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Chapter 321 Guilt Ridden

Creak~!

Ninia opened the door and peeked in, but she couldn't see anyone.

"My Lord...?" She called out to Zach and peeked further, but the door suddenly opened, and Zach came into her sight.

"Yes?" Zach asked.

He was wearing full clothes, and there was no sign of anything suspicious.

"I... uhh...." Ninia's eyes glanced around as though they were looking for something or someone. It was evident to both Victoria and Zach that she was looking for Aria.

"Where is Aria?" she asked with a judging look on her face.

"Hmm? Aria? She is not here," Zach responded awkwardly.

"..." Ninia squinted her eyes and walked into the room. She noticed that the blanket on the bed was lifted slightly, almost as though someone was sleeping beneath it.

She shot a glance at Zach before moving her hand to the blanket and pulling it in one go. However, much to her surprise, the bed was empty.

"..."

Confused, Ninia glanced at every corner of the room, but Aria was nowhere to be seen. She even looked beneath the bed, but she wasn't there either.

Zach quickly stood behind Ninia and asked, "What are you doing?"

"I was looking for Aria..."

"As I said, she is not here. She must be in her domain, trying to find a way to cultivate her soul powers," Zach stated.

"Oh... okay." After a brief pause, Ninia glanced at Victoria before looking at Zach and asked, "We brought dinner from the restaurant. Let's eat."

"I will be there in a minute."

After that, Ninia left the room, and Victoria followed her.

Zach made sure they had left and closed the door. Then, he opened the portal to Aria's domain, and a naked Aria appeared in front of the portal.

"Did they leave?" she asked.

"Yes. Wear your clothes and come to eat dinner after a few minutes."

"Ummm... actually... I don't really feel hungry for some reason..." she asked with an awkward smile on her face.

"So...? What will you do now?" he asked calmly.

Aria showed her hands filled with Zach's essence and said, "I will make the essence pill. And once you have eaten dinner, you can resume my work."

"Sounds good." Zach nodded and closed the portal after saying, "Also, you should take a bath after that."

SIGH!

Zach swallowed nervously and muttered, "That was a close open."

At first, Zach was going to release his load inside Aria's cave, but then he remembered about the essence pill, so he pulled his snake out and released everything in Aria's hand.

They would have gotten caught if it wasn't for Victoria talking out loud with Ninia.

After that, Zach opened the portal to Aria's domain and sent Aria there. While he flipped over the blood-stained mattress of the bed.

It didn't take him much time to equip clothes, and everything worked out fine.

Zach took some deep breaths and left his room to eat dinner. There he met Noah, who was waiting for him to join them.

"Master Zach, you won't believe what happened today!" he said with a resolute expression on his face.

"Oh? Tell me."

Noah started telling what happened after they left while they all ate dinner together.

"Is it okay to eat without Aria?" Ninia asked with an anxious look on her face. "Won't she feel betrayed or lonely after knowing that we ate without her?"

'Even though he was acting like a mom checking her child's room a while ago, she is worried about Aria. I feel like it's been a long time since I said this, but... I will never fully understand girls.' "It's okay. I informed her through messages, and she replied with 'I am not feeling hungry'. And if she feels hungry later, I will take her to a restaurant or cook something for her."

"Whoa? You are not cooking anything." Victoria quipped and remarked, "You suck at cooking. Don't you even try to deny it."

"..." Zach decided to eat dinner quietly. But his mind was still lost in the pleasure he received a while ago.

'I still can't believe it! Aria and I did it! We had sex!'

'Who could have thought that this day would come? I met her as a stranger enemy, and then we became friends. Come to think of it, my relationship with all the girls in my harems has been surprisingly unique and strange at the same time.'

'The most normal relationship I would say I had is Aurora. It progressed naturally. Not to mention, it's because of her that I learned the pain and the pleasure of loving someone.`

'Then... maybe with Aria? Victoria is an exception as our whole relationship has been in a spiral.'

'Then there is Aquarius. In comparison, my relationship with Ruli was too sudden. It wouldn't be strange to say it started with a one-night-stand.'

'And then there is Xie Lua. I honestly don't know what to say about it.'

While having all those thoughts, Zach finished his dinner.

When he glanced at Victoria, he found her staring at him with an upset look on her face.

'No wonder she is angry. She helped me out today, and I didn't even do anything for her,' he sighed inwardly.

'I can change my schedule and spend the night with Victoria instead of Aurora, but... I don't think tonight is the best time.'

There was a big reason why Zach hadn't become intimate with Victoria even after patching up again.

Just as Victoria was scared of having sex again, Zach was too. He knew very well that his first time with Victoria wasn't pleasurable. Sure, he enjoyed it, but it was Victoria who suffered for days.

That's why, he had decided to make their second time better and more pleasurable than the first one.

After that, Zach's gaze fell on Ninia, who was staring at him with an innocent smile on her face. Zach couldn't help but smile back, but for some reason, he felt a sting in his heart.

He was ridden with guilt as he deceived Ninia.'Why am I experiencing this feeling of guilt? Ninia is just my follower... right? So why is it that my heart wants me to tell her everything?' he asked himself in agony.

Chapter 322 New Feelings

Zach finished eating and went straight to his room after greeting the girls good night.

Ninia was a little surprised as she assumed Zach would spend some time with her and ask about the summit that was going to occur tomorrow.

Since Ninia was the prophet of his religion, she felt entitled to make sure everything went right, and it was also her duty to report every single— even the small— detail to Zach. However, much to her surprise, Zach went straight to his room. But she thought Zach was simply tired.

Still, it wasn't only Ninia; Victoria was in the same boat as her.

'He could have at least thanked me for doing so much for him today. I... actually don't care about the thank you, but I wanted him to praise or pat me...'

Victoria placed her hand on her chest and made a painful expression on her face.

Elina noticed that and asked, "Are you okay, Miss Victoria?

"Huh... ah, yeah," Victoria replied with a smile on her face. "I am fine. But I think I ate too much. I will rest in my room."

She then turned to Ninia and said, "Sorry to leave the dishes to you. But if you don't mind keeping them like this for the night, I will wash them when I wake up in the morning."

"No, it's alright. I will—"

DING!

Ninia stopped when she heard the notification sound from Victoria.

