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Chapter 1261 How To Hunt A God Discreetly.

About 3 of the mechanical soldiers are needed to match a real titan of law. Fortunately, he has more than 10,000 of them so he can hold back even Sovereigns of law.

If they were golems, then they could be strengthened until they had enough defense to withstand blows from Sovereigns. Several golems of the highest tier can even beat back a Sovereign one-on-one.

When Legion-7 thought about the fact that the base, the battlesuits, the golems, and the Supreme pillar at the center of the plane are all parts of what the metal fire, he couldn't help but lament, "This is just a copy of what the metal fire can do. It is too bad that we can't get it. It is not compatible with our objective."

Legion-5 ignored his greed-influenced lamentation. He asked instead, "What's the estimated date for the fusion of the crystal space and the god hunting?"

Legion-7 replied, "The crystal space will take a while. It contains the law of space so it is difficult. The difficulty of fusing consequent divine abilities gets higher so expect at least 2 months. As for the god hunting, it is not easy to spread myself to believers of a single god."

The problem with the god hunting is not the inability of Legion-7 to infect the believers of a single god. The problem is how to limit the spread of the infection to believers of a single god. This problem is mainly because it is nearly impossible to identify the believer of a god at a glance. Legion-7 has to infect their soul first to find out.

That effort is wasting their time. Not only is it difficult, but it can also alert the gods if many of them sense the anomaly as opposed to a single god being hunted. And Legion-7 has to search carefully so that he doesn't spread himself too thin.

So he mainly infected those who go to the churches of a single god and those who pray to that god in their house. They will be able to hunt the god when they have possessed at least 51% of the believers of a god.

51% infection of believers is a tough requirement to meet for god-hunting. After all, gods especially grand gods can have up to a billion believers. That means he will need to infect up to 500 million believers. It is a lot to do while simultaneously fusing the divine abilities within Legion-5.

"This is taking too much time. Maybe I should begin assimilating the two divine abilities I just got."

"The god-hunting plan will take a while. I didn't have this problem when I was alone. I just clashed directly with the god. Those were the good old days. I have gotten sloppy since then. Safety has made me sloppy."

Legion-5 doesn't agree. "There were landed gods so it was easy to do. They didn't have a divine kingdom to protect them. These ones do and they even have a divine plane."

"That is true. The divine plane complicates matter. We can't just go there to fight a god without the others interfering."

Aeternus interjected at that point. "My gift should alleviate some of your problems. We demons are very good at hunting gods."

Legion-5 became excited just thinking about it. "I am looking forward to it. We should be able to get it when Legion-7 finishes with the fusion of the space-surfing divine ability."

Legion-7 asked, "How is your scheme to trick demon kings into coming to you to die going?"

Aeternus replied, "It is going well. A lot of demon kings think they can bully me. I am level 10 now so it is easy to subdue them outright. But I make sure it seems reasonable."

Legion-5 said, "That sounds fun. It sounds better than fighting with overpowered children in an expensive sandbox created with a whole plane."

Aeternus chuckled evilly. "It is fun. The look of despair on their face when they realize that they have walked into a trap is the best part of the experience."

Legion-5 knows this to be true. He has seen the memories and it is thrilling. But it would be better if he were the one to do so. Unfortunately, it won't be fun to bully children compared to bullying ancient demon kings.

He had to mollify himself. "I have things going on here too. Things will really kick up when I gain space surfing. I will be able to create a connection in space that leads to your pocket space so that we can exchange the things I need."

Legion-5 said with expectation, "If this works then I will only need the world seed to acquire the power of a world god."

Aeternus disagreed. "I don't think it will work. I have fused with the Authority of the Celestial Supreme and I have a level-10 demon king Authority but I haven't become a demon god yet. So I don't think quantity can make up for quality."

"What do you suggest?" Legion-5 asked him.

"The problem is that the two items I used had limits that prevented further growth. Even the tree father hasn't become greater than a Celestial despite having access to cosmic energy and has fused with the Authority of the Celestial Supreme. It is why I didn't explode when cosmic energy was infused into my Authority. I just can't go any further without meeting certain requirements. You will need to break that limit. I believe you will need to be an Origin god with a concept before you can break it."

Legion-5 postulated, "You make some sense. Legion-1 exploded because he became stronger without limit. He has reached the limit of origin gods without a supreme law. If I succeed in fusing all my divine abilities into the divine ability of the giants of order then I pair it with the godhood of a great god and the crown of a demon king then I might break that limit by creating the potential for the limitless cosmic energy to funnel into."

Chapter 1262 Power Thief Divine Ability.

Legion-7 agreed. "If Legion-1, Aeternus, and Legion-9 failed on their own, then the odds of you succeeding by combining their attempts should be high."

Aeternus was still pessimistic, "Even if works, you will only be a match for Supreme Origin gods at best. You will still need a world seed to become a world god."

Legion-7 also added, "I can help you fuse everything but even If it succeeds, what you will have is a substitute for a supreme law. You will still need a world. So a world seed or world engine is still important. It will not be easy to fuse with a world seed without being an Origin god so Aeternus is somewhat right."

They went back and forth sharing and engaging in ideas on how to become a world god without a supreme law. It is something that has never been done before so there is no certainty that it will work. It might be a waste of time to achieve it but Legion is looking forward to it. Even Aeternus took time out of baiting demon kings into his abyssal plane to hash out the specifics of Legion-5's plan.

Legion-5's divine ability is a mutation of the original divine ability of Supreme Beasts. The Supreme beast calls their divine ability the Power Thief. It is an upgrade of their ancient days when they used to steal trinkets and identities. They are not Shapiros anymore. They steal power.

