

## **GODS' IMPACT 271**

### Chapter 271 Against the Gods

"I will go get him," Erza said and chased after Zach.

SIGH!

Deus facepalmed himself in frustration and muttered, "I am a bad father."

"..." Zach felt his heart getting tight in his chest after hearing that.

Deus turned and looked at Zach with a confused look on his face.

"I don't understand you," Deus said.

"...!" Zach was baffled by that. He gulped down in fear and opened his mouth to ask, "You can see me?"

Zach thought Deus was talking to him, however, he said that while looking at the television that was connected with PX 69.

"I will turn it on and see what's it all about," Deus said and plugged in the power cord.

He turned on the television and glanced around to find a way to turn on the console.

"How does this work again?" he wondered.

He spotted the controller and pressed all the switches one by one until he heard a 'BEEP' sound coming from the console.

"Noice!" he said.

He waited for the console interface to appear on the screen, but it didn't.

"Did I do something wrong?" he wondered.

"You have to switch the input in settings," Zach said, knowing well that Deus wouldn't be able to hear him.

At the same time, Erza walked into the living room and saw Deus messing with the remote and the controller.

Erza folded her arms under her bosom and asked, "What are you doing?"

"I was just... trying to make it work..." Deus glanced around and asked, "Where is Zach?"

"He said he doesn't want to talk to you..."

"Ouch! He really hates me, huh?" Deus sighed painfully.

"That's not the case. He just wants your love and attention."

"I am giving him my love and attention, am I not?"

"You are not."

"..." After a brief silence, Deus said, "I expected to hear the answer in my favor. But if you think I lack the ability to be a father, then you are probably right."

"I didn't say that." Erza pulled Deus' cheeks in a playful manner and said, "And you are an amazing father, just like how you are an amazing husband."

Zach couldn't help but smile after seeing Erza and Deus interact like that. It reminded him of his interactions with his girls.

"Where did you leave Zoe, though?" Deus then asked.

"Zach took her from me. He said he doesn't want her to get used to you, only for you to ignore her when she grows up, just like you ignored him," Erza repeated Zach's words.

"So he is still salty about that, I see..." Deus sighed.

Erza looked into Deus' eyes and kept staring at him.

"What?" Deus asked as he wrapped his arms around Erza's neck.

Erza did the same and wrapped her arms around Deus' neck. They both stared at each other as their faces drew closer, but Erza suddenly stopped and moved her hand to Deus' shoulders.

"What..." Erza pressed Deus' shoulder and said, "They are so stiff!"

"Well, I was on a battlefield for weeks."

Erza pushed Deus on the couch and said, "Lay on your stomach. I will massage you."

"Yes, my queen."

Deus obediently laid down on the couch and said, "I hope it doesn't hurt."

"I am not going to give you an injection, so don't worry, it won't hurt." Erza got on top of Deus and cracked her fingers before saying, "You will only feel pleasure from my heavenly massage."

That reminded Zach of his gloves' second ability.

'Does it have anything to do with this? Or it's simply a coincidence?' Zach wondered.

"Argh~!" Deus grunted in pleasure as Erza started massaging him.

'I think I should leave before I see something I shouldn't...' Zach turned around, and he was about to leave, but he stopped when he heard Erza asking something to Deus.

"So? Did you manage to convince any of them to accompany you to fight against the heavens?" Erza asked.

'Fight against the heavens?' Zach's ears twitched after hearing that. He wanted to know more about the topic.

"No..." Deus answered with a disappointed look on his face. However, after a brief pause, he continued, "But I understand them and agree why they don't want to join me."

"Yeah..."

"They have their own family to protect. They have their own responsibilities to fulfill. So why would they leave their happy life behind and join me on a death quest?" Deus asked the obvious.

"So what are you going to do now? Surely, you don't plan to go alone, right?" Erza asked with an anxious and concerned look on her face.

"No, I have two companions with me," Deus answered in a calm voice and enjoyed Erza's heavenly massage.

"Do I need to remind you that you don't even have 90% of the powers you had in your prime time?"

"You are making it sound like I am an old man. I am only 27, come~" Deus groaned. "And if anything, you are the one who is hundreds of thousands of years old."

CRACK!

Deus felt something breaking in his body and even heard a cracking sound.

"What did you do?" he asked instantly.

"I dislocated the bone responsible to hold the nerves sending signals to your brain. Now, they won't send signals when you are horny, hence, your brain won't send the blood to your lower body part. In short, you won't get a boner," Erza said with a creepy smile on her face.

"That sounds dangerous. How about you fix me, and we go back to the topic where you asked how I am going to win without my powers?"

"I was just kidding," Erza smirked. "I wouldn't dare to hurt your precious little brother."

"Your jokes and pranks are so unfunny that it's hilarious."

"So? How do you plan to win?" Erza asked curiously.

"I have a few ace cards up my sleeve. Hopefully, I won't have to use them."

"..." Zach raised his brows and wondered, 'Why does he want to fight against the heavens, though?'

"If I don't do it now, Zach will have to suffer for the rest of his life. I can't have my children bear the burden when I can bear it for them," Deus asserted in a solemn voice.

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"But isn't it better to wait and let Zach grow up?" Erza wondered. "That way, you can train him yourself and teach him your methods. Of course, you will also regain your power as the time passes."

"I can't do that, my love. The more time I let pass, the more dangerous it will become for us. I may grow strong and Zach may surpass me, but... there is no guarantee," Deus said in a disdainful tone.

"You need to have some trust in your son, Deus," Erza said with a little annoyed tone.

"I do. I do trust him. But... trusting is not going to make a miracle. Things won't change with trust. If that was the case, then I wouldn't be so hopeless right now," Deus asserted. "Zach turned 8th today— although he is still seven by the cosmic calendar— but he still hasn't awakened his soul powers. Even Zoe, who is barely one year old, has already awakened her soul powers."

"..." Zach bit his lips after hearing that. 'Deep down, I knew father thought of me as a failure. If I had awakened my soul powers at the right age, father wouldn't have—'

"I am to blame," Deus uttered. "When I saved Zach after his birth, his existence had become a threat to all the worlds and realm, so we had to seal his powers and let them grow under normal conditions where his body would slowly get used to them. However, that didn't happen."

After a brief pause, Deus continued, "Zach started devouring the powers and the sealing went wrong. And now, he is devouring his own soul powers, making him unable to awaken them."

'Wait...' Zach's eyes widened after hearing that. 'Devouring powers during the sealing? Is that why father lost his powers? I am responsible for making him weak?'