Victoria opened her menu to see a message from Zach. She curiously opened it and read inwardly:

[Hey, sorry for leaving like that. I just wanted to be alone for a while. I am going to visit Aurora soon and spend the rest of the night with her. And thank you for today. No, thank you for everything. I wanted to say this earlier, but I didn't get a chance since we started eating dinner. I promise I will make this up to you. I wasn't kidding when I said I would make you the happiest girl. I am not the old Zach who was awkward and arrogant... Well, I may still be arrogant sometimes, but you know what I mean. Please, don't think that I am neglecting you. I don't want to get dumped again. LoL. But hey, it's up to you. Even if you dump me again, I will try my best to make you fall in love with me. Jokes aside, I think we have come a long way ever since we first met in school. While that wasn't the best first encounter one would wish to have with their soul mates, believe me, that wasn't the worst either. Argh! I filled up the message with the wall of text. I hope you don't find it boring or skim through it. It may not seem like it, but I wrote this with my utmost feelings. And uhh... also tell Ninia that I will discuss the summit tomorrow if I get time. Okay, I think that's enough. I have said what I wanted to say. Good night. And don't forget that I will always love you, now and forever. And you are my first love, and I am glad that you are.]

A happy smile appeared on Victoria's face as she read that. She couldn't help but chuckle.

'He is still bad at texting people, but I have no right to say that. I am the same,' she thought.

Elina stared at Victoria with a confused look on her face and thought, 'She is so weird. A while ago, she was about to cry. And now she is smiling like an idiot.'

"Is that... from my Lord...?" Ninia asked reluctantly.

"Ah, yes. He said he would talk to you about the summit tomorrow. And he also said he is planning to spend the night with Aurora," Victoria informed.

"I see."

Meanwhile, Zach was rolling on the bed.

"It can't be... right?" he asked himself as he stopped.

Ninia's face kept flashing before his eyes.

SIGH!

"There is no helping it. I may have developed some feelings for Ninia. But... she is so innocent and caring. I feel guilty to even look at her that way. Besides, she is the prophet of my religion. I can't have any special relationship with her."

"And even after all that, I can't keep falling in love with every girl I meet and add them to my harem. I shouldn't forget my main goal to clear this. If I keep fooling around, then who knows, I might come to regret everything one day..." he muttered in a solemn voice.

He sat up on the bed and muttered, "Let's go visit Aurora now. But first...."

Zach got up and removed all his clothes. Then, he created a medium-sized water ball and splashed it on himself.

He repeated the same process a couple of times until he felt it was enough. Then, he used the Sea's Wrath to control the water and raised all the dirty water from the ground.

"Hmm..."

He conjured a fireball in his hand and inserted it inside the giant water ball of the dirty water. The fireball slowly burned all the water away, and the fireball's size grew smaller as it eventually faded now with no trace of a single drop of water or the fireball.

He wore the clothes again and opened the portal to Aria's domain.

"Let's go."

He entered the portal and glanced around to see Aria creating the essence pill, and Milo was watching her.

"How is it going?" he asked as he walked closer.

"I am 60% done. You will have to take care of the rest," Aria informed.

"Sure. You have already done enough. And..." Zach glanced at the throne to see Aurora was still sleeping. "I have time to spare until the princess wakes up from her sleep."

Aria handed the unfinished essence pill to Zach and kissed him on the lips without saying anything.

"...."

She turned around and walked through the portal.



Zach was also lost in his words because the expression on Aria's face was something he had never seen before. She was brimming with happiness.

Thus ended the first time of an ancient Goddess and a newbie God.

Chapter 323 Pervy Princess

Aurora opened her eyes and found her head in something warm and soft. She also felt a warm hand stroking her hair. She didn't even need to move her head to see who it was.

She smiled and said, "It's rare for you to visit me at night. It's night outside, right? I am not sure how long I have been sleeping."

"Yes, it's night outside. And I have come to spend the night with you," Zach replied calmly.

It had been 3 hours since Zach entered Aria's domain. In the meantime, he successfully created the essence pill and calculated his stats.

Aurora slowly moved her head and looked at Zach with a smile on her face.

"How are you feeling?" he asked.

"Same as ever."

"I have brought an essence pill for you."

"Oh?! Finally!" she said cheerfully. "Give me!."

Zach handed her the essence pill that was like candy but the size of a golf ball.

"Wow! It's so big!"

"That's what she said..." Zach muttered.

Aurora squinted her eyes and said, "That was a lame one."

"I was talking about Aria. We finally had sex a while ago," he said nonchalantly.

"Wait, really?!" Aurora exclaimed.

"Yeah. We did it for more than 6 hours, and it was fun. Not going to lie, I really needed that. I feel so relaxed now."

Aurora licked the pill like candy and savored the taste.

"So you used Aria to extract your essence?" she asked with a knowing look on her face.

"Actually ... yes."

Once again, she licked the pill and uttered, "You know, I have been wondering. Wouldn't it be better if you just shot it in my mouth instead of making pills? That would be easier and time efficient for you, no?"

"It would be, but this pill contains other things too. Just think of it as how the protein and nutrients milkshakes work in our world."

Aurora continued licking the pill while Zach kept stroking his hand on her head.

"So now I am the only girl in your harem who is a virgin? Even though I was the first one to join your harem."

"Aquarius is there too. And... Xie Lua too..." He said with an awkward smile on his face.

"Xie Lua...? The woman who runs the magic shop, who has supposedly blessed you?" she asked with a curious look on her face.

"Yes."

"I knew something was going to happen between you too, sooner or later. She gave such vibes when I last met her, and the way she was looking at you made it even more obvious," she asserted.

"Hey, hey. You are making it sound like I am a dense man who failed to notice her feelings," he retorted.

"You are, though. First, you failed to notice my feelings. Then Aria's feelings. And—"

"Okay, there is no 'and'. And mind you, I was already aware of your feelings. Do you think I am stupid to believe that a girl would sleep in the same room with a man she barely knew?" He scoffed jokingly. "Even friends of the opposite gender don't sleep in the— nevermind. I remember reading a nasty article about that."

"What was it?" Aurora asked curiously.

"It's better if you don't know." After a brief pause, he continued, "Anyway, back to the topic. I was aware of Aria's feelings as well, but you know it was complicated."

"I am glad everything worked out well. You even fucked her... while I am still waiting for my turn," she muttered.

"Believe me, Aurora. You have no idea how badly I want to fuck you. Just get better soon, and we will fuck all day and night."