But he is not a normal Supreme beast either. He can assimilate anything non-living and not just seeds of power. That's why he has taken to calling his divine ability Domination. It aims to make use of it to dominate the paths of power to lead him to greatness.

They might fail, but they are willing to try. No matter the outcome, Legion-5 will still become an extraordinary world god even if he ends up needing to upgrade his concept into a supreme law. It will be a supreme law like no other and might pave the way for the unity of the worlds of Legion.

Their discussion didn't stop even when they received visitors. He didn't meet with the merchant group when Lafiti came. The transcendent dropped off the resources and left. Lafiti isn't important enough for him to meet and he also didn't meet with the envoys and diplomats of the various empires in the plane that came to see him.

Legion-7 said in pity, "Poor fools. They are trying to curry favor with us."

"They are too late. I have taken payment from my brethren to stay out of the competition. I cannot go back on my word like that. I am too honorable."

The Supreme Beasts were not the only ones who paid attention to the plane-wide extortion. The inhabitants of the plane also watched so they saw the power that he displayed and how he got away with extorting other Supreme Beasts.

It is clear to them who the top dog of the Supreme Beasts is so they all came to appeal to him for their freedom. They want him to make them citizens. He surely has a lot of points to take that kind of action.

Unfortunately for them, he has no intention of meeting with anyone including the Popes of the churches that came to see him. Even their gods won't be able to arrange a meeting with him.

It wasn't until he saw the staff of a pope that he changed his mind. His eyes lit up immediately.

"Now that I think about it, I think it is too disrespectful if I don't show my face when I reject them. It is the least that the honorable pope of a church deserves."

Legion-7 snickered. "You are truly honorable."

It is not because of honor that he didn't meet with the first batch of visitors and it certainly isn't because of respect that he is meeting with this pope. Several popes have come before this one but he didn't meet them. The difference this time is that this pope has a shiny staff in her pretty hands.

So Legion-5 left the core of the base to meet this pope. He didn't let her into his base though. He hasn't let anyone in apart from his soldiers. Just because she has something he wants doesn't mean he will give her any sort of hospitality. She remained outside after being informed that he would meet with her.

He didn't spend up to a minute to come out and that's only because he had to execute some security protocols to open the numerous doors that lead out. So he came out very quickly which surprised her. He could have spent a day to see her while she remained outside waiting and she wouldn't complain. She was raised never to offend Supreme Beasts and gods so she was willing to wait patiently.

She bowed slightly in greeting when she saw Legion-5 come out of the base.

"Supreme one. I am Karhenki from the Church of Light and Justice. I have come on behalf of my god the Celestial of light and justice to extend an olive branch to you in hopes that..."

She was talking when she felt the world change around her. She saw the world grab her through her divine sense. She raised her staff to resist only to be found wanting. The hand formed out of world power didn't attack her. It grabbed the staff and took it from her.

Legion-5 wasn't willing to hear her speak before taking action. He didn't plan to ask for the staff either. He wanted it so he took it. Then he tuned her out and focused his attention on the staff.

This staff is the supreme artifact of the church. It is the highest honor bestowed by the Celestial of Light and justice to the pope. It is an item that represents the legitimacy of the papacy. Whoever has it is the true pope. Whoever doesn't isn't. To grab it like that is utter blasphemy. But the pope didn't get angry.

Chapter 1263 Blasphemy!

Instead, the pope smiled. "I see that you like the Papal staff, Supreme one. It is a gift from the Celestial of light and justice to his chosen representative on earth. If you want one I am sure the Celestial can do something about it. The Celestial is..."

Legion-5 waved his hand for her to go. He even said it out so that his intentions would be clear if she didn't understand his gesture. "You can go now."

"But this staff is important. I can leave it if it will please you but what do I tell the Celestial Supreme? As it is, it might be misconstrued that you stole it. Stealing is bad. We should..."

It was then that Legion-5 turned to her. He didn't look at her because he didn't have eyes and he didn't raise his head to look at her. All he did was to make his focused divine sense fall on her. She almost knelt down before him. It would have been blasphemy to kneel before anyone but her god so she did all she could to remain standing. All the divine artifacts she wore were activated to withstand the physical and mental pressure that settled on her.

She was so preoccupied with standing that she almost didn't hear what Legion-5 said to her. Fortunately, his voice through his divine sense was as loud as thunder in her mind. She would have heard what he said even if she was sleeping.

"I said you could go. Do I look like one of your believers that you can preach to? Do I look like I need a sermon?"

His voice was calm but there was a sharp edge to it that cut at her mind. Even so, she was not cowered. She wasn't supposed to get angry but she became so angry that she was speechless. After all, he was the one who stole from her but he is the one getting angry. His behavior was too unreasonable.

But he wasn't done. He warned her, "You better leave now before I help you out."

She is just a transcendent. He can kill her with one slap. She couldn't even resist his simple use of world power when he snatched the staff or the pressure of his divine sense when he focused his attention on her. How can she resist an attack from him?

But she didn't leave. She didn't show her anger but she said with determination, "I am sorry but I cannot leave. To take the supreme divine artifact of the church of Light and Justice like this is a disrespect to the church, to the Celestial, and to the legacy of the Pope. I would rather die than see this happen in my time as the pope."

That's the thing about zealots. They are suicidal. Believers are usually foolish. They give offerings of their meager wealth to the church. The church grows richer while they wallow in poverty. But zealots take this foolishness to the next level. They can give their all including their single lives for their gods.

