Mana 311

Chapter 311 - A Drop of Blood!

Noah glanced with a pounding heart towards the shattered pieces of the Guardian of Blood as he released the Arch Demon Lord Transformation. His body came down in size as destructive mixtures of energies still coiled around him, gradually fading away as he released the Lesser Cthulhu form as well.

He breathed out slowly as he felt an ache deep within him, feeling a numbing sensation of pain that wasn't going away even as the destructive energies of the two forms he had taken went away. Noah glanced at his body that felt fine, yet he still felt an uncomfortable feeling inside as he heard the words of his home planet's core.

[The combination of distinct powers put a strain on your still Saint Rank Origin. It should heal naturally soon, but it seems this power will be easier to use once your attributes reach the higher ranks.]

Noah nodded as he put aside the feeling of an injury he could not even see, turning his attention towards the shattered pieces of the Guardian of Blood that had stopped in the skies and began trembling as lines of blood began to weave from the many lakes covering the Inheritance Grounds.

A gorgeous red light shined as the body was stitched up together seamlessly, although this time much smaller as it stood the same height as Noah. The instant the face of the Guardian of Blood formed, one could see an expression of a being that was about to tear up from too many emotions.

The Guardian turned towards Noah's direction as he bowed, this bow initiating the start of something wondrous as a brilliant red light went on to cover the expansive Coliseum!

This brilliant light had Noah at the center, his body actually feeling a pull from the ancient shrine looking structure that had remained in peace throughout their battle at the center of the Coliseum, the same structure where the Guardian of Blood had emerged from.

Various mechanisms were initiating as this Ancient Shrine that looked small and dilapidated began to rise from the lake of blood it was in as it became larger and larger. The moment Noah's body was pulled near it, he could see a golden door in the middle of this risen shrine that snapped open.

The voice of the Guardian of Blood that was still bowing erupted in Noah's ears at this moment.

"When Master felt his life running out more than a thousand years ago, he left behind this Inheritance Ground where he placed all the techniques he had passed down over the years, as well as many bloodlines for future generations that might have been born in a lower status but had the strength to achieve great things."

The golden door on the red shrine opened wide as Noah let the light that hung onto him pull him in, coming face to face with a crimson interior that was styled simply.

There was a single book shelf in the corner with a few books that seemed like they could turn into dust at any moment, as well as a small table and chair for one to sit on.

The thing that grabbed the eyes of any who entered the room though, were the abundant rings and pouches that populated the table. They shone with a magnificent hue that let one know that only the finest treasures resided in these storage pouches and rings.

"The last thing that Master did...was end his life early as he enacted a possibility for the future. He knew that with his death, the Vampyres would fall in status and grow weaker over time, and he wanted to pass down something even more treasured to him to a being that was as talented as he was, if not more. This was so that a strong protector could rise into heights even greater than his to oversee and protect the Vampyres."

These words brought Noah's gaze to the only other thing in the crimson shrine, a simple styled coffin that had now been elevated from the ground, and was slowly opening in front of Noah's eyes.

"This was the reason he set up these Inheritance Grounds in this Ancient Blood World, and created a harsh test for a future Vampyre genius who was capable enough to take his mantle. Sadly, no such being appeared in the last 1000 years. That is...until your arrival."

The coffin in the shrine opened up to reveal a shocking light and an aura of ancientness something brilliant seemed to be contained within. Noah had to blink several times as the outline of the extremely brilliant object appeared in front of him, and it shocked him with the oppressive air and domineering presence it was letting out!

This was because what had floated from the simple styled coffin...was a golden-red drop of blood!

"The talented Vampyres that clear the first level until the fifth level will receive an assortment of different quality Bloodlines depending on which level they clear, but the one to pass Master's requirements and be able to pass the last stage...shall receive on their shoulders the full legacy that he left behind."

The shimmering golden-red drop of blood began to flow towards Noah as the Guardian of Blood continued to release shocking words!

"The first of the rewards that comes with this Legacy is the Origin Blood of the Progenitor himself, granting the one that accepts it the reviving Bloodline of the Progenitor himself! Accepting this Origin Blood though...also means you accept the wishes that master left behind, and for you to bear all the responsibilities for the future of the Vampyre Race!"

Resounding words rang out in Noah's ears as the shimmering drop of blood flowed in front of him, seemingly waiting for his reply as floated majestically.

Noah's face hardened as he looked at this unforeseen chance in front of him, nodding his head as he let out words of affirmation!

"I accept!"

RUMBLE!

The moment his words were released, the drop of blood flew into him as it pierced through his chest and struck his heart a millisecond later, seemingly impatient to get started.

THUMP!

Noah clutched his chest as the essence within his body suddenly became disordered, his figure dropping as he fell to the floor of the shrine in extreme pain!

THUMP!

"AAAAHH!"

This pain was unlike anything he had ever experienced before, his body undergoing enormous changes as his now bulging eyes observed his muscles spasming as his bones creaked, veins and arteries enlarging at a visible rate as the first stage of fusing with this tremendous drop of Origin Blood was...destruction!

SPLAT!

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Chapter 312 - Bloodline of the Vampyre Progenitor

RUMBLE!

Across the vastness of space, four separate planets connected to each other in a unique way trembled as powerful quakes traveled from their cores until they affected their surface!

Even though the Planetary Cores did their best to maintain the powerful tremors, a small force still passed through as various lands across the four Worlds experienced microseisms that disrupted normal activity.

OOONG!

Immense amounts of essence were soon employed by the Planetary Cores as they acted within their defined limits as they focused on one particular blue planet, and this blue planet focused on its connection with a particular being experiencing something much grander than they anticipated.

The reason where a tremor had passed through each of the stars was because the being that they were connected to had come close to the very thing that would cause their death, but this close state of death was required for the metamorphosis about to occur!

Across the vastness of space, in the middle of the Light Expanse and Dark Expanse where the Ancient Blood World was located, deep in the covertly hidden Inheritance Grounds, a being was convulsing painfully on the floor of an aged shrine.

Viscous large amounts of blood, organs, and bones littered the floor in a gory mess as painful screams that could only be brought by if a serrated blade was constantly cutting through someone's throat continued to be released.

The Guardian of Blood looked at this sight with a hardened gaze as he spoke out, not sure if his words could even be heard or understood by the convulsing mass of flesh that had all of its auditory, visual, and all other systems ruptured and were only now being slowly recreated.

"The process of fusing with a bloodline is a particularly painful one, and even more so when it comes to something potent as the Origin Blood of the Progenitor. It does not just signify a bloodline, but something much grander. Push through the pain, and something beautiful will await you on the other side."

The words were soft and soothing, but were only met with gurgles of screams as Noah continued to experience pain unlike anything he had ever come across before!

If his eyes were still there, he would be weeping helplessly as he begged for this pain to end. The moment the drop of blood had entered and smashed into his heart, this grueling process had began as he found himself in unbearable pain that even halfway through, his broken hands had tried piercing into his chest to pull out the drop of blood that had entered.

The pain was this excruciating, making someone lose their own rationality as they only wanted it to come to an end! His barely reformed mass of muscles on his hands reached for his chest as they trembled, Noah using an unknown force of willpower to stop himself as he continued to tremble and spasm.

The process that was occurring was happening rapidly, and it was occurring on a cellular level as everything had undergone a process of destruction and reformation. The pain was most intense from his heart as it pumped a new quality of blood and life and let forth an outline of resplendent veins and arteries that were still visible even now.

The ruptures bones were just as painful, with Noah feeling the formation of new cells from his bone marrows as he clutched his nonexistent teeth and repeated to himself a single thought in his mind.