She raised her brow and asked, "Like rabbits?"

"Yes," he chuckled and pinched Aurora's cheeks as he said, "We will fuck like rabbits."

"Can't we do it now?" She averted her gaze and asked, "My pussy still functions normally. So as long as you—"

"Stop right there, you pervy princess." Zach inserted his finger inside Aurora's mouth and said, "I am not doing anything to you until you bet better enough to run without stumbling."

"But... I am horny..."

"..."

"Are you considering?" she asked with puppy eyes.

"No!"

"But I am horny!" Aurora swung her legs like a little kid and said, "Licking the pill made me horny! You have to take the responsibility!"

"Listen, I am not going to fuck you. Aria and Victoria will kill me if I do something to you in this state. And even I don't want to do anything. It doesn't matter if you are horny or not," he asserted out loud.

"So you are going to let me suffer like this? Leaving me horny when I can't even finger myself to masturbate?"

"..."

"Even my pussy started itching now! What will you do?!"

SIGH!

Zach moved his hand between Aurora's legs and touched her cave. As expected, it was wet.

"I can't believe you really got horny..."

"Are we going to do it?!" she asked excitedly.

"No."

"Aww, come on!" she groaned out loud.

"But I will finger you," he added.

"Oh!"

"That would satisfy you, right?"

"For now..."

SIGH!

Zach took off Aurora's skirt and touched her cave over her panty.

"Whoa! It's soaking wet!" He removed her panties and rubbed his thumb on the slit of her cave.

"Amnh~" She moaned softly and said, "It's been so long since you last touched me there."

"I am feeling so weird right now..." he muttered. "I am fingering a crippled girl."

Zach slowly inserted his middle finger inside Aurora's cave and pushed it deeper. Then, he twisted it around and rubbed the tip of his fingers on the walls of her cave.

"Nmh~ You are really good at this!"

"I have got a lot of experience now."

"Nmh~ Am~"

Aurora's moans were bliss to Zach's ears, and blessing his eyes by seeing her face when she moaned.

Once in a while, he would kiss Aurora and satisfy her so she could ejaculate sooner.

"Amh~ Keep going~ I think I am about to cum soon. Please don't stop, or I will get really angry.'

'Dammit! The face she makes while moaning is so fucking precious! I can't wait to see her face when she orgasms!'

A few seconds later, Aurora's cave started twitching with her body, and that was the sign that she could orgasm at any time.

A minute later, her body relaxed as her cave trapped Zach's finger inside and flooded it with warm juice.

Chapter 324: Preying in the Church

The leader was extremely furious at Elina, and he wanted to kill her with his hands, but not before torturing her.

"Kill the nun, but keep that bitch alive!" He ordered the group.

Ninia glanced at the sword stuck in the dead player's body, and Elina did the same. She wanted to take the sword, but it was too late.

The group of the players pointed their weapons at Ninia while the remaining female player grabbed Elina and dragged her to the leader.

The men were about to stab Ninia to death, but the leader stopped them.

"Wait. Let's get some answers first." The leader glared at Elina and uttered, "This girl is a player, and that nun is an NPC. What's the girl doing here?"

"Maybe she was here to get healed and hid after we came?" a player wondered.

"No." The leader pointed his gaze at Ninia and said, "Look at the expression on her face. She seems more concerned about this girl than her own life. They clearly know each other. And besides, who in their right mind would willingly pick a fight with ten bandits like us?"

The leader gestured to the female players, and they placed the sword on Elina's neck.

"Answer me, bitch. Do you know this nun NPC?"

Of course, Elina kept her mouth shut. Even when she was held hostage, she had no sign of fear in her eyes.

p??d? "I see. You are not going to answer, huh? Well, that's okay." The leader turned to the other group and said, "Hey! Check all the rooms here! There could be others hiding somewhere!"

Two men rushed towards the chambers and went their separate ways in different chambers.

However, five minutes passed, but they didn't return.

"What the fuck are they doing? It's been ages! This church doesn't look big compared to the one in the higher realm," the leader muttered in annoyance.

"Hey! Go check on them. And if you see something, yell as loud as you can."

One player nodded and went to check on the other players.

"Pst pst!" The leader whispered to another player and said, "Go after him but keep your distance. Don't engage in any activity."

Yet another five minutes passed, and the third player didn't return. However, the fourth player returned while yelling at the top of his lungs.

He was running as fast as he could while glancing back repeatedly.

"Th-There is— There is someone in there!" he yelled with a petrified look on his face.

All the remaining players grabbed their weapons tightly and turned to the chambers, diverting their attention from Ninia and Elina.

The player who was running reached them and sighed in relief. He thought he was safe, and his teammates would take care of everything.

However, he hadn't realized he was already beyond saving.

He looked at his HP bar, which was rapidly decreasing as though someone was sucking his lifeforce. He patted his body and checked it in confusion, but he couldn't feel any pain or see any wound.

Suddenly, he fell to the ground, and his HP eventually reached zero as he died.

His teammates were confused as well, and they couldn't figure out how he died. Before they could even comprehend the situation, a shining, golden arrow came out of the dead player's body and entered another player's body.

A few seconds later, he collapsed on the floor and died on the spot. Just like before, the arrow came out of his body and headed towards the female player.

However, the leader swung his sword and cut the arrow into it as it stopped shining and fell to the ground.

He then glared at the darkness of the chambers and said, "Come out! It's too late to die now!"

STEP~ STEP~!

With heavy and loud steps, Aria walked into their sight and stood before them. She nonchalantly rubbed her eyes and said, "I will spare your life if you leave now."

"Shut up!" The leader pulled Elina close to him and placed the sword on her head. "If you move, even your finger, I will kill this bitch!"

"Oh? Now that's daring of you to threaten me when your life is in danger," Aria scoffed arrogantly.

"What do you—!" The leader stopped on his words as his eyes widened in surprise.

It was Victoria, who had stealthily got behind the leader and placed a knife on his back.

"You came here with the intention of theft, but then you tried to kill my dear friend," Aria said while glancing at Ninia. "Be glad that her 'God' is not here. Or you would be given a judgment, not a punishment."

Aria frowned her face at the leader and said, "I won't repeat again. Leave now, and never show your face."

The leader dropped the sword and raised his hands in the air as though he had surrendered. He made eye contact with the remaining players and made eye gestures.