This lady refused to comprehend laws and achieve perfection because she wanted to live for her god and die as a pope. Now she is willing to risk death by disrespecting a Supreme beast. But Legion-5 wasn't offended.

Legion-5 grunted. "That's all you had to say from the start. You didn't have to waste time talking about the evil of stealing."

And so he attacked her. He punched forward and a grey phantom fist formed in front of him. The phantom fist struck her straight on. This phantom fist is more than three times her size and it collided with her like a mountain colliding with an ant.

She glowed brightly with the power of her god so she didn't die. She was just thrown backward by the fist. The Authority of her god saved her. Her entourage wasn't so lucky though. The priests and archbishops that came with her died on the spot. The mere shockwave from the collision killed them.

A mighty voice came from within her and from the sky. It roared in anger, "Justice will never let this go."

Legion-5 didn't even bother to reply. He turned his back on her and entered his base. The light shining on the pope slowly dispersed. The pope then turned into ashes that were blown away by the wind. She died there.

The Authority of the Celestial of Light and Justice saved her at the last moment but it was too late to stop her from being injured. She was too close to Legion-5 so she was already hit before her Celestial responded. The descent of the Celestial further exasperated her condition.

So in a way, it was the Celestial that killed her. All he did was punch her which didn't kill her. She would have surely died but the burden of the Authority of the Celestial accomplished that before his casual punch could.

But that's not what the Celestial told everyone. The Celestial of Light and Justice said to all who would listen or who were too weak not to dare listen to him, "I have been disgraced. I have been blasphemed. My Authority and power have been mocked. This cannot be allowed to happen without due punishment. All I wanted was to give the little Shadow of Despair a gift through my pope but he insulted me and called every god weak. He also called every believer foolish. He must be punished for the sake of everyone be they god or man."

The shameless Celestial slandered him and routed his entire church to come and attack the Shadow of Despair. Surely Legion-5 thinks the gods are weak and their believers are foolish but he didn't say those things. He felt like saying them after being falsely accused but he didn't bother trying to clear his name or aggravating his offense.

The Celestial used his silence to slander the Shadow of Despair more and he enjoyed a lot of success. A lot of believers got angry when they heard the accusations. They were angry enough to die for their gods.

Chapter 1264 Go Big Or Go Home.

There were a lot of believers who didn't like Supreme beasts in the first place so this was a good opportunity for them to punish one. This way, many people signed up for the army. The army quickly reached 100 million in size.

The Celestial even compelled other weaker gods to work with him to pressure Legion-5. The army doubled in number because of it. 200 million soldiers were rearing to have a go at the Shadow Of Despair.

The other Celestials were full of envy as they watched this. They want something like this to happen to them because there is a chance that the Celestial of Light will succeed with his scheme. After all, Legion-5 might buy off the Celestial of Light and Justice if the god proves to be too troublesome to deal with.

This chance is very high. So even though there is also a chance that the Celestial of Light and Justice will lose the fight against Legion-5 and lose any deterrence force that he has against the other Supreme beasts, he still went all in wholeheartedly.

He might lose any chance of gaining citizenship if he doesn't give it his all. So he held nothing back. He even forced a few greater gods and some high gods to fight Legion-5 together with him. The gods weren't fooled by the accusations but they couldn't dare not to listen to them and they couldn't dare to refuse the request to help from the Celestial of Light and Justice.

It is as they say, you either go big or you go home. The Celestial of Light is willing to risk it all. He even borrowed money to gamble on this opportunity. He used the money to build his mortal army and hire powerful fighters from the path of perfection. It will improve his chances of success further.

It is money and resources that he doesn't plan to repay. If he fails, then there is no more salvation. So he is also not concerned about returning the soldiers that he forcefully borrowed from other gods. This way, over 50 million soldiers were quickly recruited into the army to make a total of 250 million.

Some were carried away by the propaganda against the blasphemer but others were very clear about the situation. They knew that the upcoming grand war would not be because of a pope that died. Her death was tragic but she is not worth so much effort that a god is willing to disregard everything for.

The gods aren't stupid. Even the Celestial of light and justice who is usually rash is not that stupid. He is just a determined god with a stubborn personality. That's why he is willing to gamble everything he has on this opportunity.

The Celestial of Light and Justice wanted to curry favor with the Shadow of Despair but that didn't work out. Still, the endeavor was not a complete failure or waste of time. He was snubbed and in return, he gained a justified reason to fight Legion-5.

Legion-5 was the one that offended him so he won't be breaking the conditions of his contract not to antagonize or bully the young Supreme Beasts. Plus this is a great opportunity to take Legion-5 down.

Legion-5 has become estranged from the other Supreme beasts so he won't receive help from them easily. Legion-5 has only one base so the Celestial can corner him. Legion-5 doesn't have a large army either so the might of the entire church of Light and Justice will be able to pressure him if not eliminate him. Everything looked too good for this attempt to fail.

If the Celestial waits then Legion-5 will be given time to convert the resources he just gained into troops. In fact, other Supreme beasts might use this opportunity to take advantage of Legion-5. The allure of the points and the resources he has will surely tempt them.

So the Celestial believes that he has a shot at making Legion-5 pay the price of 100 points for him. Legion-5 can surely afford it. If not, then the two of them can work together to extort the other Supreme beasts for more points.

The drums of war were beaten all over the plane. The banner of Light and Justice was raised. The songs of victory were sung. The faithful and the believers were assembled. They marched forward for justice to be served and for the glory of their god to be made known.

