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Chapter 831 Wisdom Is The Principal Thing.

Someone once said, "Wisdom is the principal thing, in all your getting, get wisdom and understanding."

You can't get wisdom if you don't have understanding. And you can't get understanding if you don't have information. Soverick lacked information and he was toyed with. The serpentine world god lacked information and was toyed with. He is still being toyed with. Ghastorix became a world god. But he is still the bull-headed fighter who prefers to fight than to think.

He is still the soldier he was as a mana entity who obeyed orders until his dying breath. The fact that he has become a world god has not made him a commander or a general. It has not made him a player. He is still a pawn.

Power is important. But information, knowledge, wisdom, and cunning are more important. Those who lack them will have a weakness that will make them pawns. Without wisdom, Legion cannot be perfect. Soverick has learned that much. So he has taken it upon himself to rectify that weakness.

The solution to that weakness is to become omniscient. It might not be possible to achieve in the void universe or it might not be possible to achieve at all. But Soverick will try. His goal is to first achieve the perfect eye. Then he will see how things go from there.

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INTERLUDE.

The era of conquest is coming. The realm lord can announce its start anytime soon. It will have severe ramifications for the realm of high heaven and everyone that wants to take part in it is already preparing. Origin gods are preparing for it and world gods are investing resources into it. A certain space dragon is preparing for it too.

A massive mountain of a beast is sleeping in the void outside of the realm of high heaven. It is the divine dragon of the world god rank. This dragon is sleeping on a bed of solidified space. The world itself is the comfortable bedding for it to sleep on. There is no other material that can withstand the weight of a creature that is tens of thousands of kilometers long. Even a plane will collapse.

Weaker creatures will use their solidified divine sense to pull on the law matrix of the world to move in this environment but space freezes and liquifies according to the whims of this beast. It doesn't pull on the world to move, it makes the world push it to move and the world listens because of the supreme law that this dragon wields.

A smaller dragon is sneaking up on the world god. It is a dragon that is just 1 kilometer across so it is a very small dragon. It has four wings on its back. Each one of them is thin and translucent. The scales of the dragon are white crystals that bend light and space to obscure the dragon. It is very difficult to sneak up on a world god but this dragon is doing it his best try.

The small crystal dragon made sure not to make any fluctuations, be it physical, spiritual, or energetic so that it won't wake up the big dragon. It had to limit its speed of approach to a crawl but it is worth it if it can catch the big dragon off guard. It crept forward slowly as it approached the big dragon. This process took years of patience and dedication.

The little dragon chuckled and thought to itself. "I've got you now old man. It's time to show you how bad it is to wake someone with a shout."

It finally got close to the head of the big dragon but it didn't get too close. It doesn't want to startle its target. Any wrong movement from the bug dragon could kill him. Just the closed eye of the big dragon is bigger than the little dragon's entire body including the length of its wings.

The little dragon raised itself up and opened its mouth to give a great shout. It was startled when the eyes of the big dragon opened suddenly. Two great red suns with blue lightning running across their surface suddenly appeared in the void. They cast their gaze on the little dragon trying to be sneaky.

The big dragon slammed the little dragon with a roar. "Rarwww"

Space rumbled and tumbled. It was bent out of shape and warped by the roar. Then it was fractured and scattered. The little dragon was blown away and dragged into a vortex of space turbulence. A whirlpool

of distorted space pulled on the little dragon. Blades of fractured space swept around it. The dangerous fractures in space can fracture the little dragon too. It had to struggle not to die. It needed its best flying skills and the manipulation of space to come out of the whirlpool alive.

The small crystal dragon slumped on top of one of the big dragon's claws after it came out of the vortex. It is obviously tired after straining itself to survive the disastrous effect of the prank of a world god. The shadow of death shrouded it for a while there.

"I got you," Tssandulighafan said while laughing.

Even his laughter is still causing the very environment to quake dangerously. The sound waves that he is making are putting too much pressure on space. Origin gods that pass through this environment will experience the equivalent of slipping on a stone and breaking their necks. The dangerous space will bend their bodies out of shape and fracture them. That is not enough to kill them but they will be very sorry that they were there to hear a world god laugh without restraint.

Dylganihl complained. "Not fair."

His father roared in laughter even more. "You thought you could sneak up on me. That is so silly. So silly."

"When did you find out?" Dylganihl asked in indignance.

Tssandulighafan answered smugly, "Right from the start."

"You cheating old man. You could have stopped me when I started. I wasted 31 years creeping up on you for nothing."

Chapter 832 The Dragon Spirit And The Origin Of Dragons.

Dylganihl had to literally creep up to a world god. It had to be done slowly and diligently without any mistakes. It took him exactly 30 years, 4 months, 6 days, 12, hours, 32 minutes, and 13 seconds to get close enough to the head of his father. He did it because he thought it was going to be worth it. He was apparently wasting his time.

His father didn't see a problem with him wasting his time. He declared with too much joy, "It was fun for me so I allowed it."

"I think that I should just give up." Dylganihl said sullenly. "I am not the ignorant origin god I used to be. I have a supreme law so I should know that it is impossible to sneak up on a world god. Maybe I should give up on pranking you entirely."

"We both know that you won't stop trying. Don't worry though, you will have a much better chance when you become a world god. Then you will be able to sneak up on me." His father encouraged him.

"You really think so?"

His father answered with certainty, "I am certain of it."