Zach was finding out the secrets he never knew. He used to think that he was weak because of the incompatibility between his body and soul, but the truth was something else.

'I still wouldn't have awakened my soul powers if Ninia hadn't...' Zach felt indebted to Ninia for more than one reason. 'I should reward her. But first...'

Zach glanced around and muttered, "I have to get out of his dream or whatever it is. Why am I seeing this? Who is responsible for making me see this?"

As time passed, Zach grew more and more impatient and infuriated, because if he was truly seeing a memory of 10 years ago from a different perspective, then soon, a disaster was going to occur.

'I take it back, this is not a dream or a memory, this is a... fucking nightmare...'

"I will have to finish everything as soon as possible, so Zach and Zoe can live a normal life," Deus said calmly.

"I don't know... I am worried about you..."

"The first impact occurred almost 80,000 years ago when those 12 insolent gods kicked you and your sister out of heaven, but there were no consequences of that impact because the higher gods forgave their actions and allowed it. But—"

"They didn't allow it. They would never allow it." Erza interrupted Deus and continued, "Aria and I had given our powers and authority to the 12 gods, and they were equally divided. So if they had to make a decision, they would need the votes in the majority. And since it was us who gave them that power, indirectly, it was us who got ourselves kicked. The higher gods simply did what they thought was right. They couldn't bring us back because the decision was made using our powers."

"I honestly don't see any difference. Not saving someone is the same as killing them." After a brief silence, Deus uttered, "This world is a messed up place where most would suffer. I have been to hell and heaven, and I can't differentiate either of them. The order is messed up, and I want to break that, so this world can be a better and safer place for future generations. I don't want them to suffer the same fate as we did."

"But that's the proof of what we are. We grow, we mature, and eventually, we become immune to what is around us."

"Enough of this. There is no point talking about it. I have made up my mind, and you are not stopping me," Deus declared. "Since the higher gods possess the power to undo the damage done by the Cosmic Impact, I will have to ask them to undo the damage of the second impact too."

'According to Uncle Tis, there have been three Cosmic Impacts in the world. I didn't know the first one occurred when mother and Aria were kicked out of the heavens. But Uncle Tis said that the first impact occurred when the higher god was killed; maybe that's what the rest of the world believes? After all, no one knows the mother's true identity.'

'But I wonder what caused the second and the third impact,' Zach wondered curiously.

"The second impact occurred when I saved Zach. He wasn't supposed to be born, or rather, stay alive, but I did what a father should do. And thus, the second impact occurred," Deus stated with a proud face, seemingly showing that he didn't and still doesn't regret what he did.

"...!" Zach's shock was visible on his face. "Why didn't I realize this sooner? Uncle Tis said the second impact occurred 18 years ago, that's when I was born. Father didn't tell me much about my origin, but I slowly learned it after researching it. If the second impact occurred because of me..."

Zach clenched his fists and muttered, "How much blame do I deserve?"

"I will have to ask the high gods to undo the effect of the second Impact, so Zach doesn't have to suffer in the future. But to meet the high gods, I will have to fight the 12 gods. I will have to slay them with my own hands and might as well take revenge for kicking you out of heaven," Deus asserted in a solemn voice.

#### Chapter 273 The Third Impact

"Do you seriously believe that the higher gods would remain calm and undo the effect of the second impact if you kill the lower gods?" Erza asked with a judging look on her face.

"That's another topic I don't want to talk about."

"..."



"Come on, Erza, if I don't stop them now, you know what's going to happen."

"That happens after ten years, right? We have plenty of time."

'What are they talking about?' Zach wondered.

"After ten years and a week; Once Zach has turned 18 and a week old, the Gods' Impact will occur."

'How does he know about that?! Could it be that the reason mother allowed me to play the VR game was that she was already aware of what would happen?' Zach asked himself.

'No, that's not possible.' Zach shook his head and uttered, "Why would mother put me in danger if she already knew about the risk?"

Zach then remembered the strange coincidences that occurred in Gods' Impact that were in his favor; such as meeting Xie Lua and getting gloves from her, awakening his soul powers, meeting Aquitius the seventh and getting his blessings unsealed, and in the last, seeing this memory again from a different perspective.

But the real question still remained unanswered. What brought him here?

"Deus, you are trying to change something that will happen after ten years, you know?"

"I know."

"What if you cause the third impact? You will be stopping the Gods' Impact, and that will create yet another cosmic impact," Erza stated.

"I don't think it will." Deus turned to Erza and said, "Don't you find it strange?"

"What?"

"These impacts; why do they occur?" Deus asked Erza with a knowing look on his face.

"Why are you asking that? You already know about it, right?"

"Just answer me."

"When something happens which wasn't supposed to happen, it causes an impact, which leads to unpredictable outcomes," Erza stated.

"Exactly! Now, how is the cosmos going to know what's going to happen next?" Deus asked Erza.

"It doesn't know for sure, but our life choices create something we call the future. When we do something, the cosmos already predicts our future and as we get closer to that future, it becomes reality. Hence, changing reality creates an impact that destroys the future created by the cosmos," Erza explained.

Deus shrugged his shoulders and said, "That's your answer. If I prevent the Gods' Impact from occurring 10 years from now, it won't trigger the third impact because it's in the distant future."

"How do you even know about this future event, anyway? You don't have the power to see the future, and nor do I or any of your harem members. Who told you about the Gods' Impact?" Erza asked with a curious look on her face.

"I..." Deus averted his gaze to the side and said, "I cannot tell you that, or it might trigger an impact."

"Oh? So stopping the future event won't trigger an impact, but telling me about it will trigger it? I see," Erza uttered with a frowned face. "You are the same as ever. You try to hide things and act strong. Deus, you are not as strong as before. Accept it. You are not immortal anymore. If you die once, you are dead."

"I do possess the power of the immortal, though. Even if I am in a weak state, I am still the strongest. Out of the 12 pillars of the mortal realm, I still remain the strongest. So it is my duty as the strongest pillar to protect you and the rest of the world," Deus asserted in a solemn voice.

"..."

"And you saw it on the news, right? They said that the earth will get destroyed in 60 years, and they have already started colonizing other planets. But they don't know that the earth is not getting destroyed for no reason, the gods are doing this."

"I cannot refute that..."

"Moving to another planet is not going to stop anything. The gods will destroy the other planets too." After a brief pause, Deus uttered, "That's why, I have to stop the gods and end it all at once."