Endure!

This was the only thing repeating on his mind as he painfully went through this excruciating process, feeling everything painfully clear as new bones and muscles smoothly connected with the brand new venous and arterial systems of his body.

THUMP!

The heart that was smashed with the drop of blood had become crimson in color as it beat strongly, muscle, fascia, and fair skin all beginning to reappear as a distinct red hue caused his body to begin floating in the air.

THUMP!

A wave of brilliant red was now being released from his body every time his heart contracted and relaxed, the process occurring and leaving a few seconds in between before it occurred once more.

THUMP!

Noah's head that now held even more brilliant overflowing dark air looked even more handsome, gaining a devilish quality unique to Vampyres as streaks of silver were visible on the mass of darkness overflowing from his head!

RUMBLE!

His eyes opened as they released an oppressive force outwards, his pupils filled with mysterious runic sigils that slowly dwindled as they took the form of a beastial emperor, etchings of a red star slowly receding from his eyes as they focused.

His n.a.k.e.d figure began coming back towards the ground as his fair legs touched the cold floor of the shrine, his attention being pulled to his hands as he brought them up to observe the utter paleness they now showed.

"I welcome you to the World, my new Master."

The Guardian of Blood was kneeling right outside the shrine as he looked down with utter respect towards the n.a.k.e.d being in front of it, wild emotions barely hidden on its powerful face.

THUMP!

Noah closed his eyes briefly as he sensed the tremendous power which seemed to tell him it was not even at its full completion as he noticed a purple aura fairly visible on his body that was letting out a glorious crimson red from the overpowering Bloodline, prompting him to realize that his attributes had crossed from the Saint Rank and into the Void Rank the moment he obtained the transformation and obtained this Bloodline.

This Bloodline...he closed his eyes as he looked at a brief section of his stat panel and observed some new changes.

[Noah Osmont][Title(s): Infernal Lord(4%)]

[Bloodline(s): Vampyre Progenitor]

[Vitality: VOID]

[Focus: -]

[Strength: VOID]

He only observed the changed attributes and addition of a section that listed the Bloodline of the Vampyre Progenitor as he looked on impassively, much of his thoughts still recalling the immense pain he just went through as numerous memories that seemed to stem from this bloodline itself began to permeate through his mind.

The memories...were in the form of numerous abilities and skills that only the Vampyre Progenitor had access to!

They abundantly flowed into Noah's mind as they were quickly isolated and shown on the stat panel, Noah continuing to stare blankly as his n.a.k.e.d figure magnificently stood on the shrine of the Ancient Blood World, still absorbing the tremendously unbelievable rewards that he had just received!

Chapter 313 - All Mine!

The first thing that Noah focused on was the memories of the Vampyre Progenitor Bloodline, his mental state still jumbled as many memories flowed into his brain, his stat panel clarifying everything he was seeing in a much simpler fashion.

His gaze focused on the description of the only thing present under Bloodline(s) as he clearly red a set of shocking words.

[Vampyre Progenitor] (Awakening) :: The Bloodline of the Vampyre Progenitor has fused with your origin, slowly continuing to awaken to its full potential as time progresses. Bloodline boosts include: Ancient Being, Vampyre Ruler, Supernatural Beauty, Decelerated Aging, Blood Controller, Bloodline Affinity, Bloodline Bestowal, World Portal, All Element Resistance, Natural Blood Armor, Enhanced Charisma, Unnatural Healing, Unnatural Speed, Unnatural Strength, and Blood Gourmet

"..."

There were truly too many boosts associated with the Vampyre Progenitor as Noah only looked through the descriptions of a few while continuing to stabilize the memories flowing in.

[Ancient Being]:: From unknown origins, the Vampyre Progenitor is known as an Ancient, this in itself granting them a unique status. An Ancient is able to withstand the dredges of time far longer than most, being able to live for a few thousand years naturally.

[Vampyre Ruler] :: Holding the blood of the Progenitor, you can command the forces of Vampyres as if they are your own limbs.

[Blood Controller] :: The control of blood will never be as refined as in the hands of the Progenitor. You are able to control blood in a variety of ways, and will only know to what limits as time passes.

[Blood Gourmet] :: You become able to sense different qualities of blood and the wondrous unique taste they will bring to your palate, the only choice thereafter is whether you will devour. All abilities will be enhanced by half momentarily as you devour blood.

Noah picked out three that he was curious about their full effects, his mind shook at the description of [Ancient Being] as more and more memories rolled into his brain. His now starry eyes landed on the bowing Guardian of Blood as he chose to slowly assimilate the memories rushing in while stepping out of the Ancient Shrine.

His thoughts moved as he activated [Blood Controller], the nearby blood and mass of flesh that was sprawled on the floor shooting up and wrapping around him as it formed into a shining red cloak that covered his n.a.k.e.d body. He spoke to the bowing Guardian as his gaze looked across the wide Coliseum they stood in.

"What exactly is this land we are in?"

"Master, this Inheritance Grounds is located deep beneath the Ancient Blood World, a world that the first Progenitor resided in when he was rising in power. It was at one point reaching the level of a Realm, but over the years it has fallen to the level of a Prime World."

Noah nodded his head as his figure elevated from the ground, going out of the shrine and shooting into the skies as the Guardian of Blood followed happily beside him. He shot high into the air until he broke through a certain layer, leaving the Inheritance Ground behind as he observed a whole new scene surrounding him.

All around, an air of desolation and ancientness flowed as he observed expansive landscapes filled with a reddish hue. Everywhere he looked, he could see numerous shining crystallites shining a brilliant red covering nearly everything, leaving only a few empty areas of barren landscapes where one could see vigorously powerful Vampyric Beasts scurrying around.

"Over the millennia, the natural abundant essence of the world has given birth to varying levels of Vampyric Beasts that have populated all lands of this word, the only other thing coming out of it being these Blood Crystals that are filled with dense essence that makes it very easy for Vampyres to break through ranks.

Noah's eyes shined as he looked at the expansive crystallite stones that covered almost every surface of the wide world he was looking at, his gaze also staying on the numerous Vampyric Beasts scurrying around as he ascended even higher.

His body that already felt weightless when moving because of [Child of Space] had been boosted to extreme levels with the Vampyre Progenitor Bloodline. He felt such abundant strength and speed that his body turned into a streak of red light as it soon crossed the stratosphere and shot even higher, breaking past a glimmering red barrier as he came to the vastness of space that was between the Light Expanse where he had been at all this time, and the Dark Expanse where he had a tremendous amount of questions about.

He looked around the starry space as he observed the remains of numerous shattered stars all around, the entire area seeming like a dead zone of planets as everywhere his gaze landed was just more asteroids and large landmasses stationed in space.

He looked below the Ancient Blood World he had just left as he was actually faced with a sight that only seemed to show more wreckage of dead planets, and not the world he just came from!

He smiled as his eyes shone a dense red color, the Ancient Blood World becoming visible to him again as he marveled at this feature it had of hiding itself from prying eyes.

"The barrier that master used the last of his strength to erect still stands today, maintained by the world itself as it had been safely hidden from many powers that wish to obtain it."

Noah nodded his head as he was finishing the process of receiving the abundant memories, many things becoming extremely clear about the Vampyres as he looked at the Guardian of Blood that was respectfully standing behind him.

This was a being at the Soul Forging Realm, holding tremendous power that Noah had only been able to bring down by combining the use of many skills. A set of memories about this being were flowing through his mind as he spoke.

"You are...connected to this world."