Dylganihl became excited at the prospect of sneaking up on his father. He is surprised or excited that his father thinks he will become a world god. That is a foregone conclusion. If he can't become a world god, then no one can. On the other hand, the fact that he will be able to sneak up on his father means he is not a mediocre world god. After all, there are very few world gods that can sneak up on him.

"Now, tell me why you have come?" Tssandulighafan asked.

"I have made some progress in the preparation for the era of conquest."

He came to inform his father of his progress in the preparation for the era of conquest. Dragons are scattered throughout the realm of high heaven. They have a home plane but it is overpopulated and dragons don't like to share territory so they leave the plane when they become young adults to find their own turf.

It means they are a scattered force. Bringing them together is difficult without the aid of the dragon spirit. Dylganihl had to painstakingly gather his friends and acquaintances over a period of 3 origin cycles before he accumulated enough dragons for his cause. It would have taken longer if not for his ability to bypass divine planes and go to any plane.

"That is good. You are doing well. I am sure that you won't have any problems making a high enough contribution to the success of the era of conquest." Tssandulighafan said.

"I won't be a problem at all." Dylganilh agreed. "I wish we could have used the dragon spirit. Things would be so much easier and more fun."

Tssandulighafan disagreed. "What you have is already enough. The dragon spirit cannot be controlled by a single person and it cannot be taken lightly. It will only move when there is something important to the entire dragon race. A mere era of conquest is not enough to rouse it."

The dragon spirit is the residual spirit of the dragon ancestor. Dragons are not a race that was created in the high-heaven realm. They were introduced into the realm by the dragon ancestor who left behind his Will when he was leaving the realm. That Will became the dragon spirit.

The dragon spirit is connected to every dragon and it serves the function of overseeing and ensuring the safety of the entire dragon race that originated from the realm of high heaven. It is the only one that can do so since no dragon is worthy of leading other dragons. Dragons can't have dragon gods because of their pride. Their pride also won't let them elect someone to make rules for them.

The dragon spirit can call all the dragons to arms when they are threatened but the era of conquest is not enough for the dragon spirit to become agitated. Frankly, the era of conquest is not a threat to the dragon race. The destruction of the entire realm won't affect dragons much. Most of them are already in the upper realm and the rest can escape. The weak dragons can be protected and moved away.

The dragon spirit is too objective to care about the destruction of the realm of high heaven. The destruction of high heaven is certainly bad but it is only bad because it is the home plane of the dragon. They will certainly miss their home plane if it gets destroyed. But dragons have become too powerful a race to be bothered by the destruction of one realm tree regardless of whether it is their home plane or not.

The dragons of high heaven are not the only dragons in the void universe so dragons won't cease to exist in the universe if the realm of high heaven is destroyed. The dragon ancestor was so powerful that he seeded several realm trees with his descendants. And to top it off, dragons are just like world beasts, they can become world gods without the assistance of the realm tree.

Dylganihl said wistfully, "It would have been cool to have the dragon spirit on our side though. All the dragons will take flight. I have heard of it but I have never experienced it. We will crush realm after realm in our wake. We dragons will be unstoppable."

If the dragon spirit were to support the high heaven realm then no amount of scheming by disgruntled world gods can make the realm lose in the era of conquest.

Tssandulighafan sighed as he reminisced. "Ahh. I have experienced two of the wars initiated by the dragon spirit. That was ages ago when I was very young. The dragon spirit has fewer and fewer reasons to call us to arms because there have been fewer things that can threaten us. We all raced to the skies and answered the call. Then we congregated on a nasty parasitic race. We burned down plane after plane the last time to eliminate that race. It was so exciting. I saw some of my old uncles and aunts that I thought were dead."

Chapter 833 Scheme For The Era Of Conquest.

Tssandulighafan recalled his experience. His memories were projected outwards into the world and created a display of images and sounds that he experienced. Dylganihl watched and listened with rapt attention. He saw a sky filled with an uncountable amount of dragons. They came in various colors and sizes.

They blot out the sky as they swarmed a race that was propagating by infecting other races. These parasitic race can't reproduce on their own. They need to use other races as incubators for their eggs. The dragon spirit wouldn't have bothered with the race had the parasites not turned their attention to the dragons.

A dragon youngling was infected so the dragon spirit became very angry. It called for the complete elimination of the parasitic race and the dragons answered the call. The dragons couldn't tell the infected and the non-infected apart quickly enough so they didn't bother. They burned down entire planes. It was scorch-earth tactics that

were very effective.

All of these were shown clearly for Dylghanihl to experience. Gone was the void and its corrosive energy. In its place is a vivid holographic recollection of past events. It felt as if he was there when the events took place.

Dylghanihl marveled at he sight. "What power. Even his thoughts have become matter."

The images were created without the active manipulation of the world. The event happened like this and so they will appear again because the one that remembered them happening like this is a world god. He thought about it and his thoughts were reflected in the world.

Tssandulighafan finished his story with a round of applause from his son. He smiled a little while Dylghanihl clapped enthusiastically. The holographic imagery flickered and disappeared. The world resumed its not normal state.

"What about the recent time that the dragon spirit moved? I heard it moved against the will of the realm. How did that happen?" Dylghanihl asked.

Tssandulighafan frowned. "That was a mistake. It is something that has happened several times but this time it was because of the mistake of the will of a plane. Something unprecedented happened. We had a young dragon so outstanding that the will of a plane was impressed with it. It was so impressed that it forgot why dragons are hated by other planes and made him the child of the plane. That turned out to be a mistake. That dragon usurped the will of the plane using the dragon spirit. That wasn't enough for the dragon too so it went after the will of the realm too. As you might have heard, that didn't go so well. He paid for that mistake with his life."