SIGH!

Aria let out a weary sigh and shook her head in disbelief.

CLAP! CLAP!

Two claps rang in the quiet church, and numerous demons appeared from the shadows. They dashed at the remaining players and killed them without any mercy, leaving only the leader alone.

After losing everyone in front of his eyes, he looked at his dead wife and uttered in a trembling voice:

"Why...? We only came here to make some money. Why are you girls defending an NPC? She is just a fake human."

A rank-five demon walked and stopped in front of the leader. Its height was one and half times taller than the leader, and its appearance alone was enough to give one nightmare for days.

The black shadow was emitting from it and golden cracks across its body, all leading to its two glowing golden eyes.

At that moment, the leader realized that he had messed with the wrong people. Due to pure fear, he wet his pants and fell to his knees, seemingly losing all hope and falling into despair.

The demon turned to Aria as though it was waiting for her command.

Aria looked at Elina, Victoria, and then at Ninia, who was evidently frightened by everything.

"Kill him," Aria ordered.

Chapter 325: Personal Cleaner

"Kill him!" Aria ordered the demon.

The demon grabbed the leader's head in his palm and crushed it like one would crush an empty can of juice or soda.

The blood splattered across the floor and got mixed with the blood of other players.

"...."

"...."

The church was filled with silence. A holy place to pray and worship the lord was used to prey, and the demons helped in the act.

Things couldn't get any weirder for Ninia. Until a few minutes ago, it was a peaceful night where everyone was sleeping, and it turned into a bloodbath.

Elina was quivering in fear, and she had fallen to her knees. She covered her mouth with her hand to resist the urge to puke, but she couldn't hold it.

It was a natural reaction for a little girl like her. After all, killing someone might be easy, but the feeling of guilt and regret that came with it was also unfathomable.

'What if I had made a simpler approach?' She asked herself the same question again and again. But what she did was the right thing to do.

Aria made eye contact with Victoria and pointed her gaze at Elina, who was having a hard time.

Victoria nodded and patted Elina's back to make her feel better.

p??da n?vel "Let's go outside for some fresh air," she said in a calm voice and took Elina out of the church.

Aria walked to Ninia and hugged her before rubbing her back.

"It's okay. Don't worry. Everything is alright," she said calmly.

"But because of me.... Elina and your nametag turned red..." Ninia stuttered on her words.

"That's okay. No one cares about that. And besides, Zach also has a red nametag. Now we match," she chuckled softly.

"Ten people died because of me, and a little girl became a killer. I have committed a major sin..."

"You did not. Zach would have done the same thing. Why do you think he left his summons in the church?"

The church had become Zach's sanctuary, where he left his summon to safeguard Ninia. Of course, he took her permission before allowing the demons to set foot on the holy land, although Ninia had told him that he needn't have to ask her, as he was the God of the church.

"If I had just taken them to the vault... the situation wouldn't have escalated..." Ninia muttered with a gloomy face.

"Listen, that's not the case. As Zach had said before, an evil person doesn't need a reason to do an evil act, they only need an excuse. Even if you had taken them to the vault, there was no guarantee that they wouldn't have killed you."

"But..."

"And if Elina hadn't come on time, the summons would have caused an uproar. It seems that they were sleeping and woke up after smelling the scent of the blood. And believe me, it's better than the matter was solved instantly."

Ninia raised her head and asked, "What do you... mean?"

"If his summons had informed Zach, he would have rushed back here. ANd currently, he is spending time with Aurora, who is his favorite. Zach wouldn't even have listened to the thugs and killed them cruelly on the spot," Aria asserted.

"You are right..." Ninia glanced at the dead bodies and averted her gaze before asking, "What are we going to do about the bodies? Should we bury them outside? I will do a small prayer for them, but—"

"There is no need," Aria interjected and glared at NInia. "You are far too kind, Ninia. They tried to kill you and Elina. How can you even think of praying for them?"

"Everyone deserves a chance to atone for their sins. Even if they are dead, they need forgiveness," Ninia muttered meekly.?.???? n.?.???

"No, they don't."

"Didn't you see the leader? He regretted his actions. It was all over his face."

"Sometimes, it is too late to regret. You can't do anything about it. And you know what, I wish Zach was here. He would have smacked some sense into you," Aria uttered furiously. "Maybe I should message him and call him here to—"

"No, please! NInia grabbed Aria's hand so she couldn't type. "There is no need to call him. I don't want him to hate me."

"Ah..." Aria soon regretted her words. She was so lost in anger that she forgot about Ninia's feelings for Zach. And as a girl who loved Zach, she knew how painful it would be to be hated by the man she loved.

"Don't worry. I was just joking. I wouldn't do that to you. We are friends, right?" Aria said in a calm voice and a gentle smile on her face.

Ninia meekly nodded but kept her gaze lowered.

'I should get rid of the bodies first....' Aria thought.

Aria turned to the altar and uttered, "Cerberus, are you there?"

"..."

"Cerberus, can you hear me?"

[I do not like to be ordered by someone other than my liege, but I will make this one an exception.]

A few seconds later, a mini-Cerberus emerged from the shadow and stood in front of Aria.

"What happened to your mighty size?" Aria asked with a confused and curious look on her face.

[I learned to change my size as per my wish. There were times when I felt useless and couldn't aid my liege because of my size. But now, I can,] he said with a proud face.

"I see..." Aria sighed with a dazed expression on her face. "Anyway, can you gather the bodies and eat them?"

Cerberus stared at Aria for a few seconds before saying, [Do you see me as a dumpster?]

"How rude! I said this because I thought you would be hungry! You should be thanking me instead. Hmph!" Aria scoffed arrogantly. However, she was lying. She simply wanted to get rid of the bodies by any means possible.

[I will eat them.]

Cerberus slowly ate all the players and licked the blood from the floor, making it stainless.

'Personal cleaner...' Aria uttered inwardly.

Chapter 326: Slapping Sense

After Cerberus had eaten the players and cleaned the floor, he went back to the shadows.

"You all should go too. Zach has probably noticed the MP fluctuations. So let's not make him worry more. I don't want to ruin his time with Aurora," Aria uttered.

p??da n?vel The demons slowly walked towards the altar with heavy and loud steps and disappeared into the dark.

Aria turned to Ninia and said, "Have you calmed down?"

