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Chapter 371 - Worthy of the Title- Behemoth!

It felt like a scene out of a fantasy book as Noah passed his hands over the colorful essence that was so thick that it had actually materialized into the atmosphere. The area that the Righteous Fire Exploration Team was walking across was filled with silence as the humongous trees all around them carried the air of mystique and danger.

"Haha yes, the environment of the Celestial Realm is so special that it will take you a few days to get used to it. After a while, all of these pretty colors will seem like the norm as you get to experience even more fantastical things."

Boru's voice pushed out the eerie silence of the now quiet environment of a forest as they walked further and further from the Sanctum.

"We're gradually leaving the perimeters of the Sanctum, and the areas further from here you will only find Watch Towers that monitor the surrounding regions for any activity."

Another one of Boru's teammates chimed in as they continued to move forward, their steps gradually becoming faster as they picked up the pace while moving through the thick foliage that increased around them.

The atmosphere of a fantastical jungle only became more and more prominent as they went further in, Noah and Athena continuing to listen to the information of the layout they should be paying attention to and what areas they were passing through.

After a few minutes, Noah felt a significant change in the level of essence in the air, noticing it becoming immensely thicker as the Boru advancing in the front brought his hands up and brought the party to a halt.

He explained slowly as he closed his eyes, a wide smile appearing on his face as his body pulsed with power.

"Whenever you feel that change in the atmospheric essence...know that a Behemoth is near. In this region in the North that we are in, you can occasionally come across a wandering Behemoth that nears the Sanctum to this extent. These Behemoths are usually the easiest ones to take care of as they have no sense of danger!"

Boru's boisterous voice rang out as he grasped the over sized jagged broad sword that palpated with the water element, giving a signal to his teammates as they advanced steadily.

"You two, observe our movements and coordination first before choosing to join in. Watch how we handle the attacks of these Behemoths and the weakest points in their tough bodies that we attack."

Noah nodded as he turned towards Athena who had been relatively silent, her gaze continuously kept on the phenomenal sight around her as the moment they heard that a Behemoth was nearby, Noah saw the restlessness that always overcame her body as she thirsted for battle.

As they came here, Boru had mentioned that aside from the weakness of opposing elements that the Celestial Beasts held, the other weaknesses had to be learned for each specific type of beast depending on their size and build. One had to learn where their wrappings are, and this only occurred with time!

The two of them proceeded with caution as they followed behind the Righteous Fire Exploration Team, watching as the five members of this party had their weapons ready and drawn out.

Aside from the oversized jagged sword that Boru carried, two were hoisting large bows, another carried a menacing flail, and the last one had a shimmering staff.

The one unique thing about all of their weapons was that they all had the water element strongly exuding from them!

This was because the Behemoth they would come across in the Northern region from the Sanctum were those that were proficient in the Law of Fire. Noah began to feel this first hand as he felt the temperature around him gradually begin to increase, to the point that he knew any normal being would have begun to have their skin singed at the heat.

As they continued forward, the heat only became stronger as he felt that even lower ranked awakened could be burnt into crisp, but the wondrous thing was that the foliage and enormous trees around them peacefully continued their fantastical swaying as this temperature did not seem to bother them one bit!

Noah kept his senses spread out as they finally neared the point that released this much terrifying heat, his eyes noticing it first as they landed on a large mountain.

Or it seemed like a mountain, but it was actually moving!

THUMP!

Noah's mouth flew wide open as his senses went on to wrap around this humongous mountainous figure, each of its features becoming extremely clear in his eyes as he observed a thing that was more than double the size of his Lesser Cthulhu form nonchalantly move in front of them.

THUMP!

The closer they neared, the more they could feel the shaking of the earth caused by its simple movements.

He could only describe the thing in front of his eyes to resemble an oversized dinosaur that was pumped with too much meat and bones!

It was walking on four legs, a ferocious looking head languidly moving around as a spiked tail that was covered with pulsating red crystal stalagmites that shone dangerously weaved behind it.

THUMP!

The l.u.s.trous red crystals went on to travel from its tail and all the way across its back as it gained a spiked appearance, its entire body releasing horrid waves of heat that seemed capable of melting anything they came in contact with!

Looking at the enormous size of this Behemoth as well as its fiery appearance, Noah had to agree that its title was well deserved.

This was a Celestial Beast that a single person would in no way be able to take down. This...was a Behemoth!

THUMP!

As Noah observed the immense heat being released from this powerful being, he saw with a shaking head how even the simple foliage and trees around this mountainous beast were still swaying peacefully, the environment of this Celestial Realm being something too unique. He could see some trees pushed aside or fallen to the side, making a clear pathway of where this mountainous Behemoth had come from, but that was the only damage he could find.

The moment the Righteous Fire Exploration Team neared the position of this Fire Behemoth, its large eyes shifted as its head turned towards them at an unnaturally high speed, bursts of flames beginning to erupt from its body as a world shaking roar rang out!

"ROAAAAR!!!"

The roar was that of arrogant reality, of a being so powerful that the aura of a few ants getting near it shifted its mood as it warned them not to even come close!

RUMBLE!

It felt as if the air itself was shaking as waves of flames erupted from this fearsome creature, the wild laughter of Boru being heard at the same time as his body lit up with tens of thousands of Fate Lines, his power at the Soul Realm exploding out fully as the jagged sword he wielded let out a dazzling blue light! He swung this blue glowing blade forward as the roiling flames coming towards them were cut in half, preventing them from reaching the team members in the back as the first battle with a Behemoth unfolded for Noah and Athena!

Chapter 372 - A Battle With a Fire Behemoth!

Waves of power erupted out as Boru's Soul Forging Realm was revealed gloriously, the heavy armor made from materials of a Fire Element Behemoth shining an arrogant red color as they went on to push back the raging flames being propelled forward by the mountainous beast in front of them!

The long BroadSword letting out palpating waves of the water element went on to further disperse the powerful attack coming towards them as the members of the Righteous Fire Exploration Team spread around the Fire Behemoth, each one knowing their positions as their grasped weapons let out colorful attacks.

BOOM! BOOM! BOOM!

The moment the wide area attack of the Behemoth ended, attacks layered with the strength of thrumming Fate Lines from 5 Soul Forging Realm Celestials began to land on the large beast.

"Heave HO!"

BOOM!

Boru took the center point as he kept the attention of the maddened beast, swinging his large blade downwards as it released a spectacular blade light of gold and blue, the unique energy provided by his Fate Lines passing through the weapon he held as this blade light went on to leave a scratch on the thick skin of the Behemoth.

That was right, a scratch!

That was all that the numerous attacks did to this terrible creature!

Noah and Athena were observing the ensuing battle from the back to get a grasp of how the team normally handled these types of creatures, their own bodies aching to join the battle themselves as the splendors of colorful skills bloomed in the area.

"Zeke, left flank! Reiner, get behind it! Sylphy..."

Boru was giving numerous commands as multiple Empyrean Guards began to appear around the raging Behemoth, these Empyrean Guards soon turning into streaks of light that went on to wrap around the bodies of the members of the exploration team.