"Wow," Dylghanihl exclaimed. "Some people have gall. I like that."

His father nodded in agreement. "I'm sure you would have done it too if you had the chance. I know I would have done it. Unfortunately, I was never given the chance. I wasn't born in a stupid plane. All the planes I ever visited quaked before my might. The will of the plane felt fear and roused up the entire plane to fight against me."

The two of them sighed in pity that they missed such an opportunity. They don't find anything wrong with trying to subdue the will of the realm. If there is anything that they feel is bad, it is that the dragon

failed and that they didn't get the opportunity to attempt it. The two of them began thinking of how they can recreate such a thing.

"Unfortunately it is impossible for me to ever experience it. I can't enter a realm anymore. But it is not too late for you. It will be difficult to do though. You will need someone born in the same plane as you to become a child of the plane then you have to rob them of their title by killing them when they are using their connection to the plane. But what are the chances of that."

Dylganihl's eyes began to glow wickedly. He got an idea that might just work.

"I've got an idea."

"What is it?" His father asked eagerly.

Dylganihl told his father about his idea. "How about we do this?"

"It could work but we need to do this and that during this," Tssandulighafan said as he offered suggestions.

The two of them began to scheme and plan like two villains. They even chuckled evilly occasionally. Tssandulighafan roared in laughter after concluding the plan while Dylghanihl had a wide face-splitting grin.

Tssandulighafan said excitedly, "I can't wait for the era of conquest to start."

Dragons don't usually scheme. They have power on their side so they don't usually scheme. But these two are troublemakers. They steal, pillage, and scheme all the time. This time they are scheming to do something positively villainous during the era of conquest. They had worked on their plan for a few hours before they were done. It had to be something serious.

Dylganihl said with some fear, "This is genius. It will surely work. But it is going to cause trouble. The realm lord will not be happy"

Tssandulighafan assuaged his fears, "Who cares about trouble? Let's do it.

They don't care about any trouble that they are going to cause to either the realm lord or the will of the realm. They are immortal so they have nothing to fear. Plus they have a world god on their side.

Tssandulighafan is willing to go through with the plan just because of his hatred for the realm lord.

There's no way he will give up on it since it is going to be fun.

Dylganihl agreed. "We will handle trouble when it comes. Plus if it works, then we can force the realm lord to do whatever we want."

Tssandulighafan said wistfully, "Imagine that."

He doesn't like the monarch of high heaven for taking the position of realm lord so this is a good opportunity for him to get back at that pompous high elf. Tssandulighafan can't wait for the era of conquest to come so that he can enact the plan. The two of them began to literally imagine what they will ask from the realm lord if they succeed.

Chapter 834 Let's Start With Helios.

The things that the two of them can ask for are endless if their plan succeeds. They will not be restricted to the usual things that everyone will ask the realm lord for if they win a favor from him. The usual favor has to do with becoming a world god. They don't need his help for that. They might be participating in the same era of conquest as others, but they are not like others. They are dragons.

A single realm tree can make billions of Immortal origin gods while a single realm heart can create only a single world god. That means that not every origin god can become world gods with a realm heart no matter how talented or special they are. Their chances are reduced even further by the fact that some world gods are actively destroying the already insufficient realm trees.

Then there is the problem of the lack of strength. Origin gods can't take on a realm tree on their own. All these means that some Origin gods have to go for less optimal options to become world gods. They could use the help of the realm lord for these options and the ones that want to take on a realm tree on their own will have a chance to do so if they get the realm lord's help. So the realm lord is needed by all origin gods. That will change in the case of Dylganihl if he succeeds in his scheme. The realm lord will be the one that needs him and he will be able to ask anything from the realm lord.

The peculiar thing about this situation is that Dylganihl doesn't need to do what he is planning. He doesn't even need to participate in the era of conquest. His father can get him a realm heart. He can also get the resources to make a subpar world on his own with the resources that he has acquired through stealing. Other origin gods are participating in the era of conquest because they have to and because this is a rare chance but he is doing it just for the fun of it.

He already has his supreme law and can become a world god anytime he wants to. But he doesn't care about becoming a world god because he doesn't need to. He has a father that is a world god. Besides, becoming a world god comes with certain restrictions. He won't be able to enter the realm of high heaven ever again.

That means he won't be able to go to his favorite restaurant on the ancient battlefield where they always welcome him with open arms and free food. He can't miss that by becoming a world god. It will be a travesty. The people that own the restaurant will certainly miss him if he becomes absent for so long.

So he would rather remain an origin god and enjoy the perks of a world god through his father without actually being a world god and suffering the restraints of being a world god. If there is anything else that he wants, it is to find a way to blackmail and strongarm the realm lord into doing his bidding.

This is not the first time he is doing something like this. He didn't need to attend the trial of heaven to become an Origin god but he did it anyway. It is a matter of pride and a need for achievement. Most importantly, it is about having lots of fun. That's why he won't ask his dad for a realm heart and he won't be satisfied with a subpar world. He will make waves during the era of conquest and have fun too.

VOLUME 5:HELIOS POV

The tides are turning as they always do. Nothing is constant except change. The era of conquest is coming. The lord of the realm has announced that it can come anytime now. It caused a flurry of activities and different kinds of changes throughout the realm.