As true believers, they will use their lives to fight for the death of their pope and the disrespect to their god. Such blasphemy cannot be allowed to go unanswered. The Celestial of Light and Justice made sure to fan the flames within these foolish mortals.

The commotion couldn't be hidden. Most supreme beasts knew immediately the pope died because they were always watching the Shadow of Despair's base. They are also always informed about the happenings of the plane so they saw the mobilization of the church of light and justice.

If they didn't know what was truly happening before, they certainly knew when a certain angry female Supreme beast sneered and said, "The Celestial of Light and Justice surely has everything planned out. This whole war is just an exhibition of his strength and influence to force the Shadow of Despair into working together with him. He does not want the Shadow of Despair dead, but he will surely try to make it happen. This is very good."

The young Supreme Beast who claimed to be good with words was quick to disagree with her. "It is not good at all. You are focused on the trouble that this will bring to the Shadow of Despair and not the trouble that this will bring to us if the Celestial of Light succeeds."

That statement got them all thinking. They were excited earlier that the Shadow of Despair was being targeted by a Celestial this early into the competition. But now they couldn't help but consider the future repercussions of this war.

Chapter 1265 An Opportunity Too Great To Pass On.

It is not their fault that they are so shortsighted really. They are still young so they haven't learned to have a perspective that considers far-reaching consequences. Even now, it is still difficult for them to fully understand the ramifications of the war on them.

Fortunately, there are some things that are very easy to consider and understand right in front of them. Those things are short-term benefits but it is enough for them to question whether they would be involved in this war or not.

Someone asked in agitation, "Are we just going to watch as an army of millions just passes us by without doing anything?"

The Celestial of Light and Justice had expected that the other Supreme Beasts wouldn't help the shadow of Despair because of how he treated them earlier. The Celestial was right but he didn't consider that some of them were tempted to intervene. He didn't consider that they might intervene to help themselves.

"This is too much to pass on. We should do something. We can't let this opportunity go."

Another Supreme Beast said with longing, "Imagine how many points we might get from this army."

Their imagination ran wild. They didn't have to employ too much mental power to conjure up the image of the benefits of so many people available to be killed. The army is right there outside their base and the mission list that shows how much point they will get for the kills in the plane is also there for them to be truly informed.

The mental stimulation became too much for them to bear. After all, they are currently point-starved and they also have a deadline of one year of strength acquisition to meet. So the people with this opinion couldn't hold themselves back. They were rearing to go. But there are those that can hold themselves back.

These people said, "Forget about the points that we might get. Let the two of them fight first. Then we can pick off the weakened survivor."

It was the female Supreme beast who was angry at the Shadow of Despair for stealing her points. She had tried to rally support then but she failed. She had also failed to resist the Shadow of Despair and received a terrible beating for her attempt at "cheating him out of his rightful rent." Or so he said.

So she is still very angry and would very much like to see someone else beat the Shadow of Despair. She is intelligent enough to understand that the war might be bad for the rest of the Supreme Beasts but she wants the Shadow of Despair to be beaten. He doesn't even need to feel too much pain. A little portion of the pain she felt as he used a whole golem as a club to beat her would be enough for her.

Unfortunately, wishes aren't horses. There are some people that just won't let her have her way. That person asked, "What if the two of them make peace? What if the Shadow of Despair doesn't have enough points? Where is he going to get enough points?"

Those are important questions that elicited critical thinking in the young Supreme Beasts. It helped that the questions were straightforward and simple. The answer was clear to the dumbest of them.

"Yes. What if the Shadow of Despair capitulates and recruits this Celestial? Are we just going to watch and do nothing while that happens? The shadow of despair will become unstoppable then."

They knew what the true purpose of the war is and now they know that the war is not bad for the Shadow of Despair alone. There is an outcome of the war that they don't want to see. If there is any of them that can manage to pay enough points to recruit the Celestial, it would be the Shadow of Despair.

The Shadow of Despair is already a force beyond them. The addition of the Celestial's force to his will make him unstoppable. Are they to allow it to happen? Even if they want to allow it to happen, are they also going to give up on the opportunity to make points that have been presented to them on a platter of gold?

The Celestial of Light and Justice planned for a lot, but the lack of information would be his doom. His foolproof plan has become a shoddy and hasty thing because he doesn't know what exactly gives the Supreme Beasts points.

The Celestial doesn't have access to their mission list so he doesn't know that there is a mission to kill as many as possible inhabitants of the plane. Each million deaths will grant them one point.

This mission is something that is normally together with the subjugation mission. Supreme beasts can't just go about killing without facing resistance from the inhabitants of the plane. And a single Supreme beast will find it very difficult to kill a million people alone unless they are in the one-man army class.

That's why they are sitting still for now while they are building an army of their own. But here is an army that has left the safety of their cities and fortresses transversing through the plane. All they have to do is attack from the sides to gain some kills. Nothing could be better for them. They need every point they can get after losing some to the Shadow of Despair.

The Celestial of Light and Justice doesn't know that he is dangling a piece of good meat to hungry jackals. His army is like a long snake meandering along the plane in a single direction towards Legion-5. And there are a lot of supreme beasts that are in desperate need of points surrounding this snake.

What increased the temptation further apart from their defenseless state is that most of the army is composed of Mana entities. There are transcendents and even Sovereigns of law that joined in because they feel that they have a higher chance of gaining citizenship this way. But they are few in number. The rest are weak. That makes this army easy pickings.

Chapter 1266 Self Harm.

One of the Supreme Beasts suggested, "Let's test the waters first and make sure this is not a trap. We will take advantage of the situation if the opportunity arises."