"Yes, Master. Through the Progenitor's wondrous genius and the willingness of the Ancient Blood World, I, an Automaton Creation was made to oversee the undertaking of the Inheritance Grounds, as well as the easier use of the World's power that is heavily restricted by the Universal Laws."

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Shocking words were confirmed by the Guardian of Blood as Noah's gaze peered through him deeply, his thoughts actually going to the white-haired girl called Sophia that he knew to be connected to some sort of unique was to his Homeworld's core.

This was the same girl that the voice of the Planetary System came out of, the one that had opened the portal to the Beast World from a small isolated village, and the one still working behind the scenes now in his Homeworld as she managed things very few could imagine.

This Guardian of Blood in front of him was somewhat similar to Sophia, but much more unique as he was a powerhouse at the Soul Forging Realm. But to Noah, this was not all it signified. This creature was an Automaton Creation that was connected to the Ancient Blood World. This same creature was subservient to Noah, which meant that this entire hidden world that had downgraded to a Prime World from an even higher stage...would now be subservient to him!

A red light erupted from Noah's eyes as he realized that the rewards for this venture were far more than what he imagined, this Bloodline he had looked at only being a portion of it. Among the other rewards were a number of Skills that the System was slowly connecting and classifying into those fitting into a skill tree or those that were in their own category, as well as the reward of a Prime World just waiting for him to form yet another connection to.

There were too many things to look forward to as he shot back down towards the Ancient Blood World, keen on starting multiple things right away!

Chapter 314 - Schemes, Aspirations

Across the vast space, on the 7th Celestial Star, an emergency meeting was underway as powerful figures gathered around a golden hall overflowing with splendor. The figures were shockingly known as Celestial Grandmasters, beings of a ridiculous level of power that even a single one would hold a tremendous sway wherever they appeared.

They were seated on extravagant seats as they surrounded a slowly revolving illusory circle that seemed to portray a great deal of information only to them, their eyes occasionally shining with streaks of gold as they nodded their heads every now and then. After a while, one of the Celestial Grandmasters spoke, addressing everyone in the golden hall.

"As you all can see, even while moving to the greatest possible extent, the progression of events is still set, with the rise of this new Infernal Lord that will disrupt the balance we have worked hard to create on the horizon."

The words were calm and yet somber, many of the Celestial Grandmaster's turning to observe him as one of them nodded and spoke.

"Even though you took care of the Aberration in the First Hell, the cowards moving behind the scene could have brought about a new Aberration in any of the other Hells, allowing for things to move in this direction. But...it matters not."

Words filled with confidence erupted in the hall as the many figures dressed in a variety of different colored robes nodded. This was because they knew their own power, and how they were able to obtain the position they held now. They had tremendous confidence that even with enemies moving behind the scene...they would not be able to do anything major to them, and they will all be crushed utterly and completely, just like what they had done in the past.

"But...we have become too entrenched in fate over this last millennium, making it extremely difficult for us to actively steer it lately."

A Grandmaster with an exemplary goatee spoke as he turned to look at the Grandmaster that Noah had come across not too long ago.

"What do you propose, Vredral?"

The gazes of the powerful figures in the golden hall turned towards the Grandmaster known as Vredral as he opened his mouth while in deep thought.

"Just as a new Infernal Lord shall rise, we must foster the rise of our own champion that is not yet too affected by fate to make sure our edge over this coming war remains."

OOONG!

The Illusory Golden Circle rotating slowly in the golden hall they were in trembled at these words, smiling looks appearing on the faces of the Grandmasters as the one with the exemplary goatee spoke once more.

"It seems like Fate is not too keen on that idea. So...we shall go through with it! How is the progress with our little War Princess going?"

A Disciple from the 7th Celestial Star was mentioned as Vredral replied.

"She is increasingly building up more Fate Lines, being able to withstand against an Aberration that was ready to break through into the peak of rank 4(Soul Forging Realm/Soul Rank) while she still holds Middle Rank 4(Void Realm) strength."

The Grandmasters were reminded of the shocking events that had taken place in the Realm of the First Hell recently, where a valiant Athena had stood against a being that was building up power that went past the Void Realm, but she withstood it and with the help of Incarnations and one well timed strike by a being that would soon join them as a disciple, and the Aberration was taken down!

"Good, but it is not fast enough. We must accelerate her progression and allow her to take in even more Fate Lines rapidly, she will be one of our weapons for the coming war."

"Yes. There are a few other Disciples across the other Celestial Stars who come close to her talent, but she is leading the pack for now."

Nods of agreement spread out as Vredral spoke once more.

"We can prepare to open up the Celestial Realm once more for this generation of disciples. Athena should be able to advance speedily with the treasures contained within."

"Right. It will take some time to get everything ready, but it shouldn't be a problem. Vredral, we will leave her guidance to you for now. Keep us updated on her progress."

The Celestial Grandmaster, Vredral, nodded once more as the golden hall soon erupted into other discussions about a multitude of issues at hand!

Some dealt with intricate problems in the Light Expanse where they held control of, other issues were dealing with the Dark Expanse that they continued to struggle with to this day. It soon became a cacophony of strong auras as the discussions continued, the tide of fate still flowing as the rotating golden circle in the room continued to move steadily.

In the First Realm of Hell, the overpopulating Infernals continued to be reduced at an unbelievable rate as numerous powerful figures paved their way across the First Hell. At the forefront was a terrible Lich Emperor who released deathly energies and commanded an Undead Legion with numerous High Tiered Undead that razed any enemies they found to exhaustion.

The numerous powerful undead were protecting an assortment of humans, demons, and beasts as they went on to rapidly increase their power over the last few days.

Noah had left the Spiritual Land floating in the skies of this Infernal Realm, Kazuhiko and company being able to return into this resplendent floating landmass that was overflowing with essence to recuperate from the constant rushing droves of Infernals, while also enjoying colorful Medicinal Herbs and Fruits sprawled out all over the Spiritual Land.

At the central area of this huge paradisiacal landmass, enormous intricately built houses and skyscr.a.p.ers were abundant, taking the styles of Noah's Homeworld, Beast World, and even the futuristic wonders of the Lost World that brought back some melancholic memories from the Calamities of the Sea.

But it was in this area where an abundant amount of Medicinal Fruits, Herbs, and Cores were contained as it acted as the base for these rapidly rising beings. Some spent too much time in the billowing hot springs and beds that seemed to be entirely made of soft feathers, but they all continued a cycle of training and resting as they continued non stop over the past few days.

Floating above the Spiritual Land at this moment was a particularly arrogant Emperor Penguin that moved its flippers towards the sleek black feathers above its head, its gaze watching the numerous Undead that continued to move day and night in this Infernal Realm.

The penguin was watching his own stat panel that showed how many Skill Points it had left after distributing many of them in a skill tree that heavily boosted his spatial abilities as he wondered just how many Skill Points his master was racking up with these Undead that were killing on his behalf.

He was looking at the efficacy of his Master as he was freely moving around doing dangerous things in a location far away from here, while still continuing to grow his power at an insane pace even faster than all of them.

He wanted to grow and increase his strength even faster! Even though he knew he would never be able to match his Master, he was still the first beast born in the Spiritual Land, still the one leading at the forefront!

RUMBLE!

A milky white aura covered his body as a golden light went on to cover it, the [Pride Embodiment] that went on to allow him to show great strength against the Infernals and push his power even higher being

activated yet again as the penguin that had just entered the Saint Rank shot out like a missile from the Spiritual Land and went to join the Legion of Undead to take down even more Infernals.

Feelings of obtaining strength at a rapid speed were not only unique to this arrogant penguin as many of the Harbingers continued to struggle behind the scenes to at least keep up with the ever-expanding strength of a single person they looked up to!