Origin gods are gearing up and shoring up their defenses for what is to come. World gods are laying down their cards and planning for the future. Planes are changing hands. Everyone that intends to participate in it is preparing as best as they can. It is a tumultuous time for the realm of high heaven. Different principalities and powers are vying for power and resources. It is causing conflicts throughout the realm.

The power of a single person is insignificant when compared to an entire realm. That is unless they are world gods but the era of conquest will not feature world gods. The main battlefield will be fought by weaker beings. That is why many people are trying to take control of planes. They want to increase their influence in the era of conquest and therefore increase their significance and contribution.

Their need for control has plunged numerous planes into war. The Virut plane is mostly peaceful because they are united under the banner of a single governing body. Even then, the removal of the divine plane allowed demons and anyone to invade their plane. They were able to hold out and stem the tide of war and chaos through overwhelming power but the same can not be said about others.

Zargoth plane underwent a period of world war and world-shaking strife which lead to the change of power in the plane. Numerous living things died both of the race of giants and that of other races. The plane is recovering right now. It is experiencing peace but even that is being threatened.

There are revolutions against the superpower of the plane. Many people want to wrestle control of the plane from the kingdom Of Life. These revolutions were started by external forces that have gotten access to the plane now that the divine plane isn't there to stop them anymore. Numerous origin gods want to take a piece of the pie that is the Zargoth plane.

Chapter 835 What To Do With Cosmic Energy.

Helios knows all of these despite his position far up in the void above the realm tree. He is a star. He is young but he is very big for his age. He hasn't been a star for more than ten thousand years but he put some older stars to shame. His growth rate hasn't ended either. It is all because he is not a normal star. He is the super child born of the fusion of order, chaos, divine energy, and origin flames. In a way, he is a superstar.

He is also the child of the Zargoth plane so he remains connected to his plane and is aware of the things occurring within it. He can't actually see anything going on in the plane. He uses his connection with the will of the plane to get information about the events of the plane. His information is pretty accurate because the will of the plane is very aware of almost everything going on in the plane.

The information that Helios acquired this way has helped the tree father to put down the revolutions efficiently and help Legion maintain control of the plane. But the help that he renders is more than that. His existence has benefited Legion in ways beyond their imaginations.

He became a star and got access to cosmic energy. His unique connection to the law matrix made him know that his cosmic energy comes from a pool or many pools that hold oceans' worth of cosmic energy. He can't tell if they are one or many because of his insignificance but he knows that the source of cosmic energy is very large.

There is a lot he doesn't know about the source of cosmic energy but he can understand why world gods will want it for themselves. Cosmic energy is very useful for many things. He and Legion have begun to explore this usefulness. They couldn't use Cosmic energy at first but that has changed. That's just the start. Their ignorance about Cosmic energy will also be solved in time.

Helios gets a supply of what he considers a lot of cosmic energy as a star. It was when he traced the connection of cosmic energy back to its source that he realized he was being naive. His horizon was further broadened when he saw that his immense supply of cosmic energy is but a trickle. It was painful to realize since he had access to such a thing but they couldn't use it.

They couldn't use cosmic energy for much even when they got the Authority of the Celestial Supreme from the Zargoth plane. The tree father was able to strengthen the inner world so Legion-1 could eat stronger origin gods but that wasn't taking them anywhere. That changed when a clone of Legion comprehended a law and invoked the law matrix for the bestowal of cosmic energy.

The universe sought to reward that clone for comprehending a law. So the Will of the universe invoked an intent within the law matrix to bestow this clone with cosmic energy. This intent didn't only affect the law matrix, it also initiated a change within Helios, and his store of cosmic energy was stimulated.

Cosmic energy flowed out of him without his permission or control through the soul sphere and into every clone. It was searching for the clone that caused the invocation of the universe but it entered every clone in its attempt because they are all connected. That marked the second time that cosmic energy moved for Legion and it led to more significant changes than the increase in the strength of the inner world of a world beast. The debut release happened at N0v3lBiin.

The bestowal of cosmic energy from the universe acted normally. It found the clone that comprehended the law directly and helped him form his Authority. The supply of cosmic energy within Helios acted differently. It wasn't under the direct control of the universe and neither was it under the control of Helios. It was within Helios and therefore connected to every one of Legion. It was stimulated by the invocation so it moved to carry out the action dictated by the Will of the universe and it did so in every clone.

That was the first time that cosmic energy flowed through the connection of the soul sphere and actually did something useful to Legion. What's odd is that it didn't return to Helios after it was done. It never stopped flowing out of him and into the others. The invocation kick-started it but didn't do anything to stop the flow. A connection of cosmic energy then formed between them and it wasn't cut off even after the universe was done with its bestowal. This is why any being, be it a world god or otherwise, will see cosmic energy in the clones and be blinded by it.

The constant connection made cosmic energy suddenly more malleable to them. Helios's supply of cosmic energy didn't get the instruction to be deactivated after the universe stopped its bestowal of cosmic energy. Helios' cosmic energy was still looking for something to do and it was amicable to change. They still couldn't control it actively so it did whatever it wanted to do.

The cosmic energy changed Legion-7 the most. It helped him to become who he is today. He went from a recently freed slave into a being that feed on laws. Legion-7's reaction with cosmic energy shed a lot of light on how it works. Unfortunately, they don't have what it takes to take advantage of that information.