The Supreme Beasts decided to move against this army. It is for purely selfish reasons. They are not doing so to help Legion-5 resist oppression. They attacked the army from every direction.

Meanwhile, Legion-5 remained in his base examining the staff he took.

Legion-7 asked, "Are you not going to interfere? Those Supreme Beasts are taking your points?"

Legion-5 shrugged. "I must keep my word for the sake of my honor. I won't take from them."

Legion-7 chuckled. "What honor? You will just take back your points through extortion."

"Stealing is the best way to get rich. Working hard is for the sheep." Legion-5 agreed.

His hand clasped the staff tightly as he said, "I have examined it physically. There should not be any problem with assimilating it. My divine ability can do so."

Then he asked, "What about you? What did you find?"

Legion-7 replied, "The staff contains divinity and it is very strong. I should be able to devour it even though it belongs to a Celestial."

"That's great. It means that I can safely assimilate the divinity without becoming a god. I have a good feeling about the plan."

"You are being overly optimistic. You might not be able to start the assimilation at all. The Will of a Celestial in the divinity will resist you."

Legion-5 didn't calm down. "Just imagine what could happen if I fuse the path of gods, demons, and the path of perfection. I will be combining divinity, Authority, and dragon heart together. It will be like when we created the shards of power. My own shard of power hasn't helped me at all but this should work out this time. Something must happen. If nothing happens, then using a world seed to breakthrough instead of origin essence should lead to something."

He is looking forward to what will happen. He is sure that it should lead to something. However, he doesn't know what will happen and Legion-7 isn't so optimistic that it will be good. His fears are warranted considering the level of powerful items he is messing with.

He warned Legion-5, "I hope you won't kill yourself. That is more likely to happen if you try to use a world seed. That thing is too strong for anything not immortal to withstand. This might not work out and

you might not break any rules. But even if you do break a rule, that doesn't mean you will survive it. We almost died the last time we messed around with something we shouldn't do."

That didn't help at all. Legion-5 remained optimistic. "I think we must get the divine ability of giants of order as quickly as possible. The order contained within it is the reason Helios turned into a star. I want to turn into something that breaks the rules so we must have it. Finish with the fusion of the crystal space butterfly as soon as possible."

Legion-7 groaned. "I almost don't want to."

But he continued with it. Actually, he is not the only one who thinks that what Legion-5 is planning is very dangerous. Most clones of Legion do too. It is not as dangerous as allowing Chaos energy to enter their mind network and messing with it to create a singularity. But it is dangerous enough and Legion-5 is the host for Legion-7. Anything that goes wrong with him will affect Legion-7 and to some extent, the rest of them that have been assimilated by Legion-7.

But they also understand that those who conform to the natural order of things will be mediocre. Only by jumping out of the pool of mediocrity can greatness be achieved. Besides, as long as the situation doesn't reach the extreme of danger like the previous time, they should be able to resurrect him.

So Legion-5 went ahead with assimilating the staff. What he did was simple. He simply pushed the staff into his body. It is the same way he tries to assimilate stones and weapons. His body shifted to take on the properties of divinity contained body shifted to take on the properties of divinity contained within the staff.

"Rawwwwww!"

A roar of anger filled his mind. It came from the staff. The staff contained the divinity of the Celestial of Light so it contained his divine Will as well. It is a very powerful divine will too. It clashed with his consciousness with a stubbornness not to be defeated.

The Celestial roared with a mocking tone, "You fool! Has no one ever told you that you have the perfect body for possession?"

Then he said with excitement, "It seems you want to kill yourself. I will oblige you."

Legion-5 felt his existence being invaded by the Will of the Celestial while the divinity in the staff left the staff. The divinity came out as a clump of light and rushed towards his inner world. His body was also shining brightly and divine power which is exclusive to gods was fluctuating from his body.

Legion-5 has not felt this kind of sensation since Helios had the mental showdown with Stelios. The conditions are different but it is clear to him that the Celestial wants to turn him into a clone.

Of course, something like that is not going to be allowed to happen. The Mechanical Emperor who was watching groaned. "Does this kid have a death wish?" He asked himself.

He expected trouble from the Shadow of Despair and he has been getting a lot of it but this trouble has gone too far. Agrivo839,371,456A has gone from harming others to harming himself.

As the Invigilator and protector of the young Supreme Beasts, he can't watch on while something like this happens so moves into action. A black flame appeared within Legion-5's plane. Its appearance was silent and if Legion-5 didn't have Legion-7 he wouldn't know that someone had invaded his base.

Chapter 1267 Defeat On Both Side.

Then again, it is not an invasion. After all, the base is part of the Mechanical Emperor's body. But the flame didn't go forward to help Legion-5. It stopped. Then it retreated back into one of the walls of the base.

The Mechanical Emperor didn't help because he didn't need to. The clump of light within Legion-5 crashed into the inner world successfully.

The Celestial of Light had said, "Success will be mine. I shall rise to..."

Then the clump of light was devoured. The Celestial didn't even know what happened. The only thing he could tell was that his divinity disappeared as soon as it entered the inner world. He didn't see what did it.

Legion-5's body stopped spinning immediately. His consciousness relaxed too and the fluctuations of divine power disappeared. A useless staff fell out of his body to the ground.

Legion-7 said, "What did I tell you? Your body is perfect for possession."

Legion-5 grinned. "It truly is."

"We succeeded. This means that you can assimilate the godhood of a great god without becoming a great god."

Legion-5 said to the Tree Father, "You heard that? Now make me a demigod. Make it the best demigod you can."

