down on his bed and looked at his ceiling while sighing. "This is really hard."

[Are you okay?]

"It's fine. You began to become a worrywart after that day." Alex smiled.

Lin Xingzhi kept monitoring his mental state after Silvia left. It seemed she was worried about Alex's condition, especially when he thought it was his fault.

"I have done all my parts in this world, and it's time for me to leave. There are still four months left before the Sword Pavilion is opened, so I can check whether she is alright or not for now. After that, I will leave this world according to the schedule and start settling my matters." Alex nodded.

[Still, to think you have become a Rank 8 God this easily. And your Sword Qi cultivation is even faster than you've expected.]

"Haha... That's also surprising. But I believe it's due to Aria releasing the Sword Qi from her Sword Eyes that allowed me to gather the energy easier. I have passed Rank 6 and almost reached Rank 7. It won't be hard to reach Rank 7 before the Sword Pavilion and aim for Rank 8 before leaving this world." Alex nodded.

[Fair enough.]

"Now that I think about it, I have gotten so much in this world." Alex smiled. "The first will be Heilo and Leka. I have ordered them to leave the sect according to my plan and meet me somewhere since I will be taking them to Eulja.

"After that, I met with the Sword God and learned about the possibility of my Three Purities Slash. Then I got Sword Qi, the pure one of course, and also the ticket for this Sword Pavilion. I also got the Eternal Ice Flower.

"Then, I met Eve and fixed the problem of my body. I met Silvia and Aria. Still, when we reach the end. I couldn't do anything to Silvia, but I will try to protect Aria when I leave this world."

[By planning all this stuff?]

"Yeah. I can't do anything about the parting stuff, so I can only give a bit of motivation so she can reach God Rank faster. That is if she wants. And since I will be doing something reckless, I will not drag her down later...Well, I will do my best." Alex put a gentle smile while stroking his sword.

Eve then came out and stood before him with a serious expression. "Master. You are usually energetic, but why are you so down?"

"Haha... It's hard to see me like this?" Alex smiled. He certainly was someone who put too much emotion into every single thing. At first, it was when Sandra betrayed him, and he could only cry. Then, it was when he needed to seal Alicia in the Time Box. Not long after that, he learned about his teacher's death and so on.

He was a pretty emotional guy, and he didn't mind it because this was his weakness but also his strength. This emotion gave him the determination to get even stronger.

"Yes. Well, I started following you a year ago, so I never saw you like this."

"Fair enough, but you will see more in the future. After all, you are not going to abandon me and search for a new master, right?" Alex smiled.

"Of course. I am ready to follow you until death. This is the path I've chosen myself back when we met. I don't know your burden, but I promise you to become the sword that can cut anything, including your fate. I won't let them off if fate wants you to die."

"Haha...I need to thank you in advance then."

"Then, can I ask about your past?"

"Sure. It will be a long story, so I will just keep it short. Though it will still take a few hours."

"I will be with Master for thousands of years, why would I care about a few hours?"

Alex nodded and began telling his story to Eve.

Knowing Alex had such a past, Eve understood him more and more, understanding why he would think that way and this way. This might even boost their performances.

Either way, Alex passed the night with story-telling.

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The next day.

Alex came out of his room and found Aria with a butler outfit that even surprised Alex. He thought she would wear a dress, but she instead wore what a man would wear.

She didn't wear a mask and kept her eyes open. She seemed to put on a wig as if she wanted to do something different.

Alex couldn't understand what she was thinking, so he asked. "Why are you wearing this?"

"You wanted to hide your identity, right? If I wore this and had no blind eyes, the Luzear Family will only know me as a different person. I can pretend to be your butler or someone that your "Master" sent before he died. This way, they won't look down on you and won't do something they can't afford to. Besides, that Nella seems to want only you to come. So, I came up with this."

Alex widened his eyes, never expecting her to think this way. It was true that with an outfit like this, it would make her identity more oblivious. It would also protect her from anyone he tried to offend to "accidentally" kill him.

"Well, that's fine too, I guess." Alex smiled. "Thank you for the thought."

Little did she know Alex's reason and her reason were two completely different things, but both had their own benefits, so Alex didn't mention it.

"How should I call you then?"

"Call me Jack."

"Weird taste."

"Shut up."

Chapter 995 - How Daring

"Aa... Aaa... Aria's voice kept echoing in the room as she tested the perfect voice that should come out from a man. Her voice gradually turned heavier. Although it didn't look like a typical man, combined with her beauty that still couldn't be hidden by the makeup, she appeared to be a beautiful man.

Unless people started touching her chest or her crotch, no one should know she was a woman.

"Still, I am wondering what your real intention is." Alex narrowed his eyes.

"I just feel that Nella will try to approach you during this auction. And it might be something that is too big for you to handle, so I think I can help you by dressing like this."

"You want people to think I am gay?"

"It's just the last resort." She shrugged. "Besides, sooner or later, you will leave this world, so what is the point in maintaining your image? No one knows about your real identity yet, so who cares?"

[Pfft. This girl is crazy. No wonder she could keep her calm when she was almost raped in the past.]

'You shut up.' Alex sighed inwardly before looking at Aria. "Well, your identity won't be exposed as well, so I think it's fine. Just make sure that it's the last resort, alright?"

"Yes." She nodded.

Alex then turned around and walked straight to the door. "Let's go then."

Aria smiled and followed him. "Yes, Young Master."

She immediately acted like his "secret" butler. Her expectation when Nella saw this, she would feel disgusted and maintain her distance from Alex, but she might also think the fact why Alex had no thought about herself or Nella was because of this preference him.

Alex didn't pay more attention to it and headed straight to the auction building with the hotel staff becoming his guide.

He gave some tips to him since he took care of the entire process until the auction's staff took over his job and led him to his room.

Surprisingly, Alex found someone in the room. He didn't need to guess who it was.

When he entered the room, that person hurriedly stood up and greeted him. "Welcome, Mister Nyx. Please forgive me for not being able to visit you during your stay."

"No need to mind me." Alex waved his hand and looked for an empty seat. "I wonder what does Miss Nella want with me?"

"Every single VVIP room will have one personal bidder that can help you during the auction. I will help you during this auction, so you can rest assured." She smiled.

Aria saw this and furrowed her eyebrows. It seemed her worry was true. Little did she know, Nella was more prepared than she could imagine.

It started from the cup on the table. Alex could see a trace of poison on the glass and felt something was wrong.

'What is this?' Alex tried to identify the poison but to no avail.

Lin Xingzhi then took over and asked Anna and Anya about it, finding something amazing. She then informed Alex.

[There is an aphrodisiac smeared inside the cup. This girl went a bit too far, no?]

'Yes. From the dosage alone, I believe it is not much, but it is enough to make one aroused. Now, I wonder whether I should make her leave.' Alex agreed.

[Not yet. With her in this room, she will be able to be your witness from doing your action. After that, they will soon realize that you have died, so they will probably give up on you after that. This will become a better proof to the Unsurpassed Blade Sect after taking the information from Aria.]

'Fair enough. Since she tries to take advantage of me, I will do the same then.' Alex smiled inwardly.

He then acted as if he didn't know anything and walked to the glass inside the room. The room itself wasn't really that spacious since they needed to give enough space for others. Luckily, there was an array to block off the vision from outside, so they couldn't see him in front of the glass.

At the same time, he also couldn't see other guests from the other two rooms.