They couldn't do more with cosmic energy even though they understood that it needs some sort of instruction for it to be controlled. Something from the universe was capable of directing it and they lacked that thing. That would have been all there is to their use of cosmic energy until that changed too. Some world gods foolishly offered Soverick a good view of their Supreme law. That changed everything.

Chapter 836 The Plan For The Artifact.

The two world gods didn't know what they were doing or the significance of their actions. It is already unprecedented that a king of law can see their laws and not go mad. How are they to know that this small king of law is also connected to a free-flowing supply of Cosmic energy and that by exposing him to their supreme laws, they are adding kindling to the furnace within him? Their mistake is one that anyone can make.

If they knew his full situation then they wouldn't have shown Soverick their laws. They would have disregarded their competition to seize him just for the cosmic energy that he has. They didn't know so they felt they were playing with him.

Soverick on the hand didn't bother to enlighten them about this mistake. His encounter with their law of order was not by chance. He knew what he was looking for right from the start. That's the most important reason why he attended the competition even though he feared for his life.

The more Soverick comprehended of their law, the more the cosmic energy within every Legion was stimulated. Whatever he knows is known by every one of them after all. They finally got what they needed to make cosmic energy move.

In a normal situation, when a person comprehends a law to a certain extent, cosmic energy is bestowed on to them to create an Authority over that law within their origin. But this situation isn't normal. Soverick and all of Legion were not comprehending some ordinary law of the universe. They were not comprehending a concept either. They were comprehending a supreme law, a fabricated law of order created through the fusion of many other concepts. It was a law that could contend with the law of order of the universe and hence, it can invoke cosmic energy.

Legion-7 had been using cosmic energy before to sustain himself in the void universe since he is not supposed to exist in the physical part of the void universe. A law devourer is an abomination that even the void universe abhors. The addition of a supreme law made Legion-7 become independent of the void universe like a world god.

He was infused with more cosmic energy as they comprehended the supreme laws of order. The changes to him were rapid and uncontrollable. They initially caused him to mutate wildly. That's why the lady that wanted to control Soverick's consciousness saw a deformed entity in his consciousness.

He was able to finish his evolution when Soverick v1 died by swallowing the law of order of the serpentine world god and Soverick's deformed existence. All the infusion of cosmic energy into him at that point enabled him to evolve once and for all despite the danger of consuming a small part of the body of a world god.

Aeternus and Legion-1 also went through their own changes. Most of the other clones didn't. But that isn't the end to the use of supreme laws. The stimulation of cosmic energy ended when Soverick stopped getting access to the Supreme laws but Legion now knows how to actively manipulate cosmic energy on their own. The knowledge that they have cannot be taken away from them.

They know now what they need to have to fully utilize cosmic energy so they know what to aim for. Cosmic energy is powerful so it needs something very powerful to manipulate and give it direction. It needs a supreme law. It could be the law of order of the void universe, a false law of order of a world god, or the law of Chaos of the abyss.

Supreme laws can only be acquired from world gods or Legion can make theirs but it is a long way to go. What they can achieve in a relatively short time is the law of order and the law of Chaos. It is a relatively short time when compared to the time it will need for them to acquire a supreme law of their own.

The law of order of the universe is arguably the most powerful law of the universe. It is a difficult and complicated power that is powerful enough to nullify other laws. So it is going to take at least one origin cycle to comprehend it even with all of them actively using all their mental prowess to assist Helios.

The law of Chaos is also just as powerful. It is capable of scrambling the other laws. It is also much more difficult to comprehend than the law of order. The law of Order has a pattern to it. The pattern is very complicated. The complex patterns are more complicated than some supreme laws and the complexity of the world spark. But at least it has recognizable patterns. The law of Chaos on the other hand might as well be infinite randomness.

The two laws are very rare and difficult to encounter. It was after they attempted to comprehend it that Legion finally understood why the realm lord was very interested in the Chaos energy that Aeternus possessed. It is impossible to learn the law of Chaos without it. They are opportune to learn the law of Chaos so they won't complain about its difficulty.

Helios is the only one that can comprehend the law of Order and Aeternus is the only one that can comprehend the law of Chaos. They have been making progress despite it being really slow progress. So Legion has turned its attention to something that can strengthen them in the short term. It is also something that will be with them forever.

They want a power that will belong to them. It will be a power that can't be taken away from them. The best source of that power is the shard of power that they possess. Soverick managed to do powerful things with it but he always received a backlash.

So Legion has to create an artifact that can reduce that backlash and enable them to use the shard of power more frequently. It will be a stop gap until they become world gods and are capable of controlling the shards of power completely.

Chapter 837 The Fate Of The Abyss.

This artifact must be very powerful. Fortunately, they are not without resources for them. They have a world engine, a world spark, some fragmented knowledge of Supreme laws, and a supply of cosmic energy. They have to do something great with these things or they will disappoint the first sage and let down his generosity to them.

Legion aims to build this artifact with these items. They will use Soverick's expertise at weapon forging, the tree father's ability to transmute energy to create the artifact, Legion-7's manipulation of the laws, and the immense mental power of all of Legion to create it.

It will be a very powerful artifact and a source of power that will be with them forever. In the meantime, the world is not going to wait for them. Things are moving fast throughout the realm. Power is changing hands and wars are being waged. Even the demons and the abyss are being affected.

AETERNUS'S POV

Demons are strange creatures. They are weird but they are also unique in that they are present in every realm. Every realm tree has an abyss where demons live so demons are a race that is common throughout the void universe. Their purpose is to create strife for each plane and push them toward greatness through violence.

