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Chapter 1041 - The Apex Paragon! I

19 glimmering Seeds of Chaos floated beside the bodies of the 19 Paragons as after a Temporal Inversion, their state returned to a time before they ingested them and became Incarnations of the Goliath of the Primordial Cosmos!

It was a mind bending ability that others could not even fathom, those watching feeling breathless as the ones who truly understood it all had somber expressions.

The scalp of the Hegemony of Necromancy tingled as he drew in a sharp breath, merely watching as Noah waved his hands and the Seeds of Chaos that could create Incarnations that far exceeded the power that Paragons could display..simply land on his hands as he looked at them curiously.

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The field of battle turned silent.

Not a single soul moved as only the whirling Necrotic Ring of Death surrounding the Trillions within the Undead Legions that weren't even mobilized made terrifying sounds.

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The Seven Deadly Sins had long since received Noah's command as they pulled back and watched the magisterial scene of his power without making any moves against the Undead Paragons they were facing.

The flames within Noah's eye sockets blazed brightly as the essence of Chronos that was gushing from the expansive crimson-purple clock stopped momentarily. The Temporal Halt and Inversion came to a stop as the 19 Paragons all turned their eyes towards Noah with utter shock.

The 19 Seeds of Chaos that had seamlessly separated from their Origin floated in front of him as he looked at them calmly, his voice being the only thing ringing out in the vast chaotic void.

"I have saved you from the certain death that these terrible seeds of Origin Essence would have brought you."

RUMBLE!

As he handled a portion of Origin Essence from a genuine Hegemony, Noah spoke out simply towards the 19 Paragons that had their bones begin trembling with shock!

"Something like this is not the path to true power. With them, you would have become mere sacrificial lambs under the aims of someone else...it is not power!"

BOOOM!

His voice boomed out majestically as even the Hegemonies watching from illusory screens from far away Universes or those that had appeared outside the boundary of the Necrotic Universe had their attention pulled in.

"Let me show you true power...kneel and pledge Fealty to me as I show you what true strength is!"

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The 19 Paragons gazed towards Noah's figure that stood above them with utter stupor, his figure seemingly covered with a brilliant white luster as a star of conquest shone above him majestically- making him look like an ancient primal being out of pure fantasy.

Their skeletal hands unconsciously reached out to him as after feeling his immense power- after experiencing him actually inverting time and bringing them back to before they ingested the time bombs that would have shattered their Origins...their very essence seemed to reach out towards him as when a certain prompt appeared in front of their eyes, they called out softly.

"I pledge Fealty to the Tyrannical Emperor..."

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"I pledge..."

RUMBLE!

The star of conquest above Noah shone brightly as the 19 Seeds of Chaos before him were put away, the eyes of all beings witnessing the scene of him alone standing against 19 Paragons at the same stage as him, stripping them of all their power...and then making them kneel as they pledged allegiance to him.

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The hearts of many Hegemonies were jolted at this moment as a set of words appeared in their hearts, but they still couldn't bring themselves to utter it out loud.

A set of words flowed through the minds of all Hegemonies!

It was a set of words, or more so a title, that was given to a being that absolutely stood over all other beings at the same stage.

In the millions of years of recorded history of the Primordial Cosmos, existences given titles such as these were few and far between, with others claiming these titles only to lose them as they faced defeat soon after, and others not being able to keep their lives when they advanced to the Realms above.

At this point in time, only two existences were still alive in the Primordial Cosmic who held a title such as this, these existences namely being the Oathkeeper...and the Goliath of the Primordial Cosmos!

Before they advanced to the Universal Realm, they were unrivaled in the level of Paragons as no beings in their universes or those that could cross the boundary of Universes could match them.

Now, as they looked at a being who stood against 19 Paragons that had ingested the Origin Essence of a Hegemony and showed power that far exceeded any bounds of Paragons...as they watched this being so seamlessly and easily take down all 19 of them at once as a second later, they were kneeling and pledging their fealty to him...this title rose in their hearts!

THRUM!

The Wings of Primordial Destiny of one of the Hegemonies outside of the boundary of the Necrotic Universe shone as an instant later, the magisterial figure of a golden haired existence with glimmering wings appeared, his entrance brightening up the surroundings as his golden eyes gazed upon the figure of Noah and the shocking scene of 19 Paragons kneeling towards him.

What others could not utter, he could.

After all, he had obtained such a title in the past as well.

"Apex Paragon..."

RUUMBLE!

Golden waves of destiny and fortune exploded out at the mere mention of this title, the surrounding Hegemonies turning their eyes to look at Oathkeeper with solemn expression before they returned to a being they had to now pay attention to!

The Apex Paragon!

In this era, he was the only one to rise and take this title as the Oathkeeper and the Goliath had long since lost it the moment they rose to become Universal Realm Hegemonies.

But on this day, all of them saw the birth of a new Apex Paragon- of an existence that in the ranks of Paragons was unrivaled!

If he met any others of the same rank, he could dispatch them with ease as his power was already edging towards that of a Hegemony!

WAA!

The only other Apex Paragons to break through to the Universal Realm had become 2 of three Existences that stood at the very top of power in the Primordial Cosmos.

The eyes of many powerful beings gazed upon the fearsome figure of a being that had glorious white essence cascading down from a glimmering star, an enormous clock thrumming with the essence of Chronos far above him as they wondered...just what would happen when this Apex Paragon achieved the Universal Realm as well?

Chapter 1042 - The Apex Paragon! II

Within the Necrotic Universe, a spatial fluctuation occurred near the Hegemony of Necromancy as the form of a being with a swirling black hole appeared beside him.

Having just returned from delivering more Seeds of Chaos in the Automaton Universe, the Goliath looked at the scene of Noah standing above 19 Paragons that his Origin Essence had just been occupying, and then looked at the 80 Seeds of Chaos that were yet to be utilized.

A sense of pervasive silence seemed to descend around them as the Hegemony of Necromancy also continued to gaze at the 80 Seeds of Chaos!

20 of them had already been used against their enemy, and yet this being had seamlessly taken care of them as the remaining 80...it was a wonder to the Hegemony of Necromancy on just what they should do with them!

The Goliath had a silent expression as his awareness focused on the figure of Noah far away.

At the vibrant Essence of Chronos that stood above the chaotic void still swirling endlessly.

Seeing such a development and being stumped on exactly what to do, the period of silence between the two Hegemonies continued until a voice transmission entered their ears at this moment.

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"An Apex Paragon should not have appeared to stand in our way, and yet it has. It is simply the tricks of the Primordial Cosmos trying to veer us off course, but it will not work."

RUMBLE!

All the way from the Animus Universe, the voice of Chronos rang in their minds as it continued a second later.

"All of it just means we're on the right path...and that our mission will achieve our intended results if we are getting this much interference. Antiquity is within reach sooner than any of us can expect, and this should become apparent in a few hours..."

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The eyes of the Hegemony of Necromancy shone as the Goliath remained impassive, the voice of Chronos entering their minds for the last time.