Suddenly, Nella's attention was taken by another person that came inside the room. It was Aria.

She never thought Alex brought someone with him, and it wasn't Aria.

"He is Jack, my butler." Alex introduced Aria and sat on the couch.

Nella tilted her head as if she felt something wrong with the guy here, but she just couldn't see what it was.

However, considering Jack, who was only his butler, she only nodded and turned around, ignoring him. For a person with such a level, she didn't need to greet him. And it seemed Alex didn't mind it too because he didn't say anything.

Little did she know, both Alex and Aria already sighed in their hearts. Aria knew Alex didn't like someone who could easily look down on people. Even her, who would become her subordinate sooner or later, was treated like that of a family, let alone his butler.

This was already a minus point, and Aria knew that her choice in disguising herself as a man was the right choice.

Either way, she walked toward Alex and stood right next to him. "Young Master."

"Yes." Alex decided to follow what Nella thought was right by waving his hand. "Stand beside me."

"I understand."

Seeing this, Nella then grabbed the cup and poured tea for him. "Do you like tea?"

This looked like the perfect time to execute her plan. With how indifferent Alex was to his butler, she could chase him away later after getting affected by the aphrodisiac.

Unfortunately, Alex instantly stopped her and said, "It's fine. I don't like drinking, especially in a time like this. An auction is a place where one shows wealth, but it might also become warfare the next second, so it's better to not drink."

"We, the Luzear Family, will guarantee your safety, so you don't need to worry." Nella was surprised that Alex rejected her, but she didn't give up and continued persuading him.

Alex shook his head. "Nah, I'm good. This is my principle, so I am afraid I can't accept your kindness."

Nella started shaking inside, wondering what she should do with her main plan failing. The concentration of the aphrodisiac inside the drink was so small that even Alchemist found it hard to sense, so it should be a perfect plan to deal with Alex. But even if she knew about it, she could simply blame others to make it look like someone else's fault.

Unfortunately, the plan was already a failure, so she could only do it manually.

"In that case, we can only wait. The auction will start in thirty minutes, so it won't be too long. In the meantime, is there anything you need?" Nella smiled while gently taking out the cup and tea, wanting to bring it together to prevent Alex from knowing her plan.

"No. I don't need anything." Alex shook his head.

"In that case, I will clean this up first." Nella nodded, still trying to clean up the evidence.

When she was out, Aria let out a long sigh. "I thought she was going to recognize me."

Alex nodded. He had checked the room and found nothing that would record them, so it was fine to let Aria act normally again for the time being. "To think she will resort to aphrodisiac. I have seen her previously, but since when did she become this daring?"

"What? She used what?"

"Aphrodisiac. The dosage is low, so I won't notice. And before long, I will start getting aroused and thinking I want her. At that time, it will be done." Alex shrugged.

"Seriously?" She narrowed her eyes. "You said she becomes this daring? Or she has been this daring from before, just never letting you see it."

"Who knows. If it's the former, her family might be forcing her to do this. After all, I feel like there is something wrong, and I feel she is aiming at me with a hidden intention, so there is a possibility of her family knowing it. If it's the latter, then I might need to reconsider my approach." Alex's expression turned serious.

"What are you going to do then? We can expose her..."

"Nah. It will become too troublesome at that point. We still need to buy a medicinal herb. Anyway, just pretend you don't know anything. She still has her use." Alex smiled.

"Understood." Aria nodded.

After a few minutes, Nella returned to the room. She had changed her clothes into a more revealing one.

"Please excuse me. The auction is going to start, so I need to wear the required clothes." Nella calmly explained as if she didn't do anything wrong.

Meanwhile, Aria already clicked her tongue and claimed it as a bullsh*t.

Alex didn't look like it, but he already had no trust in her. He took a glance at her and nodded before focusing back on the auction.

He checked their cultivation strength and thought there was nothing wrong with it. No one would have enough strength to steal it. And those who had the power were either VIP or VVIP, so there was no point in worrying about them.

The light in the auction room became dim before the main light illuminated the stage. A young man appeared while pushing a chart with an item on it.

The item was a Divine Bow, but the lowest quality he had ever seen, so he had no need for it. But since he wanted to make an enemy here that would seriously kill him, he needed to check their intake in this, so he decided to participate in the next round as soon as either the other two VVIPs took part.

After all, they were the only ones qualified to be his opponents.

"By the way, who are they?" Alex pointed at the two rooms.

"The left one is the Ruinshak Family, our competitor. Although they are our enemies, their pocket is deep, so we want to empty that first using this auction. As for the other one, that is the Envoy from the Qerty Family, but this one is more dangerous than the first one. And yeah, they are also our enemies." She nodded.

Alex thought for a moment and smiled.

"Do you have an item in your mind? We can give you one for free."

"I will pay it myself, so you don't need to worry." Alex waved his hand, telling his stance in this auction.

"We have promised you an item from an auction, so we will keep it no matter what." She looked at Alex with a serious expression.

Alex pondered the pros and cons before accepting it. "Alright. In that case, I do have an item in my mind."

"May I know what it is?"

"Lightning Brit Root."

"What?" Nella widened her eyes, and her face turned pale. "This..."

Chapter 996 - "Love"

"Ladies and Gentlemen. I am Ryan Luzear, the first son of the Luzear Family. I am sure you all are looking forward to this auction, so I will only tell you the rules of our auction house and immediately start this auction.

"We only have a few rules. First, no killing, snatching, fighting, and any other things that require physical contact and destroy a part of a whole building. Second, we will ensure the safety of every person in this building, so please give us a face.

"Thirdly, everything will be resolved with money, so we encourage people to bid because you will be safe as long as you are in this building. The last rule is simple. Every time you bid on an item, you need to pay it immediately, or we will take your right of the item, classifying you as a troublemaker that only wants to disturb this auction.

"That's all. We hope that you can respect this rule, each other, and us. In that case, let's start this auction with the first item, Zunkheon Bow. This Bow might be a low Rank 9 Weapon, but there is something special within this Bow.

"The consciousness residing within the Bow is stronger than your average consciousness, making it easier to channel your energy to the Bow. The auction starts with ten million Spirit Crystal. Any bid can't be less than one million. Start." The young man explained, and the auction officially began.

"Eleven million!"

"Thirteen million!"

The auction became heated as soon as it started since the items in this auction were so good.

Meanwhile, only one room didn't get the same excitement as the one outside.

"This..." Nella was lost. She looked left and right, trying to figure out how to solve the problem.

For a second, Alex found the previous Nella, the one that tried to become cool and even though she was on her wits' end. It was easier to handle her this way rather than when she used trickery.

Alex remained calm and asked. "Is there a problem?"

"Ehm. I might need to consult this matter with my parents first." She scratched the back of her head while sweating. "You just asked about the identity of the other two VVIPs, right? The right one is actually aiming for this herb."

"Ho?!" This piqued Alex's interest since Alex wanted something like this. If he could have them chase him, he could fake his death.

"He is backed by one of the three sects, the Elemental Sect. Because of his lightning talent, he wants this medicinal herb to boost his cultivation, so he comes here with an Elder from the sect and an Elder from his family. One is a Rank 6 God and the other one is a Rank 7 God. I am afraid if you take this one...they..."

"If you can't participate in it, then don't bother. I will simply buy it with my own money." Alex shrugged.