"Deus... why must you take all the burden to yourself?" Erza asked in a calm voice. "If I had powers, I would have helped you."

Deus caressed Erza's face and said, "You can help me by protecting the kids and raising them in my absence."

"Deus..."

Deus and Erza brought their faces together to kiss, so Zach averted his face to the side and looked out of the window.

There, he saw a giant meteorite coming toward them.

"...!"

Seeing that triggered Zach's buried trauma. He immediately turned around and rushed towards Erza and Deus to protect them, even though he was well aware that he wouldn't be able to stop it.

"Mother! Father! Run!" he yelled.

The next second, the meteorite hit the surface and exploded, razing everything for miles.

The impact of a meteorite hitting the surface caused a massive earthquake that destroyed the cities in the surrounding area.

However, Zach remained unscathed.

"Father! Mother!" Zach yelled as he looked around for Erza and Deus while yelling like a maniac.

"Father! Mother—!" Zach stopped yelling when he saw the debris move a little. He rushed there and tried to help, but he couldn't touch anything.

"Why?! Why am I here! Who is showing me all this?! I don't want to see this! Send me back!" Zach yelled at the top of his lungs.

Suddenly, the debris from the spot exploded and pushed back the other rocks in the area. In the middle, Zach saw Erza and Deus.

Erza was perfectly fine, but Deus wasn't because he took all the damage and protected Erza.

"Father!" Zach yelled.

Deus was covered in blood, and he was missing his body parts. He took the direct impact of the meteorite. It was almost as though the meteorite was launched purposely at Deus.

[Ahahahahahahaha!]

Malicious laughter echoed in the sky.

That day, the third impact had occurred.

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"Deus!" Erza tried to heal Deus even though she didn't have any power to do so.

"Go... get... kids..." Deus managed to utter.

Erza got up and rushed to where Zach's room once was, but everything was destroyed and there was no sign of Zach.

"No... no!" Erza yelled. "It can't be!"

"Don't worry, I have got them," a voice said.

Erza jerked her head to the source of the voice and saw Xie Lua carrying kid Zach and Zoe in her arms. She was flying in the air while flapping her phoenix's wings.

"I was in the market, buying gifts for Zach's birthday, and then I sensed massive energy coming here. So I rushed here as soon as possible. I hope I got here on time. Are you okay? Where is master? Is he okay?" Xie Lua asked.

Erza was still shocked by what happened, and she didn't have the courage to speak, so she pointed her finger at the injured Deus.

Xie Lua followed her gaze and spotted Deus, who was badly injured and missing body parts.

"Master!" Xie Lua yelled.

She landed near Erza and handed her Zach and Zoe before rushing to Deus.

"Master! Are you alright—!" Her eyes widened when she saw Deus was bleeding nonstop at a crazy rate.  
"Master. Don't worry, I will get a healer! Please, keep your eyes open and—"

However, before Xie Lua could finish what she was saying, Deus' body fell apart.

"...!" Young Zach's face turned pale after seeing that. While the kid Zach and Zoe had passed out due to impact, although they weren't injured.

"Erza! Get a healer! Do something! Master is... master is..."

Suddenly, the blood stopped flowing out of Deus' body, instead, it started going back into his body. A few seconds later, Deus' body started healing, but it wasn't normal healing.

It was as though the flow of time of his body was reversing and returning to how it was before the meteorite hit him.

Xie Lua was shocked after seeing that, but Deus didn't look surprised.

"Seriously, stop getting yourself into a situation like this," an ethereal voice echoed around.

Zach immediately recognized that voice. It belonged to his favorite master— Lyda.

A few seconds later, out of nowhere, Lyda appeared in front of them.

"Lida...?" Zach's eyes got teary after seeing her.

Deus got up and said, "Thank you, Lyda. You saved me."

He then rushed to Erza and asked, "Are they okay?"

Erza nodded and said, "Yes. Xie Lua saved them."

"I see..." Deus sighed in relief and glanced around the area, as though he was looking for something.

"Where is my sword?" he asked.

"I will look for it..."

[Ahahahaha! You mortal! You dare to rebel against the gods!] the malicious voice echoed again.

Deus' face repeatedly twitched after hearing that voice. He frowned his face and glared at the sky as he said, "You coward! Show yourself!"

[Hahahaha! I can smite you in one snap. You are but a weak pest,] the voice said.

Soon, the air started taking a shape and started pulling in the rays of the sun. A few seconds later, a body was formed that was the incarnation of the sun.

"Who are you? And why did you attack us?" Deus asked.

[You dare to ask my name, mortal?! But I shall let you know since I am going to end you rebels.]

"..."

[My name is Icarus! And I am one of the four Cosmic Gods! I am the Sun God!] he declared.

'Cosmic God?! That's stronger than my existence!' Erza uttered inwardly.

"Why did you attack us? I don't remember ever disrespecting the Cosmic Gods," Deus asked with a furious look on his face. Seemingly, he was holding back his anger for the sake of the conversation.

'If I can resolve this without fighting, then I don't mind taking some insults,' Deus uttered inwardly.

[You wanted to rebel against the heavens, right? You wanted to undo the consequences of the second impact, right? Well, I am not going to let you do that,] Icarus said.

"But why? This has nothing to do with you. You are not part of the heavens, nor is there any connection between the heavenly gods and cosmic gods. So why are you here? I don't understand."

[I am here to annihilate the possible threat, that's all,] Icarus shrugged.

'How does he know that I was going to rebel against the gods? I haven't told anyone except for my friends whom I asked for help— oh, I see. So someone betrayed me...'

"Who was it?" Deus furrowed his brow and asked, "Who told you about my plan? Who betrayed me?"

[Hah! As if I am going to tell you that.] Icarus raised his hand and said, [Enough talking, now it is time to die!]

"Wait!" Erza yelled. "There is no reason to do this!"

[Hah?] Icarus turned to Erza and said, [Who are you to tell me what—]

Icarus stopped his words when he recognized Erza.

[You...? What are you doing here?!]

"Please, stop this!"



[Shut up!] Icarus raised his brow and looked down on Erza with an arrogant look on his face. Then, he raised his hand and summoned a giant fireball that was made with the sun's plasma. It was so hot that the surroundings had already started melting, and its light was so bright that it almost blinded Deus and the rest.

Icarus had summoned a Sun in his hand.

[You are just a lower rank god who doesn't even have her powers anymore. Know your place, you peasant.]

"What the hell did you say?!" Deus uttered in a demonic voice.