Ninia quietly nodded and said, "Thank you for saving me."

"..."

"I am a useless NPC who can't even-"

SLAP!

The sound of a slap echoed in the church.

Ninia placed her hand on her cheek and stared at Aria with a baffled look on her face.

Aria had slapped Ninia out of anger.

"Listen! You have to drop this mentality of the weak! You are not weak! You are an alive person! You don't have to do what you are asked for! You can do whatever you want!" Aria yelled furiously at Ninia.

"But we are ordered to—"

"Who the fuck cares?! What about everything you have been doing so far? Eating out with Zach. Becoming his prophet. Sneaking into his room. Sliding into his bed! Making moves on him! Falling in love with him?! What about all that, huh?!"

"I..."

"Were you also ordered to do that? Was all your actions and feelings for Zach fake?!"

"No! I would rather die than do something like that!" Ninia wallowed.

"So then why?! Why can't you do other things?! Get out of your comfort zone! We won't always be there for you! You have to stand up on your own and learn to protect yourself! Do you understand?!"

"..." Ninia was still perplexed by everything and couldn't say anything, or rather, she didn't know what to say in such a situation. Her feelings for Zach were made obvious by Aria in such a way that instead of getting embarrassed, she was scared.

"I asked. Do you understand?!"

"I ... do..."

"Good!" Aria placed her hands on Ninia's shoulders and said, "After we wake up, I am going to train you in a sword fight!"

"But I have to do other-"

"Don't talk back to me! You will have to do as I say. Zach may have promised you and the other NPCs that he would turn them into players, but that wouldn't matter if they don't learn to fight! He is not going to teach them everything! When you go to a restaurant, they serve you the food, but they don't feed you! It's just like that!"

"Okay, okay! I understand. Now please stop yelling. You are scaring me..." Ninia uttered in a low voice.

"It's because you are so stupid! Just because you look beautiful and hot and act clumsy and cute around Zach doesn't mean that will work on me. I don't care about anything. But I care about Zach. If anything happens to you, he will be sad. Do you want to see him sad?" Aria asked in a demanding tone.

Ninia shook her head violently before saying, "Never!"

"So you better become strong."

Aria let out a loud and weary sigh before sighing a few more times. She looked at Ninia, who was staring at her with a curious and innocent look on her face.

"Go sleep. We will talk after we wake up."

Ninia nodded and walked towards her chamber, but she stopped and turned around to say: "Umm... Elina...?"

"She will sleep with Victoria or me. You need rest. Go, or I will start yelling again."

Ninia hurriedly walked into her chamber and closed the door.?.????? n.?.???

SIGH!

"What a troublesome girl. But I guess I was worse than her when I first met Zach..." she murmured.

"I should check up on Victoria and Elina. It's been a while since they left."

Aria rushed outside the church while saying, "Victoria, you can come back—"

She stopped when she saw Elina sleeping while leaning on Victoria's shoulder.

Aria furrowed her brows and said, "I am not going to carry her to the room."

"You were yelling so loudly. Are you an idiot?"

"If slapping sense into someone makes me an idiot, then yeah. I am an idiot," Aria replied haughtily.

Victoria squinted her eyes at Aria and said, "You have been acting so high and mighty since you had your 'time' with Zach today."

"Whatever do you mean?" Aria shrugged her shoulders and said, "I am the Goddess of death and destruction. I always act high and mighty."

"Yeah, yeah. Don't forget that you were able to have 'fun' because of me," Victoria remarked.

"Hmph! I am so jealous of you."

Confused, Victoria pondered for a few seconds before asking, "Wh...at? Why would you be jealous of me? I don't even have anything you should be jealous of."

"Shut up. You have known Zach for longer than me. And you have had his first time too. I wish I could have gone to school with him...."

Victoria stared at Aria in disbelief and uttered, "The old Zach was.... Complicated and hard to deal with. Believe me, only I know how I fell in love with him."

"Whatever." Aria rolled her eyes and said, "I would love Zach matter what he does or how he becomes. That's how strong my love for him is. Unlike a certain someone who dumped him for a few stupid reasons."

"Oh?" Victoria's face twitched from all the sides as she uttered, "On what part of your face did Zach punch you when you first met him?"

"Che!" Aria clicked her tongue and said, "Let's go sleep now. You are wasting time."

Victoria hit the mark and won the debate, so Aria closed the topic and went back to her room.

"...." VIctoria sighed in disbelief and muttered, "She really left me alone. How am I supposed to carry her?"

She said while looking at Elina.

Victoria tried to carry Elina, but she woke up, while in truth, she was awake this whole time.

"I will walk," she said.

"Oh, great."

Victoria and Elina went back to the room and slept in Victoria's room.'

'I don't understand them. Sometimes, they get along so fine, and the next moment they start fighting. I thought the adults were mature, but they are acting more childish than the children themselves,' Elina uttered inwardly.

Chapter 327: Not a Lover's Quarrel

When Zach was with Aurora and the church was being cleansed by the girls, something was going on in a lone house near the farm.

Misha was sleeping alone in her room. Her bed was by the window, which was closed, and the curtains were covering the glasses, so no light was passing through.

The room was filled with darkness, but Misha's body was shining a little for some reason.

Suddenly, she opened her eyes and sat up straight as though she had just had a nightmare.

"Argh..." She grabbed her head and grunted in pain before turning on the lamp beside her bed.

"What's happening? Why is my head suddenly aching? And why did I wake up?" she asked herself and glanced around the room to make sure she was alone.

She moved her hand to the jug on the table to drink the water, but she realized it was empty upon grabbing it.

"Come on..."

Jane reluctantly placed her feet on the floor and got off the bed. She left her room with heavy steps and went downstairs. But the curtains around the window of her room suddenly swayed as though a breeze had passed. However, the windows were still closed shut.

Misha made her way downstairs and walked straight to the kitchen without turning on the lights. She opened a big rectangular box and took out a water bottle from it.

'This is truly an alternative to a refrigerator. But it works on magic instead,' Misha thought and closed the door.

After drinking a few sips from the bottle, Misha moved her hand to open the box again but stopped and muttered, "I will take the bottle to my room. I don't want to come down again."

She walked out of the kitchen and walked toward the stairs. But she stopped when she saw a shadow passing from her peripheral vision.

She grabbed the bottle upside down and stood in a defensive position before scanning the area with her eyes.