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The immense aura of fate spread out as the five figures of the exploration team became golden armored and winged beings, tens of thousands of Fate Lines on each of their bodies pulsating as they rained down even more attacks with vigor.

ROOOAAAR!

The Behemoth roared out as it felt dents beginning to appear on its armor, the numerous spiked crystals attached all over its huge back and tail shining a murderous red light as they erupted from its body and flew to the skies, very quickly raining down in the form of dangerous spiked flaming lances that attacked the entire perimeter around it!

BOOM! BOOM! BOOM!

Boru and his teammates weaved in and out of the area as they evaded the flaming lances that exploded on impact, their armored bodies taking the brunt of the explosive forces as one of the teammates had to even pull back after cracks began to appear on her armor.

"Sylphy, pull back! Everyone else, get [Judgment] ready!"

Boru shouted out as he oversaw the entire area closely, his Soul Rank strength bubbling with power as he dual wielded a golden hammer in one hand and the long jagged water element BroadSword in the other.

"Hooo..."

A hot breath released from him as Noah shockingly counted more than 80,000 Fate Lines thrum within his body, his body coiling like a spring as it propelled itself towards the head of the Behemoth in a straight line!

Boru's body began spinning in the air as wave after wave of golden blue blade lights began to erupt from him and smash onto the large head of the Behemoth, the monstrous beast itself going on to reply by releasing a horrid breath of fire that disintegrated the very air itself towards him.

SHAA! SHAA! SHAA!

The numerous golden blue blades of light met this attack as Boru continued spinning, his team mates moving to the sides as they prepared a skill Noah was very much familiar with, [Judgment]!

"Ready!"

"Ready!.."

The four of them called out as Boru used the force of his weapons to push himself out of the way of the destructive fire breath, the Behemoth choosing to pursue him with more attacks angrily before it came to a stop, its senses telling it that danger was coming.

RUMBLE!

Essence converged around the Behemoth as an enormous barrier of colorful flames appeared around it, but would the attacks of 5 Soul Forging Realm Celestials be that easy to block?

[Judgment]!

[Judgment]!

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Four calls resounded first as Boru's teammates released their abundant mana to release this powerful skill, numerous golden spears appearing in the skies as they aimed straight down towards the enormous Behemoth.

BOOM!

The wide and colorful shield of flames it had erected was pierced through after the first and second round of spears rained down, the third and fourth casts going on to pierce through its thick hide as a squeal of pain was finally released from this monstrous beast.

ROAAR!

A roar of pain erupted out as the beast felt enormous damage in its soul from the numerous attacks layered with abundant Law of Fate, but its pain was not done as the one who had been peskily running around it had the time to collect himself and prepare an even more powerful attack with his abundant lines of fate and something else that Noah could not yet figure out.

[Judgment], [Smite of Liberation].

OOONG

The air trembled as Noah used his senses to observe the being called Boru call upon every drop of energy in his body, his senses observing this energy pass through his tens of thousands of fate lines as it was released in a unique manner to initiate the cast of two abilities from [Fate's Guardian].

BOOM!

The numerous sharp golden spears arrived first, piercing the wide body of the mountainous Behemoth that had actually begun to bleed bubbling red blood and going on to skewer its body even deeper!

The golden spears were followed by the sky clearing up as a large incorporeal golden Blade of Liberation that was more than three times the size of the blades Noah normally cast descended down.

This single blade was half the size of the more than 50 meter Fire Behemoth as it shot down at high speeds, the Behemoth sensing this danger as a destructive fire storm raged around it, but the damage it had received to its Soul affected it too much!

SPLUCH!

The abilities of [Fate's Guardian] could be vastly different depending on who was using them, the enormous Blade of Liberation being cast by the Soul Forging Boru being phenomenally powerful as it went on to pierce the hard hide of the mountainous Behemoth and sink deep into its body.

ROAAAR!

"Haha!"

A defiant roar rang out from a deadly beast inflicted with immense Soul Damage, while a spent Celestial hoisting a large BroadSword laughed as he knew the battle was as good as over.

Chapter 373 - A Shocking Feat Done Effortlessly

Gushes of blood erupted from the mountainous Behemoth, but it was not the physical damage that made it roar out a dying bellow, it was the horrendous damage to its soul that it received after these attacks pierced its hide!

The attacks were even further exacerbated as they carried with them a hint of powerful water elements that were destructive to its heavily flame based essence. The Behemoth tried to move its beaten down body as it felt weary, but the Celestials ganging up on it would not give it such a chance as Boru that was breathing heavily called out to his four team members along with Noah and Athena.

"Finish it! And you two, let's see some of your strength that makes you those with Noble Fates!"

His four team members were already moving the moment Boru's attack finished, Noah and Athena dashing into the scene of the battle quickly thereafter as Athena was quickly wrapped up in a golden armor as she valiantly went into close combat with the dying Behemoth, Noah himself looking to the skies as he cast [Smite of Liberation], the rumbling of descending blades being felt their after as five Blades of Liberation that were nowhere near as large as the single one that Boru had sent down came to smash into the Behemoth.

BOOM! BOOM! BOOM!

Their attacks landed on the wounded and dying beast, continuing on relentlessly as they knew they could not give it a second to recover its strength or gather its energy for attacks. The life force of Behemoths was enormous, where they would start healing in a matter of seconds if given the time as you found yourself in a long drawn out battle that you would eventually pay with your life!

"ROAAAR!"

Dying roars rang out from the enormous beast as the Celestials ganged up on it relentlessly, the battle only ending after another few minutes as the members of the Righteous Fire Exploration Team all slumped towards the ground breathing heavily.

Their bodies were drained of energies as their faces were those of extreme achievement as they looked at the mountainous body of the Behemoth that had finally stopped moving, only its muscles spasming as fountains of blood continued to leak out from it, waves of burning elemental energies slowly beginning to build up around it.

"Gulp, Gulp, Gulp!"

Noah looked towards Boru's position to observe this sizable Celestial actually near a position close to the Behemoth where spurts of blood were leaking out, his mouth wide open as he swallowed what rained down with huge gulps, his face that of extreme satisfaction!

His teammates looked at this site while they breathed raggedly, shaking their heads with a smiling expression of slight disgust as they were used to this behavior.

"Ahh, that's the spot. Another lesson for you rookies, the bodies of Behemoths being valuable treasures was not a joke, where even its blood is filled with immense life force that will quickly rejuvenate your lost energies. You wanna give it a go?"

The dangerously smiling Boru invited them as Athena quietly shook her head, Noah himself training his level of control as he knew better than anyone else the quality of blood leaking into the earth!

His [Blood Gourmet] was telling him that the liters of blood gushing down would have a heavenly taste that even a voluptuous Soul Rank Vampyre could not even come close to comparison, but he would control himself at this moment as he did not want any unnecessary slips.

Boru wiped his mouth as he came towards him and Athena, his team mates recouping their strength as they began to surround the Behemoth.

"So, first hunt. You observed and then joined in later. You got the feeling of it?"