"This..." Nella wanted to persuade him, but his serious expression indirectly told her that his opinion wouldn't change. This clearly went above her capacity, and she decided to retreat to discuss it with her

mother and father. After all, the strongest person in this family was only a Rank 5 God, it was hard to fight against the Elemental Sect.

Alex, on the other hand, hoped that there was an arrogant young master that would fight him. He even chanted it inwardly. 'Come come, arrogant young master, come to me.'

[This is the first time you love to see an arrogant young master...]

'Because this type of person is the most useful way to get an enemy.' Alex laughed inwardly.

"I need to go out a bit." Nella hurriedly left the room, heading straight to her parents.

Meanwhile, Aria was baffled by the sudden transformation in Nella's personality. "Was she the same person?"

"Yes. When everything didn't go according to her plan, she was easy to get flustered." Alex nodded, confirming her doubt.

Aria didn't know what to think about Nella. The transformation was too ridiculous.

"Still, what are you going to do with those people in the other VVIP room?" She asked.

"Nothing. I will simply beat them with my money. It will be better if the Luzear Family can pay for it, but I don't think they will. After all, they are merely a merchant family, so they won't dare to pick a fight with a giant sect. The only thing their aim is to weaken the enemy's power by "robbing" their Spirit Crystals." Alex shrugged.

"Now that I think about it, there is an unspoken rule between the three sects. Unless it's something too big, the people from the sect shouldn't interfere with the matter in the outside world. And if they do, they should have prepared to get expelled from the sect. My brother wants to take advantage of the sect to get stronger too, so I know this." Aria nodded.

"Yeah. That's probably the reason."

"Is this the reason why you gave me the Teleportation Array Plates?" Aria noticed something was wrong with his actions during the past few days and asked.

"Yes. We might need to split up and leave this place using the Array Plates, so I give it to you. Besides, I am a God Rank Expert, so they won't be able to defeat me easily." Alex smiled as he didn't forget to assure her.

"I understand. I will follow your plan." Her expression was serious and her tone was severe.

This matter might concern their life and death, but seeing Alex already had a plan, she just needed to trust him, believing it would go according to the plan.

He then looked at the stage as it was already the fourth item.

On the stage, a vase with a strange pattern was auctioned. It was pretty mysterious, but Alex knew it only had a special array. Arrays were something he didn't lack and his knowledge about it was already too vast for him to absorb within months, so he ignored this vase until he heard a woman's voice coming from the room next to him.

"Thirty Million."

When her voice echoed in the room, the atmosphere turned silent as if they were thinking something complicated.

"Thirty million once."

"Thirty million twice."

"Thirty-one million." Alex raised the bid. Although he knew who to aim for, there was no guarantee that the people in the right room would buy it, so he wanted to make an assurance.

"Thirty-two million." The other raised it again.

Alex narrowed his eyes and kept raising the bids a few times while observing the room with his Spirit Eyes, but he couldn't sense any killing intents, so he thought he couldn't provoke these people and decided to let them win this item.

After all, he didn't want to waste his money like this, considering the money came from Eulja. Although he planned to open the door that contained Spirit Crystal in Encore, the money he had right now was still not his. He couldn't waste it easily.

Alex's guess was right. In the left room, the beautiful young lady only glanced over to the right and asked. "Who is in our right? Is he Young Master Quila?"

"He is not, Young Lady. It's a different person, but unfortunately, we can't find his identity."

"For an unknown person to get a VVIP invitation...He must be someone special. He is either someone influential or knows the Luzear Family. Can you investigate him for me?" She asked the elder behind her.

"Sure. I am also curious."

"Yeah. Try not to make an enemy easily since our situation is not that good after that mission. To think Nella Luzear managed to grasp the inheritance and become one of the people that the three sects want."

"Rank 2 God, huh..." The elder sighed and nodded. "I will do my best."

Just as the two were discussing him, the other room was also searching for Alex's identity. They normally got the information pretty easily, but the Luzear Family seemed to be protecting him just by looking at how hard it was to get the information about this person.

They only got his name which was Nyx, but they didn't know his influence or background, so they didn't know what this person wanted.

While these two became curious, Alex was relaxed. He knew that this move would certainly make them pay attention to him. And seeing that he had enough buying power, it was enough to make them think that he might be able to snatch an item they wanted.

This would build up the tension between them, and he planned to take advantage of that situation to anger them.

With a gentle smile on his face, he leaned on his chair and waited until the chance to antagonize the other room appeared.

Unfortunately, that chance didn't come easily. He needed to wait for twenty items before they began bidding.

The item was a spear that was imbued by Lightning Element. Alex then took another look at the room beside him. "Three people. One Rank 6 God, one Rank 7 God, and one Rank 10 God. The so-called young master is probably the Rank 10 God, which is very good. I love a stronger young master because they are more arrogant."

His voice was low, so even Aria couldn't hear it perfectly.

"Is there something wrong?" Aria asked.

"Nothing. I am just praising their strength." Alex shrugged. "Anyway, I am going to bid this."

"One hundred million!" The bid came from the VIP room below his room.

After that, his target raised the bid again. "One hundred ten million!"

The VIP Room seemed to have no more money, so they stopped.

It was the time for Alex to show his wealth.

"One hundred twenty."

"What?!" The young man widened his eyes and glared at the VVIP Room beside him. "One hundred thirty!"

"One hundred forty."

"This friend, I am Quila Siko, the disciple of Elder Lei Tian of the Elemental Sect. I wonder if this friend can let go of such a treasure? This Quila will thank you." The young man decided to talk because the spear's price was about to surpass its quality, so he wanted to show his identity to make Alex stop bidding.

"I apologize. We compare wealth in an auction, not identity." Alex's tone was nonchalant and clearly taunted him.

The young man became even angrier. His teacher was a kind of a peak master in the Unsurpassed Blade Sect and his rank was like that of the top five. In addition, the Elemental Sect didn't have restrictions like the Unsurpassed Blade Sect, so their teacher could easily help them kill someone. That was why only a few people would dare antagonize him. Yet, this unknown person dared to do it, how could he swallow it?

Albeit, not all people were like him. The elder that was with him immediately stopped him. "Wait, Young Master. There are two possibilities regarding this situation. Firstly, it's all a bluff. The Luzear Family might want you to spend more money than necessary by using that young man, but this is a bit unlikely. Even if we have our unspoken rule, we also ask for their respect to make it fair.

"In that case, we will be stuck with the second possibility. There is a chance that this young man dares to bid the spear because he believes he has enough power to content against you, including your background. If that's the case, he must be extraordinary, and we need to proceed with caution."

Quila finally regained his calm after getting the advice from the elder. He was sent by his teacher to protect him, so his word was quite effective.

However, another problem came. The elder from his family returned while shouting. "I have gotten the information. I have negotiated with an elder of this auction house and found that the one next to us is Nyx. He has a relationship with Melvie, the disciple of the Sword Blossom Peak's peak master."

When Quila heard that, he instantly snorted. "If he thinks that his relationship with her can protect him, he is wrong. There is no way that Melvie will protect him, much less the peak master. In that case...

"One hundred fifty million! I want it!"

On the contrary, Alex was smiling from ear to ear as he commented. "Oh, how I love an arrogant young master."

Chapter 997 - It's A Steal

"Oh, how I love an arrogant young master," Alex exclaimed with a smile.

[Usually, they are something that should be avoided since they are troublemakers, but it seems this one is a bit special.]