[Are you deaf or—] Icarus turned his gaze to Deus, but he was nowhere to be seen.

"How dare you insult my wife, you son of bitch!" Deus appeared from the sky and punched Icarus in the face.

It was the same move Zach had used a couple of times against his enemies.

Icarus was sent back flying, but the plasma ball he had summoned didn't disappear. It stayed in Icarus' hand, and it started aggravating after Deus punched him.

Deus glared and pointed his finger at Icarus as he said, "I will burn your fire, you ugly cockroach!"

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"Deus, stop it! He is a cosmic god! The second-strongest order deity! You can't win against him!" Erza yelled at Deus and begged him to not fight with Icarus.

Sure, she knew that even if Deus didn't fight back, Icarus would kill them all. There was no other option, and Deus wasn't to back down either.

Deus cracked his fingers with his thumb and said, "You would be surprised, darling."

Icarus finally launched the plasma ball he had been charging for a while, at Deus.

"Deus!" Erza yelled.

Xie Lua and Lyda also rushed to aid Deus since there was no way Deus could survive such a powerful attack in his state.

However, he left them all surprised.

Deus already knew he wouldn't be able to stop the plasma ball, so instead of dodging or blocking the attack, he embraced it.

But before it could deal any damage to him, he diverted the plasma ball into the sky that exploded in the air, causing meteorite rain.

[...]

Icarus was left speechless like everyone else present there, including Zach who was trying to figure out what Deus just did. But after pondering for a while, Zach realized.

'He used the ripple technique he has been trying to learn. It's a martial art technique that ripples all the attacks, including magic or non-magic. But there is a condition to use it, and the success rate of it working is 5%. It's very risky.'

'I can't believe father did something like that at a time like this. This might even be his first time trying it, and maybe he was able to ripple it because he was confident enough to pull it off.'

"I may not have my powers left, but nothing can stop me in martial arts, bitch!" Deus cracked his neck and beckoned Icarus.

"I will show you the wrath of the husband."

Icarus tried to launch another plasma ball, but it needed time to get charged.

Deus used that chance to hammer him with his first attacks, causing Icarus to stop charging the plasma ball and focus on his defense.

However, Deus didn't give him a chance.

One after another, Deus used martial arts attacks and slammed Icarus to the ground.

Deus landed on top of Icarus and said, "How does the ground taste, huh?"

Deus charged up his aura and raised his leg after saying, "Let me show you how it feels!"

Deus crushed Icarus' head with his feet and his body faded away.

However, it started making another body that was bigger than the last one.

[As long as I am under the sun, no one can harm me,] Icarus said as he manifested another body.

"Then I just won't let you have a body!" Deus launched himself on Icarus and began attacking him with special martial arts moves.

His motions were so swift and smooth that Zach's eyes couldn't keep up with them.

Deus was punching and kicking Icarus all over his body, and even Icarus couldn't block all of Deus' attacks.

"Don't you dare underestimate the power of a mortal!"

Deus took advantage of his surroundings and started slamming and smashing Icarus all over the debris. He wasn't giving Icarus any chance to attack or regenerate his body.

'Nice. Father has it under control!' Zach rejoined, but it didn't last long.

Since Deus wasn't giving Icarus any chance to manifest his body properly, he created another body and stabbed Deus from behind.

[Heh! What a foolish mortal!]

Deus turned around and kicked Icarus, breaking his body into two parts from where it got kicked.

Deus dropped to the ground and placed his hand on his wound to stop it from bleeding, but he was stabbed on the vital spot, causing him to lose more blood.

"Lyda! Do it..." Deus managed to utter.

"I just used that on you. If I use it again, your body will—"

"Do it... I don't have time..."

Lyda reversed the time of Deus' body, and it turned back to normal.

Upon seeing that, Icarus was infuriated knowing that even if he injured Deus badly, Lyda would reverse the time of his body.

[I don't know who you are and why you possess such precious power. But today is the day you all die!]

Icarus leaped into the sky and created 100 of his clones that were on the same level of strength with little to no difference between them.

He then launched them on Deus, Erza, Lyda, and Xie Lua, while he remained in the air.

[I can end you all without even using 1% of my strength.] Icarus folded his arms and leaned back in the air as though he was sitting on an invisible throne.

[I will just watch you all die. If you can save yourself, then do it. How many times will you use the same trick again and again? Eventually, it has to end. And even if you have some other tricks, I can simply end you all by manifesting my true form.]

Icarus' clones landed on the ground, but they were more powerful than before. The spot they landed and walked turned into lava and the combustible objects around them caught fire even when they were far away from them.

They surrounded Erza, Xie Lua, Lyda, and Deus in a circle and dashed at them at the same time.

No one had time to save the other one. Not only that, but they were outnumbered.

Erza didn't possess any power, and she had Zach and Zoe in her arms to protect them. While Xie Lua and Lyda were trying to fight the clones of Icarus, Deus was looking for a way to fight the real Icarus.

However, he was in the air, and he couldn't risk going there. Of course, he could fly, but that would mean leaving the area and risking the lives of others in danger.

"This will injure me badly but I guess I have no other choice..." Deus muttered.

He spread his arms and clapped loudly to get everyone's attention. Then, he cracked his neck and jaw while looking at them with a fierce glare in his eyes, and aimed his finger at the clones.

"Die!"

The next moment, all the 100 clones turned into ashes.

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'My cultivation was crippled when Zach devoured my powers when we were trying to get his soul and heart to a new body. After that day, I was never able to cultivate again, and I lost my magic too.'

'Most of my moves required magic to use, and since I lost my cultivation, I lost 90% of my powers because of that. I tried to cultivate a new formation, but it didn't work. My cultivation was devoured to the core. So unless I leave this mortal realm and use another cultivation method, I am no stronger than a 10-year-old at their peak.'

'And... I just used my strongest magic move. Without magic, it sucked my life force...'

Deus dropped to his knees, but he stood up again and muttered, "This is bad. At this rate... I will..."

Deus had already expected Icarus' next move, and there was nothing he could do to stop it.

Icarus snapped his fingers and created not 100, but 1000 of his clones that were stronger than the last ones. He was undefeatable as long as the sun existed, but without the sun, the world was fated to be doomed in darkness for eternity.

Zach had never felt so hopeless before. Even though he knew that he was watching a memory from a different perspective, he wanted to save them, or at least, fight alongside them.

The 1000 Icarus clones landed and surrounded them, just like before. They dashed at Xie Lua and Lyda, who could fight, but they ran past them.