The Celestial thrummed with power that was gradually retuning to his body and Noah and Athena nodded, their gazes on the party members of the Righteous Fire Exploration Team that had begun to cut apart the body of the Behemoth.

"We work as a team, and so we have to divide the treasures the same way too. It is merit based of course, with the one contributing the most to bringing down these huge beasties taking the larger portion of it.

BOOM!

His words were masked as a Blade of Liberation descended down to precisely cut apart the Behemoth at a certain section, his party members using their [Smite of Liberation]s at this time to divide up the mountainous body of the beast as they each began to divide numerous parts and place them into their storage rings or bags.

Boru watched calmly as the largest portion of the Beast was left to him, along with a huge glistening core that released enormous waves of fire elemental essence in the surroundings!

The eyes of the boisterous Celestial shone as they came onto this huge Origin Core, waving his hands as it disappeared, along with the chest and head of the Behemoth as only a few pieces were left behind for him and Athena.

"Here you go rookies, for those last attacks after you observed comfortably at a far distance, haha!"

Boru used his expansive strength to throw the wide tail of the Behemoth that was still larger than Noah's entire body towards him, two of the limbs of the beast containing horrendously sharp claws going towards Athena.

He waved his hands as the enormous tail filled with numerous shimmering crystal spikes entered his [Expansive Space], his heartbeat increasing every so slightly as he got his hands on the body of a Behemoth from the Celestial Realm, even if it was a small part of it.

"Let's move out from here. We've caused a big commotion, and don't want to be in the same location in case we attract anything."

Boru voiced out as the party began to move from the bloodied site of destruction, the serene environment of the Celestial Realm gradually going back to normal as the shimmering trees and foliage continued to stand strong.

Noah followed the Righteous Fire Exploration Party half heartedly as he was doing something incredibly unique that he knew no one else could currently do!

He was excited to get his hands on the enormous spiked tail of the Behemoth, putting it in his [Expansive Space] as the Ancient Blood Clone that was millions and millions of miles away in another Realm entirely teleported into the [Blacksmith's Forge] from the Time Space of the Spiritual Land.

This Ancient Blood Clone was an extension of himself, so he could just as easily access the [Expansive Space] that he placed the enormous tail of the Behemoth in!

A wide smile appeared on the devilishly handsome clone's face as he waved his hands, the same body part of a Flame Behemoth appearing in the [Blacksmith's Forge] as it almost took up the entire space! Noah laughed as he performed this feat so effortlessly, his thoughts quickly throwing a command to the Hearth of the Blacksmith's Forge as he wondered, what would come out from the body of a Behemoth drenched in the Law of Fire?

Chapter 374 - Materials, A Soul Rank Item!

As Noah was moving in the Celestial Realm, his Ancient Blood Clone had begun the tedious work of raising the proficiency of skills in the Time Space while also taking the time to craft new sets of Blood Stained Infernal Oath.

The Item Set had a wide array of uses as it effectively created Berserkers that only became stronger as their vitality fell, finding great uses in the hands of the Beasts of the Spiritual Land and the Harbingers.

So far, he had created more than ten complete Blood Stained Infernal Oath Sets that he went to distribute to his people, but none of these crafting sessions had made him as excited as he was now!

Because currently, the burning blue flames in the Hearth of the Blacksmith's Forge flew out to wrap around the enormous tail of the Fire Behemoth that held numerous spiked crystals on it. The blue flames acted like a snake as they wrapped around this tail in its entirety, Noah watching with rapt attention as he began to oversee the process where the massive tail filled with life force was cut apart as small pieces flew towards the Hearth and disappeared in the flames.

The process was quick and smooth, but something different occurred as the Ancient Blood Clone went on to observe the blue flames taking the thick hide, meat, and bones of the Fire Behemoth, but the numerous crystal stalagmites that were all over the tail were left floating in the air as a new panel filled with shining blue text appeared on Noah's eyes.

[You have obtained x34 Soul Rank Fire Crystals, a normal material capable of enhancing flame-based Items with greater efficiency than Cores.]

Noah's eyes widened as he observed the finished process of the entire tail being cut apart and the muscles and bones disappearing in the Hearth, the only thing left behind being the shining crystal spikes that were all over the tail of the Behemoth, their identity actually being materials that could be used with the [Refine] feature of the Blacksmith's Forge!

He thought back to the huge chunks of the Behemoth that Boru and his teammates had gotten and the numerous stalagmite crystals that were still spread out all over the back of the humongous beast as his main body in the Celestial Realm hungered for the body of a Behemoth all to himself. He would take it one step a time though, and observe exactly what results it would bring out first.

The clone continued to observe the burning flames in the Hearth as the essence of the Spiritual Land was quickly and without reservation sucked towards the Blacksmith's Forge, the Item coming out from the forge this time ultimately being something of great value. The ingredients were the enormous tail of a Behemoth that was standing stably at the Soul Rank, so Noah looked forward to the sort of weapon that would be one level higher than the Blood Stained Infernals Oath Set Items that he had been creating recently.

The process continued on for another few minutes and before long, an eruption of essence and light occurred yet again in the Blacksmith's Forge as a regal aura spread out, the temperature in the surroundings beginning to rise rapidly a red shining weapon rotated in front of the Ancient Blood Clone's eyes!

It was a weapon that passed Noah in size, being slightly larger than himself as it slowly came to life before his eyes. This was a type of weapon that Noah had seen before, but had never actually used in his lifetime. It was a weapon with a single handle in the middle, but it had sharp blades sticking out from each of its ends as it looked like a double edged sword-spear. If he knew his weapons correctly, this should be something that goes under the name of a Glaive!

His thoughts were affirmed as the rotating item slowly released waves of heat in the air, calming down as its description appeared in front of his eyes beautifully.

SOUL [Glaive of Simmering Ember] :: From the rage filled embers of a Behemoth, a glaive simmering with deadly flames comes to life. +100 Fire Elemental Power, +100% Physical Damage, +100%

Elemental Penetration, +50% Attack Speed. Additional Ability: Descending Conflagration. (Part of the Incandescent Flameborn Set)

{Incandescent Flameborn Set} :: An Item Set that only an experienced hunter of Behemoths can adorn. 2 Set Item Bonus- An Ember Phoenix accompanies your side as they attack your enemies with fiery attacks. Ember Phoenixes are spiritual beings that can be summoned again as soon as they perish. 4 Set Item Bonus- When dealing damage with the Fire Element, enemies will take 500% extra damage over 5 seconds as the Burning Effect is applied on their bodies. The damage dealt by the user will also be increased by 50% and the damage taken is reduced by 3% for every Flameborn Item they have equipped. 6 Set Item Bonus- A Blazing Ring of Fire passively and constantly erupts with you at the center, applying the Soul Immolation Effect to your enemies. Enemies under the Soul Immolation Effect take 1000% more damage from abilities of the Fire Element.

A beautiful set of words that were extremely pleasing to the eyes appeared in front of the Ancient Blood Clone as he sucked in a breath. The weapon itself was crazy enough, but he had just finished reading the possible Item Set that could be created from the materials of a Fire Behemoth as his jaw nearly dropped to the ground!