"Yes. The problem is whether the elders around him will stop him or not..." Alex nodded with a smirk. Since the other party had started, he raised the bid even further. "One hundred sixty!"

"What?!" The young master gritted his teeth.

"Young master Quila, I am afraid we shouldn't fight for it because it will just be a waste of money." The elder from his house advised him but to no avail.

"Do you think I don't know about it? But since he is going to offend me with just that tiny strength, it's better to eliminate him." Quila had a sinister smile on his face. "The Luzear Family should have checked his belongings, right? It means he does have this amount of money. We will buy this spear as high as we like and eliminate that guy after this.

"In other words, these are free items for us. Do you think I just recklessly fight for it? Besides, we won't make a political battle with the Unsurpassed Blade Sect due to their tradition. All those people who have gone out of the sect won't be protected by the sect.

"Hence, we are able to kill them. And now, someone who only knows a peak master's favorite disciple dares to anger me? I will just take this chance to win everything."

The two elders looked at him with a complicated expression. On one hand, they agreed with his explanation. On the other hand, they felt something was missing in his logic.

The other party should also know their identity, so if he dared to fight them, it meant whoever it was had something to assure his protection.

They needed to wait and see whether they could understand the other party's motive, so they didn't stop their young master for the time being.

Meanwhile, Alex was contemplating whether he should make an excuse or something to bait him even more, but he heard the other party shouted out loud.

"One hundred seventy! Since you dare to not give me face, I won't let you have the spear either."

'Nice.' Alex said inwardly and immediately replied. "As always, you look down on people. You have never realized how many people you have ruined because of that arrogance. Since that is the case, I won't hold back. One hundred eighty!"

The auction room became silent. They never expected that one of the VVIPs had a grudge against Quila.

When the elders heard this, their eyes intertwined and thought the same thing. "So, all this just for revenge."

"He couldn't contain his anger anymore and choose to do this?"

The elders began their discussion while Quila's smile became even bigger.

He never thought that there was someone like him who was so foolish and didn't know his standing. Quila shouted back. "Do you think you are good? No, you are foolish. A mere Martial Saint dares to challenge me."

Before he wanted to release his Divine Energy, he stopped and remembered the rule of the auction house. Although he didn't like the rule and wanted to crush Alex, his teacher had asked him not to make too much commotion, especially with the outside family.

In that case, he raised the bid again. "One hundred ninety. You won't be able to beat me, peasant."

Since it had increased twenty percent of its market price, he decided to end this bid and just let him buy it."

"One hundred ninety million. Going once."

"Going twice."

"Sold!"

When they saw their young master buying a spear with that much money, they became a bit worried.

"Young Master."

"Don't worry. We practically buy this spear with free money since we will get the rest from his corpse." Quila smiled. "I have my own way. I wonder what his face will be if he knows that everything he has will become mine in the end. I am looking forward to seeing his despair.

Alex only enjoyed his time inside the room, unaware of Quila's real thoughts. Either case, he would surely chase him after this, especially after the last bid.

Aria started panicking when she saw Alex's expression. "Nyx. Why are you antagonizing him? If the other party—"

Alex stopped her and said. "You will see why I did this later."

Even though she was unwilling to back down, she ultimately stopped asking him and stepped back. "Alright."

Not long after this, Nella, who seemed to understand the real situation, stormed inside with a complicated expression. "Are you insane? What are you doing?"

Alex looked at her and lied with a cold gaze. "What? I can't do that? You don't know what I have gone through, so don't you dare advise me with all bullsh*ts."

"Wha—" Nella never expected to hear Alex speak such words. In her mind, Alex was calm and composed, but the current Alex was the exact opposite.

Suddenly, a thought arose in her mind, and she started misunderstanding the whole situation. She looked at him, specifically his mask.

Not many had seen his face, but when she recalled his burn marks that seemed to create a deep scar in his heart, she realized the whole matter.

'Don't tell me...The one that inflicted that wound was Quila? He said it's reminding him of something important, so this must be the truth. And seeing how he reacts, he must have another thing that makes him this crazy.

'His family? Did his family get ruined by Quila? Or maybe by his Siko Family? Wait a minute. Was the reason he joined the mission to help me because the Siko Family participated in this? If I see it this way, it makes sense.

'In other words, the fight between them is assured. If I help him, there is a chance that he will die. In that case, the promise with the ancestor is annulled. However...If he really is someone who is worth the effort?' Nella fell into deep thought, wondering whether she should show the stance of the Luzear Family or not.

On one hand, if Alex were someone like the person in her ancestor's mouth, the moment he rose to the top, their Luzear Family would reap the most benefits. However, this situation seemed to be leaning to the edge of failure because he couldn't contain his anger.

Nella couldn't easily decide this and contemplated on what to do. If she left the room once again, Alex would surely suspect her, but this matter was already beyond her league. This type of matter was something that the family head should decide, not her.

With a heavy heart, she left the room once again, discussing this matter with her parents.

Alex only smiled while Aria shook her head, knowing that her chance was practically nonexistent.

Unlike Aria, who was bold enough to separate herself from her family, Nella leaned to her family too much.

Alex took a few more bids to fight Quila to make his bluff more believable.

An hour later, Nella had yet to return while the auction had gone to the last item, the main item that Quila needed to increase his cultivation.

"We have finally reached the end of our last item. To close it, we will present you with the best items that we have brought. This is called Lightning Brit Root. It has the powerful Lightning Element inside it that can increase one's cultivation dramatically, even for God Rank Experts.

"Unfortunately, this pill is still considered a Low Rank Divine Herb. So, the bid will start from one hundred million Spirit Crystal. Every bit can't be lower than ten million. Start!"

"One hundred ten..."

"One hundred twenty..."

The people from below started bidding like normal before Quila stated out loud. "Three hundred million Spirit Crystal. I wonder who dares to fight me for it?!"

None of them actually dared to take it from them, but they also knew this was a blatant taunt to Alex.

Their eyes were locked in Alex's room.

Alex smiled and tested the water. "Three hundred fifty."

"Four hundred million!"

They didn't follow the standard anymore, but none of them dared to raise an objection. From normal people's perspective, these two were trying to flaunt their wealth, but for the Luzear Family, they didn't mind because if they followed the same patterns as the previous items, it would go beyond one billion Spirit Crystals.

"Four hundred fifty million." Alex didn't mind since this was the only item he wanted. He had played enough to make Quila do his bidding. If his character were like he predicted, this would be a smooth sail.

Aria had yet to understand his real motive and kept questioning in her mind. When she saw Alex buying a single herb for four hundred fifty million Spirit Crystals, she had no words. For her, it was something beyond her capability, so it made her wonder how wealthy Alex truly was.

But to everyone's surprise, Quila suddenly backed down from the fight and said. "You bastard! If not because of you bidding against me, I will get this item without any problem. Do you think you are safe because we are in this auction?"

Alex only closed his eyes with a smile, knowing everything was according to his plan. There was no need to explain it anymore. What Quila said was a lie.

"This..." Aria narrowed her eyes, looking at Alex.

"A medicinal herb like this can go as far as one billion Spirit Crystal. One to ten billion is the price for Mid Rank Divine Herb, while the highest herb can go as far as one hundred to two hundred billion. That's why this is a discounted price.