Chapter 315 - A Connection, <>

In the Ancient Blood World, Noah was already deep beneath this hidden World's inner core layer as he came face to face with a Planetary Core much larger than any that he had come across before.

This was the planetary core of a world that had downgraded from the stellar status of a Realm and had become a Prime World!

It rotated strongly in the underground space, an air of ancientness permeating as a voice very similar to the Guardian of Blood rang out.

[I had an agreement with the first Progenitor, and that agreement carries on through the years. What is it that you wish for?]

Noah's gaze that was wandering all over the mystical aurora of lights surrounding this crimson core focused as he spoke out calmly, moving his hands towards the core as he did it.

"I only wish for you to accept this connection."

His right palm landed on the brilliant core as a unique light released from his body and bathed it serenely, the process of forming yet another line of connection, but this time with a Prime World occurring!

[...]

The Ancient Blood World quietly released its protective barriers, letting the energy freely permeate through its origin as it let this new Progenitor do what he wished!

The Guardian of Blood standing far behind Noah at this time was an extension of this world, an Automaton Creation that moved according to a predetermined set of rules. It was a unique creature that allowed the Ancient Blood World to bypass the many Universal Laws laid down upon the planets, so when the light that Noah released intensified and the core of the ancient world began to realize the meaning of what this new Progenitor wanted to do, the process finished even faster as they connection was established in a much smoother fashion!

RUMBLE!

The overflowing and dense essence of the Prime World that was in no way inferior to the World of Cultivation or the Underworld began to permeate through the established connection between multiple worlds as its overbearing energy rushed down to the 4 worlds that were a level or two lower.

Noah's Homeworld that had recently undergone a change from a Small World into a Middle World began experiencing changes once again as enormous essence rushed into in the form of feedback loops

between the many High Tiered Worlds it was connected to, receiving an enormous amount of essence as its atmosphere began to change yet again!

Upgrades continued to occur left and right as in a short time span, yet another World had been attached to a connection that even those involved did not fully grasp yet.

Noah listened to the many thoughts of the Planetary Cores of multiple worlds as he understood the addition of this Prime World was something major. The benefits to the other Worlds would be immense, while his own benefits for coming into this Ancient Blood World's Inheritance Grounds were far from over.

He had just looked at a few of the boosts given by this new bloodline that always made him feel like he was at the top of the world, but he still had the spectacular skills in the form of memories that the System had classified into categories to look into.

He moved away from the Planetary Core of the Ancient Blood World that had begun communicating with the many entities it was now connected to as he returned to the Inheritance Grounds, his gaze peering in his panel over the first set of skills that came with the Vampyre Progenitor Bloodline, and it was an Absolute Skill to observe first!

<<Blood Progenitor>> Your very core holds a unique relationship to blood, granting you wondrous ways of utilizing it that many can only aspire to. Abilities Include Unique Origin, World Veil, Blood Sea, A Drop of Blood, Telepathy, Vampyrism, and Panacea.

[Unique Origin] :: Your extreme proficiency in blood has developed into a higher stage, allowing you to mimic the origin, shape, and aura of any being you have previously come across completely. Unless someone more proficient in blood comes across you, your origin will always be what you portray.

[World Veil] :: A great undertaking that is at the level of affecting an entire star. A veil is cast around a world that prevents the detection from any and all beings. Strict requirements must be met before a veil can be cast on any world.

[Blood Sea] :: Your body is able to turn into an expansive sea of blood, granting you a unique form that allows you to only ever take half of all physical damage while in this form.

[A Drop of Blood] :: From a drop of blood, you can begin anew. A part of your origin can be left behind as a drop of blood, allowing you to never truly die as a part of you can be safely hidden away. If used, the ability will require a period of 81 days before a new blood drop can be created.

...!

Noah had to come to a stop as he was reading the descriptions of the abilities of the Absolute Skill!

When he looked over [Unique Origin], he was happily surprised as it exactly fit what he wanted to obtain from the trip to the Underworld. His one worry when he would enter into the domain of the Celestials was whether the skills he held would be able to bypass their mysterious means if they took a deep look at him.

He didn't know exactly what the abilities of the truly powerful Celestial Grandmasters were, but he expected there to be a thorough examination for any of those joining the ranks of Celestials.

This ability made it so that all of his worries were now wiped away, but the stupendous surprises of this trip did not stop there. The [World Veil] and [Blood Sea] were great enough as he continued to read on, but the ability that allowed him to leave a part of his origin behind in a drop of blood was shocking!

The ability brought him a tremendous sense of assurance, but also a reminder that he never wanted to put himself in a position that would force him into having to use the stupendous effects of this ability.

He gazed at the remaining three abilities he had yet to observe as he saw the effects of [Telepathy] allowed him to send and receive thoughts to those he was thinking of over any distance, [Vampyrism] bringing with it the ability to turn others into Vampyres, or even choose a lesser evolution and make them into brute Vampyric Beasts!

Lastly, [Panacea] was an ability that allowed him to release his blood as a supreme medicine, allowing even those on the brink of death to regain their full health and vigor. He could effectively become a machine that pumped out health potions if he wished!

These...were just the Absolute Skills that the System had taken and classified from the many memories Noah received after the Vampyre Progenitor Bloodline had fused with him. He had not even gone through the other abilities that were laid out in the form of a Skill Tree, making them abilities that he could upgrade and strengthen into an unknown stage far into the future!

It felt like he was receiving an overwhelming amount of skills and abilities all at once as his eyes moved on to the Skill Tree that was at Void Rank, with multiple abilities shining below it as it read- [Blood Lord].

Chapter 316 - [Blood Lord], Harvesting Gains!

Noah felt like he was being given gifts on top of gifts as he looked at the skills and abilities that came with obtaining the inheritance of the Vampyre Progenitor.

He wanted to finish by looking at the skills that were placed in the form of a skill tree by the System before he began to move out, as there were simply too many things he had to do, as well as wanting to obtain even more information from the Vampyre King back in the Underworld.

His gaze landed on the spectacularly shining set of words on the blue stat panel that began with [Blood Lord]!

[Blood Lord] (0/30):: A technique that only those with the purest forms of blood can use. It is Ancient Blood Magic that includes the abilities Dawn of the Blood Lord(0/5), Blood World(0/5), Drain Life(0/5), and Nightmarish Descent(0/5).

[Dawn of the Blood Lord](Active) :: A descent of a terrible red moon accompanies the Blood Lord, empowering them and their allies as long as they stand under its maddening crimson light. +50% to All Damage, +50% to All Element Resistance, +50% Attack, Casting, and Movement Speed, +50% Increased Area of Effect, +50% to Defense, -50% to All Enemy Elemental Resistance, and the Fear Effect is applied to all enemies.

[Blood World](Active) :: An isolated space that prevents peering gazes erupts around you, the actions taking place in this space are between you and the beings remaining in it.

[Drain Life](Passive):: Blood is closely connected to a being's life force. A proficient manipulator of blood is able to layer all of their attacks with an attribute that will drain the life force of their enemies. +5% Lifesteal at all times.

[Nightmarish Descent](Active) :: Creatures of unholy origins are summoned at your call, latching onto your enemies as they activate blood magic and encase them in deadly coffins that skewer any poor souls contained inside.

Yet another set of powerful skills showed themselves to him as he felt like a collector who just continued to eat up way too many abilities. The Blood World was a skill he had already seen before from the hands of Prince Cassius, while the skills [Dawn of the Blood Lord], [Drain Life], and [Nightmarish Descent] were completely new to him with their wondrous abilities.