The set bonus for 2 items seemed interesting, the bonus for 4 items looked crazy, but the bonus for having 6 items from the Incandescent Flameborn Set was simply insane! Noah looked over the description of the achieved ability that dealt something called Soul Immolation, as well as the huge 1000% boost that was attached to this ability. The numbers were too crazy for one to wrap their minds on the first time, and could only be viewed and tested fully on the battle field!

He went over the description of this fantastical weapon another three times before he reached out and grabbed onto it.

RUMBLE!

He felt the ever so increasing temperature of his surroundings gradually calm down as he grasped the weapon in his hands, its size a few inches bigger than his as he swiftly began to move it around. He felt an unnatural heaviness coming from the weapon as every time he moved it, thin streaks of flames began to bubble forth dangerously!

This was the first weapon that he had crafted that had an ability also attached to it, his eyes going over the [Descending Conflagration] as he wondered exactly what it would be. The attack speed boosts, physical damage boosts, and the Elemental Penetration were also amazing qualities by themselves, but he also came to the new introduction of something called Elemental Power!

He observed the [Glaive of Simmering Ember] as the flames that were asking to erupt within it continued to dance wildly, his thoughts moving rapidly as he went on to test the normal materials that had appeared from the tail of the Behemoth. The Glaive flew out of his hands as it went back into the Hearth, his mind sending a command to use the [Refine] feature for the first time.

RUMBLE!

15 of the crystal stalagmites that were considered Soul Rank Fire Crystals flew into the Hearth along with the Glaive of Simmering Ember, essence converging yet again as this session was much shorter

than the last one, being less than a minute before the Item was thrown out of the Hearth once more. Noah glanced at the description yet again as he noticed some changes.

SOUL [Glaive of Simmering Ember]+1:: From the rage filled embers of a Behemoth, a glaive simmering with deadly flames came to life. +110 Fire Elemental Power, +110% Physical Damage, +110% Elemental Penetration, +55% Attack Speed. Additional Ability: Descending Conflagration. (Part of the Incandescent Flameborn Set)

A +1 had appeared on the powerful weapon, as well as its boosts being increased by a small amount!

But...this was only a single successful refinement that had pushed the power of this weapon by more than 10%. Noah's thoughts were running wild as he thought of all the possibilities of refining this type of weapon numerous times, as well as the other Items that were part of this Incandescent Flame Born Set that this [Glaive of Simmering Ember] was a part of. Although his thoughts were brought to a stop as he remembered he currently did not have any more pieces of a powerful Soul Rank Behemoth, and he only had 19 more Soul Rank Fire Crystals remaining on him!

This reminder brought his hungry thoughts back to the Celestial Realm, where the Righteous Fire Exploration Team was moving back towards the Sanctum to recuperate their spent essence. Noah walked along with them in the fantastical forest atmosphere of the Celestial Realm nonchalantly, fitting in perfectly as his clone had finished creating an Item from the materials of a Behemoth that was more refined than any weapons that the members of the Righteous Fire Exploration Team were wielding!

Chapter 375 - Bustling Atmosphere

As Noah continued moving in the Celestial Realm, motions continued to flow in the Light Expanse of the Novus Galaxy as the major powers in the Prime Worlds were finishing their preparations to set off towards a certain location after agreeing to the conditions of the Celestials.

First, only beings of the Void Realm and above were allowed entrance to this paradisiacal Realm that the Celestials released information of, as anyone of lower strength would simply not be able to survive even a day in this Realm.

The second condition was the most important one, and it stated that for every being entering the Celestial Realm, whatever treasures they found in this dangerous realm would have to be shared with the Celestials, and this applied to half of everything they found!

Last and not least, everyone that entered would be kept track of, the Celestials needing to know exactly who was coming in and out of the Celestial Realm!

The powers from the numerous Prime Worlds agreed to these conditions without a second thought, their sights already set on the fantastical treasures of this Celestial Realm, no matter what they had to do to get their hands on it.

In the tumultuous Underworld, the forces of the Pureblood Vampyres were prepared as a devilishly handsome Prince Cassius had reappeared, his gaze as aloof as ever as his power thrummed at the peak of Void Realm.

Hos gaze was currently locked on with the beady eyes of a particularly arrogant penguin that was being carried by his Aunt, the Royal Vampyre Elena.

The Emperor Penguin seemed to be looking at the face of the prince up and down with its beady eyes that were filled with a prideful light, ultimately raising its beak up as it disregarded the devilishly handsome Prince and sunk back into the chest of a happy Elena.

This Royal Vampyre had just received a command from her Progenitor that she would be coming into the Celestial Realm with the forces that he sent, this Emperor Penguin being just one of the few beings that she would be traveling with!

Among them were fearsome Vampyric Calamities of the Sea, with the even more powerful beasts that were even more familiar with the particularly cute penguin she was holding tightly onto her. She ran her fingers down the sleek feathers on the raised head as she spoke to her nephew.

"Get everyone else ready and we shall board the ship. The journey should take quite some time."

"Yes!"

Prince Cassius affirmed with a determined expression as he thought about Noah, learning of the results of his recent actions as his face hardened.

He had reviewed the recorded events of the massacre in the Magus World, seeing this being he knew to be ok his level not too long ago actually stand against two Soul Forging Realm opponents and actually take them down with ease. This wasn't to even mention the Devouring Winged Serpent that was at the peak of Soul Forging Realm that he helped to finish the life of.

Prince Cassius felt a sense of shock as a flame began to burn in his heart, committing to strengthening himself to the fullest so he could at least match that being again!

His gaze was that of determination as he went towards the Interstellar Warship, looking forward to what the future would bring.

The Vampyre King watched his son head out as he looked back towards Elena, his gaze that of care as he spoke out slowly.

"Take care of him while you all are there, Elena. He is my only son."

"Bah stop with that brooding mood. I'll keep everyone safe and bring you back some treasures. That is if I have the time while overseeing all the missions of the old fogey in the Dark Expanse."

Elena replied as she revealed some unknown secrets behind the scenes, secrets of how the Dark Expanse was using this opportunity to put some of their own forces into this Celestial Realm and observe its inner workings carefully. At this stage, the conflicts continued to occur behind the scenes as everyone seemed to be preparing for a coming war that would surely come to pass!

As the Celestials busied themselves with the Celestial Realm and rising the strength of their own weapons, The Infernal Lords were waiting patiently for the inevitable rise of the 9th Infernal Lord. They were a special existence, coming to understand that things would always move how fate intended, no matter what the being flowing in the river of fate tried to do. So they did nothing but simply wait as in the First Realm of Hell, an Abhorred Lich Emperor continued to direct a legion of Undead to continue depleting the rapidly populating Infernals of the expansive Infernal Realm of Hell.

Its body was bubbling with strength as golden flames eerily waved in its bony sockets, a green-gold light going on to shimmer over its body as it realized a change had occurred within itself.