"After all these days, the accumulation has reached a milestone as it can be considered one-fourth completed, with a portion of the essence of Antiquity from the Universal Constructs spreading out across the affected Universes!"

"When that time comes, use the Seeds of Chaos again...!"

THRUM!

A shocking revelation came from Chronos as even when it seemed many things were stacked against them, he voiced out that in a matter of hours, the situation would change as the Universal Constructs would bring them all to a whole new stage.

They were the only ones with this knowledge as the powerhouses opposing them were still reeling from the fact that an Apex Paragon had appeared, and that this being had somehow comprehended the Cosmic Dao of Chronos that very few Hegemonies got their hands on!

Outside the boundary of the Necrotic Universe, Oathkeeper pulled out his [Wings of Primordial Destiny] as he spoke into it carefully, his target being the Apex Paragon below them that was waving his hands and reassembling his armies.

The other Hegemonies in the surroundings perked their ears as they listened with solemnity.

"You've gained the title of an Apex Paragon after standing against beings with power exceeding this stage and still defeating them. How exactly did you manage to do this?"

Oathkeeper and the others all wanted to understand Noah- they all wanted to know what this Paragon that was leading the charge against their battle with beings that wanted to harm their own Cosmos had that made him this unique and powerful!

Within the Necrotic Universe below, the figure of the Demonic Lich Emperor waved his hands and called forth the Wings of Primordial Destiny as he seemed to adopt an utterly serious expression while getting ready to reveal a shocking secret.

The Hegemonies saw this atmosphere as they listened closely, the voice of the Apex Paragon ringing out soon after.

"...with enough hard work and dedication, anything is possible."

"..."

RUMBLE!

Tumultuous fluctuations of essence buzzed out around the Hegemonies, the eyes of the Oathkeeper remaining impassive as even with such an answer, he continued to send another message.

"The Cosmic Dao of Chronos...it is something that even Universal Realm Existences cannot easily grasp, how did you comprehend it?"

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Many beings listened breathlessly as their gazes towards the Apex Paragon varied.

This being seemed to be too eccentric as even his answers weren't reliable, and after recalling how he conversed when they found out he designed Daos himself and his most recent reply, they seemed to already know what was coming as they prepared themselves!

Below them, Noah grasped onto the Wings of Primordial Destiny as he looked at the crimson purple clock still swirling above his head. His hands tapped towards it as it shimmered brightly, the enormous clock reducing in size instantaneously as it very soon came down into barely a few inches of a clock that descended on his hands, the essence of Chronos potent as it showered his body with power.

While controlling such a Cosmic Dao, he spoke lightly as he seemed to be revealing a profound truth.

"I've always been called a genius since I was young, so this must have something to do with it..."

"..."

"After seeing you, the Goliath, and that Chronos use the Cosmic Dao of Chronos so many times and now these Incarnations of Chaos utilize it too...I was unconsciously able to pick it up."

RUMBLE!

The words were like a thundering strike of lightning that smashed into the Origins of the listening Hegemonies, all of them turning mute as even the Oathkeeper did not ask any more questions!

They were just receiving constant reminders of how ruthless the mouth of the Apex Paragon was, simply left to look at his actions in awe without understanding exactly how he was able to do it all.

They could merely observe this being's movements from afar as a single being was still focused on him very deeply.

It was the one that had brought Order among the vast powers of the Primordial Cosmos, the being that held a profound Cosmic Treasure that could control the very Primordial Essence that made the Cosmos around them!

At this moment, Oathkeeper's gaze focused deeply on Noah as many thoughts crossed his mind, a sharp light of destiny coursing through them as thoughts of great immensity coursed through...

Chapter 1043 - A Mere Glimpse Of Antiquity! I

The Goliath of the Primordial Cosmos had given 100 Seeds of Chaos to the Hegemony of Necromancy, and he had gone to the Automaton Universe where Noah's subordinates were moving to give a hundred more to the Mechanical Hegemony.

The races of mechanical beings within the vast Automaton Universe were more closely interconnected as there would even be entire galaxies where a single central machine mass produced the Androids or Automaton Sentinels. Naturally, the Paragons moving throughout were much more interconnected as well, the number ingesting the Seeds of Chaos and becoming Incarnations also being 20 for the first wave that the Mechanical Hegemony sent forward!

The Android and Automaton Sentinel Paragons to arrive on the battlefield had shown immense battle power as the Clones of Emperor Penguin, Anna, the Sword Emperor...the clones of many of Noah's subordinates were wiped out before the battlefield was brought under control by no other beings than Noah's own Animus Summons.

Being connected to Noah, each of them could display the Cosmic Dao of Ruination when his clones fused with them, his summons being the only combatants that could withstand the robotic Incarnations of Chaos that utilized Lasers filled with the essence of Extinction and nuclear photon bombs that blew apart entire regions a few seconds in the past and future as they utilized the Dao of Chronos to land sure hit attacks!

Only Noah's summons could handle them at this moment, and even they were put on the defensive for the first few minutes of the battle as they alone kept the attention of 20 Android and Automaton Sentinel Incarnations of Chaos. That is...until Noah underwent the process of Emergence and obtained a brand new Cosmic Dao..

A glorious set of events unfolded thereafter, but we actually only need to focus on a single one.

It was the actions of a certain being that was even declared a taboo in the Primordial Cosmos, a being that could disrupt certain rules that very few could even imagine breaking!

RUMBLE!

In the vastness of existence, there were certain absolute laws and rules that held everything in place-things that existed to make possible a semblance of balance in the wide expanse of chaos.

An example of this was the concept of Cosmic Daos, and how they could only be obtainable through certain methods as they held extremely heavy restrictions around them!

For Noah to be able to bring to fruition the [Cosmic Dao Essence Integration and Emergence] ability, he utilized the quantifiable essence that he gained from reaping the lives of billions of other existences- the 130 Billion skill points...to bring this ability to fruition.

It was a hard and terrifying number to wrap one's head around, but it gave Noah a backdoor to bend the rules and give him the capability to obtain Cosmic Daos in a relatively smooth manner.

But...there existed other beings that had the potential to be even more terrifying than Noah.

Beings that possessed ridiculous abilities innately as they could overturn the balance of many things...and it just so happened that one of such beings was contracted to Noah!

RUMBLE!

The cerulean blue eyes of the childish figure of the Universal Emperor Slime hid in the folds of space as he watched the scenes of the shocking power of the Incarnations of Chaos- Android and Automaton Sentinel Paragons that had swallowed a portion of the Origin Essence of a Universal Hegemony.

This Blue Slime had a skill unique to its race and its race alone, a skill that made them existences with terrifying potential! It was of course, their ability of <Universal Devouring> that was starkly different from the [Devouring] that the Sin of Gluttony held, so different that they were many classes apart!

<<Universal Devouring>> :: Any life form that is devoured will be fully assimilated seamlessly as their abilities, Realm, Law Comprehensions, Dao Comprehensions, and anything else within their existence will be obtained. This is an ability unique to the Universal Emperor Slimes.