He would have to make time to test them later, as he was currently impatient to get started with the next set of steps after obtaining the huge boon that was the Ancient Blood World, and also go back to the Underworld for more information. The memories he had obtained from the Vampyre Progenitor Bloodline were about the strengths and techniques it pertained, there was still much mystery surrounding this figure that had passed away and what exactly occurred more than a thousand years ago to cause the death of a being that held a Bloodline such as this, which even held abilities similar to that of having a rebirth.

Noah looked at the subservient Guardian of Blood as he asked just to be sure before he began moving.

"The memories that the first Progenitor gave you only pertained to the Inheritance Grounds and the Ancient Blood World?"

"Much of them yes, Master. Though I was given basic knowledge of the regions of the Universe and the beings that dwell in them."

Noah nodded as he waved his now pale hands in front of him, initiating one of his new skills, [World Portal], as he replied to the Guardian of Blood.

"The enemy that caused his death?"

"No knowledge on that either, Master. The only warning that the first Progenitor left behind was...to be wary of the terrifying rising force calling themselves Celestials."

The rising force calling themselves Celestials? Noah thought about these words that would have been said more than a thousand years ago as he pondered.

'They're not just a rising force anymore, are they?'

The skill he was casting completed as he was lost in his thoughts, an extravagantly wide red portal appearing in the Inheritance Grounds of the Ancient Blood World. As for the other location this portal connected to? It was Noah's homeworld!

Through the ability given from his new Bloodline, [World Portal], he could do what the Planetary Systems had been doing every time a connection was established with other worlds- he could choose to

establish a permanent gateway that required immense mana to initiate, and they would continue to be kept active by the essence they absorbed in the atmosphere!

'The boosts and skills are so ridiculous that I'll have to spend quite some time just to understand how to best use them all.'

Noah continued to ponder as he moved through the wide red portal, the Guardian of Blood following close behind as this Soul Forging Realm individual entered a blue planet.

The constantly improving metropolis of the Blessed Empire appeared in front of their eyes as not too far away, Noah already felt the presence of Steel Mikhail, and the person he had sent a message to the moment the connection with the Ancient Blood World was finished.

The stunning girl with a head full of white hair and blue eyes smiled at Noah as the convoy of humans she brought with her had excited faces.

They only knew of the being in front of them from whispers and stories, never imagining they would meet the Number 1 Hunter from their world that had made so many things possible.

Steel Mikhail nodded at Noah, his gaze looking at him up and down as he wondered whether he was looking at the same person, while the white-haired Sophia smiled cutely and spoke, her gaze landing on the Guardian of Blood behind him as a white light briefly passed through her eyes.

"It hasn't even been all that long, Big Brother, and you're already gifting us with another World."

Noah nodded with a smile at this unique being that was connected to the Planetary System in a different way than he was, being extremely similar to the Guardian of Blood as they almost felt like an extension of the World's wills!

The group that came with Sophia and Steel Mikhail were some of the most powerful Hunters remaining in this world who continued to strengthen their power through dungeon diving.

They had come here today and with such a fast response simply because they were called by the upper echelons of their world, with the word they would be meeting the special being they knew as the highest-ranked Hunter, Noah!

A meeting with this being always proceeded with huge boosts of strength for all those involved as they were excited to find out exactly what stupendous gifts they would be receiving today. The words mentioned by the Guide thereafter only made them more excited as they looked towards this figure who was most definitely more handsome than what they were told.

Noah had gathered these powerful Hunters here, along with many more that were on their way to this location for the singular purpose of harvesting the great gains that were sprawled out all over the Ancient Blood World.

In that wide Prime World, numerous Blood Crystals that literally covered the lands were just waiting to be harvested, as well as the numerous Vampyric Beasts waiting to be taken down. Although, much of these resources could only be fully utilized by Vampyres, so Noah's gaze turned to these excited humans as he prepared to test a few of his abilities as the Vampyre Progenitor!

Chapter 317 - New Vampyres, A Messenger from the Dark Expanse

"Although it is going to be somewhat painful, I will give you guys a boost in power before you descend into a world with numerous resources just waiting to be harvested."

Noah looked at the force of hundreds of humans gathered in front of him as he spoke.

"Are you all ready?"

The replies he received were that of excited yells and enthusiasm as the Hunters could not wait to get started. He nodded as he cast [Vampyrism] on these humans who did not fully understand exactly what they had just enthusiastically agreed to!

From Noah's fair right hand, numerous red lines erupted as they went on to pierce onto the bodies of the Hunters instantly, their faces rapidly changing as they buckled down to the ground and began convulsing.

Noah and Sophia were looking at this sight with interested eyes as Noah wanted to fully observe the effects of a Vampyre Progenitor turning beings into Vampyres, while Sophia was simply another entity entirely and was not even thinking along the same lines. Only the gruff Steel Mikhail was standing by the side with his usual unreadable expression as he watched the evolving situation.

If one were to watch from the side, they would observe Noah's expression to be impassive as he observed the Hunters wriggling in pain on the ground, only a calculating look overtaking his face as he observed the continuing changes. Unknowingly, another effect of the Vampyre Progenitor Bloodline went to alter his mentality, although the changes were too little for one to notice at this time!

RUMBLE!

A red light permeated throughout the surroundings as the hunters underwent unbearable pain, but nothing like what Noah had gone through as he found their bodies were only going through changes that granted them the bloodline of Elite Vampyres.

This meant that anyone he chose to use [Vampyrism] on would skip the ranks of Normal Vampyres and become an Elite Vampyre right away!

He nodded his head after confirming this test, his aura already locked on the beings from the Beast World and Demon World that had also neared the location where he opened the portal connecting to the Ancient Blood World.

The Hunters in front of Noah began getting up after a few minutes, some still terrified of the pain they went through as they moved their bodies and began to feel the abundant strength overflowing within. Most had directly broken through ranks the moment their change finished, finding a sense of power they never thought to be possible permeating through their body. They looked towards the Strongest Hunter with a feeling of apprehension and familiarity as they felt like he had become someone they could never even think to go against, the aura that Noah released currently putting him at an unreachable position in their eyes!

What followed thereafter was something ridiculous as Noah used an abundant amount of mana and cast [Vampyrism] multiple times on the beings from the Beast and Demon World who had managed to get here in time, before the many newly turned Vampyres were introduced to the Ancient Blood World.

When it came to those in higher positions of power like Steel Mikhail, Noah added another ability on top of it as he also used [Bloodline Bestowal], another ability directly from the Bloodline of the Vampyre Progenitor, to bestow the bloodline of a Pureblood Vampyre.

From the Ancient Shrine where he found numerous storage rings and pouches, an abundant amount of refined Blood Crystals and numerous Bloodlines that the Guardian of Blood had been left with to continue conducting the trials of the Inheritance Grounds were all in his possession.

He was now the Vampyre Progenitor, making there be no need for an Inheritance Ground as he could personally turn beings into Vampyres and bestow Bloodlines as he wished!

The process took slightly more time for anything higher than the Elite Tier, but a brand new Steel Mikhail became the first Harbinger to obtain the Bloodline of a Pureblood Vampyre as his large figure became even more refined and he gained a devilish handsomeness!

Noah continued to play around with the newly found abilities of the Vampyre Progenitor as he initiated the process of using the abundant resources on the Ancient Blood World. In the coming days, more and more forces from the Beast World and Demon World would join in, along with the newly included beings of the Icebound World that had not even fully begun communicating with the other four worlds. The Guardian of Blood would act in Noah's place for the newcomers as many of the treasures and bloodlines left behind in the Inheritance Grounds would be freely used up in the coming months.