The terrifying Lich did not have to wait long while wondering as soon after, its owner appeared in the skies where it stood atop a Bone Dragon, a smiling expression stretching out from his devilish face as he saw from the stat panel that the Abhorred Lich Emperor had finally reached maximum proficiency, and could be upgraded towards the next rank!

"Haha!"

Noah's Ancient Blood Clone let out a laugh as his thoughts moved towards the Abhorred Lich Emperor Skill Tree, getting ready to use the many Void and Void+ skills he had gained from the events in the Magus World to bring up this Skill Tree into the Soul Rank as well.

The required skills were sacrificed as a change began to occur to the Abhorred Lich Emperor in front of him, even bigger changes in store as he looked at the possibilities of advancement of its skill tree.

[Lich Lord of Abomination] (15/15):: Abilities- Summon Poison Totem(5/5), Summon Undead(5/5), Noxious Outburst(5/5), and Dereliction of the Saintly Poison Lord(5/5) >> [Abhorred Lich Emperor](45/45):: Additional Abilities- Undead Legion(5/5), Will of the Undead Emperor(5/5), and Delay Death(5/5). Two Skill Trees for evolution are possible once sufficient points and a base requirement of two equivalent level sacrificial skills are reached: >> [Arch Lich Ra'Zan]:: A dreadful calamity steeped in death. Enhances all death aspect abilities, as well as gaining the capability of summoning Supreme Tier Undead. >> [Pernicious Death Lord]:: A being with utmost proficiency in the art of poison and death, gaining wide area of attack abilities that decimate its foes.

The Ancient Blood Clone gazed at the blue set of words in front of his eyes as he smiled, his mind going on to select the pathway he wanted right away as a dense black light engulfed the summoned Lich Emperor, the air trembling as it announced the coming of an even more dreadful being!

Chapter 376 - [Arch Lich Ra'Zan]

The selection of the next advancement made was [Arch Lich Ra'Zan], the pathway that led to even more deathly and terrifying additions being made to the Undead Legion!

RUMBLE!

Essence converged to the already summoned Arch Lich as he underwent a transformation, the Ancient Blood Clone going on to view the new abilities given by the advancement of this skill tree into the Soul Rank.

SOUL [Lich Lord of Abomination] (15/15):: Abilities- Summon Poison Totem(5/5), Summon Undead(5/5), Noxious Outburst(5/5), and Dereliction of the Saintly Poison Lord(5/5) >> [Abhorred Lich Emperor](45/45) :: Additional Abilities- Undead Legion(5/5), Will of the Undead Emperor(5/5), and Delay Death(5/5) >> [Arch Lich Ra'Zan] (0/60) :: Additional Abilities- No Man's Land(0/5), Reward for Servitude(0/5), Field of Torment(0/5), and Abyssal Summoner(0/5).

The clear and crisp addition of four abilities came with the advent of Arch Lich Ra'Zan, with their names already sounding overly powerful as Noah's Ancient Blood Clone focused on the individual skills to see exactly what their effects were!

[No Man's Land] (0/5) :: The area of 1 mile around the Arch Lich Ra'Zan becomes a domain of death for 10 seconds. The Arch Lich and its minions are healed 3% of their maximum health every time an enemy dies in No Man's Land. Enemies found in No Man's land will suffer -25% All Element Resistance and -50% Death and Poison Element Resistance. Death related skills' mana consumption is reduced to 0 while No Man's Land is active. Cooldown: 360 minutes.

[Reward for Servitude] (0/5) :: The legion of the Arch Lich gains the capability of spreading the damage each of them received throughout the whole legion, bolstering their resilience as the vitality of many is greater than the vitality of a few. The damage that the Undead Legion receives can also be redirected towards the Arch Lich momentarily.

[Field of Torment] (0/5) :: Enemies are brought into an isolated space where they shall be tormented until their souls break down. The origins and memories of tormented enemies will be given to the Undead Legion as they are strengthened even further.

[Abyssal Summoner] (0/5) :: The terrible Undead from the Abyss can be called upon, their sheer size dominating the battlefield as only the strongest of Arch Liches can control them, Currently Available Abyssal Undead: Abyssal Death Knight, Abyssal Ghoul. Abyssal Summon Limit-1

The set of skills shone with a blue l.u.s.ter as the clone's own eyes shone, his gaze landing on the newly improved Arch Lich Ra'Zan who was rising up from the cacophony of essence.

His features had fully erased the green color as it became a dominating black figure with golden flames blazing in its eye sockets, its size now nearing 3 meters as the skull staff it held became even more menacing!

Numerous black runic lines ran across its skeletal body that was half covered with a cloak drenched in darkness, the Bone Dragon it stood on beginning to perceptibly change below it as an aura of darkness spread out to cover it, along with the tens of thousands of the Undead that filled the surroundings.

OOOOOH!

Resounding cries of death erupted out as the Undead Legion underwent a transformation and further increased in strength, Noah wanting to observe the exact changes of the new skills as he began to pump skill points into them freely!

[Arch Lich Ra'Zan] (60/60) :: Additional Abilities- No Man's Land(5/5), Reward for Servitude(5/5), Field of Torment(5/5), and Abyssal Summoner(5/5).

The effectiveness of [Field of Torment] and [Reward for Servitude] were increased, but the ones that showed their increased effectiveness most clearly were [No Man's Land] and [Abyssal Summoner] after they were filled with maximum Skill Points!

[No Man's Land] (5/5) :: The area of 6 miles around the Arch Lich Ra'Zan becomes a domain of death for 60 seconds. The Arch Lich and its minions are healed 21% of their maximum health every time an enemy dies in No Man's Land. Enemies found in No Man's land will suffer -50% All Element Resistance and -100% Death and Poison Element Resistance. Death related skills' mana consumption is reduced to 0 while No Man's Land is active. Cooldown: 60 minutes.

[Abyssal Summoner] (5/5) :: The terrible Undead from the Abyss can be called upon, their sheer size dominating the battlefield as only the strongest of Arch Liches can control them, Currently Available Abyssal Undead: Abyssal Death Knight, Abyssal Ghoul, Abyssal Revenant, Abyssal Jiangshi. Abyssal Summon Limit- 6

For the [No Man's Land] ability, the affected area had increased from 1 mile to 6, as well as increased debuffs for all the enemies that were contained in this range of 6 miles, with the limit of how many the Arch Lich could summon becoming 6, while the cooldown came down from 360 minutes to only 60 minutes!

For the [Abyssal Summoner], additional possible summons called the Abyssal Revenant and Abyssal Jiangshi were added. Noah very much looked forward to seeing what exactly these Abyssal creatures were as he gave a command to the Arch Lich, the deathly being nodding as it waved its skull staff forward and cast, [Abyssal Summoner]!

RUMBLE!

A storm of essence erupted out with the Arch Lich at the center as a huge runic circle filled with darkness appeared in the skies of the First Realm of Hell.

The runic circle was more than 50 meters wide as it pulsed with power, a dark light shining from it as the forms of expertly designed Abyssal Undead erupted out and crashed towards the blazing earth!

BOOM!