"Misha?" a male voice asked.

SIGH!

Misha let out a sigh of relief and turned on the lights to see Kayden standing in the kitchen.

"You should have said something if it was you!" she yelled at him.

"Same to you. I didn't even notice anyone was there until I saw your scary eyes shining in the dark," Kayden commented.

"What do you mean scary! And you could have just turned on the lights. Why were you walking in the dark anyway?!"

"Same to you."

"You know very well that I like to stay in the dark. And it's annoying to turn on the light after waking up from sleep. My eyes need time to get adjusted to the light and then to the dark once I turn the lights off," she reasoned.

"Same. I just came here to drink water." Kayden opened the box and let out a weary sigh.

"What?" Misha asked curiously.

Kayden pointed his gaze at the bottle Misha was holding and said, "That's the last bottle."

"Here." Misha tossed the bottle to Kayden and said, "Drink fast. I need to complete my sleep."

Kayden drank the water and passed the bottle back to Misha.

"..." Misha glared at Kayden and threw the bottle at him. "It's empty! Why did you drink all of it!"

"What do you mean? It was only half filled."

"Then you should have left some sips!"

"Stop yelling. It's all your fault, to begin with!" Kayden pointed his finger at the empty bottles lying on the kitchen platform and said, "You didn't feel the bottle."

"Yeah, but I thought you would fill them like you always do."

Kayden frowned his face and uttered, "There are times when I am not in the mood to go along with your bullshit!"?????? n.?????

"What the—! Why are you suddenly angry now? Stop overreacting on everything!"

Kayden ran to Misha and grabbed her by the shoulders. He glared into her eyes and said:

"Overreacting? I am overreacting?!"

"Stop..." Misha tried to break free from Kayen's grip without making him suspicious.

"You are the one who has made a big mess by playing with my feelings!"

"Is it about our fake marriage?" Misha groaned, "Come on! We have already talked about this like a hundred times now! We had a mutual agreement, and you were okay with that. So what's this drama now?"

"...."

"Don't act like a victim here. You are making me look like a bad girl. I have done nothing wrong." Misha shrugged her shoulders and said, "Instead, you should be thankful to me that I am taking care of you."

"What do you mean? I am so stressed out, you know?! I feel like I am in a prison where I can't even enjoy my life!" Kayden shouted.

"Well, welcome to life! Everyone feels the same. You are not alone!"

p??da n?vel Kayden furrowed his brows and asked, "Why did you even marry me?"

"To get the rewards?"

"You know, when I met you for the first time in the game, Zach asked you what you were doing in the game. And you replied that you logged in to this game because of me. Was that the truth?" he asked with a judging look on his face.

"Kinda..."

Kayden squinted his eyes and said, "You logged in for Zach, didn't you?"

"Yes..."

"I knew it! I fucking knew it!"

"Why are you making such a big deal out of it?!"

"No shit! What else am I supposed to do? The girl I have loved ever since I was a kid, who is also my step-sister, loves another boy— who is my best friend! How am I supposed to feel?"

"What are you on about? It's true that I joined the game because of Zach, but what does that have anything to do with all this? And I am living with you, not Zach!" Misha finally frowned her face and said, "I feel like you are becoming more and more arrogant day by day."

"Same for you. You are no longer like the girl I loved. I always knew that you were haughty, but you have crossed the line. Why can't you act cute and innocent as you act in front of Zach?"

"Again..." Misha clenched her fists and said, "Why are you bringing up Zach again and again?!"

"Why else? I know you have feelings for him."

"...!"

"You love him, don't you?"

Chapter 328: Zagreus

"Hah?! What gave you that idea?" Misha asked with a puzzled look on her face.

"What do you mean? Are you stupid or what? Or are you just trying to play dumb so you can fool me?!" Kayden shouted.

"...."

"What's with that face? You deliberately entered this death gaming knowing well about the risk; for who?! Zach. You always talk about him and look at him with a smile you have never shown me before!"

"..."

"Heck, forget about this game. Even in the real world, you were always so clingy to Zach and tried to hug him whenever you saw him. Even though he felt uncomfortable, you never stopped doing that."

"What's weird about that?" she asked with a confused look on her face.

"You never greet me like that!"

"That's because you have feelings for me! You don't see me as your sister but as a woman. How am I supposed to hug you?"

"What's wrong with that? Can't you just hug me like a normal person would? It's true that I have feelings for you, but it's not me hugging you; it's you who is hugging me."

Misha rolled her eyes and asked, "And what's the difference? We will be touching each other in the end, which I don't want."?????? n????

Kayden grabbed Misha's shoulders and clutched them tightly with all his might.

"But why?!"

Misha finally snapped and slapped Kayden's hand nonchalantly.

"So you want me to touch you?! That's your love, huh?! Making intimate contact and calling it love?" Misha glared at Kayden and uttered, "You just want my body. You don't love me, at least, not in a way a lover would."

"That's not true! Having intimate contact is the basic step of a relationship," Kayden retorted.

"Just admit that you want to sleep with me." Misha spread her arms and said, "Go ahead and do whatever you want with my body. You can r*pe me as much as you want, and I won't even let out a scream or tell anyone about it."

"....!"

"You can satisfy your needs using my body as many times as you want. But remember, I will never love you. No matter what you do," she asserted in a solemn voice.

"What the hell are you saying?! I would never do something like that!"

"Well, you would have if I hadn't pointed it out. You have always been like this. Misunderstand things and jump to conclusions without even getting enough intel or thoughts from others." p??da n?vel

"Okay, that makes sense. But that changes nothing. You always favor Zach over me, and don't you even dare to deny that."

"I still don't understand what you are so angry about and how the conversation about the water bottles turned into this mess. But listen!" Misha poked her finger on Kayden's chest and said, "I do love you but as a brother. I care for you, and I worry about it. And as for Zach, it's the same. I love him, but there are no romantic feelings involved."

"Then who do you love more? Zach or me?" Kayden asked with a judging look on his face. "And please, answer honestly."

"Zach..." Misha replied while averting her gaze.

"Why him?" Kayden asked in a low voice.

"..." Misha didn't say anything in response.

"What's so great about him? I know he is a cool guy, and I don't hate him either. He is my best friend, my childhood friend. But why would you choose him over me?"

Misha hugged herself and muttered, "I cannot tell you that."