There were many moving parts and numerous figures involved in this process that would take quite some time, but while Noah was supposed to be undergoing a trial to prove himself to the Vampyres of the Underworld, he entered the Inheritance Grounds and took for himself the ultimate inheritance left behind by the Vampyre Progenitor. He then began using the expansive abilities of this fearsome bloodline as he covertly began to create a force of new Vampyres in a distant world, moving with extreme efficiency as he already began the process of using the resources of an entire world that he had gained while he was simply supposed to be undergoing a trial!

It would be out of the wildest dreams for the Vampyres of the Underworld to imagine, as they were about to have their hands full from the return of shocking commands. The Vampyre King had sent word to their forces in the Dark Expanse the moment that Noah entered the portal that led to the Ancient Blood World, letting them know of the recent events and asking for guidance on how to move forward.

What came out as a result was something they did not expect as within the grand Vampyre Council Hall where many powerful figures were still discussing, a dark portal began to form that took the attention of all those in the hall.

The Vampyre King looked on in shock as he quickly enacted a wide Blood World that fully covered the Council Hall, looking towards this expanding dark portal where a stunning figure began to materialize out of with a glimmer of red light.

The eyes of the Vampyre King focused as the usual smile he had was wiped away, letting out a calm voice as if he was talking to someone of the same level, or even possibly higher!

"You know it is risky for someone who is drenched with the aura of the Dark Expanse to enter into the Light Expanse right away. Are you trying to reveal our position this quickly, my dear Elena?"

His voice was directed to the woman that had just materialized from a disappearing portal, a woman that held a figure so curvaceous and deadly that it would make many men drool!

Gorgeous silver hair fell down to her shoulders as she looked at the Vampyre King with a light smile that caused the Vampyres in the Council Hall to look down to their feet in respect. They knew the identity of this being that had just appeared, a being they considered to be even more fearsome than the Vampyre King they were serving under all this time!

"Little brother, you sent such a shocking message that the Alliance couldn't just send back simple words. If it wasn't required of me to be here, I would not have come."

Shocking words were released as the woman holding a similar status to the Vampyre King that Noah had talked to appeared, and she was a being that had just arrived from the Dark Expanse!

The Vampyre King that was ruling the forces of the Pureblood Vampyres in the Underworld looked at his big sister thoughtfully as he clapped his hands, sending a signal for the many Vampyre Elders to clear the room as he spoke.

"Are they ready to enact a big move against the Celestials?"

A wide smile which could be the downfall of entire countries appeared on the Royal Vampyre Elena as she strolled towards the Vampyre King.

"Oh little brother, you don't know just how important the news of this human that has a straight path into the 7th Celestial Star is."

An interested smile appeared on her face as she looked around the wide Council Hall, only noticing a single red portal, her nephew that was looking towards her with a shocked expression, and the Vampyre King she continued to refer to as little brother.

"Where is the important being in question, little Adrian?"

An eerie silence filled the room as the Vampyre King, Adrian, let out a slight cough as he gazed at the red portal, causing the expression of Elena to change as her face turned dark.

"You sent such an important figure into the Inheritance Grounds?"

"...It was to tie him directly to our side as we awaited for word from home. If you had been sharing all the important information with me, maybe I would have known his importance was even greater than what I anticipated. Do enlighten me though, why did those old fogeys send you?"

Elena turned to her brother with a pitying expression as she spoke.

"Even I didn't know this information before I was sent here, it was something that those schemers at the top classified as top secret. You better hope that human comes back in one piece, otherwise the people that are much too tired of this unwinnable war will fry you for losing such an important piece."

She walked towards Prince Cassius as her soft hands ruffled his silver hair.

"My little nephew, you did well with your recent venture. You should come back home soon, all those little princesses you left behind continue waiting for you to return."

The Vampyre Prince adopted a docile expression that was nothing like the regal air he had always shown, only being able to nod his head at this bountifully blessed aunt in front of him.

Elena strolled towards the bedazzled throne that the Vampyre King Adrian had been sitting on as she placed her curvaceous body down and crossed her legs, her gaze locking towards the red portal that led to the Inheritance Grounds as she awaited for this being that would play a major part in the ongoing war!

Chapter 318 - Casting a Veil, The Return

Noah knew that normally, the trial in the Inheritance Grounds would take Vampyres hours, if not days as they would choose to rest and recover their energies before beginning the next stage.

He had finished his run at the trial in less than an hour, and this was while clearing all 6 levels of the Inheritance, so he knew he had a lot of time before he needed to return to the Council Hall in the Underworld.

He oversaw the gradual introduction of his forces into the Ancient Blood World as the Guardian of Blood acted to protect the newly turned Vampyres if they came into contact with Vampyric Beasts that were too powerful.

Sophia continued her role as a Guide, leaving behind the protected village where she had sent Noah to the Beast World from months ago as she now acted as the representative of the Planetary Core to relay directions to the many forces at their disposal.

There was a wide array of beings from the multiple worlds, and Noah would not be able to look at and interpret all the intricacies of the connections and movements of the worlds he was connected to while also worrying about his own movements against the forces he was putting himself up against.

Sophia acted as the center point as she relayed the intentions of the Planetary System and allowed for a smooth transition of tasks and roles as the many pieces continued to move in order to create a well-oiled machine that would continue to produce powerhouses.

Many projects were initiated to begin in the newly connected Icebound World and Ancient Blood World, while another project that was in Noah's Homeworld was seeing progress as the Atlanteans finished the construction of the first World Engine!

This was a grand achievement as they had been able to recreate a treasure which the Celestials deemed as something that went against the natural order and balance. The completion of this World Engine would allow for the displacement of a star, a drastic measure that would be used if their enemies ever tracked their coordinates and wished them harm.

The smooth progress of the project to create more World Engines reminded Noah of the supernatural Veil that was covering the Ancient Blood World, allowing it to hide amongst dead stars and escaping the sight of powerful beings for the past 1000 years.

The one who had enacted that Veil onto the Ancient Blood World was the Vampyre Progenitor... and he now held that same power as he recalled the description of one of the abilities he had just obtained.

[World Veil] :: A great undertaking that is at the level of affecting an entire star. A veil is cast around a world that prevents the detection from any and all beings. Strict requirements must be met before a veil can be cast on any world.

From the Absolute Skill <<Blood Progenitor>>, the spectacular ability shone with a brilliant hue on the stat panel as now planned to enact it. He teleported to the inner core of his Homeworld for the first time in a while as he observed the slowly rotating hexagonal prism that had become even larger, an enormous amount of essence now circulating through it as the world continued to upgrade to higher levels.

The description of the [World Veil] ability mentioned that strict requirement had to be met before this ability could be cast on an entire world. Those requirements were a being with enough essence to actually enact such a wide-ranging skill, with the second requirement being the willingness of the particular star they wanted to perform this ability on!

Noah met both of these requirements, but this also made him ponder what exactly was the level of power of the Vampyre Progenitor that would allow him to wield such immense mana, unlike him who had access to the reserves of actual planets.

His impassive gaze put these thoughts aside as he communicated with the Planetary System and cast the skill requiring an immense amount of mana, [World Veil].

RUMBLE!

A large amount of essence collected around Noah, before it began exploding outwards as it began to move in a circular direction with him at the center. What was expanding from him was a thin film that would not be noticeable by any of the figures currently on this world, as it rapidly spread across the deeper layers and broke through to the atmosphere, continuing upwards as it spent some time to wrap around the entire world.