Their arrival caused a huge impact that even crushed a few weaker Undead that were in the surroundings, their sizes being so massive as the two Abyssal Undead towered over 40 meters.

One was an Abyssal Revenant, a being that had a humanoid mummified form, and on its back was a huge coffin that spanned the length of its entire body!

The other was the Abyssal Jiangshi, an enormous being that held two dark columns bubbling with darkness in its arms, its entire body looking very similar to a four legged beast as it crouched down like an ape, the two dark columns of darkness it carried within its arms causing the earth they touched to decay.

0000H!

They screamed out as they announced their arrival, their screams traveling back to the far away Spiritual Land and spreading out tens of miles in the First Infernal Realm as even the wrathful Infernals received a tremor throughout their bodies!

Noah's Ancient Blood Clone only smiled as he looked at these powerful beings called Abyssal Undead, knowing his collection of Skill Points was about to get much faster, his heart already set on getting the percentage of the Infernal Lord title towards 100% soon!

Chapter 377 - The Time Nears!

In the Celestial Realm, the Righteous Fire Exploration Team had returned to the Sanctum as they went towards Grandmaster Simeon's Blacksmith Shop.

"Old Man Simeon, are you in here? We got some new material you can work on!"

Boru's boisterous voice erupted towards the large smithy in front of them as an even thicker voice returned out.

"If it's the materials of some Normal Behemoth, don't even bother."

"Ehh..."

Boru shook his head willfully as he heard these words thrown out a moment after he called out, motioning for the team to continue towards the dining quarters.

"Sometimes Grandmaster Simeon can be busy and turn you down unless you bring him an Elite Behemoth's materials that are drenched in Supreme Laws. For now, let's celebrate by gorging ourselves with food!"

The members of the Righteous Fire Exploration Team cheered as they followed along, Noah and Athena close behind them as the valiantAthena looked at Noah who seemed to be in thought.

"You have that same light as when you proposed the alternate path for the mission in the Magus World. What could my little Junior Brother Crixus be thinking?"

The Senior Sister that had spent a significant amount of time with Noah over the past month noticed the sharp light that was passing through his eyes, sending him a telepathic message as they went towards a spectacular looking building that had a heavenly smell of food and was bustling with the movements of numerous Celestials.

Noah glanced at the War Princess as he replied.

"This expansive Celestial Realm that is largely unexplored...I want to see exactly what its secrets are!"

His thoughts were simple, so he said them in a straightforward manner as Athena's eyes shone at his answer, feeling a similar feeling deep in her heart. She looked towards the boisterous exploration team they just had their first hunt with as she sent back another telepathic message with a smile.

"Haha, don't worry. After learning all we can from this top ranked Exploration Team and grow our knowledge and power, it won't be too late to explore the unknown regions."

The words of Athena only affirmed Noah's thoughts about how he should move forward from here on out, knowing it would be very hard if he wanted to move out alone, as the Grandmaster heavily favored his life!

He thought of all the possible ways he could achieve his goal of exploring this Celestial Realm freely as many possibilities floated in his mind, one of them even being simply waiting a few days until the powerful figures of the many Prime Worlds began entering for him to enter as well, or to simply teleport his clone to also move right away in the Celestial Realm!

These ideas floated in his mind as he decided against teleporting the clone for now, not fully understanding the extent to which the Celestials were watching the explored regions surrounding the Sanctum, and for the simple fact that nobody other than Celestials were currently in the Celestial Realm. If anybody came across a single being exploring the dangerous Celestial Realm, he would raise a lot of

dangerous flags with the Celestials at this point in time. The idea of waiting for more foreign powers to enter the Celestial Realm was most ideal, as things would become even more chaotic then, and if he chose to bring his clone into the Celestial Realm as well, he could do it with out any reservations.

This would mean momentarily losing the bonus of constantly using the Time Space of the Spiritual Land to raise the proficiencies of the skill trees, but he could still divide his time to do this if the clone moved alone in this mystical realm. The other cause was the [Treasure Hunter] feature that was attached to the Spiritual Land, which he knew would be immensely helpful in this realm filled with treasures. So bringing his clone into this realm with the Spiritual Land was an inevitable action, all that mattered was when exactly he would do it.

So for now, he would learn all about the explored and unexplored regions, and prepare for when he could actually start to move in earnest in a few days. He wanted to explore this expansive realm for himself to see exactly what awaited him, and to understand just why it was that Celestials had only ever explored 10% of this entire Realm!

He now knew that to the North of the Sanctum lied the Fire Behemoths, and to the South were the Behemoths knowledgeable in the Laws of Water and Ice. He still did not gather the knowledge of all the surrounding regions, and where exactly he would have to go to come across Behemoths that were proficient in Supreme Laws, or what treasures they could be guarding.

But after seeing the types of Items he could create from the bodies of Behemoths...his heart shook as he recalled the boosts of the Incandescent Flameborn Set that he only held a single item of currently.

The Item Set was so powerful that he knew if he hunted Behemoths of the opposing element, his task would be that much more smoother from the huge boosts given by equipping all 6 Items in the Set!

So he would continue amassing his knowledge of this establishment of the Celestials in the Celestial Realm, the Sanctum, and then get a good grasp on all the surrounding explored regions as he waited for the masses of beings from the numerous Prime World to gather.

He had been extremely productive the past few days, this being attributed mostly to his clone as he had quickly managed to upgrade another skill tree to the Soul Rank, and [Lesser Cthulhu] was not too far away from getting its own upgrade as the Ancient Blood Clone continued to work hard in the Time Space of the Spiritual Land.

A world shaking aura could be felt in the wide space most of the time as the clone adopted the fearsome form of the Lesser Cthulhu and used its numerous abilities, its Skill Proficiency continuing to be raised more and more as numerous days passed in the Time Space of the Spiritual Realm. Noah looked forward to the next form of this skill tree greatly, as there were too many mysteries associated with this particular ability.

He continued moving with the Righteous Fire Exploration Team as his thoughts were occupied with many ideas, occasionally asking more questions to learn about the Celestial Realm as time progressed.

Like this, the days continued to pass as the river of fate moved forward and in a few days, tens of thousands of Interstellar Sh.i.p.s were nearing the same position near a wide Golden Door that Noah had passed through not too long ago, their eyes shining with hunger as they also sought for their own opportunities!

Chapter 378 - The Denizens of the Light Expanse Enter

Throughout the Sanctum, a bustle of activities were taking place as the Celestials moved to ensure everything went their way with the entrance of the numerous beings from powerful Prime Worlds into the Celestial Realm. The expansive colonized area of the Celestial Realm that was hundreds of miles long had communications running throughout the different parts as they prepared for the massive increase in the number of beings.

The central area of the Sanctum that was cl.u.s.tered with most buildings was the busiest, while the empty areas of mystical forests that only had watchtowers every few tens of miles monitoring the explored regions had the least amount of activity. It was decided that the coming beings would be residing in these empty but explored regions, regions similar to the ones that Noah and Athena had entered into with the Righteous Fire Exploration Team where they had encountered a Fire Behemoth!