Legion-7 also egged the Tree Father on, "Put in the effort you would if you were going to love the demigod with all your heart."

The Tree Father couldn't delay anymore. The fact that Legion-5's body resonated perfectly with the divinity proved that his effort wouldn't go to total waste. So he said, "Fine. One top-notch demigod coming up."

Legion-5 declared, "Good. Next up is god hunting."

While Legion-5 was focused on planning to break a tenet of the universe, the plane was thrown into an uproar. He remained in his base without causing trouble. But the other Supreme Beasts who are focused on points are trying to turn the plane upside down.

They are not in the same class as him. None of them have dreams of breaking the law of the universe. They don't even know that it is possible. But that doesn't make them weak.

The Celestial of Light and Justice can testify to that while the onlookers of the plane can testify that they are not Supreme Beasts for nothing. Legion-5 is just a freak. He is an outlier. Not everyone can be like him but the rest of them are strong enough.

It took 3 Supreme Beasts to take down the plane. Now 99 Supreme Beasts are fighting a portion of the strength of the plane. They Supreme beasts are young and weak but the army is just 250 million in size. 250 million might seem large but it is not enough for all of the Supreme beasts to earn 3 points each. They can't buy a divine ability with 3 points so they all wanted to get more points out of the army.

The army of the Celestial of Light was attacked on all sides by the Supreme Beasts. His army was whittled down little by little. He tried to retaliate by using his vessels and some Sovereigns to resist but the Supreme Beasts worked together to resist their top forces.

They helped each other because they believed that it was their only chance to not only resist the Celestial but to also resist the Shadow of Despair in the future. The Celestial of Light helped all the Supreme Beasts to come together and form an alliance to resist enemies together. It is something that Legion-5 couldn't achieve.

The Shadow of Despair was too dangerous to resist so they didn't want to antagonize him. But the church of Light and Justice is not so dangerous. They can afford to band together and bully the church. Even if they were beaten back, they had a base to run to for protection.

The Celestial is not happy that he managed to achieve something that the Shadow of Despair failed to do. He tried to make the gods unite too but they refused to board what was clearly a sinking ship. So his church was beaten up and down from everywhere. He had to give up on his intentions to pressure Legion-5.

The once glorious army of justice and light retreated with their tails between their legs. 250 million soldiers were reduced to less than 100 million after weeks of fighting.

The army scattered in defeat before they reached the Shadow Of Despair's base. This happened after his divinity was devoured. So not only did the Celestial fail to possess Legion-5, but he also failed to pressure Legion-5 with his army.

Legion-5 didn't even participate in the war. Apparently, he was so powerful that he didn't have to do anything to put the Celestial of Light and Justice at a dead end.

Then the peace of the plane returned for another month. The plane was still reeling from the impact of the short war when something inconceivable happened.

In The Divine Plane.

A great god was relaxing in his divine plane when he felt a sudden spike in the amount of prayers to him.

"What is going on?" he asked in surprise.

There have been a lot of prayers recently ever since the grand war started. The prayers remained high even after the war ended. There was no more fighting but the repercussions of the fighting had begun to catch up to the people.

Food had become scarce and prices of goods and services had risen. People couldn't afford the things that they used to be able to. Many people became hungry. They needed money so they prayed to their god. It caused faith to rise in the plane.

But this spike in faith is different. The sudden spike in prayers of the faithful is strange. Something like this only happens during a plane-wide religious event or festival. Most of his believers will pray to him then. Faith will surge from their souls to him along with their expectations. But the spike of faith won't be this high because most of his believers are shallow believers.

Chapter 1268 If And Only If.

The great god muttered, "This is not right."

He should be glad since faith means more divinity and divine energy but he feels bewildered because he can't figure out why he is receiving so much faith. There's nothing special going on in the plane but a lot of his believers are praying fervently in their homes.

The believers are praying so desperately that it is causing a spike in faith. This current spike is as if more than half of his believers have become fanatics. To be exact, it is as if 51% of his believers have reached the highest level of faith possible.

His believers are so faithful that they are willing to give their all to him including their souls. This kind of dedication and devotion roused his godhood. He had to pay attention. So he stopped messing around to pay attention to the prayers of his believers. It is something he doesn't do often. He did now and his face changed when he saw the content of their prayers.

"This is bad."

All these believers are praying and they are demanding the same thing. They want to dedicate themselves completely to their god. They want to become one with him. It is a good thing since it has increased the amount of faith he is receiving. However, they have only one request in exchange for their dedication. They want him to come down to them.

"Come down our lord. We want to become one with one. Come down and grace us with your presence. Come down and accept our worship. Come down for us to dedicate ourselves to you. Come

Their prayers were ringing over and over again in his mind. Millions of believers want the same thing. They want him to come down. They want it so bad that they are combusting their souls to see it happen. It has created a strong force that is pulling him down towards the main plane.

The great god of fire roared in resistance, "What nonsense is this? I won't allow this."

He refused to fulfill the request of his devout believers. They don't want him to show up with an avatar. They want his godhood to come down to the plane. To go down to the plane is to fall. No god in their right mind will do so unless they are desperate.

His resistance prevented him from falling. His believers are not in a good condition though. They began to die en masse. Their devotion is so great that they are not willing to give up their request for him to come down so their souls left their bodies. If they can't join with their god on earth, then they will be with him in heaven.

The pulling force of the believers reduced drastically due to the resistance of the great god of fire. The death of his believers granted him that reprieve.

He sighed in relief. "I should tell Father what is going on. He should know something about this freak event."