"...!"

Their target was Erza who couldn't fight.

"No!"

Xie Lua, Lyda, and Deus rushed at Erza to protect her and the kids, but it was too late.

A mere three people couldn't possibly win against 1000, who were the incarnations of the sun god, evenly matched in strength and strong enough to annihilate cities with ease.

Xie Lua used her Phoenix's powers to burn them, but her fire was too dormant for the fire of the sun.

Erza spread her wings and tried to fly away to protect Zach and Zoe, but the clones jumped one over another and pulled Erza down by grabbing her wings.

Erza hugged Zach and Zoe tightly and covered them with her wings, forming a ball-like structure.

The clones started burning and plucking Erza's wings, but the only thing she was worried about was the safety of Zach and Zoe, even though she was experiencing agonizing pain.

CLAP!

Deus clapped his hands again and raised his finger in the air before gazing at the clones with a lifeless glare in his eyes.

"Disappear!"

A second after Deus uttered that, all the clones ceased to exist.

Deus dropped to his knees but was unable to get up this time. The move had used a considerable amount of his life force, and he could barely keep his eyes open.

[How many times will you use the same move again and again?] Icarus remarked. [As I said a while ago, you will eventually run out of power.]

"..."

[That's the difference between you mortals and a god. Your growth is limited, and no matter how hard you try, you can never be a god.]

Icarus snapped once again, this time creating 10,000 of his clones, and obviously, stronger than the last time.

[I can also use the same move again and again, and still kill you all with minimal effort. I can't wait for you all to lose all your powers and lay helplessly, as I kill you all one by one in front of your eyes. It will be so much fun, so satisfying to watch, as you grovel and beg me for mercy. And in return, I will show you despair!]

Deus raised his head and looked at Lyda with an emotionless expression on his face.

"Reverse my body time," he said.

"Are you out of your mind?! I already used it thrice on you, anymore, and you will—"

"Please..."

"Reversing your body time is not going to bring back your life force, you know? My power doesn't undo the living things, otherwise, it would create Cosmic Impacts."

"I know..."

Lyda made a painful expression on her face and reluctantly reversed the time of Deus' body.

While the pain and injury had vanished from Deus' body, he was still feeling exhausted and powerless.

The 10,000 clones that Icarus launched at them, landed directly in front of Erza. But without thinking about the consequences and wasting even a single second, Deus clapped his hands and snapped his fingers.



"Be no more."

The 10,000 clones turned into ashes and vanished into thin air.

Deus had used up almost all of his life force, and he was in an extremely vulnerable state. Even a simple stab could kill him and make him unable to heal.

Lyda's power would no longer work on him as his body had nothing to grow back. It had become hollow from the inside.

[Hah! A futile attempt of a worthless mortal!] Icarus laughed out loud.

At that moment, the kid Zach, who had been unconscious all this time, finally opened his eyes. And the first thing he saw was tears in Erza's eyes.

He found himself covered under Erza's stunning white wings, which were burned and plucked out. He saw blood dripping from her wings.

He slowly moved his hand towards Erza's face and wiped her tears.

"Mother..."

After noticing Zach was awake, Erza hugged him and said, "Don't worry, everything is alright."

Zach's gaze fell on Deus, who was barely managing to stand still.

"...."

[Ahahahaha!]

He heard Icarus laughing and mocking Deus' current state.

"..."

Zach's head automatically moved up, and he looked at the sun with his wide eyes, where Icarus was sitting.

[...!]

Icarus noticed a murderous glare, so he glanced at Deus, Xie Lua, and Lyda, but couldn't find the glare. Then, he looked at Zach, who was staring deep into his soul.

[He is truly a threat to all existence!]

When Icarus said he was there to end the threat, he was not talking about Deus, but he was referring to Zach, who was merely 8 years old at that time.

Chapter 277 Deus vs Icarus (ii)

Panicked and infuriated, Icarus raised his hand to create more clones, but this time, Icarus created 100,000 of his clones, but instead of launching them to the ground, he made them do something else.

All the 100,000 clones raised their hands and each one of them created a plasma ball.

"..."

They had surrounded them from all sides, and the entire sky was covered with Icarus' clones.

The plasma balls in their hands grew bigger and bigger as time passed. And eventually, they were big enough to be the size of the moon.

"If that hits, they are all dead!" young Zach exclaimed, who could only watch them.

[I have had enough of your nonsense talking! Now die!]

Icarus' clones launched 100,000 moon-sized, concentrated plasma balls at Deus and the others.

Upon seeing that there was no way to escape their doom, Deus rushed to Erza to protect her and the kids. But because of his weak state, he fell to the ground.

Still, that didn't stop him from trying to reach his family. He crawled and dragged his body to them as the plasma balls approached them at high speed.

Xie Lua watched everything in despair. While in truth, she could easily escape if she wanted to— she was a Phoenix, after all— but she didn't because she couldn't leave her master alone, and the most important person to her— Zach.

She had sworn his mother to become his godmother.

It was the same for Lyda. She could easily travel between the dimensions, but she couldn't carry them with her because of the limitations provided by the Void Queen.

However, she didn't escape. She wanted to be with her friend, Deus, and her love disciple— Zach, till the end.

But, she wasn't going to give up that easily.

She conjured her final form. She grew horns on her forehead and her body was covered with strange black marks. Not only that, her hair had grown longer, and it had changed from black to white. Her eyes had become silver, and they were shining bright.

Everything around her stopped. The air, light, plasma ball, and everything between the sky and earth has stopped.

'I can only stop the time for 5 seconds, so I can't take them with me and run away. And even if I somehow manage to at least save Zach and Zoe, the impact from the plasma ball will annihilate cities. One plasma ball was enough to obliterate this city and the soundings. I can't imagine what calamity would be caused if 100,000 plasma balls hit the surface.'

'It might even destroy the planet!'

Lyda jumped in the air and launched herself in front of the plasma balls. One by one, she slammed herself into them and took all the damage. With the impact of each plasma ball, Lyda's body formed a crack.

Within 5 seconds, Lyda had taken the damage of 100,000 plasma balls. Her body was full of cracks, and her once soft marshmallow-like body had become rough and pale. Even her horns had cracks on them, and it seemed as though they would break at any moment.

However, Lyda knew that wasn't enough.

It was impossible to defeat Icarus, and he could simply create ten times the number of clones he has now. And they could create more plasma balls without even breaking a sweat.

Lyda looked at Deus and then moved her gaze to kid Zach, who was also frozen with the others.