"Why...? Can't you see I am suffering here? All these years, I have always known that you loved Zach. But I tried, and I tried. I hoped you would finally look at me and start loving me one day."

He smiled wryly and said, "But I was living in a fairytale." ,c,om

"..."

"Come on. Please answer. Please end my suffering. At least, tell me the reason..."

Misha bit her lips and said, "I can't... I want to tell you, but I can't..."

"You know, even Zach had noticed that you liked him. But he knew that I loved you, so he always kept his distance from you and avoided any skin contact with you. He must have felt bad and guilty all this time, but he endured everything." he chuckled weirdly.

"..."

"When I told him that you and I were going out and lied about us being engaged, he was happy. I was left speechless after seeing the smile on his face. Really, I had no words."

A brief pause later, he continued, "Not going to lie, I hated Zach because you loved him more than me. It was just jealousy, envy. I didn't mean or wish any harm to him. But when I saw him happy after knowing about our (fake) relationship, I felt pathetic."

"He purposely avoided you and did everything for my sake so that our friendship doesn't get destroyed, but in the end, I was just being selfish and wanted you all by myself..."

Kayden finally realized his mistake and learned that his feelings for Misha were nothing but an obsession. Sure, he did love her, but was it a romantic feeling?

"I will give up on you now. You can never be mine, and I have accepted that. So can you please tell me why you chose Zach over me?" he asked calmly this time. "If I don't know the answer to that, I would never be able to give up on you. So please say something that I can never compete against Zach for."

"I... can't..." Misha shook her head repeatedly and said, "I can't do that."

Kayden bit his lips in frustration and said, "Here, I am ready to give up on you, and you can't even do one thing for me?!"

"It's not that I don't want to tell you. I would have told you everything if I could. Trust me, it's for your own good." Misha ran up the stairs to her room after saying, "We will talk about this later someday."

p? ?da n?v el SIGH!

Kayden turned off the lights and went to his room.

Misha also entered her room and noticed the lamp light was off.

"Hmm? I am pretty sure I turned it on. Did I turn them off before going downstairs?" she wondered. "Well, whatever. I need to sleep. After all, I have to attend Zach's summit tomorrow."

She laid down on the bed and closed her eyes.

"That was truly an interesting conversation," a sinister male voice uttered from the dark corner of the room.

Misha immediately opened her eyes and grabbed her sword that was lying on the side of the bed before turning on the lamp light.

A figure was sitting on the chair, and his name was Overlord.

He was wearing black clothes, black armor, black gloves, black shoes, and a black mask on his face. Everything was black, and no part of his body was visible, not even his eyes.

"Uh ah. Don't do anything reckless, or you might regret it," the Overlord said.

Misha frowned her face and asked, "Who are you? And how did you get here?"

"My name is Zagreus. And I am the God of Death and Destruction."

Chapter 329: God of Death and Destruction

"God of death and destruction?" Misha repeated his words. "Stop with this nonsense and tell me who you are before I cut you down!"

She yelled with a frowned face.

"Stop acting like a little bitch. I am not the same as your beta husband or brother. Choose your words carefully before me, woman!"

Misha frowned her face even more after hearing that. She wasn't angry that he called her names, but because he called Kayden by names.

She pulled out her sword from the sheath and dashed at the Overlord.

"Die!" she yelled as she jumped in the air and slashed down the sword at the Overlord.

THUD!

With a loud thud, Misha was dropped to the ground while the Overlord sat comfortably as he was before.

Misha's body was being crushed by an invisible force, and she couldn't even yell.

After seeing Misha struggling to even move her finger, Overlord let out a weary sigh and uttered:????? n????

"This entire house is under my domain. I can control everything inside it. I can make the dead alive and alive dead. I can control the air, the noise, everything, including animate and inanimate objects, even without lifting a finger. So don't try to even think of fighting back, or you will die a painful death."

The Overlord decreased the effectiveness of his domain and asked, "I am here to ask a few questions, and if you cooperate with me, I might consider forgiving your stupid action. But before I do that, I will allow you to ask your questions."

Misha slowly sat up and leaned her back on the table as support; seemingly, she had accepted her defeat. She raised her head and asked, "Who are you?"

She asked in a calm voice this time.

"I already introduced myself. I am Zagreus, the God of Death and Destruction."

"There is no god of death and destruction. There is a goddess. And she is a female, not a male. A male can't be a god of death and destruction. Never. I refuse to believe it."

"Are you a feminist?"

"..."

"If there can be a goddess, then why not a god?"

"Are you just self-proclaiming yourself as one?" She asked with a judging look on her face. "I can see your nickname, which is Overlord. And you are a player. Why would a god enter this game?" p??da n?vel

"Do you have any other questions you want to ask?"

"It's not like you will answer them honestly, so no."

"Good, good. But before I begin, I would like to ask some irrelevant questions." A brief pause later, he said, "I heard you fighting with the coward just now, and it—"

"Kayden. His name is Kayden," she said with a glare in her eyes.

"Yeah, yeah. I heard you fighting with him, which got me curious and confused. I was confused as to why you two were even fighting. I couldn't decide who was right and who wasn't. But I honestly don't give a fuck about it so let's move on."

p? ?da n?v el "...."

"I was curious about this Zach fella you were walking about. Who is he? ANd especially, what is he to you?"

"He is my friend."

"Let me warn you beforehand. My domain is still active, and I know everything that happens inside. I would know if you lie to me, and if you do that, the cucklord sleeping downstairs will die," he said in an emotionless voice.

"Such magic doesn't exist," Misha commented. ,c,om

"Oh, you fool. You know nothing about magic and the world."

"I am the daughter of an ancient archangel! I know—"

"Shhh! I know what you are, and that's why I am here. Now, without wasting my time, answer my questions honestly. That would save yours and my time."

"...."

"Since he was comparing himself to Zach, answer me; if you had to sleep with either Zach or him, who would you sleep with?"

"And by sleep, of course, I mean sexual intercourse," he added.

Misha lowered her gaze and answered in a low voice: "Zach..."

"Oh? Now to the second question. If you had to save either him or Zach, who would you save?" he asked curiously.

"...Zach."

"Last question; if you had to kill either him or Zach, who would you kill?"

Misha glared at the Overlord before opening her mouth and replying, "Kayden..."

"Hah! Poor cuckden. His lover and sister got stolen by his own best friend. Sucks to be him!" he laughed out loud.