This is something he has never encountered or heard about. It is strange so he can't keep it to himself. He doubts the effects of this event can be hidden. After all, more than half of his believers just died. So gods are bound to ask him about it.

He decided to tell his father who made him into a god. His father is stronger and more experienced than him so he should be able to get some help from his father.

He was flying in his divine kingdom on his way out when he was suddenly yanked downwards. He fell from the sky of his divine kingdom to the bottom of it. He didn't fall gracefully. His face smashed into the ground painfully. He looked within himself and found the thing that yanked him. It is a translucent tentacle around his godhood.

"What kind of sorcery is this?" He questioned in fear.

He is very afraid right now. He should be. And his fear should rise in direct proportion to the amount of tentacles that are attaching themselves to his godhood. So he is doing well by becoming more and more scared when more translucent tentacles appear around his godhood.

These tentacles appeared as more and more souls of his devout believers died and came to him. He is their god and they are devoted to him. They will come to his divine kingdom when they die. It is their right as believers.

They will come directly to his godhood first. This is because he is their beacon to the afterlife. He will then decide what to do with them. If by chance they are bringing something along with their souls, then that thing, whatever it is, will also come directly to his godhood.

If that thing can withstand the all-burning power of the god fire around his godhood by using the souls of his believers as protection, then that thing can actually touch his godhood.

If that thing can get enough of a grip on his godhood such as at least 51% of its surface area, then that thing can pull his godhood. And finally, if that thing can maintain its strength despite the constant burning of the god fire, then it should be able to pull him to the floor of his divine plane.

It just so happened that these tentacles have an invisible flame capable of burning laws and resisting the god fire. So it was able to pull the god of flames to the ground of his divine kingdom and might be able to do more.

The god of fire didn't think too much about his condition. He contacted his father immediately. "Help me, father. Help me" He screamed over the communication line.

A lot of weird things have been happening and his fear has reached its peak. He can wait to try and see if he can go to his father for help. But things are too urgent for that so he would rather disregard his divine prestige and scream to his father for help like some helpless child.

Chapter 1269 It's All Good.

"What is it?" His father asked in surprise.

He rushed to reply. "I don't know what it is but it has got me. It has me. It is pulling down."

"What are you saying? You're making no sense. What has got you?"

"It has got me, Father," He roared in desperation. "Help me, Father."

His father realized then that something must have gone terribly wrong. He left his divine kingdom into the divine plane and rushed to the great god of fire's divine kingdom. His father was very fast. He was able to make it to the divine kingdom quickly. But the divine kingdom didn't open up to him. He can't very well smash his way in now, can he?

"Open up." The Celestial Supreme roared.

But there was no reply. It was too late. The communication line had been severed. The great god of fire is not even in the divine plane anymore. Whatever was pulling him had succeeded in yanking him down through his divine kingdom to the main plane.

This change didn't escape the Celestial Supreme's notice. He saw a ball of fire streak through the sky like a meteorite and fall into the plane. Everyone in the plane saw it. They raised their heads to the sky and asked in surprise.

"What's going on?"

"Why is there a fireball in the sky?"

Many people asked those questions. They can't see such a sight without being perplexed. But no one answered. Even the powerful people who can sense that the falling star is a god were surprised. And they were filled with dread.

The fall of a god is a very surprising thing. It rarely happens. The last time it happened was 3 origin cycles ago when the Supreme Beasts came to the plane. They visited the divine plane after the battle of the sea of despair but they were not welcomed. Some gods fell that day and the rest got in line.

So they are filled with dread because of this event. It reminds them of some very dark times. But incomprehensible surprise is the major emotion they are feeling, not fear. It is because this god that is falling is not dead. He or she is very much alive. This is not the fall of a godhood. An entire god is falling to the main plane alive and well. It is incomprehensible, to say the least.

A falling god should not fall with their godhood so they thought the god of fire was alright. They were wrong. The god of fire is not so well. If he were well, then he would be able to control his descent. He wouldn't have smashed to the earth and created an explosion reminiscent of a volcanic eruption. The place he smashed into cratered. Then it erupted in a pillar of fire.

Most importantly, if he were well, he wouldn't have smashed in front of the Shadow of Despair's base. Fortunately, he narrowly missed the base. If he had struck the base, it would be an act that might look like an attack and he doesn't want to offend a Supreme Beast. Especially not the strongest one.

The eruption died down after a few seconds. The grand god of fire struggled out of the crater. He is mostly unharmed. In fact, he is pleasantly surprised.

"Isn't this the main plane?" he muttered in surprise. "I thought gods couldn't descend with their main bodies. Why do I feel fine?"

If not for the tentacles wrapped tightly around his godhood, then nothing would be amiss about him. But he also understands that it is the tentacles that are bearing the burden for him being in the plane. He is not suffering any repercussions for his presence in the plane because of them so he doesn't feel so scared of them anymore.

"Hmm. Maybe I am lucky." He said to himself with a smile. "Maybe I am about to become a landed god."

He is smiling because of the wonderful possibilities that his strange state can bring to him. His presence in the plane means he will be able to wield his power directly. His church will soar and he might be able to get another domain to use to become a Celestial.

He can't use the domain of fire to become a Celestial because his father already occupies that domain. So this strange situation is a good thing.

He was smiling as his mind became full of plans to take full advantage of his situation. Then his senses picked up that someone just came out of the base in front of him. That someone is a Supreme Beast and also the first young Supreme Beast that dared to offend a god. He even offended a Celestial, not some lowly god.