Tears rolled down her eyes as the cracks on her body grew wider. Then, she looked at the sun and engulfed it with her fist.

The sun had disappeared from the sky and the world was covered with darkness!

At the same time, Lyda's five seconds had passed, and the world started moving again. The time resumed, and so did everything.

However, many things had changed. People were confused about the time as they saw no sun in the sky. But the most baffled was Icarus.

[What?!] he yelled. [How is that possible! Sun is everlasting, and it is this planet that revolves around me! I am undefeatable—]

Lyda stared at Icarus, just like he stared at Erza when he called her a puny god.

"Know your place, you foolish insect. You are only a second-order cosmic god," Lyda uttered in an emotionless voice.

[Wait... you are—!]

"Since you were changing about despair this and despair that, let me show you the true meaning of despair."

Lyda's fist was still closed, and she had captured the sun in it. However, she could only hold it for a few seconds. And in her current state, it was even less.

Lyda glanced at Deus and Xie Lua, who were still on the ground, and said, "Mind joining me for the last battle together?"

When Deus noticed Lyda's condition, he realized what she meant. He gathered his remaining strength and stood up.

He walked to Erza, who was looking at him with tears in her eyes, and said, "Take care of the kids."

"No... please... no! There has to be another way! Please... I beg you...!" Erza bellowed with tears in her eyes.

Deus then looked at kid Zach, who seemed confused about everything. But he knew something sad was happening.

Deus patted Zach on the head and said with a gentle smile on his face: "I am proud of you. And I am glad to have you as my son. You will surely surpass me and everyone one day."

He then placed his hand on Zach's chest and muttered something.

"Argh!" Kid Zach groaned in pain, but he endured and smiled back at Deus.

After Deus left, a mark appeared on his chest, and it slowly faded away after pulsating a couple of times.

Young Zach watched that in horror and muttered, "So it was father...? He wanted me to see this?"

Deus jumped in the air and Xei Lua followed him while flapping her wings.

"Time to end this, Icarus..."

Chapter 278 Deus vs Icarus (Last Part)

Deus raised his hand in the air, as though he was waiting for something to arrive.

CLANK! CLANK!

Kid Zach heard a noise coming from under the debris, seemingly resembling the sound of a metal rustling against the rocks. He glanced at Erza, who was still crying, then moved his gaze to Zoe, who was awake, but the most oblivious about everything.

He then walked to the debris and tried to push away the big rocks with his small hands. After struggling for a while, Zach managed to push away some debris, and there he saw a sword covered with a sheath.

Kid Zach was captivated by a single glance, and he tried to touch it. But it flew away and landed in Deus' hands.

Deus grabbed the hilt with one hand and the sheath with the other. He glared into Icarus' eyes and pulled the sword out from the sheath.

A bright light emerged from Deus' body that blinded everyone except the kid Zach and the young Zach; seemingly, they possessed the ability to fathom the power of the sword.

Deus' body, which was heavily injured, returned to its normal state; no, his entire body had changed into something that could only be described as a monster.

When Deus' pulled out the sword from the sheath, his clothes were shredded into pieces, and he was currently naked with his bottom covered by the ragged piece of clothes.

There were several linings and marks on his body, covering him from head to toe. His hair had turned white, and he had grown an extra pair of hands with sharp claws.

The sheath he was holding suddenly changed its shape and turned into a pure white mask with no holes to see or breathe.

Deus wore the mask, but it was covering his entire face, leaving both Zach confused as to how he would see.

A few seconds later, a third eye sported on Deus' forehead that was also visible from the mask. And the most intimidating change of all, there was a red Halo on top of Deus that was the size of a hand.

'I will use my remaining life force until I die...'

Deus looked up at Icarus and said, "Say your prayers."

[Heh! Do you think you can intimidate me with his new form of yours? You are still nothing but a puny pest!]

"We will see who is who!" Deus raised his sword in the air and slashed it in the air.

[Hah! Have you finally lost your mind and succumbed to insanity?! It's a shame that I wouldn't be able to enjoy seeing your despair when I kill you—]

SLASH!

Suddenly, Icarus' body was cleaved into half vertically.

"Huh?" Icarus was dumbfounded, and he watched his body get cleaved into two parts from one of the clones' eyes.

However, Icarus used one of the nearby clones and absorbed him, regenerating his body back to how it was before.

[Do you truly think you can kill me?! A God?! The second-order Cosmic God?!]

"If you are the second-order, then you surely know the power of the first-order, right?" Lyda commented, who was still holding the sun in her fist.

Icarus' face turned pale after hearing that.

[Don't tell me...] he stuttered.

The second order was the second-strongest order of the power infinity. The second-order gods were called Cosmic Gods as they ruled the cosmos such as Sky, earth, moon, sun, and the heavens.

However, there was one more order above them; the first order. And they were called Celestial Gods, who ruled over time, space, and void.

And Lyda was the daughter of time. But she didn't possess the power of the first-order Celestial Gods, only a mere fraction of the power to control time.

"This world shall know the pain, but before them... you shall know the despair." Lyda looked at her closed fist and said, "The power of the sun in the palm of my hand."



Icarus was genuinely scared of Lyda, but he soon realized that Lyda was bluffing after noticing Lyda was struggling to hold the sun in her fist and the cracks on her body were increasing rapidly.

[How long will you hold the sun?] Icarus snickered and said, [Sooner or later, you will have to let go of the sun, or you will perish into nothing. Well, either way, you are all going to die today!]

Icarus raised both his hands in the air and declared, [My mark words, history will be the witness and the time shall testify my great contribution to this world I will make after ending you rebels today. They shall praise me and worship me as their god and I shall grow even more strong, for the everlasting eternity and the power of infinity!]

While Icarus was chanting nonsense, Deus used that chance to get rid of Icarus' clones, so he wouldn't use them later to regenerate himself.

ZAP!

With the speed of light, Deus traveled through the sky and slashed 99969 clones of Icarus and only 30 of them remained.

Deus didn't waste his time talking to Icarus or pay attention to his talk. Lyda was almost out of time, and he wanted to kill Icarus before that.

The remaining 30 clones landed on the ground in front of Erza, who was alone with kid Zach and Zoe. But the moment they landed, they disappeared because Deus killed them before they could even land properly.

The result of his speed and damage was delayed because he was too fast to be visible to one's eyes. And even the young Zach, who was watching everything with a painful expression on his face, was also unable to comprehend Deus' power.