This was the description of the skill that Noah had read when he first contracted with the Blue Slime, and it remained the same at this point in time as it held wondrous implications when he gazed at the Incarnations of Chaos in this Automaton Universe.

Their bodies glimmered with a metallic glint as the Automaton Sentinel Paragons were massive, their faces being a blank metal canvas that shone with a deadly luster. The Automaton Android had humanoid bodies that would change every so often to reveal deadly weapons hidden throughout.

They battled with the other Animus Summons as the assassin hidden in the dark was ready to make a move.

The Universal Emperor Slime looked at these existences with a hungry gaze that could only be satiated after something was devoured! And the chance for this had arrived as a brand new Cosmic Dao had just landed on Noah's lap.

One of Noah's clones was fused to the body of the blue slime as he wondered, just what results would come out of this creature utilizing <Universal Devouring>?

As the skill description stated, would it truly do what it said? Was the innate ability of this Blue Slime that terrifying?!

It was a question that had to be answered, so the master and summon moved forward as they instantly appeared behind an Automaton Sentinel, the small hands of the Blue Slime waving mystically as he was the first of the Summons to use the essence of Chronos through Noah and cast a [Temporal Halt]!

BZZZT!

From the bodies of Tiamat, Calamity Bear...and all the other summons, the glorious luster of the essence of Chronos also erupted out as they targeted the other 19 Incarnations of Chaos.

In front of the Blue Slime, a gorgeous color of purple and red erupted out around the body of the Automaton Sentinel. Its figure creaked and shook powerfully as the essence of Chronos had already begun to erupt from it as well, but the Blue Slime only needed barely a second of this being staying in place for him to do what he wanted.

WAA!

A glimmer of blue shone as the body of the blue slime ballooned rapidly, instantly covering the enormous figure of the Automaton Sentinel Incarnation of Chaos that held within it...a portion of an Origin Essence of a Hegemony!

Something that Noah nor this Blue Slime would have ever had the chance to even come across if the Goliath had not done what he did!

The Sentinel's red eyes merely shook as its senses told it of a horrendous future that it could not stop.

<<Universal Devouring>>

WAP!

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A bright blue light shone out.

An Incarnation of Chaos disappeared.

The childish body of a blue haired boy reappeared calmly in the void of space as a second later...something even more terrifying was born!

From its body, there was the eruption of the unstable auras of the essence of the Cosmic Daos of Chronos...Extinction...Phantasm...all of the Dao Essences present in the Seeds of Chaos that the Incarnations ingested.

All of them. All of them without question!

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Chapter 1044 - A Mere Glimpse Of Antiquity! II

A? lull appeared on the battlefield as a terribly overpowering Incarnation was devoured, a singular figure taking on the stage as everyone's eyes focused on him, his childish features being extremely deceiving as the body of this being was currently trembling with overpowering waves of power!

He had just devoured a minuscule portion of an Origin Essence of a Hegemony, and true to its function...the ability of <<Universal Devouring>> that was unique to the Universal Emperor Slime truly seamlessly assimilated everything devoured.

But the portion devoured was truly too minuscule as the essence of many Cosmic and Grand Daos vibrated from its body in an unstable fashion, its Origin being the one thing undergoing the greatest changes as 100 billion glimmering galaxies began to form hundreds of thousands of connections right away...this existence making its way towards forming a Universal Seed!

That was how domineering the ability of <<Universal Devouring>> was!

Seeing the unstable aura of the Blue Slime, Noah's clone had a grim expression as even though it seemed like the Cosmic Daos were already within its grasp, the myriad of differing essences weren't setting down.

The consciousness of the clone reached into the expansive space that was shared with the main body and the rest of the clones as within it....there were 19 pristine and unused Seeds of Chaos.

The events between the Necrotic and Automaton Universe happened nearly simultaneously, with Noah's battles beginning first as the Incarnations within the Automaton Universe only appeared later!

By the time that Noah defeated the 19 Paragons with Temporal Inversion and put away the 19 Seeds of Chaos extracted from them, they were removed by the clone in the Automaton Universe right away as he brought them out one by one and had the Blue Slime silently use <<Universal Devouring>> on them directly.

THRUM!

One Seed of Chaos after another...were directly devoured by the Blue Slime as the aura surrounding his figure became more and more monstrous while also stabilizing.

The vibrant essence of many daos swirled majestically around his small figure, the comprehensions of a myriad of Cosmic Daos ridiculously being obtained by this Universal Emperor Slime at once!

Normally, such a reality where an existence like him at the level of Paragon gaining access to the Origin of a Universal Realm Hegemony that had comprehended many Cosmic Daos would never have come to fruition, but The Goliath and Chronos had simply hatched a scheme that benefit certain beings too much!

BZZZT!

After the 19th Seed of Chaos was devoured by the Blue Slime, the auras of Cosmic Daos around him fully stabilized as the childish cerulean blue eyes opened with a bright light, a sense of shocking power hidden within as every single existence on the battlefield looked towards it in awe.

The expression on the childish face was that of utter fulfillment as the hands of the Blue slime were raised up, the skies quaking as the essence of Extinction and Chronos erupted out gloriously, ready to target the 19 remaining Android and Automaton Sentinel Incarnations of Chaos as aside from it, the other Animus Summons also trembled with the essence of Chronos that Noah's clones were channeling through them!

Outside the boundary of the Automaton Universe, a Hegemony was holding a Wings of Primordial Destiny within his hands as they trembled, not even being capable of sending the message of what he was seeing across as after they saw and heard about an Apex Paragon rising as he comprehended the Dao of Chronos, he was now seeing a cerulean figure release not just Chronos, but the essence of Extinction and a myriad of other Cosmic Daos as he was followed by the commanders of the Legions also releasing the essence of Chronos.

Had Cosmic Daos become so easy to comprehend nowadays?

Could anyone just pick them up whenever they wished?

Just what was going on with these beings that all held the shimmering Star of Conquest over them?!

RUMBLE!

There were many questions with no answers, but news of the shocking developments in the Automaton Universe quickly spread as many Hegemonies also turned their eyes to this direction as well.

This fantastical development reached Oathkeeper as he grasped onto the Wings of Primordial Destiny where he could communicate with a certain being, recalling his biting words not too long ago as he expected this eccentric Apex Paragon to do something similar!

But he couldn't not ask!

"The existences leading the Legions of the 9 Supreme Bloodline Races in the Automaton Universe that are now utilizing the Dao of Chronos among many other Cosmic Daos..."

His question didn't even finish as from the Wings of Primordial Destiny, the Oathkeeper received a reply from Noah halfway through his question.

"Oh, them? They're just my contracted summons. They've been slacking in power recently, but now one of them has even comprehended Extinction before me...Ah!"

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"..."

The reply was nonchalant as it seemed he was both proud and pained that his summons had achieved a Dao that he had not been able to comprehend himself.