These regions weren't entirely safe, but those entering would be given this information and told to prepare as they forged their own path in the Celestial Realm.

Talismans that could be given to all those who entered so they could be kept track of were produced en masse as hundreds of thousands were ready, the Celestials looking forward to the future where their resource collection would multiply by an unknown factor as they received even more treasures through the intrusion of these beings, while also influencing them greatly for the coming future.

In a particular nondescript vessel, the forces of the Pureblood Vampyres of the Underworld were cl.u.s.tered together neatly as they continued towards the Golden Door. There were hundreds of Prime Warsh.i.p.s in the surroundings, causing every single being to be very well behaved as they knew very well the power of these fearsome weapons

The Pureblood Vampyres watched the procession of beings getting out of their vessels as they were read the rules and accepted the tracking talisman, their turns soon nearing as the Royal Vampyre Elena led her forces forward.

Among them were the forces of Beasts from Noah's Spiritual Land and the Calamities of the Sea that had used the numerous cores that Noah brought back to upgrade their rank to the Void Realm, their gazes shining a dangerous light as they looked at the beings that so easily destroyed their world.

Their hearts were stifled, but they knew they could not do anything at this moment as they continued to improve their strength until they achieved a level of power that would allow them to move however they wished.

The arrogant Emperor Penguin floated in the void of space as his body pulsed with a unique force, his spatial attribute going very well with the unique qualities of space as he stood at the forefront of the forces right next to Elena.

Their turn came as they floated towards the front of the procession where multiple Red Robed Celestials were located, golden lights shining upon them as they were read the agreement for entering the Celestial Realm and each one was given a tracking talisman. This would effectively act as their identity for when they wanted to enter or leave the Celestial Realm in the future!

Something of important note was the reminder from the Celestials that even though whatever they obtained in the Celestial Realm would be reduced by half as they gave the other half to the Celestials, whatever treasures they fought for and obtained would ultimately be theirs. They would not be bullied, and it was first come first serve when it came to battling the creatures in the Celestial Realm, or its vast mystical treasures.

Like all the previous denizens of the Light Expanse, the Pureblood Vampyres agreed as they were granted access to move forward, their origins coming in contact with the Golden Door as their figures disappeared, instantly reappearing in a bustling area at the center of the Sanctum that now held even more people!

Different to when Noah first entered, a huge change had occurred in the past few days as the Celestials anticipated the many uses of the increase in beings, going to institute a few things, with one of them being shops!

There were numerous stalls spread out all over the Sanctum that offered a variety of products unique to the Celestial Realm, some being oversized weapons and armor made from the bodies of behemoths, others being medicinal herbs or unique treasures that Celestials ran into themselves as they explored.

Currently, many of these shops were spread out as each one held a singular similarity, and that was the incredulous prices that were attached to the things offered for sale!

As they were unique products never to be found anywhere else, they were traded only with the highest quality cores or other treasures as a form of payment, with the least acceptable cores or refined cores(Spirit Stones) being those at the Soul Realm, and the prices ranged in the tens of cores.

This was just a preliminary test that the Celestials were conducting, their future goal being to create an economy as this new force entered the Celestial Realm, using the many things they obtain within to circulate as they grew more and more attached to the Realm and everything in it.

This also went in their favor as to them, they were simply lending out weapons that would help these beings to take down Behemoths that they would eventually be taking 50% of whenever the denizens of the Light Expanse defeated them, and this also applied to any treasures they were lucky enough to find!

It was a win win situation that promoted the strength of the newly arriving beings while only furthering the goals of the Celestials more.

The forces of the Pureblood Vampyres looked around their surroundings in wonder as they sensed the engulfing and overflowing essence in the surroundings, the Emperor Penguin being particularly happy as he could sense the Spiritual Land Master not too far away from where they were!

'Master, we can finally fight in the same location as you!'

The arrogant penguin felt a tight knot in its chest loosen as it achieved the goal of helping its Master, finally gaining enough strength to be able to stand in the same region as him. Its beak raised to the skies as it vowed to enact the legend of the most fearsome Spiritual Beast that ever lived and leave a mark in this Celestial Realm for its Master!

Many hopes and dreams were flowing through the minds of the newly arriving beings from powerful Prime Worlds in the Light Expanse as the largely unexplored fantastical Celestial Realm received a large

influx of forces, on the first day gaining tens of thousands of beings at the Void Realm, and hundreds at the Soul Forging Rank as the tides of change swiftly moved forward.

The influx of these new forces only meant one thing- that this largely unexplored realm was about to become even more lively, numerous beings with their own fates entering as mysteries would more quickly be unveiled. Although, the result of this project on a large scale could only be seen by those actually moving the pieces in the dark.

Chapter 379 - The Order of Blood is Formed, Arrival!

A few days passed as the liveliness of the Sanctum only increased, the influx of people increasing by the day as many familiarize themselves with the knowledge of the Celestial Realm.

To gain this knowledge, they had to pay the price of multiple Soul Rank Cores or simply begin venturing into the mystical forest of the Celestial Realm themselves as they braved the dangers and tested their luck on fantastical treasures.

Some groups heavily believed in themselves as they moved out, many beings coming to face the power of the Behemoths for the first time in the past few days as many casualties occurred for the newly formed exploration teams, this event acting as a reminder to those coming in as they watched dejected faces walking through the expansive Sanctum carrying dead bodies of their comrades.

Some were from powerful Prime Worlds and made Exploration Teams filled with Soul Rank individuals and hundreds of Void Rank beings, using this overpowering force to take down Behemoths as they began to enjoy the treasures of the Celestial Realm!

The moment these victories began to appear, the newly arrived beings from numerous Prime Worlds saw the importance of creating powerful Exploration Teams to hunt down these powerful but wondrous Behemoths whose bodies were filled with treasures, sparking the competitive beginning of the creation of numerous teams as some forces were powerful enough to form their own complete teams capable of hunting down Normal Behemoths, while other forces from different Prime Worlds joined together in order to achieve the same goal.

On the third day as even more and more beings continued to pour into the Celestial Realm and begin exploring it, the careful observing force of Pureblood Vampyres finally decided they gathered enough information, which was simply what Noah passed towards the Emperor Penguin and Royal Vampyre Elena as they became one of the most prepared groups of the incoming forces.

They finally felt their confidence rise on the third day as they finally stopped watching how the events would continue to move forward, choosing to set out to explore themselves as Elena received very specific directions from Noah in order for this team to keep their lives and not face a complete massacre.

One of those things was the simple rule that their force would not move past the unexplored regions that might hold powerful Elite Behemoths or even worse for now, spending this time to get accustomed to the fighting power of Normal Behemoths as they strengthened themselves and obtained phenomenal treasures.

The Royal Vampyre listened to the words of the Vampyre Progenitor to the tee as on this day in the Sanctum of the Celestial Realm, the Exploration Team under the name of The Order of Blood was formed!

This exploration team consisted of powerful Vampyric Beasts like the Emperor Penguin and numerous Pureblood Vampyres that were led by the curvaceous Royal Blood Vampyre Elena, a force that would actually fall on the weaker side as it did not have that many Soul Forging Beings.