The abyss is a feature of the universe in every realm tree. Each realm tree has a different abyss attached to it. But what happens to the abyss when the realm tree detaches itself from the law matrix of the universe after the era of conquest?

The purpose of demons is understood. So is their source. What will become of them after the era of conquest is also known. The abyss will disappear. A plane will be created for them if the realm lord is willing to have them. If the realm lord isn't willing to have them then there will be no place for demons in the realm anymore.

Demons will become fugitives in the realm without the abyss. Sin energy will die off when the abyss disappears so demons won't be able to regenerate energy anymore. This won't affect demon nobles and above but it will affect the entire demon race.

The lower-ranked demons will die off and the absence of the abyss will also prevent the creation of new demons so the entire demon race will eventually become history. This is known with certainty. So what are demons to do if they want to avoid that future? The answer is that they don't care and nothing will be done.

Powerful demons know what will happen if the abyss is lost but they don't care. Demon nobles and above don't need sin energy anymore. They can live on mana and that is enough for them. They don't

care about the other demons or what's going to happen to them. The ones that care are the weak high-rank demons and below who need sin energy but they can't do anything to change the situation.

How are high-rank demons to make enough contribution to the era of the conquest and make the realm lord owe them a favor? High-rank demons are equivalent to mid-gods or lords of law at most. They won't be of much use in a battlefield full of immortal Origin gods. Their fates might as well be sealed. They have to become stronger and become demon nobles before the era of conquest ends.

It is fortunate that demons will have much bigger problems if the realm actually loses the era of conquest. High-rank demons won't have to worry about sin energy because every demon will die except demon kings and above. The defeat of the realm tree is a much more serious situation. Even the demon kings and demon gods that survive won't even have the luxury of becoming fugitives in the realm because there will be no realm.

If not for this unpalatable situation that will occur if the realm tree were to lose in the era of conquest, then nothing would be done about the fate of Demons and no demon will care about the outcome of the era of conquest. Demons are just too selfish to care about the fate of others including their entire race.

Powerful demons began looking towards their own situation. Demon lords are hoping to perform enough during the era of conquest so that the realm lord can make them demon kings. His Will can substitute for that of the abyss and make them demon kings of the realm.

They will be like demon kings of the abyss in that they won't be able to progress beyond that rank but it is still good. Any progress is good. Half-bread is better than none. For a lot of demon lords that have had their path blocked by a demon god, this is the opportunity they have been waiting for.

As for demon kings. They want to become demon gods. Demon kings of the abyss are stuck where they are. Their fate is intertwined with the abyss. They can't make any progress and they can't survive if the abyss is destroyed. So they must help the realm tree survive and they must make enough contribution to its victory so that the realm lord will keep the first plane of the abyss.

The other type of demon kings don't have to help the realm tree. They can survive even if the abyss and the realm tree are destroyed. They will only lose the opportunity to progress. On the other hand, if they help the realm lord, they will have a shot at reaching the pinnacle of their existence and become demon gods.

Then there are demon gods. They are the pinnacle of the race of demons. The next step for them is to become Chaos entities. The chances of that happening will become very slim to almost impossible if the abyss is lost. So demon gods decided to involve themselves in the preparation of the era of conquest. The already chaotic situation in the realm became more chaotic.

Chapter 838 Demon Gods.

Demon kings are as powerful as Origin gods except that they don't have true immortality. Demon gods on the other hand are more powerful than normal Origin gods and they also have true immortality. But that isn't good enough for them. They are the equal of origin gods with Supreme laws but they can't match world gods. So demon gods want to become chaotic entities. They want to be feared as world-enders and eldritch beings.

The path to becoming a Chaos entity is very tricky. Demon gods need to evolve to become chaos entities but the assisted evolution of demons ended when they became demon kings. That is the maximum level that their mark of sin can take them. The rank of demon kings should be the last rank for demons but then they force themselves to evolve by fusing with their mark of sin.

The mark of sin is a very powerful item bestowed by the abyss. It is a fragment of the abyss so it contains some of the power of the abyss. That power elevates demon kings to demon gods and grants them control over all the Authority associated with that mark of sin.

But that isn't enough for demon gods. They take it further by trying to exploit the potential and power present within the mark of sin of every demon with their sin. A single mark of sin has enough power to create a demon god. Imagine what the power present within trillions of marks of sin can do. It is the very height of selfishness for them not to only take Authority but to deprive other demons of any power at all.

The presence of a demon god prevents the creation of demon kings with their sin. The presence of a Chaos entity prevents the creation of any demon with their sin. Demons with their mark of sin will stop growing and will stagnate forever while their mark of sin will disappear forever from that abyss of the universe.

It is not a wonder why such powerful beings won't care about the destruction of the abyss. If not for the effect it will have on them, then they wouldn't care about the destruction of the entire realm.

This act of ultimate selfishness is the only way for a demon god to become a Chaos entity. Their mark of sin is the one that usually initiates and controls their evolution but it can't help them anymore since they have fused with it. But that spark of evolution that they have lost is still present within other demons. They just need to siphon it, fuse with it, and finally evolve to a greater state of existence.

It is fortunate for lesser demons that while the way to become a Chaos entity is known, actually becoming one is not easy. If it were easy then lesser demons will be robbed of their potential quickly and completely. Lesser demons have the difficulty of capacity to thank for their continued existence.