Even though Noah was currently fused with the Blue Slime, all of its gains from the racial <<Universal Devouring>> were for the Slime alone as it felt like a barrier existed for Noah when he tried to gain access to the new Cosmic Daos it just comprehended. Just like how he could use Ruination Essence within the bodies of his summons and they never learned or comprehended the Dao of Ruination, his Summons could use their comprehended Daos as they were their own!

After listening to Noah's reply, Oathkeeper did not continue asking anything else as he only looked at the scenes of the fantastical events taking place in the two Universes, his thoughts being his own this powerful being soon adopted a decisive look, glorious golden light erupting from his eyes at this moment!

For the ongoing battle thereafter, everything proceeded smoothly as with the help of his Summons, the Incarnations of Chaos in the Automaton Universe were brought down as their reign of Conquest continued unhindered.

Similar to Noah in the Necrotic Universe...they didn't face another set of enemies or Incarnations after that as it seemed there was no response to their shocking actions from Chronos and the others!

But...it wasn't that there was no response, it was just a delayed one as from the words of Chronos to the Goliath and others, the Universal Constructs had reached a certain stage as a shocking effect would soon be revealed.

Chapter 1045 - A Mere Glimpse Of Antiquity! III

Since the process of Universal Amalgamation began, more than a week had passed as the progress had reached a significant milestone.

Chronos considered this milestone being one fourth of the way there, which gave the shocking timeline of another three or four weeks at most before enough accumulation of essence had occurred and then....

Antiquity!

THRUM!

There was a vibration of essence from the Universal Constructs located in the 9 Universes currently under lockdown. The Hegemony of Necromancy and the Goliath still remained in the Necrotic Universe as they watched Noah's Legions continue forward after defeating 20 Incarnations of Chaos.

Their eyes looked towards the Universal Construct that the Hegemony of Necromancy was tasked with protecting as at this moment...the cocoon like structure of the Universal Construct began to thump like a beating heart as with every beat, there was a rapid awakening of a shocking power that nobody in the Primordial Cosmos had come across before!

In the Automaton Universe, in front of the Universal Construct that the Mechanical Hegemony protected while keeping 80 Seeds of Chaos close at hand....a similar phenomenon occurred as a pulsing heart beat began to resound from the Universal Construct.

This phenomenon occurred in all 9 affected Universes as they brought with them a shocking feeling of awe and power, Chronos staring at the cocoon like Construct in the Animus Universe as his eyes shone with a glorious light!

"It is here..."

THUMP!!

The gaze of Chronos was that of utter fervor and might as a terrifying aura pulsed from the Universal Constructs that very closely resembled cocoons at this moment, these cocoons pulsing as if they were resonating to a heart beat as with every thump, waves of crimson light were released across the vast Universes!

THUMP!

The heart beat faster and faster as it seemed like a symphony about to reach a crescendo, this sound spreading to every living thing within the Universes as Noah's figure gazed towards the direction of the Universal Construct in the Necrotic Universe with a somber expression.

THUMP!

The star of conquest above his head pulsed with power, washing down pure white essence unto him as at this moment, a crimson essence began to come out in waves along with every single beat of the Universal Constructs.

His legions came to a stop as they observed this phenomenon with immense somberness in the Necrotic and Automaton Universe.

The Hegemonies outside of these Universes also felt this shocking phenomenon as many were alerted, Oathkeeper having already been closely observing the Necrotic and Automaton Universes when the phenomenon began as his body had already begun to light up with Primordial Essence!

WAAA!

The sounds of heart beats reached a crescendo as each of the Universal Constructs began to glimmer with a brilliant crimson light that went on to spread out and cover every single corner of the 9 Universes.

When this light passed through planetary bodies, void of space, and galaxies, they shuddered from its sheer pressure!

When they passed through living beings...something even more shocking occurred as many would not be able to understand what was happening, but a certain someone who had a system that could quantify many things was able to understand most of it right away.

Noah was one of the many beings to feel the crimson wave of light emanate from a far away Universal Construct and wash over everything, a unique phenomenon occurring within his body as the moment this light passed...he felt as if a large number of shackles were placed onto him!

Shackles!

This was the only way he could describe it as it wasn't until a second later that a blue text box began to buzz with words in front of him, gradually spitting out what was occurring as Noah's eyes opened wide with shock at every word he read.

[Under the Influence of a portion of the aura of The Great Usurper. The effects of Corruption of the Usurper, Malignant Madness, and Heretical Malediction are applied.]

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THRUM!

Noah's eyes shone with shock as he felt the surroundings drastically change, his body seemingly constricted on all sides at this moment as the first blue text box went away, his eyes focusing on a few select words on it as more information appeared in front of him!

[Corruption of the Usurper](Initial) :: Those not under the protection of the Great Usurper gain the Corrupted Status directly on their souls as their Mana and Health Regeneration are reduced by half, the Damage Taken from other sources is increased by 10,000%, -10,000% To All Laws and Dao Resistances, -10,000% Comprehension and Assimilation Ability to all Laws and Daos, -50% Life Force, -50% Reduction in All Attributes, -50% Effectiveness of All Abilities, -50% Mana Reserves, -50% Movement Speed, -50% Attack Speed, -50% Cast Speed, -50% Efficiency of Mana Conduction and Usage, and 50% Chance of Skills Failing on Cast.

[Malignant Madness](Initial) :: The Pressure of the Great Usurper coils around you, reducing the strength of your Soul by half and granting the status effects of Fearful, Enfeeble, Maddened, Weakened, Impotent, Demoralized, Petrified, Debilitated, Wasting, Webbed, and Overwhelmed.

[Heretical Malediction] :: Once one remains in the presence of the aura of the Great Usurper without protecting themselves from it invading their Origins, a Malediction blooms within their souls as it will eventually devour them and cause the emergence of the Followers of the Usurper. Heretical Malediction causes a metamorphosis of the body and soul that is unchangeable once it has taken place. The time of initial change is around 14 Cosmic Days.

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A shocking set of debuffs brought about by a mere aura of an existence that was being called out to by Chronos and the others!

The corruption of the Usurper...he could not even defend against it as anyone within the boundaries of the 9 Universes had this effect applied directly to their souls. One could not even defend against it!

It stemmed from the cocoon-like Universal Constructs, but as mentioned from the status effects Noah was seeing, it was merely an aura of a being. A mere portion of it.

At this moment, those living within the 9 affected universes felt the shocking wave of a mere portion of an aura of Antiquity. Just a mere glimpse of Antiquity that nearly caused every existence in the 9 Universes to fall to their knees!

Just a glimpse!

Chapter 1046 - Encumbrance!

"Finally..."

THRUM!

Chronos felt the waves of crimson essence land on him as the effects were much different compared to what Noah and the others felt.

Whatever negative effect the beings within the 9 Universes received, they were oppositely positive when the aura of the Great Usurper landed on the bodies of Chronos and others similar to him!