"His statement is a lie. It's just a facade to get this herb without using his money. After all, he will surely come after me as soon as we leave the auction house. Just calculate the money he used to buy those few items...If we subtract the market price, there is only an additional two hundred million.

"If he killed us, it's the same as buying this sword with only two hundred million. Since there is friction between his family and the Luzear Family, he mustn't want to give too much money to them either, so yeah, this is the best solution.

"And there are also our belongings. He will win big, or at least, that's what he thought. Meanwhile, it's a bit different in our point of view. We haven't used a single Spirit Crystal in this auction and only buy this herb for less than half the price. Isn't that a steal?" Alex smiled.

Aria gasped, never thinking it had been structured like this.

"I am sure you can make a strategy like this, but you need more experience. After all, you were a sheltered young lady for a long time, and that talent couldn't bloom properly. Take this lesson to your heart and become stronger." Alex smiled.

In their perspective, they would have a big win, but whether they were the winner or not would be determined whether Alex died or not after this.

Suddenly, Aria grasped something behind Alex's real intention and remembered how he asked a body double from Silvia.

"Don't tell me. Are you planning to die?"

"Not die." Alex shook his head. "I can handle the Rank 6 God since he is a Fire Element. As for the Rank 7 God, he won't be able to kill me. I will just act as if he is able to kill me and hide."

"Then...Are you..."

"Nope. It's time for me to leave. That's why this is my last lesson for you. Don't stop training and keep improving yourself." Alex smiled.

"You..." Aria never expected that Alex would leave today. "You still..."

"I will still go to the Sword Pavilion, but you won't recognize me. After that, I will leave this world. This is the perfect chance to make everyone believe me. And this requires your effort too..."

Aria looked down, feeling complicated. She never thought the day would come this soon, but she knew Alex wouldn't change her mind.

She walked behind him and hugged him from behind. "I understand. Leave everything to me, and I will soon come after you. Thank you for everything."

Alex closed his eyes and smiled.

Chapter 998 - Time To Go

Just like Alex predicted, Quila informed the same thing as what Alex said.

"It turns out he is not that stupid, but he still won't be able to escape from me." Quila smirked.

"This won't make the Luzear Family stronger that easily and won't affect us that much. As expected from the young master." The elder nodded with appreciation. He never thought that this was all just a farce from him.

He was ready to stop him if he did something excessive in this auction house, but it seemed to be not necessary.

Quila looked back at the elder from his family and asked. "There is one thing you need to do. The medicinal herb will be brought to him in ten minutes. I want you to use the Array Plate to restrict any usage of the Teleportation Array. We can't afford to let him escape with something like that."

"Understood. I bring it with me, so I will do it as soon as possible."

"After this, regroup with us. We will follow that person, kill him, and become the biggest winner." Quila nodded.

The elder bowed his head to him and disappeared.

Meanwhile, the auction had officially ended. There was a deep disappointment for the host because they realized they had lost a big time. They never thought that it wouldn't reach one billion.

Who could they blame at this point? They wanted to say something about Alex, but the one who stopped bidding was Quila. At the same time, they couldn't really touch him easily because of his backing, and it would also hurt their reputation.

As for Alex, he kept his bidding war against Quila, making it look like he was trying to jack up the price. The last one looked scripted, but it didn't seem to be like that for those who knew Alex's ruined face.

In other words, Alex had just lost against Quila, and his life was in danger.

Still, the aforementioned person appeared so relaxed in his room while waiting for his medicinal herbs.

After a few minutes, Nella came to him, bringing the medicinal herbs he won.

"Nyx...I am sorry, I wanted to visit you immediately, but my mother and father didn't allow me to." Nella put on a sad face. Even if they couldn't stay the same, they didn't want to lose the relationship with Alex.

Either Alex and Quila would come out at the top here, so if they maintained this relationship, whether Alex died or not wouldn't really affect them.

Aria only snorted inwardly to Nella's acts, knowing it was all facts.

However, Alex treated Nella as if he didn't know this. He looked at her with a sad expression and said softly. "I also want to apologize. I couldn't contain my anger early on, so now I am trapped inside this predicament. But worry not, I have the Teleportation Array Plate to escape from this place. As long as I can leave, I will be able to do something next."

"How...How about staying in this auction house for a while? With your strength, I am sure you can call up reinforcement from the Unsurpassed Blade Sect." Nella asked.

Alex shook his head. "No. I have another plan. As long as I can lead them away to a certain spot, I have my own group that can defeat them."

He then glanced over Aria. The latter nodded her head. "Yes. We have enough troops to deal with those three. I can act as your bait this time too."

With her claims, Nella slowly gained the confidence to bet in Alex and said. "I can ask my family to send experts to help you escape."

Alex smiled. "Thank you. But I can't implicate you in my revenge."

"But..."

Alex closed her mouth with his finger. "Don't worry. Trust me."

With this last assurance, Alex managed to convince Nella. She then presented the medicinal herb to Alex.

The root was blue like that of a crystal, but when one touched it, they would realize how soft it was as if they touched human skin. Still, the immeasurable Lightning Energy coming out of it made people want to stay away from this thing unless they had a Lightning Element.

Alex took the token and handed a Space Ring to her.

Nella checked the Spirit Crystals inside it and confirmed the number. "I have received the Spirit Crystals. The transaction is over. Congratulations."

He smiled. The Spirit Crystals came from Eulja's treasury, so he felt a bit bad to use it this way, but at least, he bought something useful, and he would also give it back later when he came to Encore again.

Considering there were a few hundred billion in Encore, this less than half a million thing wouldn't be counted as an expensive item.

So, he immediately stored it in his Space Ring, so Nella could witness it. He then said, "Can you leave me alone for a moment. I need to prepare myself."

"I...Understand." Nella nodded and left the room.

Alex then turned around, looking at Nella with a gentle expression. "It's time."

"Yes. As much as I don't want this to happen, I think I can't really be greedy." She sighed. "I will miss you, but this is not over."

"Yep. I will be looking forward to our next meeting." Alex nodded and looked down, falling into deep thought.

He recalled their memories and smiled. "My real name is Alexander Sirius."

"!!!" Aria opened her mouth in surprise, but it turned into a smile. "So, you remember the bet...Does this mean I've won?"

Alex patted her head. "Yeah. You have talent, but you need the experience to develop that talent. That's why I want you to keep training and show me that this win is something you deserve."

Aria's expression turned serious while clenching hands. "Yes, Sir. I won't disappoint you."

"That's right. This is a bonus, but you are wondering my age, right? If it's converted to this world's time, I just turned twenty years old this year." Alex stuck out his tongue while taking out Teleportation Array Plate.

"What?!" Aria widened her eyes and gasped. "Did I hear it correctly?"

"I won't repeat myself."

"...Twenty years old God Rank Expert. Looking at your confidence, you mustn't be a mere Rank 10 God. In other words, you are at least a Rank 9 God. And you do it within twenty years...Although it's this world's time, I don't think there is someone like you out there." She narrowed her eyes.

"There are. My wives and disciples...You will soon become something similar." Alex smiled.

"That...I will do my best."

Alex laughed and used his Teleportation Array Plate, but it didn't light up. He instantly realized and used his Spirit Eyes and found the Space Element nearby that seemed to be restricted by something.

"An array? Space Lock or something?" Alex narrowed his eyes. "I see. So that's how they want to play. I don't mind though."

"Is there a change of plan?"