The face of the grand god of fire changed. But then he relaxed. The Shadow of Despair is a dangerous Sovereign of law but he is a grand god. They have equal strength now that he is here in his main body. He can make things work out peacefully.

So the grand god of fire stood up on all of his four legs. He flexed his three arms and swayed his single-jointed tail. His three eyes as well as his body blazed with flames as he stared at the incoming supreme beast.

He is a handsome member of the Switch race. That much is clear with his possession of a third arm on the right side of his body instead of the left side like some ugly Switch. He is displaying that handsomeness and his power to show off and to intimidate the Supreme Beast.

"I can't look easy to bully." He thought to himself. "I must show a dominant attitude but I also must not go too far or offend him. We might be able to enter a partnership if things work out well. After all, a grand god in the main plane is a better and cheaper alternative to a Celestial in the divine plane."

He started to say, "Greeting's Shadow of despair. I have heard a lot about you. My name is Devoni, the grand god of fire. It is my pleasure to finally meet with..."

He had to stop because the Shadow of Despair attacked.

Chapter 1270 Shitty Brat.

Legion-5 flashed forward and disappeared. He appeared in the blink of an eye in front of the great god of fire with a fist clenched in preparation for a devastating punch. It was as if he had teleported which is not far from the truth. There was a thunderous crack as the air was torn apart by his fist.

Devoni caught the punch with one of his hands. It was after the attack connected that the booming shockwave of the attack was created. That shockwave slammed into the flames around them and caused the hot ground to cool.

Devoni tried to diffuse the situation. "What is wrong with you? I didn't come here to fight. My presence here is a peaceful one."

But Legion-5 didn't listen at all. He swung his other fist at the grand god. Devoni caught it with another one of his hands.

Devoni finally snapped. He swore at the unreasonable Supreme Beast, "You disrespectful shitty brat. I am a god. How dare you disrespect me like this. I will teach you a lesson you will never forget."

A god of fire is not someone with a good temper in the first place. But he tried to be reasonable. He truly did. Unfortunately, Legion-5 went too far. So he blew his lid, literally. Fire ejected out from his head like pressurized steam and his yellow eyes became brighter.

He has both of Legion-5's hands in a vice grip meanwhile he still has one free arm. He used that third arm to punch at Legion-5's head. He expected a hit since they were so close. He might not do damage but there should be a hit.

But another arm grew from Legion-5's torso. It blocked the punch while another arm grew from the other side of his torso and punched Devoni in the face. Legion-5 finally succeeded with an attack. His punch slammed into the grand god's face with a force that almost removed it from the neck of the god.

Devoni's face was compressed painfully. His head was flattened by that punch and was pushed beyond a comfortable position but Legion-5 wasn't satisfied. Another arm grew and punched the grand god making for a total of 5 arms attached to his torso.

Devoni was caught unawares by the development. His three eyes widened when he saw another arm grow. The fourth arm was still withdrawing after the punch that hit but this one is already sailing forward to slam into his face. He tried to block it but none of his hands could move. Legion-5 had them in a vice grip.

"You bastard." He roared as he used his tail to attack.

Devon's jointed tail extended and aimed for Legion-5's face. He doesn't plan to use it to defend. A berserker doesn't defend. They are always on the offensive. Blood for blood is their motto. But his wish was thwarted again. Another arm grew out of nowhere and grabbed his tail. Legion-5's fifth arm struck his face then.

Devoni retaliated with full force. Fire sprung into existence around him in waves and violent torrents. He focused the flames on his enemy like a blowtorch focused on metal. The environment became a furnace immediately. Legion-5 couldn't be seen but the ground beneath him had already liquified into lava and was evaporating because of the heat.

Contrary to expectations, Legion-5 was completely fine. The torrent of fire washed over him like water. Physical tentacles sprung out of his body as if he were an octopus. The tentacles whipped at Devoni with enough force to crush a mountain.

The great god of fire groaned and stumbled as the tentacles smashed against him. He took a step back but he didn't stop producing pressurized flames to burn his enemy. More tentacles smashed onto him while the others latched and wrapped around him.

The grand god of fire is 5 meters tall while Legion is 2.5 meters tall. He is exactly half the height of his enemy so there is a large difference in size. The tentacles had to extend themselves quite a bit to wrap around Devoni.

They grew bigger than his arms and longer than his height. Then they bypassed the aura of flames around him to grab hold of the main body of the grand god beneath them. Next, they grew sharp solid spikes that dug into the grand god's body.

The spikes were too sharp. They broke through the defense of the divine body and began to shred it. The tentacles pulled and squeezed so the spikes turned into the teeth of a saw. It was as if Legion-5 wanted to ground the grand god to pieces.

Meanwhile, the punches just keep on coming. Devoni's head was smashed back again as more and more fists grew to slam his face. It caused the power of the fire to increase until it turned from red to orange and finally to yellow to match the grand god's eyes.

But it wasn't enough so Devoni roared in frustration. He has had enough. He roared with all his might. Fire exploded out of his body into his surroundings wantonly. He became a yellow star that destroyed everything around him.

This finally brought some effects. All of Legion-5's physical tentacles were blown away and burned off. Legion-5 was pushed away by the explosion but he held on by keeping his hold of the grand god's fists and tail. That meant he had to bear the full brunt of the flame explosion.

His entire world became roaring yellow flames. The flames were as thick as water and they were pressurized. Even ordinary water released at such pressure will cut diamonds and the toughest of metals. One can imagine just how destructive the flames were.

The flames sought to erode him then there and there. But the black crystal scales on his body kept him safe. The black scales rippled but only that. He didn't even need to spend Origin energy to replenish it.