All of the Hegemonies that had branded their auras to the Universal Constructs, all of the beings that were under the influence of these Hegemonies and thus had the protection of the Great Usurper instead of being its enemy...all of these beings experienced an enhancement in their strength as the terrifying reality of what would come in the future was slowly revealed.

Chronos had a light smile on his face as he seemed to be reminiscing, his hand landing on the pulsing cocoon as he felt the beating of the powerful heart that released the crimson wave with every thump.

His smile became even brighter as he turned around thereafter, staring at the shocked figure of Valentina's clone not too far away that he had placed on a Temporal Lock. His eyes shone with a sharp light as he sent a voice transmission to a certain being at this moment.

"Ambrose, come back to the Animus Universe and face this annoying fly that continues to come back. The Cerulean Hegemony will take your post in the Liberated Universe."

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A shocking message that was followed through as soon after, the astounded figure of Ambrose appeared in the Animus Universe while feeling the immense burst of strength from the pulsing Universal Construct.

Chronos waves his hands as a purple clock unwound, the Temporal Lock around Valentina's clone fading away as her figure bubbled with power while she looked at the two enemies with a deadly glare.

"What have you fools done now?!"

THRUM!

Her body glimmering with powerful light as the Star of Conquest above her spun powerfully, shooting towards Chronos as this time around, they wanted to test the effects of a portion of the aura of the Great Usurper on their enemies!

Ambrose was the one to go meet Valentina's attacks as Chronos watched from the side, his eyes shining with a sharp light as when he watched the battle unfold...the shocking reality of the edge that Valentina showed against Ambrose had disappeared, and the Hegemony of Slaughter was actually controlling the pace of the battle once more as his expression became excited.

BOOM!

Not even putting the effects of [Malignant Madness] into account, just the [Corruption of the Usurper] was enough to change the tides of power for many beings!

Damage Taken being increased by 10,000% while the resistance to all laws and Daos was reduced by the same percentage...just this effect from the Corruption of the Usurper was enough to demoralize many beings. But there were even more on top of all this as Valentina was the first to taste the results of the new reality against an enemy she could overwhelm before.

"Haha!"

After 10 minutes, Ambrose laughed out boisterously as he shattered the clone of Valentina with a storm of Annihilation, this being taking too much pleasure from this action as the light of slaughter within his eyes shone brightly!

Even though it took Chronos a few seconds to dispatch one of Valentina's clones under normal circumstances, it had still taken Ambrose over 10 minutes to do the same even while under the effects of the aura of the Great Usurper.

This was a difference in power in terms of Cosmic Daos being shown yet again!

Chronos looked at the celebrating Ambrose as he nodded, his figure beginning to fade away into particles of spatial light as he sent multiple messages towards Ambrose and a few others.

With this progression, he had no need to oversee the Animus Universe constantly as Ambrose could now take care of the only enemy Hegemony capable of descending within this Universe, and Chronos could move again to fully control the many things occurring across the 9 Universes at this moment!

Antiquity...it wasn't too far away as he could already taste it!

"These fuckers are getting bolder and bolder..."

In the Dark Universe, Valentina spoke in an annoyed manner as Barbatos listened to her words with a proud expression, taking credit for the gradual change in the language of this pristine Hegemony.

"But this aura coming from the Universal Constructs..."

Valentina turned her eyes towards Noah after she felt the connection between her and her clone destroyed yet again, this time by a being that couldn't defeat her before!

She could only turn to the being that had shattered her world view time and time again, her gaze and the gazes of Barbatos, and Adelaide all turning towards Noah's figure that was floating off the ground as his body was surrounded by a storm of Universal Fortune and golden waves of Destiny.

He opened his eyes soon after as he gazed towards them while speaking lightly.

"Just a small portion of the aura of Antiquity! It comes with too many status effects as it should heavily cut off the battle power of many beings. What I'm most worried about is the [Heretical Malediction] that permanently changes weaker beings into Followers of the Usurper. That's trillions upon trillions of beings that are already Vassals and even future possible Vassals...!"

His eyes were filled with an unknown light as Adelaide appeared beside him with a smile while hugging his back.

"You can just transport all of them to the Dark Universe. After that, the rate of accumulation of those Universal Constructs you mentioned should be heavily reduced, right?"

The Ice Queen spoke lightly as Noah raised his brows while feeling the two soft blessings land on his back, trying his best to stay on schedule as Parallel Mind and a myriad of other abilities kept him focused on the serious subject at hand.

"There should be less than two weeks before the effects of [Heretical Malediction] kick in...we'll conquer as many Universes as possible before then and migrate however many beings required if need be! But the battles from now on will be much harder..."

Noah thought of the restrictive status effects that his Primordial Ruination Clone was currently facing as his eyes shone with a grand light of destiny, wanting to know just how the Chronos's group would move after the spread of this aura of the Great Usurper!

He seemed to be the only one worrying though as Barbatos also walked towards Noah while clapping her hands.

"Ok so, the other issue at hand- that Athena, Anna, and Elena walking around all depressed this whole time and bringing the whole mood down...you have to fix that mess and take responsibility! It's not like you don't have endless mana and clones to take care of everything..."

RUMBLE!

Noah's expression changed as an even harder task was placed on the plate of his main body, his Primordial Ruination Clone and other clones left to deal with the shocking developments of the 9 affected Universes in the Primordial Cosmos!

Chapter 1047 - Relentless! I

Within the Necrotic Universe.

The fearsome presence of the Goliath vibrated powerfully as his voice rang out towards the Hegemony of Necromancy.

"...Now use the remaining 80 Seeds of Chaos. All at once."

...!

After the spread of the terrifying aura of the Great Usurper, the Goliath and others in the same camp naturally weren't affected by this as they had their auras branded onto the Universal Constructs. Now, they would only be using this as a chance to wipe out the fearsome Apex Paragon making his way across the Necrotic Universe!

The Hegemony of Necromancy nodded as his figure disappeared, going into the depths of the remaining Clans of Undead in the Necrotic Universe as he planned to utilize all of them to take down the coming enemy.

Not a portion of the forces remaining in the Necrotic Universe...but every single Paragon and Monarch he could find as long as he could entice them while utilizing the Dao of Necromancy!

He would make this Apex Paragon that had now fallen under the effects of the aura of the Great Usurper and had their power greatly reduced face the remaining force of an entire universe that were led by 80 Incarnations of Chaos!

"The Great Usurper..."

Noah's Primordial Ruination Clone repeated these words over and over again in his mind as he familiarized himself with this unknown enemy.

The Undead Legion behind him was filled with over 50 Paragons at this moment, all of them leading sections of hundreds of billions of creatures that waded through the Universe in search of more existences he could conquer as he now had even more reason to rapidly increase the Marks of Antiquity!

At this moment as he neared the completion of the conquest of the Necrotic Universe, he had gained a few billion more as the number was currently edging towards 8 Billions Marks of Antiquity.

He expected for him to hit the 10 Billion Mark with the complete Conquest of the Necrotic Universe, leaving behind only 40 Billion more before he could completely connect all of the 100 Billion Galaxies within his Origin and form the Universal Seed!