It is said that one should be careful not to bite more than one can chew. The same adage works here. Demon gods need the capacity to absorb so much potential from other demons before they can siphon it. They need to become a worthy vessel for all that power so that they will evolve and not explode.

It is a tricky thing to become a chaotic entity because there is no one way to do it. There are various ways to achieve it. It is all about absorbing enough powerful objects to expand their existence and capacity. There is the use of world sparks. It is certain to cause a demon god to evolve but that is out of reach of demon gods. Where are they going to get a world spark?

So they go for the most available option. They try to destroy divine planes and absorb the Authority of the Celestial Supreme. Demon gods use this method to expand their Capacity. They will then evolve after absorbing enough of the Authority of the Celestial Supreme. All the demons with their sin will become doomed then.

It can be 10 or 20 Authority of the Celestial Supreme but it will eventually work. It is what they plan to do. It will just take time since each divine plane can only provide one Authority of the Celestial Supreme. But then a new and much more certain option became available. They can create enough contributions in the era of conquest for the realm lord to assist them in acquiring a world spark.

Demon lords, demon kings, and demon gods all have their personal issues and selfish agendas to deal with. It all involves attacking planes and taking control of planes. They do all of these without the incentives for the era of conquest. But the coming of the era of conquest has put them in overdrive.

So the activity of demons has increased all over the realm. But it is only for their personal benefit. As long as they gain more power, none of them will bother to avert the unfortunate fate of demons after the era of conquest. So the future of demons is set in stone if it were up to them. But then the realm

lord came to them with an offer that they cannot refuse. This offer will not only save the demons, but it will grant them so much more.

Aeternus is currently in his plane. His is the 1969th abyssal plane. It is a flat circular landmass. It is different from the irregular or mostly square shape of the planes in the realm. There are many volcanoes on his plane. Some are erupting while others are simmering down after erupting and preparing to erupt soon. Every mountain is a volcano and none of them are dormant. This is not surprising to find in an abyssal plane.

These active Volcanoes are either currently erupting or preparing to erupt. There is no dormancy in their activity. They all have their tops opened revealing the red-hot lava within them. The sky of the plane is filled with thick black ash clouds that the volcanoes pump into the air while the ground is filled with rivers of lava flowing throughout the plane and falling over the edge of the plane.

Chapter 839 A Throne Fit For A King.

His abyssal plane is split into ring-like domains based on the concentration of sin energy. The external ring at the very edge of the plane is the domain of fledglings. A black vine-like plant occupies the areas at the edge of the plane without streams of lava. The streams of lava flow over the edge like a waterfall into somewhere below while the black vine reached up to the edge of the plane from somewhere below.

The black vine is called the demon sire. It is responsible for the production of newborn demon fledglings in all planes of the abyss. The demon sire is said to be an extension of the tree of sin that is situated on the 1st plane of the abyss. The tree of sin reaches down into the abyssal planes like the energy pillar reaches down from the energy sea.

The demon sire is a very prolific plant. It produces large succulent-looking fruits. These fruits are definitely not edible. It is because they are not made for eating. They contain gestating demons.

The large melon-like fruits will burst open when it is ripe and expel the demon fledglings into the plane. The fledglings will fight each and grow stronger. Their need for sin energy will increase as they get stronger so they will move inwards into the plane to get to the places with higher concentrations of sin energy.

Plants form the base of the food chain in a normal plane in the realm but it is sin energy that forms the base of the food chain in an abyssal plane. Demons need more of it in higher concentrations as they get stronger. Without it, they won't be able to regenerate their energy stores and they will stagnate before they are eventually killed off.

The need for sin energy fuels the competition which further leads to competition for space. Space becomes smaller the higher the concentration of sin energy is. The ultimate aim of all demons within the plane is to take control of the center of the plane and become the demon lord.

The center of the plane is where the entity at the top of the food chain resides. Unfortunately for them, this is not a natural plane. There will be no demon lord in this plane. Someone else already owns the entire plane.

At the center of the plane is a large tower. It is a massive black tower that reaches halfway into the sky. That is a height of tens of thousands of kilometers. On top of this tower is a giant sphere of red fire. This sphere looks like a red star and it is ringed with the halo of a golden crown. A large blackish-purple pillar falls down from the sky and enters the star from the top.

The blackish-purple pillar falling from the sky is the energy well of the plane. It passes through the star and continues down into the black tower below. The light of the star provides light for the plane while the energy well provides the sin energy that every demon uses within the plane.

Aeternus is sitting on a throne at the top of the black tower. His throne is a tall and grand structure. It was constructed by using the bones of his enemies to stretch and force the body of another demon king into forming the shape of a throne.

This demon king offended him. It was an offense worthy of death but Aeternus in his infinite kindness didn't kill the demon king. He took some of the demon king's bones out of their body and used the bones to stretch the boneless body into the shape of a throne.

The demon king is very much alive and aware. He is just in so much pain that he can't thank Aeternus for his kindness. It was a great kindness, really. But to be honest, it is also the best decision Aeternus ever made as a demon king. He doesn't regret sparing the life of the demon king because the throne is very comfortable. It is a throne fit for a king.

The throne has great lumber support. He really has to compliment the demon king for being so useful. Unfortunately, the demon king in the throne is much too muddle-headed to appreciate a compliment. Aeternus's words are precious so speaking to the throne will be like wasting pearls on a pig since the throne can't hear him.

The throne is standing close to the energy pillar and beneath the star above his head. The plane sprawled far below him. He can see everything going on within it and he is aware of everything going on in the plane. He is like a god in his divine kingdom.