If one were to be looking at the blue planet from a vantage point in the vastness of space, they would notice a barely distinct red and black film of light rapidly engulf the entire planet before it quickly faded away, the signs of abundant life it gave off nowhere to be seen as at this moment, one could only observe a collection of dead asteroids floating together around a much larger dead star.

The transformation was seamless and fast as an enormous veil was cast around an entire world, reducing the chances of anyone finding or targeting it through various means!

In the next few hours, Noah continued his extremely efficient movements as he moved across the Beast World, Demon World, and Icebound World while repeating similar things, the mana at his disposal allowing for a ridiculous level of actions.

He would go into the First Realm of Hell where the rest of the Harbingers were still training later, leaving them to continue enjoying the farming of Skill Points before he gave them the option of accepting the strength of the Vampyre Bloodlines!

Seeing that everything had begun moving in the right direction for their incursion into the Ancient Blood World, Noah returned to the Inheritance Grounds where any new Vampyres trying to undertake the trial

by the forces of the Pureblood Vampyres in the Underworld would be sent, and neared the still floating red portal that had brought him into this world in the first place.

Beings like the Vampyre King were able to use skill passed down over time to create portals that only lead the Inheritance Grounds, so if such an action happened again in the future, whoever intruded into the Ancient Blood World would only enter into the Inheritance Grounds for their trial. The Guardian of Blood was instructed by Noah to continue this job for now as he did not want to alert the larger forces of Vampyres in the Underworld, and most likely an even bigger force that should be where they came from in the Dark Expanse.

To these Vampyres, nothing had changed with the Inheritance Grounds or Ancient Blood World. But behind the scenes, numerous beings had already begun moving across the wide Prime World as they began to harvest its abundant resources.

Noah stopped briefly as he cast another newly obtained ability, the [Unique Origin] that was under the <<Blood Progenitor>> Absolute Skill. A red light covered him as his aura mimicked a Pureblood Vampyre, the immense aura of the Vampyre Progenitor being hidden away as he wanted to observe the state of the Vampyres currently before deciding on whether to reveal himself.

Seeing that he missed nothing, Noah entered through the portal as brief darkness clouded his gaze, before brightness soon took over as he returned to the wide Vampyre Council Hall.

His observations were met with a new scene as in the wide hall, only three beings were left behind, none of the powerful Vampyre Elders anywhere in sight.

There was Prince Cassius that was standing with his father, the Vampyre King, along with the long legs of a curvaceous woman who looked to be in her prime sitting on the only bedazzled throne in the hall.

They noticed Noah's return right away as Prince Cassius looked at Noah and noticed the changes in his demeanor, as well as the silver streaks permeated through his dark head of hair and the distinct devilish handsomeness that he only saw in himself. They also felt a strong resonance of blood that indicated Noah had become one of them, and a being that was a Pureblood Vampyre at that! Prince Cassius nodded with an expression that seemed to say 'as expected', with his father looking at Noah with a deep gaze and then nodding as well, apparently not let down.

To them, it looked like Noah had made huge gains in the Inheritance Grounds, being able to obtain the bloodline of a Pureblood Vampyre as they sensed the abundant aura of blood that could barely be discernable in the eyes of the Vampyres.

Yet, the other person in the room, the Royal Vampyre Elena, had a drastic change in expression as her gaze went from a welcoming smile and into one of absolute shock!

Noah's sharp gaze observed this minute difference of change on this new being he hadn't seen before as he quickly processed something, a red light shining in his eyes as they landed on this woman who had somehow seen something that the other two beings in this wide hall did not notice.

He had gloriously returned to the Royal Castle of the Vampyres in the Underworld, an unexpected scene greeting him as he walked out of the red portal leading to the Ancient Blood World!

Chapter 319 - Welcoming the New Progenitor!

Unpercebtable to Prince Cassius and Vampyre King Adrian, a red light erupted from Noah's eyes, and this single red light went on to bring an enormous sense of pressure on the powerful Royal Vampyre currently sitting on the throne!

A telepathic message was sent forward as Elena quickly changed her expression and tried to adopt a normal one, being the first to voice out her normal voice that held a slight trembling within.

"Little brother, take the young prince and yourself out for a second while I talk with our...important guest."

"Elena, you know that is not proper. You are in my domain now, I will at least be involved in the talks, no matter how important you make them out to-"

The Vampyre King Adrian was voicing out with slight dissatisfaction when he turned towards his sister and saw an unexpected imploring gaze on her face.

"Please, Brother. Just for a little while."

Brief silence permeated the room as the Vampyre King questioned just what exactly were the contents of the message from the Alliance as he sighed and snapped his fingers, Prince Cassius coming to and following him close behind as they left the Council Hall.

The Vampyre Prince turned towards Noah with an apologetic expression once more, sending a telepathic message towards him as they left.

"I didn't think everything would go towards such a direction. I'll try to be a good host after these talks finish and get you accustomed to the body of a noble Vampyre that you just obtained."

Noah smiled and nodded towards the young prince as the doors closed behind him, only a single other person being left behind in this wide Council Hall as the smile was quickly wiped away from his face, his gaze landing on the Soul Forging Realm Royal Vampyre that had gone back to a trembling gaze the moment Noah focused on her!

RUMBLE!

Noah moved his essence as he cast forth a [Blood World], the entire Council Hall instantaneously being surrounded by a protective and secretive layer that nobody on the outside could peer through.

Noah's gaze became impassive as he looked at the Vampyre that had inadvertently realized something.

"How did you notice?"

A cold voice came out from Noah as he addressed this Soul Rank being calmly while moving forward, the body of the curvaceous Vampyre shaking as she couldn't find the words. There was a huge reason why this powerful being changed her expression the moment she looked closely at Noah, as she had noticed something that Prince Cassius and even her Brother had not been able to notice- and that was the complete and utter domination of blood that the being in front of her let out!

This was a shocking finding as it could only mean one thing, but it was such an outrageous and unbelievable idea that Elena did not fully believe it until a distinct red light passed through the being's

eyes as she felt her entire body locked in place, a message arriving in her mind telling her to send the other two beings away from this room.

This confirmed her shocking finding, as she quickly stood up from the bedazzled throne and kneeled towards the figure of Noah while voicing out with a meek voice.

"This undeserving child greets Progenitor, and hopes you will forgive her insolence for not realizing and acting right away!"

Yes! The Royal Vampyre from the Dark Expanse had come to the realization right away that somehow, unbelievably, the being in front of her had the aura of someone that she only knew from her bloodline memories and stories passed down in her clan. This being had the overpowering aura of the Progenitor!

Noah looked at the sight of this gorgeous woman kneeling towards him with an impassive gaze as he continued walking forward, the bloodline of the Progenitor affecting him more than he knew as he was slowly adopting the traits of a being that stood at the absolute peak of a race and had full control over them! The traits of the Ruler of Vampyres that were inlaid in the bloodline he had absorbed were slowly but surely coming out on the surface without him realizing it, a regal air accompanying him as he asked once more.

"How did you know?"

"I- I am the first born of our generation in the Acheron lineage, being blessed with one of the purest Royal Bloodlines currently. The purerer our bloodlines, the closer we are to the Progenitor. This foolish child, Elena Acheron, seeks Progenitor's forgiveness for almost revealing your identity."

A few memories were dredged up from Noah's mind as he nodded, the words of the powerful Soul Forging Realm being in front of him not holding an ounce of lies as he confirmed she had only been able to see through his disguised state because of something unique about her. This was because he had used the ability [Unique Origin] to take on the aura and look of a Pureblood Vampyre that even the Vampyre King who held a Royal Bloodline did not notice.