When that time came...!

RUMBLE!

Noah's eyes flashed with power at this thought as he focused on the present. To complete the conquest of the Necrotic Universe, Destiny told him he would have to overcome a perilous battle.

A battle where he was under horrendous debuffs from the mere aura of an Antiquity, where the power that his Subordinates could display was reduced by a large amount!

But when it came to him...

Even if the debuffs made it so that he had -10,000% Comprehension and Assimilation Ability to all Laws and Daos, so what? He had tens of thousands of percentages when it came to this area!

Even if he could receive +10,000% more damage, so what? He had the Purification of both Ruination and Primordial Essence that had long since spilled over 1,000,000% to all Parameters, granting him that same percentage in defense, health, mana conductivity...everything!

Even if they cut his mana reserves by half, what was half of INFINITY?!

RUMBLE!

A glorious flash of golden light shot out from his eyes at such a thought, raising his head as he looked towards a certain direction where a storm of essence was gathering.

He was currently situated upon an enormous throne of essence and bones as he kept his form of a Demonic Lich Emperor, moving at the forefront of the Legions of Undead that swirled with the Necrotic Ring of Death.

The Seven Deadly Sins pulsed with immense power as they moved right behind Noah, each of them carrying an aura of malevolent power as even with the debuffs, they seemed even more intent on battling their enemies!

The over 50 Paragons were behind the sins as they led trillions upon trillions of Undead that ranged from Dullahans, Dragons, Draconic Vampyres, Titanous Undead...all the myriad of Undead Races at the ranks of Entities and above filled the Undead Legions that seemed to cover the distance of a Galaxy.

Undead Legions covering millions of miles in diameter!

Ah!

Against all of these forces, Noah raised his gaze as he noticed the storm of essence hundreds of thousands of miles away gathering, the auras of tens of Paragons beginning to light up as they came closer and closer.

These auras were extremely unique as they were not just those of Paragons...but they exceeded this level as they infinitely neared the ranks of Hegemonies- it was the aura of Incarnations of Chaos!

OOOOH!

Against the rising auras of powerful beings, Noah's forces felt their oppressive pressure tens of thousands of miles away as the Paragons stopped their forces and had them brace themselves, the Paragons on his side bellowing out as the trillions of Undead followed.

OOOOH!

The bellows reverberated across the chaotic void as even with the oppression of an Antiquity, Noah's forces still seemed to vibrate with power.

The auras of Incarnations of Chaos came even closer after a few seconds, Noah remaining on his throne as he gazed calmly at their appeared figures.

WAP!

A spatial essence vibrated out as 10 appeared soon after.

WAP!

Then twenty.

WAP!

Fifty.

WAP!

Eighty!

RUMBLE!

The pristine and domineering aura of 80 Undead Paragon Incarnation of Chaos appeared grandly as behind them, for millions of miles...were the auras of undead that looked as vast as an unending sea.

They towered majestically before Noah as the endless sea was actually hundreds of trillions of undead, promising for a shocking battle to come as all of them were led by powerful Incarnations at the very forefront!

Some of them were Lich Emperors as their skeletal figures blazed with blue flames, standing atop Undead Qilins and Dragons.

Other Incarnations were Abyssal Undead Emperors as they were the size of Planets, holding in their hands swords and spears in the form of Dao Weapons as a single swing from them could shatter a star!

The majesty and honor of the Races of Undead were all present at this moment as they all stared silently at Noah's calm figure that was still sat on the imposing throne of bones.

THRUUM!

Essence flew around the battlefield madly as not a single side spoke, an oppressive silence descending in the chaotic space as both sides seemed to just watch each other.

Outside the boundary of the Necrotic Universe, there were also a few Hegemonies watching this battle as inside the Necrotic Universe itself, the Hegemony of Necromancy and the Goliath were also watching near the Universal Construct.

Many eyes watched this singular unfolding battle as the pervasive silence was needed for the shocking storm to come.

One side was under heavy debuffs as a single Demonic Lich Emperor led over 50 Undead Paragons and Sins, the other side had 80 Incarnations of Chaos leading hundreds of trillions of Undead!

In the tense standoff of power, a singular prominent being on a throne moved first.

He raised his palm grandly as a glorious star of conquest shone over him, a crimson purple clock blooming from his palm at this moment as it expanded to cover everything!

Chapter 1048 - Relentless! II

Under the influence of heavy oppression from an aura of an Antiquity, one had to be reserved as they moved with care.

This was the belief that the Hegemony of Necromancy and any others held when they thought about the many existences within the 9 affected Universes.

This was the belief they had when an army unlike any other had been prepared, 80 Incarnations of Chaos being produced as the result of them facing a heavily oppressed and weakened enemy should naturally be a one sided massacre.

Yet...

RUUMBLE!

A single being defied their expectations as while calmly situated upon a throne, he began to wildly release waves of mana, the essence of Chronos being at the forefront as a crimson purple clock bloomed in front of everyone's eyes!

It expanded to cover thousands of miles in an instant, and continued to stretch out even further as when this being clenched his hand, this clock began to shine with a gorgeous glimmer of intense light!

...!

The Incarnations of Chaos looked at this scene as their bodies vibrated with the essence of Chronos, Extinction, and many other Cosmic Daos.

Their figures looked like 80 shining spots of light in the darkness of the chaotic void, burning intensely as they all moved towards Noah in unison.

THRUM!

The chaotic void shook as in response to the relentless advance of the figures glimmering with light, a 100 meter tall humanoid Sin of Pride flickers to the very forefront as the golden axe within its hands glimmered brightly.

The darkness was lit up even more in the next second, millions of miniaturized suns bloomed behind the golden axe as the Sin of Pride swung down with an expression of deep arrogance!

WAA!

The Sin of Pride moved first, but the rest of the sins soon followed as their bodies lit up brightly to release their own uniquely shocking attacks. One must recall...they should all be under heavy restrictions from the portion of the aura of Antiquity!

After them, the over 50 Paragon Undead behind Noah lit up with the essence of death, their Legions moving as the Necrotic Ring of Death began to expand.

It just had to touch and start killing a small portion of the enemy forces before it quickly bloomed to 1,000,000% increase in the Area of Effect and Damage of the Necrotic Ring of Death!

Many cards were ready to be played, but the main one remained the same.

It remained the Demonic Lich Emperor situated upon the throne of bones.

RUUMBLE!

His eyes blazed with an intense light as the clock that now covered everything shot out with a deadly light of Chronos!

Time continued to churn as many existences moved. Apart from the Necrotic Universe, there was also the Automaton Universe where Noah's subordinates were leading the Conquest under his name! Similar to Noah, these beings had also invited the force of 80 Incarnations of Chaos after they took down the 20 initial Incarnations.

They did this with Noah's power of course, but there was also a singular figure that had taken the spotlight recently. It was the figure of the Animus Summon that could somehow wield the Daos of Extinction and Chronos among many!