At first, Zach wanted to wake up from this memory that was worse than a nightmare for him, even when he was seeing it from a different perspective, but after knowing that it was Deus who placed the mark on him, he no longer wanted to leave.

Sure, it was agonizing for him to watch, but he knew that there must be a reason why Deus wanted Zach to see this. Maybe he simply wanted to record his last moments for Zach, so he could see them with his eyes when he grew up, or perhaps, he had something else in his mind.

There was no way of knowing that, but at least, he could see it from his own eyes.

[Okay. Perhaps I was wrong. Maybe this new look truly made you a monster. But that changes nothing. You can't do anything to me, literally!]

Once again, Deus ignored everything Icarus was saying and went to attack him, but it was too late.

Deus was blinded by the bright light coming from the side, and when he gazed at it, he saw the light of the sun was emitting from the cracks in Lyda's body.

"It can't be..."

Lyda had run out of time. The cracks on her body widened as the intensity of the light grew even more.

"Deus..." Lyda looked at Deus with an apologetic look on her face and said, "I am sorry."

Soon after that, Lyda's body exploded into pieces and the sun had once again dominated the sky.

[Ahahahahaha!] Icarus laughed like never before. [Stupid bitch! She had precious powers, yet she wasted them in saving some puny worthless lives!]

Deus and Xie Lua were devastated after seeing the death of their friend, but they didn't have time to grieve or mourn. They must not let Lyda's sacrifice go in vain and end Icarus.

[I will end this before you pull another petty trick!]

Icarus created 100,000,000 of his clones, and they immediately created plasma balls.

[I don't care if I blow up this entire planet! I will do anything and everything to kill you all! You dared you to anger the Sun God!]

The entire sky was covered with Icarus clones, who had also conjured plasma balls in their hands. The entire world was watching that, and it looked as though the sun itself had descended to earth.

"Xie Lua..." Deus called out to Xie Lua without taking his eyes off Icarus.

"What...?"

"Take Erza and the kids, and fly away as far away as possible."

"It's too late for that! What are you planning to do?!"

"Just what a husband should do for his wife, what a father should do for his children."

Deus joined his four palms together, with his thumb, index finger, and middle finger open, and the other two fingers closed.

"Now go!" The red Halo from Deus' head turned into small ten rings and covered Xie Lua.

Then he closed his third eye and opened all the three eyes together as he uttered, "Domain... expansion..."

The earth, sky, and everything in between were engulfed by a black and red black hole, that devoured the very space itself.

A few seconds after that, the black hole disappeared with Icarus and his clones, Deus, and Xie Lua.

Deus managed to save Xie Lua using his ten rings, but the kid Zach assumed she had died too, and that's why he was surprised when he learned Xie Lua's identity.

Erza sobbed with tears in her eyes while hugging Zach and Zoe. But Zoe, who knew another, wiped Erza's tears with her small hands and said, "No cry... mama..."

Kid Zach, who realized that he had just lost three of the most important people in his life, couldn't help but burst into tears.

He rushed where the debris was at the top and saw Deus' sword and mask— that was originally a sheath— lying beside each other. And next to that, there was a small ring, which Erza wore for ten years and later used to summon Xie Lua.

The sun had set, and the sky had turned red with red clouds and many multicolored auroras in the sky.

That day, the third impact ended.

Chapter 279 Waking Up

"..."

Zach opened his eyes and stared at the ceiling with a confused look on his face.

"Yet one more time, I woke up under an unknown ceiling..." he muttered.

He wished he was saying that to simply sound cool, but he truly didn't recognize the ceiling.

He slowly sat up and grabbed his head as he felt sudden stings in his brain.

"Argh..." he grunted softly and glanced around.

He then noticed he was naked from the top.

"..."

He immediately got off the bed and rushed outside the room, only to realize that he was in the chamber of the church.

"Why am I here? I was sleeping in the inn, and..." Zach suddenly felt dizzy, so he sat on the row and leaned back to relax himself.

'Why is my head aching so much? I mean... it has been aching quite often nowadays.'

After a few seconds, he uttered, "I think my headaches started when I entered the sea realm. I don't know if that's related to my powers or something, but it's a tad bit annoying now because they prevent me from thinking."

Zach relaxed for a few seconds and glanced around the church with an amused look on his face.

"So this is where Ninia lives? I have been here before, but this place looks different now. Maybe because the last time I came here was nighttime and this is morning."

Zach noticed that there was no sunlight coming from the windows. He instantly opened his menu to look at the time, and he finally realized it was evening.

"So I slept for almost 20 hours straight?" he asked himself. But then, his gaze fell on the date and his eyes widened in surprise.

"I have been asleep for nearly three days?!" he exclaimed with a baffled look on his face. "But why? Did something happen to me?! No wonder they brought me here. They must have been freaked out; I am freaked out!"

Zach touched his body and inspected himself to see if he was attacked by someone when he was sleeping, so Aria and Victoria brought him to the church.

"There is nothing wrong with my body and my health is full. My MP also cultivated a lot since I have been asleep for nearly three days. But what happened?"

Zach walked and searched around the entire church to look for Aria, Victoria, or Ninia, but it was empty.

"Where did they go? Surely, they wouldn't actually leave me alone in the open church when I was in a vulnerable state, right?"

Zach struggled to remember what had happened. He also didn't remember the memory he saw in the dream, that was worse than a nightmare.

However, even though he didn't remember, his heart still ached, and his soul remembered the sadness and agony he felt when he witnessed the death of three of the most important people in his life.

"What is this tight feeling in my chest?" Zach placed his hand on his chest and clenched it as he tried to understand what was going on.

He started feeling dizzy, so he decided to take a seat, but he was too far away from the rows as he was strolling around to look for the girls. So he had no other choice but to lay down on the ground.

He spread his limbs and stretched them while laying on the ground.

YAWN~

He yawned loudly and closed his eyes, hoping to find peace and comfort from the unknown feeling he was having. However, as soon as he closed his eyes, everything once again flashed before his eyes.

He opened his eyelids, revealing his teary eyes and the painful expression on his face. He controlled and tried his best to endure his tears from falling, but to do that, he clenched his fists so hard that his nails pierced his palm, and they started bleeding. He bit his lips so hard and his mouth was filled with blood.

"Why did you show me that, father?" he asked, even though he knew he would never get an answer.

'Everything was going so well. Everyone was happy, and father was trying to rebel against the gods with Xie Lua and Lyda, but the sun god— Icarus, suddenly attacked us.'