"Yes. We are going straight to the mountain in the south of the city. I will then keep them for a few minutes, and you need to leave the area where there is no restriction and escape immediately. Can you do that?"

"I understand."

"And one more thing. Play along with my act, alright?"

"Hoho...Definitely."

Before Alex left the room, he called Njomo first and asked. "Njomo, how is it going?"

However, Njomo didn't respond. It meant he had finished Alex's original task. In the sect, Alex asked Njomo to enter Nella's shadow to ensure their intake on his death without him asking for it again.

With this, he had prepared everything.

"Let's go then." Alex smiled and left the room. He immediately used his fastest speed to leave the building and head straight to the mountain. It was still half an hour of flying, so he couldn't relax during this chase.

At the same time, Quila and the elder saw this and exclaimed. "It's them. We need to chase them."

They had been waiting outside their room to see Alex's face, but it turned out he wore a mask. However, the elder felt reassured when he saw only two Martial Saints came out. In other words, they wouldn't be a treat and could be killed easily.

These two then agreed to meet up with the elder of his family before chasing Alex and Aria with their speed that was far greater than that of a Martial Saint.

Alex also felt them not coming and increased his pace until they reached the mountain before they arrived.

"Aria. Get ready." Alex finally sensed them after flying for half an hour and looked back because they had arrived before them.

Without wasting a single second, Alex hid Aria behind him and said while furrowing his eyebrows. "You should go. I will stall them for a while and use the Teleportation Array to reach Second Brother. This will be a race of time."

"Do you think you can escape? With that Martial Saint strength of yours? You are already doomed when you become my enemy with that kind of cultivation." He snorted.

Alex slowly put off his mask and showed his ruined face. "I have been waiting for the whole time and can't bear it anymore. It's time for me to take my revenge."

When they saw his ruined face, the two elders were surprised. No wonder Alex wanted to take revenge, but it was a bit weird because he should be able to recover his original appearance.

Alex convinced them by touching his burn mark. "I didn't heal this scar of mine because it will remind me of my hatred against you. That's why..."

He released his seal, revealing his Divine Energy and true cultivation.

At this time, even Quila was shocked by sight. He never expected Alex to be stronger than him.

"Rank 8 God." The Rank 6 God elder narrowed his eyes, understanding where his confidence came from. However, he also felt something was wrong because he couldn't see it coming. There was someone that had the ability to hide their power without getting found out by many people.

"No wonder you have that confidence. Unfortunately, you come at the wrong time. I have a Rank 7 God and a Rank 6 God here with me. Do you think you can beat them?"

Alex smiled and released his Pure Fire. That blazing fire called something inside the Rank 6 God's body before he felt immeasurable pressure just from feeling it, making him realize Alex's element. "Pure Fire! Impossible!"

"What?!" The two beside him gasped, never thought they would be able to see a Pure Fire.

Before the elder could say another thing, the blazing fire that came out of his body had turned into a fox. It glared at the elder and increased the pressure that made even the elder couldn't do anything. He could only fall to the ground and kneel before him.

"Fire Authority." Alex just released the true power of his Fire Authority, the ability that made the Fire God, Phitrus, reached God King.

In front of the Godly Pure Fire, all flames shall kneel.

The amount of force put the Rank 6 elder on his knees, not being able to even raise his head. He was forced to kneel in front of him.

"Elder!" Quila shouted.

"This is impossible. The pressure coming from the Pure Fire is above the record!" The elder gritted his teeth, trying to rise from the ground but to no avail. "We need to kill him. If not, he will become the greatest threat!"

"I don't know who you are, but you are dead meat!" Quila pointed his finger at Alex and shouted. "Kill him!"

The elder from his family released his Divine Energy.

"Go!" Alex shouted, signaling Aria to escape.

She didn't waste even a second and ran away.

"Young master. We need to catch him!" The elder pointed at the young man behind Alex.

"I'm on it. You deal with him." Quila nodded and proceeded to chase Aria.

However, Alex made the greatest bluff by smiling. "Yeah, yeah. Chase him!"

When they heard Alex's nonchalant tone, they instantly realized that the person who ran away must have hidden his strength. If Quila chased him, he would die because the two elders couldn't help him.

He stopped and turned around, glaring at Alex. "Doesn't matter. As long as we can capture a Pure Fire Element like you, we will be able to turn around the situation."

They decided to do this because the risk was too big. Even the elder could understand that concern.

"It depends on whether you two can catch me or not. Trash." Alex snorted.

Chapter 999 - Lousy Fight

Alex's smile made the two angry. However, they also couldn't act recklessly because Alex had suppressed a Rank 6 God with his Rank 8 God strength alone. Although it was due to his Pure Fire, he still required Divine Energy to keep the suppression going.

That was why the two glared at him, keeping their distance.

Alex made the first move by taking off his ring. He turned around and threw it in Aria's direction as powerful as possible while saying. "That's what you want, right?"

"!!!" Quila gritted his teeth and tried to come after it, but the elder suddenly called his name. "Young master."

Alex's presence was near him, and by the time he moved, he was right behind him, slashing his sword.

"Tch!" Quila clicked his tongue and parried the attack with his sword, albeit he wasn't strong enough.

Alex blew him to the ground, creating a huge crater. The Rank 7 God elder also tried to attack him to make sure Alex couldn't release another attack that would endanger Quila.

Although he could handle this attack, Alex's purpose here was to die, so he intentionally got blown away while looking at the elder with an angry look.

"As expected... You can only suppress Elder Ron because you have Pure Fire. Other than that, you are only a Rank 8 God while I am a Rank 7 God. This one rank difference is too big to be covered." The elder pointed his sword.

Alex gritted his teeth and raised his weapon. "I will show you if my strength is qualified to fight a Rank 7 God or not..."

Alex headed straight to the elder and attacked him from close range, trying to match his speed.

The elder was slightly surprised that Alex could keep up with him, but he knew that it took his all just to stop the attacks, so Alex was still considered lower than him.

By this time, Quila had recovered and threw a spear toward Alex from the ground.

"Lightning God Spear!"

The spear to the sky, but Alex managed to avoid it completely, albeit that seemed to be a distraction from Quila, so the elder could attack Alex in that opening.

Alex narrowed his eyes and parried it, getting blown away again.

"Mythical Fire Slash."

He chose to use the weaker techniques than his Blade of Extinction to make him look weaker.

When the elder saw this, he raised his off-hand and released a sword from his body. It was made of lightning and hit the Sword Wave right in the middle. The lightning soon showed its supremacy and penetrated the Sword Wave and flew toward him.

"..." Alex maintained his silence and released another Sword Wave, but toward Quila instead.

The elder who noticed it immediately went to Quila to help him. Unfortunately, it hit Quila first.

The latter still tried to block this powerful attack but to no avail. It slowly overpowered him and pressed him even further.

Before the Sword Slash won, the elder had arrived and destroyed the Sword Wave.

"You Bastard!" Quila clenched his spear.

"It's literally him who says that each rank has a huge gap. It means the gap between Rank 8 God and Rank 10 God is far bigger than between him and me." Alex smiled before glancing at the elder that had been powerless until now. "Including him!"

While talking with them, he already sent another Sword Wave toward the elder, who could only kneel down.

"Not good!" The elder decided to bring Quila together with him to protect the elder. As soon as he reached there, he said, "Young Master. Please leave him to me. Young Master should bring the elder to leave this place to move away from the suppression."