"Stop calling him that!" Misha yelled with a furious look on her face.

"Enough fun. Now let's get to the main topic." The Overlord pointed his finger at Misha and asked, "Who are you?"

"..."

"I know what you are, but who are you? And who is your mother? What relation does she have with Erza? And most importantly, why did you login into this game for Zach? What's your purpose? And why did you sneak into the church the other day, and what did you do to Zach there?"

"..."

"I should have mentioned staying silent is not an option...." he muttered.

"My mother is the archangel of Erza. After Erz was exiled from the heavens, my mother ceased to exist, but her powers were alive, and she was reborn."

"Hmm~ Interesting. So if Erza had an archangel, what about the other one—Aria?"

"I don't know about that."

A brief pause later, he said, "It seems you are not lying. Now, answer my other questions," he ordered.

"I logged in to this game because I was worried about Zach and Kayden, but that's not the real reason, although I was worried about them." A brief pause later, she uttered, "I came here on mother's order."

"Why did she order you? Wait, answer the remaining questions first."

"I went to church that day to confirm his memory dive. I was told to trigger it in case it didn't trigger on time. But fortunately, it was so I didn't have to do anything," she answered in a calm voice.

"I see. So you did nothing in the church."

"I don't know why mom sent me here. I was told to keep my eyes on Zach and make sure nothing happened to him. I am also not permitted to tell anyone about my true identity, not even to Zach."

Chapter 330: Secret Information

"You didn't provide me with any useful information," the Overlord said. "Why did I even come here? It was an utter waste of time."

There was anger and disappointment in his voice.

"..."

"Now!" He pointed his hand toward Misha and said, "I will kill you for how useless you are!"

"...!" Misha backed off while dragging her body away from the Overlord and said, "But you promised you would spare us!"

"I did?"

"..."

"I said I 'might' consider it if you give me the information I am looking for. While you gave me not a single piece of information that could benefit me!"

A golden energy appeared before the Overlord's hand, and it began aggravating.

"Wait, please!"

"Heh! It feels good to see an angel begging for my mercy," she scoffed out loud.????? n????

"You can kill me if you want, but please spare Kayden! He has done nothing wrong!" she bellowed.

p ?? da n ?v el "..." The Overlord lowered his hand and asked, "Why... do you care about him even though you said you don't love him."

"Because he is my brother!"

"Why should I let him live? He is nothing but a pathetic human, who got cucked by his childhood friend, and the girl he loves doesn't even love him back. He has suffered enough. Don't you think it would be for the best if I kill him with you?" he asked curiously.

"Love is not everything in this world!"

"Okay. Tell me one, just one piece of information. It can be anything, but it has to be usefull. If you manage to entertain me, I might consider sparing 'his' life," the Overlord demanded.

"No." Misha frowned her face at him and uttered, "You have to promise me that you wouldn't do anything to him!"

"Oi Oi! I am the one making demands here!" The Overlord raised his hand and said, "Don't get too bitchy, or I will give you a painful death!"

"Please... please promise me that you wouldn't harm Kayden," she said meekly.

"You don't want to love him back, but you are ready to die for him? That's a very 'human-like' nature of you. In short, petty and pathetic. Hah!" he snickered. p??da n?vel

"Do you promise?"

"Yeah, yeah, whatever."

Misha stayed silent for a few seconds and pondered. She didn't know what to say as she herself was clueless about most of the things.

"What... do you want to know about it? Any particular topic?" Misha asked calmly.

"Hmm. Tell me more about what you know about Zach, Erza, or Deus. But mind you, I already know a few things about them, so if you tell me something I already know, it won't count."

Misha bit her lips and asked with a judging look on her face: "What if I tell you something and you lie about it, saying you already knew that. How would I know if you aren't lying?"

"I... never lie. And what would I gain from lying?"

A brief silence later, Jane uttered, "Zach is a hybrid made from various—"

"I already know of it," he interrupted.

"Zach's blessings let him change and surpass the limits of a-" ,c,om

"I am already aware of that."

Misha bit her lips and said, "There is a high chance that..."

"That?" he asked curiously.

Misha looked up at him and said, "You said you control everything in your domain, right? So you should be able to hear my thoughts as well, am I right?"

She asked with a knowing look on his face.

"Oo~ It must be something too secretive that you want to tell me in such a way. But I don't understand. There is no one here other than us. Who is going to hear you?" "You never know. Maybe the gods are watching us right now?"

"Nah, they don't have time for that. They are going through their own shit in the heavens. And besides, they don't give a single fuck about what will happen to the players or this world," he uttered nonchalantly.

"This world is as doomed as your real world," he added shortly.

"Are you ready ...?"

"Yeah, go ahead. I bet it will be anything useful. So surprise me."

Misha closed her eyes and uttered what she had to say, but inwardly. And as planned, the Overlord heard Misha's thoughts and sat back in the chair soon after.

He was in evident shock.

"..." Misha peeked a glance at him and opened her mouth to say something, but she stopped herself and waited for him to react.

A few seconds later, he came back to his senses and stared at Misha.

"Let me confirm it. You are not sure of it?"

"Well, there is no proof, so I can't prove it to you even if I want to. But I am 90%... no, 75% sure that I am right," she muttered.

"That doesn't sound very convincing considering how your confidence just went from 90% to 75%. But that sure was a mind-blowing twist. I don't know if I want that to be true or not, but things may get interesting if it turns out to be true."

All this time, his voice sounded emotionless, but now it was lively.

"Are you content with what I said?" she asked in a low voice.

"Indeed, I am." He got up from the chair and pointed his hand at Misha. "Are you ready to die?"

Misha closed her eyes and said, "You will not get away with this. Sooner or later, Zach will find you and kill you."

"Hah!" he laughed out loud and said, "It will take him eons to reach my level of strength. Seriously, he is stuck in a death game where his first priority was supposed to beat the gods and clear the game. But instead, he is wasting his time romancing every girl he meets. What a disappointment."

He summoned a golden energy ball and said, "Let me tell you something meaningful, little angel."

Misha opened her eyes and looked at him.

"You shouldn't trust anyone. Not your friends, nor your foes."

After hearing that, Jane frowned her face and said, "But you promised you wouldn't harm Kayden!"

"Consider it your lesson," he said in a lifeless voice and released the golden energy.