This existence moved like a whirlwind of death as with the essence of such pristine Daos surrounding him, he dispatched even the strongest Incarnations of Chaos in mere seconds!

But that was before the descent of the aura of the Antiquity that came with the [Corruption of the Usurper]. With such a thing weighing down this being, they should not be able to even stand against an Incarnation at this moment, right?

This was the thought process of the many Powerful Monarchs and Incarnations of Chaos from the Automaton Races and the Sentinels as at this moment, Noah's subordinates were facing an army very similar to the same one he faced.

80 Incarnations floated opposite to them, the glimmer of deadly weapons and Vessels with nuclear plasma bombs being seen from the distance!

Facing them were the hardened figures of the clones of the Emperor Penguin, Kazuhiko, Barbatos, Steel Mikhail...and many others who were actually heavily affected by the [Corruption of the Usurper] as they were relatively normal existences that existed in the scope of understanding!

Backing all of these beings while borrowing Noah's power was the Animus Summons, the images of the Obsidian Panther, majestic Golden Crown, the planetary sized Colossal Helios Leviathan...all of them were led by Tiamat and a singular cerulean figure at the very forefront.

The cerulean figure was an enormous Blue Dragon, this being the form that the Blue Slime had taken as he displayed ridiculous might with Cosmic Daos such as Extinction and Chronos under his belt!

The eyes of this Universal Emperor Slime at this moment were firm as they were even filled with an unshaken belief and resolve.

It was the resolve of the being that felt like he would soon attain enough power to ask certain questions and hold a few powerful beings responsible.

The resolve of a being to ask...why all of its race had to be massacred as it was currently the last of the lineage of the Universal Emperor Slimes!

The Blue Slime was normally nonchalant and even childish in nature, but it was still an existence that bore immense hidden pain that very few could ever experience. This was because very few would ever happen to live and realize they were the last of their whole race. Much less understand that they were hunted and had to live while hiding who they were all this time.

The Blue Slime was waiting until it reached the precipice of power as a Universal Realm Hegemony as it would then ask the Hegemonies of the Primordial Cosmos- why did they do what they did?!

He wanted to question all of them- no matter if it was someone like Chronos or even Oathkeeper! He would ask them why all his brethren deserved to die!

If the answer was not sufficient, he might just choose to devour everything for recompense.

RUMBLE!

Noah's clone was currently fused with the Blue Slime as he felt its tumultuous emotions, letting this unique being choose itself as Noah had an idea of the mystery behind the genocide of the Universal Emperor Slimes from Valentina.

But his subordinates weren't just blank beings he could just forcefully move and command. They were their own existences that shouldered their own burden and pain, and Noah would let them seek their own justice.

The Blue Slime seemed to hear his Master's feelings as the enormous body of the Blue Dragon trembled with power, Cosmic Essence leaking from him as he roared out towards the Automaton Incarnations of Chaos before him, his figure flickering with glorious light as he was the first to move!

ROOAAR!

It was a roar of immense power and resolve as at this moment, the body of the Blue Dragon lit up with the terrifying essence of Extinction, the image of a cerulean blue clock appearing behind the Blue Dragon as it moved to freeze everything in Time!

Chapter 1049 - Where Is He Getting All This Mana?! I

Glorious scenes of battle were hard to come across so frequently, but some beings could just create shocking scenes that deserved to be memorialized for eons and watched by all.

A force of 80 existence nearly reaching the power of a Hegemony was extremely frightening for one to face, and yet a certain being moved fearlessly to match them.

10 of them shook with power as they went to surround the seven deadly sins. 25 of them each faced 2 Undead Paragons as it came out that they matched all the 50-something Paragons that were leading Noah's Undead Legions.

1 Incarnation of Chaos could easily match two or three normal Lich Emperor Paragons, and they boldly chose to do so as their main focus on this battle was a singular being. It was the Demonic Lich Emperor that had risen from his throne of bones and was already moving towards them!

After the division of 35 Incarnations, it left behind 45 of these powerful existences to move against a singular being.. Where it was Lich Emperors standing upon terrifying Undead Dragons shining with a gorgeous blue light or titanous sized Undead Titans wielding Dao Weapons capable of fracturing stars with a mere flicker- 45 of them surrounded a singular being as their bodies lit up with glorious waves of power.

A mere Paragon, under heavy debuffs at that, facing 45 Incarnations of Chaos. Yet Noah wasn't flustered or fearful, his gaze placing as in the midst of all of this, he quickly tapped his fingers 45 times in the chaotic void as he looked at all the Incarnations coming towards him.

[Temporal Halt].

BZZZT!

From the space above them, the enormous crimson purple clock churned as it gushed out droves of the essence of Chronos, the bodies of the 45 Incarnations Noah faced blooming with circular swirling light as all their figures came to a stop!

Their own bodies lit up brightly to offset the effects of the singular skill cast by someone, but they found to their and the shock of many beings watching that the amount of essence of Chronos that Noah was releasing from the enormous clock above superseded each of them singularly...and then it went on to supersede them all together as droves of the essence of Chronos continued to wash down and wrap around them under Noah's command!

These powerful Incarnations...actually could not break the Temporal Halt they were placed on as they all came to a stop.

All 45...stopped by a single being!

Noah's gaze was still calm and free of worries.

To him, it mattered not whether it was 20 Incarnation of Chaos or 100.

The question remained whether they would be able to withstand when he utilized the Cosmic Dao of Chronos that could put beings in a halt in time. To do this, a mere Seed of Chaos and the small comprehensions it had on Chronos was not enough for mere Paragons to be able to break out of the shackles he placed on them!

This was because they lacked not just in how much of the quality of the Dao of Chronos they could utilize, but also the quantity of it.

Even at this very moment, he was converting mana into the essence of Chronos as it gushed out endlessly from the crimson purple clock, making it that even the large force of 45 Incarnations could not break free from his temporal shackles after he placed them!

This gave birth to the glorious scene that deserved to be memorialized for eons, a scene of a single being merely tapping their fingers in the void as a glorious eruption of light occurred, and then 45 beings of immense power were all brought to a halt from such an action!

Thereafter, his calm eyes that seemed extremely demonic and terrifying to all only gazed upon them all as he called out softly.

[Temporal Inversion].

Simple. Methodical. Precise.

What worked before can always work again.

His fingers tapped out 45 times once more as the dazzling essence of Chronos bloomed out beautifully, enticing all of those watching in a stellar fashion as it would put many beings in dismay!

The eyes of many watching Hegemonies were filled with somberness as they watched the unfolding scenes.

They were powerful beings that had lived for a great deal of years, and they knew very well about the concepts of mana usage, this type of subject even being something crucial that all experts focused on as it could decide life and death during battle.

Normally, not many beings would pay attention to estimate or count just how much mana reserves another person has, such a thing becoming readily apparent based on their actions during the course of the battle!

They would show signs of exhaustion or they would hold back on the skills they cast as they waited for their reserves to regenerate.