"Do you think I will let you?!" Alex smiled and moved to another position, so he could unleash another strike to target these two who were weaker.

"Mythical Fire Slash."

The elder started getting annoyed by him. He never expected that someone who they thought they could easily kill turned out to be someone stronger than his young master, and their gap was huge.

He couldn't allow such a person to live for another day because he would become the ultimate disaster for his family.

Sticking together with Quila, he blocked another attack from Alex while maintaining his pace. However, Alex kept following them and tried attacking them from a few directions.

Suddenly, the elder took out a single scroll from his Space Ring and Quila took it.

"This..." He was surprised to see what scroll it was.

Knowing that Alex would keep following them, he decided to trust the elder's choice and used the array.

A huge array appeared before them, surrounding them with a translucent barrier that made them stuck inside the sphere like a trapped bird.

But the elder knew what he needed to do and immediately deactivated the Array that allowed him to restrict Alex's Teleportation Array Plate. He didn't think about it and showed Alex his back, fully trusting the power of the array.

"Take him away. I am not sure, but that butler must have gone already. That's why I am afraid you two can only watch from afar." The elder sighed.

The Rank 6 God seemed to understand that too. As long as Alex had that Pure Fire, he would just be a burden.

"In that case, we will try to bring reinforcement around us. There should be a few God Rank Experts not far from him. If we can bring them here within half an hour, we should be able to win this and kill that bastard." Quila nodded in understanding before using the Teleportation Array without hesitation.

Suddenly, Alex struck the barrier like a newbie, only to find himself getting repelled by it. He didn't care about this and kept attacking the array until it started cracking.

When the elder sensed this, he turned away and faced Alex directly outside the barrier, making sure that the two could escape.

Alex watched how these two fled and became sure they wouldn't chase Aria. After all, he had bought enough time to return to the sect with the Teleportation Array and changed back to the real Aria.

Meanwhile, Alex kept fighting the Rank 7 God with all his strength until Alex utilized the fox behind him.

The fox slapped the elder with its paw, sending him away. Of course, in this fight, he didn't use Eve because it would be weird if he decided to leave it behind to make the proof more believable.

At the same time, the Space Ring he threw earlier was an empty Space Ring while the rest of the items were stored inside his Inventory. Even if someone found it, they wouldn't find anything.

And this fight was something he never cared about and didn't want it to last too long because it would raise another suspicion from others, especially from the Unsurpassed Blade Sect. That was why in this fight, he had yet to get serious.

A few minutes later, slowly but surely, the elder managed to force Alex to use most of his Divine Energy, weakening him.

From time to time, the elder managed to take control of the whole situation and made bruises after bruises on Alex's skin.

Alex had no choice other than to move a bit further from this place as if he got pressured by him. Suddenly, he used all his strength to blow the elder away for one last time.

"You bastard..." Alex shouted out loud.

"No need to try hard. You will die here. I won't let you live to see another day." The elder narrowed his eyes. "If you are smarter, you might be able to destroy my Siko Family in the future, but it seems to be impossible for you."

"Your arrogant knows no bounds. There is no telling who will lose!" Alex clenched his teeth. "Remember this. If I can escape from this situation, I will make sure to erase the Siko Family from this world. Even if the Elemental Sect stands in my way, I won't fear. No, I will also destroy them if they dare to stop me!"

"Empty words. You will die." The elder became more impatient when he felt Alex was talking because he just wanted to buy time. He raised his sword again, ready for another round.

Following his movement, Alex also raised his stance. When the two were about to clash, Alex turned around and flew away.

"There is no chance for you to escape." The elder managed to grasp his idea and followed right behind him.

There were many attacks coming toward him just to slow him down. However, not only he managed to destroy them all, but he also sent enough attacks to stop Alex.

Having no more choice, Alex engaged him again while moving back to get closer and closer to the so-called "reinforcement."

Unfortunately, that reinforcement never came and made him panic while the elder raised his strength even further because he didn't know Alex had no reinforcement.

After a few minutes, he arrived at the cliff that he thought was a perfect place to fake his death. With his rough face, he glared at the elder. "Let's have a deal. I will leave from here and give you back the Lightning Brit Root."

"Hmph! Do you think I am a fool? Lightning Brit Root is not enough to trade for your life!" The elder snorted and raised his sword.

"In that case, there is nothing I should say anymore. I will kill you here and destroy your entire family." Alex released his killing intent again and charged at him.

The two then began their clash again, which seemed to be ending soon because Alex's condition looked very weak.

The elder continued overpowering him and not letting him have any rest. Alex also tried his best, but the conclusion came so suddenly. The elder's sword had its own tip covered with blood because it pierced Alex's heart.

"This is the end. You won't be able to defeat me even with your Pure Fire. This is the true gap between God Rank Experts." The elder snorted and said coldly.

Alex's expression was that of despair, telling the elder he would die at any moment. The unwillingness in his face was soon replaced by helplessness, but he didn't stop there. Considering he was right at the cliff, he grabbed the elder's hand and pulled him to the cliff.

The fox released its power and turned into a fireball, or it looked that way. The fireball had powerful energy inside that would endanger his life, so the elder immediately pulled back his sword and wanted to get away.

Alex was already helpless and wanted to drag him down together.

"Sun Descent."

Unfortunately, he was already too late. The fireball exploded right before them, enveloping the two in that huge explosion that would even destroy the surrounding forest.

"No!"

Chapter 1000 - New Actor

Boom.

The explosion could be heard by everyone around the mountain, and its power was visible from afar. No one knew what kind of fight had happened there, but they were sure of one thing. It was one hell of a fight.

The Rank 6 God Elder and Quila immediately went toward the explosion as soon as it disappeared, looking around to see what happened. They desperately searched for the two bodies, alive or dead.

Not long after, they sensed someone's presence and immediately took out their weapons, wondering who it was.

The one they found was a black person that seemed to have been over grilled, but they managed to identify him by channeling their Divine Energy to see his strength.

It was the Elder on the same side. They immediately came toward him and asked what happened.

Unfortunately, the elder's condition was too bad. He couldn't respond to any of their inquiries. He had lost his arms, most of his Divine Energy, and a lot of blood, so it would take more than a year to recover.

Quila decided to take care of the elder while the other one investigated the area.

As expected from a Pure Fire Element user. His body was immune to fire, but the elder's sword was already planted on his heart, and when he checked his condition, there was no source of life anymore.

"He's died." He muttered and decided to return to Quila. When he saw the elder able to move a bit of his finger, he asked. "Did you kill him?"

The elder used his remaining energy to slightly lower his head as if he acknowledged it.

Finally, they could feel relieved because the threat had disappeared.

Little did they know, the real Alexander was already far away. His complexion wasn't like before. In fact, he looked like someone who hadn't gone through a "fierce" fight. He was completely fine, including the wound on his chest.

"To think the ability that I have never used finally has its time today," Alex muttered and looked at his chest. What he did earlier was turning his heart into the fire. He could already do this since long ago, specifically when he refined his body for the first time using that Undying Fire Body.

Whether it was fortunate or unfortunate, he never had the chance to use it. Only when he decided to fake his death, he finally used it to make it look like he was stabbed and would die soon.

At that time, he used his Sun Descent energy that usually became his domain and exploded it by making it unstable. It released very powerful fire energy and created that huge explosion.