The kneeling Elena looked up slowly as she continued.

"Besides my purerer bloodline, the only other reason is because your awakening happened just recently, and your immense aura has not fully settled, making those slightly more sensitive like me to notice the greatness of the Progenitor. Please..."

The curvaceous Elena pointed towards the throne in the wide hall while still kneeling, continuing to speak with a respectful tone towards this unbelievable being in front of her!

"...please take a seat and relax Progenitor, put this undeserving child at ease."

Noah reached the position where the silver haired Vampyre with shocking features was kneeling as he used his right hand to lift her face upwards, turning her still shaking eyes towards him as he then released her chin and proceeded to comfortably sit on the huge throne that the Vampyre King had just been sitting on not too long ago.

"You are someone from the Dark Expanse?"

Noah asked calmly as he noticed besides the aura of a Royal Vampyre on this being called Elena, she held a distinct aura that he had never seen on anyone else before, and paired with the Vampyres who were connected to a force in the Dark Expanse, he quickly made this connection. It seemed like beings from the different regions held a distinct aura that could be easily discernible!

"Yes, Progenitor. The Acheron Clan that manages the Vampyres in this Underworld sent me forth with commands for how the one who is about to have access to the 7th Celestial Star should move. Of course, your wishes and plans rise above all others, and I will faithfully follow whatever commands you have for me."

Elena replied as her silver hair danced below her shoulders, still kneeling as her gaze brought itself to stare upon the impassive face of her Progenitor.

Noah pondered in silence as he observed this figure in front of him, getting to the most important thing first, and that was information!

"Rise. For now, let's start with information. The Vampyres in this world...this Acheron Clan in the Dark Expanse...the Alliance...the Celestials, tell me everything."

Elena's slender legs rose as her heart beat wildly, her immense strength at the Soul Forging Realm meaning nothing in front of this being that was the Progenitor of Vampyres. She calmed her beating heart as she began to reveal secrets very few had access to as fast as she could towards the Ruler that was now seated on a throne!

Chapter 320 - Unfolding Secrets

Beginning with the forces surrounding the Vampyres located in the Underworld- they were a force that those in the Dark Expanse had managed to squeeze through the eyes of the Celestials in the period of the last 1000 years as they grew themselves in name and power in the Light Expanse.

The Vampyres held a special relationship with a few powerful figures in the Dark Expanse through the powerful being that held the entire race on her shoulder, the Vampyre Progenitor.

With her death being one of the many results coming out from the war more than one thousand years ago, the Vampyres were more than willing to act as spies in enemy territory, becoming a stable force over the past hundred years as they came to prominence in the Underworld.

The Vampyres also fit this task perfectly as they held abilities that allowed for complete secrecy, the covert qualities of their techniques making them move unhindered for the past hundreds of years.

They had been able to smoothly monitor the grand moves that Celestials continued to make, and even occasionally take down Celestials as was recently done by the rash Prince Cassius!

They continued to be a force that relayed information to the forces of the Dark Expanse for all these years, until the recent developments caused by Prince Cassius grabbed the attention of the higher echelons of the Archeon Clan where the Pureblood Vampyres in the Underworld were from, which also meant they had grabbed the attention of a few figures in the Alliance that oversaw the Dark Expanse.

The Archeon Clan was the top most lineage of Vampyres descending down from one of the first children of the Vampyre Progenitor, with a few other clans taking different names existing, but the Archeon Clan always remained at the top in power and bloodlines.

They held significant power in the Dark Expanse and oversaw a few core operations for the war that continued to occur behind the scenes.

"So what exactly did the Archeon Clan send you to do?"

Noah stopped the Vampyre that held a fervent light in her eyes as she continued to speak, the silver-haired Vampyre still not being able to fully contain herself as she realized what the return of this figure in front of her truly meant.

Elena's immaculate face tried its best to remain calm as she reached into her ample bosom and pulled out a small cylindrical container. It looked like a small ancient bottle with a wooden stopper that contained contents that would draw anyone's eyes instantly!

In this small bottle, a sparkling black liquid that seemed to be moving by itself was present, a mystical light running through it as Noah observed it closely.

"The Archeon Clan sent me here to provide the one becoming a Celestial Disciple with this treasure. It is...a unique poison obtained from the Letalis Expanse."

Noah observed the mysterious liquid as he couldn't help but ask.

"A poison? You all wanted to send me on an assassination mission?"

"No such thing, O Progenitor. This is a unique treasure that is aimed at something specifically on the 7th Celestial Star, but it is not for assassination."

Elena quickly clarified as she brought the bottle forward, leaving it on Noah's hands as she continued.

"Another result from the last full scale war that occurred over a thousand years ago were some very powerful beings imprisoned on the many Celestial Stars. This unique treasure that was sent with me for you to carry into the 7th Celestial Star...is something designed to release the shackles binding a particularly powerful figure imprisoned in that Celestial Star."

...!

Noah looked closely at the viscous starry liquid moving within the small bottle that only seemed ancient, but did not let out any other aura. Even his Planetary System did not know anything about it as no information could be found out.

"A prison break?"

He spoke to himself as he evaluated his own goals when he eventually stepped into the 7th Celestial Stars, and how exactly the movements of these beings from the Dark Expanse could come into play.

"The message they told me to pass along was for you to simply pop the stopper on that bottle and release the liquid flowing within into the soil of the Celestial Star, and this treasure would do the rest."

Elena spoke respectfully as she observed the thoughtful expression on the Progenitor's face, feeling her heartbeat increasing as his gaze landed on her again. The fearsome Progenitor in front of her put the small ancient bottle away with a wave of his hands as he continued.

"Alright, this never ending war you continue to mention. The Alliance in the Dark Expanse and the Celestials in the Light Expanse. What exactly is the history behind this? A Celestial Grandmaster told me the Celestials have reigned over the last thousands of years bringing prosperity and peace over the Light Expanse, while also calling the Alliance overlooking the Dark Expanse to be an unstable collection of stars that sow chaos and disorder. What version of the story will you tell me?"

Noah asked this Soul Rank being in front of him languidly as he called for more information on the Celestials, and for the exact reason of the apparently ongoing war and conflicts that continued to occur between the Light Expanse and the Dark Expanse.

The only history he had with the Celestials was them almost killing him while they wiped out an entire world because of what they believed in, and he aimed his sword towards them because of this reason. He did not know of their real history or what they really stood for, the memories he obtained from the Celestial Disciple Drax only showing him more of their fearsome power as he continued to go down the path against them.

Elena's fervent expression actually turned serious at the mention of the Celestials, her gaze becoming somber as she spoke.

"The Celestials...were an organization that slowly rose up a few thousand years ago. They began expanding their forces across a few worlds at first, preaching a doctrine of Order and Balance as they garnered more forces and support through all means possible."

Her shimmering silver hair danced as her voice became stronger.

"Their rise was paved and built on countless wars and bloodshed under the name of their doctrine, destroying anything and anyone that stood against them as they were labeled heretics and beings that sought to cause chaos and disorder. What made the Celestials even more fearsome was their unbelievable proficiency in the Law of Fate, a Supreme Law that has allowed them to remain unrivaled until now!"

A grand and shocking story weaved itself out from the red lips of the curvaceous Royal Vampyre as the secrecy covering the Celestials was slowly torn through.

"The number of beings that have died under the hands of the Celestials over the years, the number of stars that have been destroyed by their deadly weapons...is uncountable."

Noah's entire attention was focused on this silver-haired Vampyre as a picture was slowly being built about the beings that always shone with an ill.u.s.trious golden light, the beings that stood for Order and Balance- the Celestials!