But as they looked closely at a certain being in past battles and even now, they came to realize something that they didn't pay too much attention to in the beginning, something that other Hegemonies unconsciously questioned when they first viewed Noah's battles.

It was the question of mana!

As they watched this being face 80 Incarnations of Chaos and wildly display many skills to stand against them, these powerful beings finally began to strictly pay attention to Noah's usage of mana as when they did, their hearts began to shake at the mere reality of it as they noticed something.

It was the fact that on top of wildly throwing out a great deal of skills that utilized the essence of Chronos without worry, there was another area where this being was using mana freely in a way that they shouldn't. To see this, the Universal Hegemonies that had noticed the situation used their power to simply observe the flow of mana, and this was when they came across the shocking scene of seeing thin lines of mana connections from the body of Noah's Demonic Lich Emperor to the terrifying Seven Deadly Sins as well as...the over 50 Paragon Undead moving across the battlefield!

The Hegemonies didn't know this, but this was Noah sending out the essence of Ruination and Chronos to wrap around the bodies of the Sins and the Undead Paragons to reinforce their power and protect them from the Cosmic Essence of their enemies.

To their dismay and shock, they found out that this being wasn't just freely going around casting skills like the concept of mana didn't exist, but he was also releasing mana to constantly reinforce tens of beings at the same stage as him!

As if he had so much mana for himself that he was free to even reinforce and give it to others!

As if mana...truly wasn't a problem for him!

In the boundary of the Necrotic Universe, the Microbial Hegemony's body was shaking with utter awe as he was the one to ask as many beings noticed the blatant waste and horrendous usage of mana from Noah.

"How is it possible for him to even share mana with so many others? How is he capable of doing all of this? Just...where is he getting all this mana from?!"

RUMBLE!

A simple question was asked, but there was no answer.

It was the question that would bring to attention the minds of many on the subject of mana and a certain being.

It was a point of focus that would give birth to one of the many titles that the Apex Paragon would come to hold. It was the point of focus for the eventual birth of the title Antiquity of Mana!

Chapter 1050 - Where Is He Getting All This Mana?! II

The process of accumulation was proceeding well even with the reduced gathering of essence in the Animus Universe.

It had proceeded to the point the aura of the Great Usurper had begun to leak and affect these Universes and the beings within, and yet...

BZZZT!

The horrifying scene of a single being standing up against 45 Incarnations that had power exceeding anything in the stage of a Paragon was playing out!

Chronos was watching this scene with somber eyes personally in the Necrotic Universe, joining the Goliath and the Hegemony of Necromancy in watching this spectacular battle near the Universal Construct within this Universe.

He left behind the task of defending the Universal Construct in the Animus Universe back to Ambrose as this Hegemony could now stand against Valentina's clones with the aid of the aura of the Great Usurper.

But as he watched the glimmering clock that represented the tool one used to utilize the essence of the Cosmic Dao of Chronos, this being that was titled with the name of this Dao had somber eyes as he was reminded of a heavy pressure..

What he did was something that went against the natural law.

He knew there would be resistance and he would have to fight and claw his way out, but he never expected for such a ridiculous existence to exist as he believed this Apex Paragon appeared just to stand in his way!

As a being that had lived for too long, he knew the Cosmos weren't just an inanimate object with no consciousness.

Doing what he did was an action harmful to the Cosmos, and he had faced resistance from such actions many times in the past.

But he had accounted for many things this time! Using the experience from all his past times, he had moved with care as he was even able to get one of the oldest beings of the Cosmos on his side!

Yet...how could the Cosmos be as ridiculous as to blatantly drop a being out of thin air to stand against him?! There should have been immense restrictions and limitations as such blatant interventions should not be possible.

Chronos was not just thinking these thoughts without merit. He was a being that had lived multiple lifetimes. In the many lives he led before he reincarnated, he had faced enemies that never had to face the hardship he faced to achieve power- enemies that got their position through sheer luck as if it was appointed for them to obtain it!

An example was the existence of the Oathkeeper.

What did this being do to deserve having a Cosmic Treasure? How did he even obtain it? Among the myriad of quintillions upon quintillions of existences, why did he end up with a Treasure capable of affecting the Cosmos?

Now, apart from a being like Oathkeeper, there was another existence that quite literally dropped out of nowhere.

Literally appeared from thin air as if he wasn't even from the Primordial Cosmos until he just needed to be when Chronos was undertaking his plans!

An Apex Paragon that had battle power to take down Incarnations of Chaos that were infinitely nearing the power of a Hegemony...and this being could still display this power to its fullest even while under the oppressive aura of an Antiquity!

How?

"How?!"

RUMBLE

Chronos couldn't help but utter out as The Goliath and the Hegemony of Necromancy beside him remained silent.

Their eyes tore across the void of space as they laid their eyes on the stellar scene of a being that merely tapped the space before him, bringing to a halt 45 Incarnation of Chaos!

The enormous spinning clock above everything then spun as the area and Origins around these beings began to undergo an inversion in time.

It was the fantastical [Temporal Inversion] that unless the enemy could dispel with sheer strength and power or the usage of immense quality and quantity of Chronos...they could not escape it.

The Incarnations of Chaos had the essence of Extinction and Chronos...and yet they could not break out of the Temporal Inversion! This was due to the scene that all of them were watching with rapt attention...the scene of endless essence of Chronos gushing from the Clock that the Apex Paragon had summoned above everything!

The Apex Paragon was beating everything with pure quantity, exchanging his mana for the essence of the Cosmic Dao of Chronos in insane amounts as it caused them all to question the source of his mana reserves.

The Hegemony of Necromancy could not help but utter and his breath as he watched.

"Is he accessing the mana reserves of a fucking genuine Universe or something...?!"

...!

He unconsciously uttered this as he watched the repetition of Seeds of Chaos being separated from the bodies of the Paragons, the number this time being double that of before as the Apex Paragon still did it as if it took the same effort.

As if it didn't matter if he faced the crazily powerful Incarnations of Chaos when they were 20 or 45!

RUMBLE!

The chaotic void flashed with a glorious light as with a wave of his hands, the Apex Paragon called the 45 Seeds of Chaos now standing beside 45 weakened Paragons.

The field of battle turned silent.

The 35 Paragon Incarnations of Chaos that had gone to face the Seven Deadly Sins and the Undead Paragons within Noah's Legions turned towards this scene with stupor as they didn't know what to do!

45 of them had been wiped out with a mere tap of this beings fingers, what would 35 of them do when at this moment, some of them were even struggling with the Seven Deadly Sins they could barely hold up against?!

WAA!

An air of majesty spread out as the Demonic Lich Emperor caused the 45 Seeds of Chaos to disappear with a wave of his hands, his gaze placid as if he didn't just incapacitate half of the enemy Champions in seconds.

His calm eyes that seemed capable of shaking the void itself landed on the weakened Paragons that just had something shocking separated from their Origins, his voice ringing out as it shook their very souls!

"Fealty...or Death."

RUMBLE!