It would surely make them know he died because he planned to bring the elder down with him. He then replaced his body with the body double and protected it until the fire energy was subtle enough to not melt the body.

After that, he teleported away. Obviously, the elder couldn't maintain the array that locked the use of Space Element, so he could get away pretty easily.

This was a perfect staged death that he could perform in this world.

Alex then took out a token and headed in a certain direction. Without anyone observing him anymore, he used his Teleportation Array to make the journey faster and headed straight to the promised location.

It was inside another forest that Alex deemed to be safe to meet up. This time, he still had his real face, so anyone who saw him right now would surely see the real him.

When he arrived, he saw two beasts looking very harmonious. The monkey leaned on a tree and slept while the mouse slept on his lap.

It looked very comfortable, so Alex didn't plan to wake them up.

However, they seemed to sense his presence and woke up immediately. Even though they were asleep, they didn't lower their guard because someone might catch them and put them into a slave contract. For Heilo, it might be redeemable, but Leka would surely die because she already had a contract with Alex.

"Master!" Leka leaped toward him while Heilo observed the hole in his clothes. "Are you alright?"

"Leka." Alex smiled before nodding his head to Heilo. "Yes. I am fine. That's just a fake wound."

"Still, I never expected Master's face to look like this." Leka interrupted Heilo again and looked at Alex with great interest.

"Haha..."

"What are we going to do after this, Master?" Eve suddenly came out, showing her appearance for the first time to Heilo and Leka.

The two were surprised and looked at her with great interest. "Who are you?"

"I am the sword." Eve pointed at the sword hanging on Alex's waist. Because he had left that place, he equipped the sword again, so Eve could appear like this again.

"The sword?" The two exchanged looks and nodded even though they couldn't understand her.

Eve decided to explain what she was to these two. In the meantime, Alex asked Lin Xingzhi. "Can you get me another mask?"

[Sure thing. Just hide there for a while. The mask will be ready in a week, so try to get a base or something.]

"I understand. I will search for a hidden place and use my Special Array to hide." Alex nodded.

[Alright. Is there anything you like to know?]

"Not at the time being. This news will surely reach Nella's and her family's ears, so I want you to monitor Njomo and keep me updated."

[Sure, I will do that. Anyway, the plan is a success. Congratulations.]

"This might be the first time you congratulated me when my plan succeeded...Why would it come when I tried to kill myself?"

[That sounds wrong, but either case, I didn't have that intention.]

"I know...Anyway, I need to leave now. We can talk later." Alex sighed and looked at the two, who seemed to have befriended Eve. Although they couldn't touch Eve, they were happy enough just to talk to her.

Alex couldn't contain his smile when watching this scene and decided to wait for a moment until they realized his gaze.

He then said, "Let's go. We need to search for a place to live."

"Yes, Master!"

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At the same time, Aria had returned to the sect. She destroyed all evidence about her makeup and made her appearance messy.

Before going to the peak master, she took a while to recall everything she had with Alex.

"Even though it's almost two years...It feels very brief. The training was certainly not the best memory, but that's the best thing I could get." Aria smiled. "If only he told me about this...I could talk to him a bit longer and showed me gratitude to him. Well, he looked like someone who disliked such a thing, so this situation seemed to be unavoidable.

"Anyway, I need to make the peak master believe that Nyx...Alexander has died. He said that the peak master wouldn't avenge him because she had hidden his talent to the sect, including mine. It comes with benefits, but this is the weakness of this approach."

She took a few deep breaths before steeling her resolve. She then flew toward the peak, specifically the administration building in the peak where she could meet the peak master.

Two people were standing before the gate and stopped Aria, but Aria looked at them with a helpless look. She was already crying. "I need to meet with the peak master."

"I am afraid we can't let you unless you have an appointment. After all, the peak master is very busy."

"Just tell her, Aria Cypress has something important. She will understand." Aria gritted her teeth and slammed the ground.

The two hesitated and exchanged looks. After some considerations, one of them decided to inform the peak master.

Surprisingly, the peak master indeed came out of the building. When she found Aria's messy appearance, she started feeling something was wrong. She looked around but didn't find Alex.

Not knowing what happened, she approached her, helped her up, and asked her. "What happened? Where is Nyx?"

"Nyx...Nyx..." Aria sobbed even louder and stuttered. "He's... Died."

"What?!" Ilevis exclaimed in surprise and helped her walk. "Let's go inside my room first."

When they arrived at Ilevis' room, Aria was still crying as if she couldn't let go of Alex.

"What happened? Can you tell me?"

"Nyx... He died under the hand of the Siko Family, specifically Quila from the Elemental Sect. He wanted to buy the Lightning Brit Root for me, but we ended up angering the Siko Family. And it turned out that Nyx was not a Martial Saint. He had reached God Rank Expert since long ago.

"To stop the enemies that had one Rank 10 God, one Rank 7 God, and one Rank 6 God. He unleashed his true power, which seemed to be Rank 8 God, to buy me time to escape. He...He..."

Ilevis was speechless when she heard all this. "You...Everything is true?"

"Y-yes." Aria nodded. "If you didn't believe me, you could even check by asking the killers yourself. And he turned out to be a Pure Fire Element user. He suppressed the Rank 6 God with his power alone but couldn't defeat the Rank 7 God."

"..." Ilevis blinked a few times before regret filled her heart. If what Aria just said was true, then the Unsurpassed Blade Sect...No, the world just lost a peerless genius.

Alex had reached Rank 8 God, and he hadn't yet reached fifty years old. If he was given time at least a hundred years, there was no telling of how high his achievement would be. And he would surely reach Rank 1 God in the future.

Yet, because of her recklessness and greediness, she had thrown away the opportunity to protect him from the whole world. She thought Alex was just a genius among geniuses, but it seemed to be far more than that.

If she knew this, she would have reported it to the sect master and took him as the successor of the Unsurpassed Blade Sect.

Unfortunately, everything couldn't happen anymore. Not only had he died, but there was also no record about Alex in the sect. Other than the elders who knew about him, no one could ask the sect to send their force to take revenge.

Yes, everything ended because she wanted to increase the standing of her peak. She felt her heart broken and her feet went limp.

Dropping to the ground, her hand still reached the table, trying to get back up. Her pale face would surely not get replaced any time soon.

"I still need to report this matter to the sect master no matter what." Ilevis knew that she could just hide this truth from the sect master, but ultimately, she still wanted to fulfill the duty as a peak master. She gradually rose from the floor and walked to the door staggeringly.

Before leaving, she stopped, turned around, and said to Aria. "You...You go back first. I will handle everything after this. I will talk to you again later...But...I want to say this...I am sorry."

Aria only looked down and kept crying, but in her heart, she felt relieved, knowing she had fulfilled the promise to Alex.

At the very least, she already got many things from here, including his recognition, his name, and age.

She became even more eager to reach God Rank and leave this world to chase after him. Maybe, in the future, she could return to this place as a God King and meet with her family again, showing that their daughter actually never disappointed them.

And it might not take too long. After all, Martial Saint could still live for a few thousand years. Even if she had the worst talent, as long as she continued her training according to Alex's menu, she should be able to reach that stage within a few thousand years.

However, she couldn't stop her acting for now, and this would continue for several days until everything ended. She just treated this as a rare holiday from Alex's training.

With that thought in mind, she finally rose and left this place with that sad expression, making the disciples around her have a look of sympathy.