'There was no chance for a father to win in the first place since he wasn't at his full strength. He was also tried from the war he fought that day, and he had just returned home when all that happened.'

'Who betrayed me?!' Zach recalled Deus' words.

"Father had very trustworthy friends. I didn't know all of them, but the ones I knew were nice people. But... one among his friends snitched on father and gave all the information to the sun god."

After a brief silence, Zach frowned his face and raised his bloodstained hand in the air. He opened his fist and reached his hand to the ceiling as though he was trying to grab onto something, but he was simply showing his commitment.

"I will find that traitor, and kill him or her!"

Zach was mentally too exhausted to do anything, so he simply closed his eyes to save energy, but he fell asleep soon after.

A few hours later, Ninia, Aria, and Victoria returned home after spending the entire day talking to various NPC and convincing them to join Zach's religion. They didn't care about themselves and barely ate or drank anything in the past three days.

But when they returned and saw Zach lying on the ground with his hands and mouth covered with blood, they were bewildered.

At first, they thought some wild animal had attacked Zach, but upon inspecting further, Aria and Victoria came to the conclusion that Zach had done that to himself.

They carried him back to the chamber, and Ninia healed him. Actually, Aria wanted to heal him as she was also a healer, but Ninia took that opportunity from her.

A few hours later, when Zach opened his eyes again, he found himself on the bed of the same chamber, and Ninia was sleeping by his side.

"..."

Chapter 280 Indecent Thoughts

When Zach opened his eyes after passing out again, he found Ninia sleeping next to him.

"..."

The bed was small and could only fit one person, but Ninia somehow managed to sleep next to Zach.

Usually, Zach saw Ninia with a veil on her head, so he never got to see her hair fully, but not, not only was he seeing her hair, he was seeing many more things.

Her golden hair looked so silky and soft that Zach felt like touching it, but he refrained from doing so, but when he noticed her pointy ears, he couldn't hold himself.

However, when he tried to move his hand to touch Ninia's ears, his body didn't respond to his wishes. He soon realized that he was experiencing sleep paralysis.

Since the bed was small enough to fit only one person, the space between Zach and Ninia was close to none and their bodies were touching each other.

Zach's gaze automatically fell on Ninia's cleavage since that was always the first thing he saw whenever he woke next to Aria or Aurora.



'They look surprisingly big...'

Zach suddenly felt guilty for having indecent thoughts about Ninia, who was a nun and his first follower. So he closed his eyes and pretended to be asleep, but he ended up taking a deep breath, which filled his lungs with Ninia's scent.

"..."

He opened his eyes with a confused and curious look on his face and sniffed Ninia again.

'This smell...'

He sniffed her once again and thought, 'I have smelled this scent before somewhere. It feels so nostalgic for some reason.'

He continued sniffing Ninia and tried his best to recognize the smell, but that didn't last for long as Ninia suddenly opened her eyes.

"...!" Panicked, Zach closed his eyes to pretend to be asleep, so Ninia would think that he was simply taking loud breaths in his sleep.

But that didn't work since it was too late.

"My Lord..." she muttered with a flushed face.

Zach hesitantly opened his eyes and said, "Before you say anything, let me tell you something first."

"Okay..."

"I am sorry!" he apologized. "But I swear I didn't mean anything by that."

"It's okay. I trust you."

'She is so innocent and kind!'

Ninia got off the bed and said, "I am sorry for sleeping next to you without your permission. I was doing a deck up on your body and only closed my eyes for a minute, but somehow I fell asleep. Maybe it was because I felt at ease after laying down next to you."

"Where are Aria and Victoria?" Zach asked in a calm voice.

"They were just here a while ago, but some injured players came, so they went to heal them," Ninia replied. "It's my job to heal them, but as I was doing a check-up on you, they decided to go."

"I see."

There was an awkward silence between Ninia and Zach. They both stared into each other's eyes, but Zach moved his gaze to Ninia's chest and once again saw her cleavage, which was more visible than before.

After noticing Zach was looking at her cleavage, Ninia immediately turned around and fixed her clothes.

Zach, who felt guilty about his action, simply sighed at himself in disbelief.

Ninia then grabbed her veil from the table and started wearing it. She fixed her hair and tried to make a ponytail as it was night and there was no need for her to do her favorite hairstyle, which was curly from the side.

When Ninia was fixing her hair, Zach noticed a sigil on her nape and raised his brow.

"Can I ask about the sigil on your nape?" he asked.

"Huh?" Ninia turned to Zach with a confused look on her face as though she had no idea what Zach was talking about.

"There is a... sigil on your nape..."

"Is... there?" The puzzled expression on Ninia's face was enough for Zach to realize that she was oblivious about it.

"I have been meaning to ask this, but I thought it would be an insensitive thing to ask, so I never considered asking it as it didn't matter that much. But now, it does."

"Ask away..."

"How did you or the NPCs get in this game? Or should I say, this world?" Zach asked with a curious, yet calm look on his face.

"I... don't really remember. When it was like... uhh... when I opened my eyes, I was here in the church and a voice rang in my ears that ordered me to heal the players," Ninia responded with varied expressions on her face. "So I guess it should be the same for the other NPCs too."

'Mother and Aria created the humans in the real world. And this world was created by the other gods, so that also makes the NPCs the native humans of this world,' Zach uttered inwardly.

'However, this world was created recently, but the NPCs are already adults, with some even in their old age. So now, I have two theories; one is that this world always existed, and the VR game players were simply transported here, and the second theory is that the NPCs and monsters in this game are created and not born.'

'The first theory sounds impossible, but the second theory doesn't make much sense either.'

"My Lord?" Ninia called out to ask after noticing he had zoned out.

"Ah... yes."

"You were talking about the sigil on my nape... is that the truth?" Ninia asked with an anxious look on her face.

Zach nodded and said, "Yes, there is a small, thumb-sized sigil on your nape."

"I never saw it..."

"Well, that's natural because you can't look at your nape in the mirror; at least, not fully."

"I see..."

Zach slowly moved his hand to check if his body was responding or not. After that, he sat up on the bed and placed his feet on the floor.

'It's cold...'

Zach slowly stood up and tried to walk to the door, so he could meet his lovely wife and girlfriend, but his body still wasn't fully responding, and he ended up tripping.

Ninia tried to hold him, but it was too late.

He fell on top of Ninia and felt the softness of her body. And after a few minutes, the door opened and Aria and Victoria walked in and found Zach and Ninia engaging in an indecent act.