The plane is his personal domain so nothing here is hidden from him. He can also go anywhere within the plane and do anything he wants. He uses the plane mainly to create soldiers for his armies. He has a structure of incentives to encourage competition within the plane so the demons in his plane are always fighting each other.

He is not paying attention to the killing currently going on in his plane. He sat on this comfortable throne made of a living demon king while he went through his activities in the other planes. This is his body but he has avatars doing his bidding all over the realm. So he may look like he is relaxing and slacking off, but he is bringing death, pain, and destruction to numerous planes right now.

He hasn't changed physically in all these years. He has grown stronger though. It is because of all the successful invasions that he has performed. At least, that's what he tells people when asked about how he managed to grow so strong so fast. He lied but it is their fault if they believe his lie. No one should easily believe the words of a demon.

One of his avatars is currently attacking a very important plane to Legion. It is a plane populated majorly by elementals. They still have their divine plane so he is currently in the Armageddon of the plane waging war on the defenses of the gods.

Chapter 840 The Miracle Of Useful Gods.

The shape of the elementals in this plane is weird but they are very strong. They are holding themselves very well against the demons. They lack physical prowess but they don't need it. Their energy manipulation is impeccable so their ability to craft spells is outstanding. Each Elemental is a cannon made for bombarding the enemy with spells. They might look chubby but that's only because they are full of power.

It is unfortunate that their enemies are demons. Demons have no weaknesses either physical, magical, or spiritual. Demons can't utilize all of the three but they have defenses and resistance for all three of them. The lack of weakness has helped Demons invade several planes and fight different types of races without a handicap. They are able to keep their strength no matter what type of special race they encounter. The elementals of this plane are just another race that might fall to the onslaught of the abyss.

Elementals don't have rigid bodies usually. Their physique is purely energy-based and it isn't humanoid. These elementals are spherical in shape and look very similar to the elements that they embody. Fire elementals look like giant balls of burning flame. Water elementals look like giant balls of raging water. Wind elementals look like tornadoes and earth elementals look mostly like spherical giant boulders.

Those four are the major types of elementals but they aren't the only types. There are also light and darkness elementals. They aren't in the shape of a sphere. They are like pillars of energy. These are rare to see but they are the strongest gods.

Aeternus smiled as he watched the army of demons clash with angels and gods. Armageddon is filled with so much death and violence. It brings him pleasure to watch. It is a matter of life and death for most demons, angels, and gods. But to him, the war is an entertaining process before he acquires victory.

"That's it. Fight and die. Show me the meaning of your life at the edge of violence."

He is further impressed with the performance of the gods. The entire pantheon of gods of this plane is strong. It is because the gods are actually useful to the mortals.

Serving a god in this pantheon can increase the elemental affinity of the believers that corresponds to the god. So having faith in the god of fire will improve the elemental affinity of fire. The same happens with all elemental gods. This is a boon that those without royal bloodlines will kill for.

Those with royal bloodlines have divine affinities so they don't need the help of elemental gods. But they also wouldn't serve gods even if they didn't have divine affinities. Their ancestry won't allow it. As for those without royal bloodlines, any method to increase their elemental affinity is a miracle. Hence the increase in faith in the gods of this plane and the power of the gods. It is why the gods are pushing the demons back.

"Show me the true worth of divinity. This will not be enough if this is all you have."

He is not worried or concerned that the gods are winning. They are killing demons quickly because of their high quality but they don't have the quantity to contend with the demon army. More demons swarm the battlefield no matter how much they are killed.

The gods are useful so they have a lot of believers. It has made them strong, but their usefulness also restrains them. Any god that isn't useful in this plane will not progress and grow stronger. The people only believe in gods that will actually help them. A god of archery or hunting cannot increase the archery or hunting skill of its believers. But a god of fire can increase the elemental affinity of fire and hence improve their speed of cultivation and power indirectly.

So a god of fire will be prioritized over a god of archery. This prevented other gods and other races from becoming Celestials. Only the elementals managed to become Celestials and no two Celestials can have the same domain so it limited the amount of Celestials that they have in the pantheon despite them being open and peaceful to each other.

There are 10 Celestials in total. One for fire, water, wind, earth, light, darkness, ice, Nature, metal, and lightning. They would have had more if the mortals of the plane were more accommodating. This situation resulted in the high quality but lacking quantity of the gods.

Aeternus knows a lot about this plane despite having not gained access to it yet because the tree father has an avatar here. The Tree Father was not accepted in their society. He can heal and increase the growth of plants but that isn't as useful as providing an increase in elemental affinity. Plus most gods can heal injuries and strong people don't care about the increase in good due to the increase in plant growth.

The inhabitants of the plane didn't go all out to eliminate the avatar but it wasn't welcomed. The people of the plane don't need the avatar just like they don't need any other gods apart from the elementals. The ones that need the avatar only want his parts after they have killed him.

The plane doesn't want the tree father and the Celestial of Nature and Plants also wants to absorb the tree father to grow stronger. The plane can be considered a bust to the tree father. It is not useful for anything so Legion decided to attack and pillage the divine plane. So Aeternus has a lot of information about the plane and could prepare well for the invasion.

The plane is resisting very well despite his informed plans. They have a lot of grand gods and the entire pantheon is completely united. If not for the fact that he brought other demon kings with him then he wouldn't have any chance of victory at all. After all, a single demon king surely can't handle 10 Celestials. That's just impossible.