But they would make up for what they lacked in strength with their numbers, and also with something that was unique only to them, the blazing red Item Sets they wore that were the Bloodstained Infernal Oath Set Items!

Noah had used the Absolute Skills <<Herald of Fate>> to observe the Items created from Infernals numerous times as he confirmed that their origins were not able to be ascertained as the enemies of Celestials at all.

But these items would play a special role in the Celestial Realm, as they were items strong in the Law of Fire, being especially effective in hunting down Icy Behemoths in the South region or withstanding the Fire Behemoths in the North with the armors that provided defense against such a beast.

The concept that having the armor of the same element helped in withstanding the damage of the Behemoth while holding a weapon of the opposing element helped you deal more damage to the Behemoth would soon become understood very clearly by the arriving beings as they flocked to create weapons from the bodies of the Behemoths they hunted, wanting to equip themselves with the right set of armors and weapons that would dictate what they hunted in the future.

The combination of armor drenched in the Law of Fire along with a weapon drenched in the Law of Water was needed to hunt Fire Behemoths with most efficiency. While the combination of armor drenched in the Law of Water and a weapon filled with the Law of Fire were utmost if one wanted to pierce through the defenses of an Ice Behemoth. This concept applied to all the other elements, as they had not yet stepped into the realm of worrying about Elite Behemoths that could be proficient in Supreme Laws.

The Law of Light and the Law of Darkness opposed each other, as well as the Law of Fate and the Law of Chaos standing on opposite sides of the spectrum, but not a single one of the new beings were worried about these types of laws at this moment.

The newly formed Order of Blood with Elena leading was equipped with the Infernal Sets as they set off carefully towards the explored perimeters near the Sanctum, wishing to find a weak wandering Behemoth to have their first battle as they move to strengthen themselves.

Meanwhile, Noah and Athena were in the company of the Righteous Fire Exploration Team as they continued to go out and hunt the Northern Region with Fire Behemoths every day as they learned more and more about the Celestial Realm, Noah's mood being particularly good today as while he walked with Boru and his group back to the Sanctum, in another location of the Celestial Realm, someone had intruded.

The intrusion was not through the Golden Door that led one into the Celestial Realm, but through the use of a particular Teleportation Skill that allowed one to appear at any place in their memories.

This time, a devilishly handsome Ancient Blood Clone had appeared in an empty region of the Celestial Realm, a confident expression on his face as he had a miraculous Spiritual Land anchored to his body.

A single blood clone carrying a Spiritual Land that had a unique feature entered the Celestial Realm, the effect of this event being something only Noah could imagine as he got ready to move into this expansive realm in earnest as he used the cover of the newly arriving beings to move freely.

This wide realm and the numerous mysterious treasures within it...he wanted them all to himself as the Ancient Blood Clone raised his hand up, holding the miniaturized Spiritual Land as he began by activating a single feature- [Treasure Hunter]!

Chapter 380 - Covert Exploration

In the expansive Celestial Realm, a single Ancient Blood Clone was moving further and further away from the Sanctum as he passed through numerous areas that were already explored by the Celestials, the path he was taking actually taking him towards the unexplored regions as time passed.

The usage of the [Treasure Hunter] feature of the Frozen Plateau Spiritual Land was a unique one, with the clone observing a golden light shoot forth from the center of the miniaturized Spiritual Land as it trembled with vigorous essence, this golden light forming into the shape of a literal golden arrow that pointed even further north from the position that he was standing on.

Noah shook his head with a smile as he looked at the small golden arrow that was barely a meter long, wondering exactly what thing could be considered a treasure that this arrow had locked onto, and what he would have to do to obtain it!

Before he began moving towards the direction it pointed towards, he used the [Unique Origin] ability gifted from the Vampyre Progenitor as he chose to look for this first treasure covertly, not knowing what powerful creatures he could possibly run into as he went further and further away from the Sanctum.

He used [Unique Origin] as his body rapidly changed, becoming a pool of blood that slowly dwindled in size until it became less than a few inches, his humanoid shape becoming clearer as the size continued to reduce until he became a single inch! As he used the ability, he made it so that not a single aura of power leaked from him, the presence he gave off being even less stimulating than the plants that gave off abundant essence around him.

In the surroundings of the fantastical environment of the Celestial Realm where everything was filled with overflowing essence, a being that could barely be seen by the n.a.k.e.d eye that did not have even an aura of essence would be nearly impossible to find unless someone powerful was specifically looking for them appeared!

The miniaturized Ancient Blood Clone looked up towards the now even grander forest around him, even the small swaying grasses seeming multiple times larger than his own figure as the earth below him that was abundant in essence expanded even further. The ancient trees that were tens of meters tall looked even more massive, the cover of all of these magical surroundings making him feel extremely safe.

The size of the miniaturized Spiritual Land became even smaller than him, less than one tenth of an inch as it was anchored to his left hand, the golden arrow coming from it reflecting in size as the clone

smiled, its body still bubbling with enormous power as it shot forth in the cover of numerous grasses where the arrow indicated!

He was moving in an extremely covert manner as while he moved beneath the numerous plants and foliage, not a single disturbance occurred in the fantastical surroundings of his location. His goal was to find out exactly where [Treasure Hunter] would lead him, and that was it. What would happen after that would be determined by what exactly he came to find.

His main body had been moving with the Righteous Fire Exploration Team the past few days, their hunts gradually giving him more and more information as he knew what terrible Behemoths could be found in the nearby areas that he was advised to keep away from.

The explored areas near the Sanctum were filled with Normal Behemoths, their strength varying in ranks but almost all of them being stably at the Soul Forging Realm. Because of their unique enormous bodies and proficiencies in laws, tens of normal Soul Rank individuals were required to take them down, or the most powerful Exploration Teams from the Celestials like the Righteous Fire hunting team.

Going even further out would put you at risk of coming around the Domain of an Elite Behemoth, which would almost certainly guarantee death for any Normal Team!

The Celestials warned Normal Teams to be extremely careful of entering a domain of such Celestial Beasts because as the name implies, these Elite Beasts would commonly have power at the Domain Expansion Realm!

That was a shocking realm that the Celestial Grandmasters held, their power being immensely powerful as they formed what was called Elite Exploration teams to hunt down such Behemoths.

Some of these Behemoths could have a rank at the Soul Forging Realm, but if they were proficient in a Supreme Law, it automatically placed them at the Elite Behemoth level. Some could be half a step into the Domain Expansion realm, this small advancement added to their already terrifying bodies allowing them to also be ranked as Elite Behemoths. Of course, the Behemoths that had already stepped into the Domain Expansion Realm were the most powerful at the Elite Rank, needing a team of Grandmasters to fully take them down.

What Noah currently dreaded the most was coming face to face with an Elite Behemoth, as he knew it would mean a very arduous and nearly impossible mission for his clone, but the further out he continued to follow the golden arrow, the more somber he became as he also grew more excited!

His miniaturized figure continued running speedily beneath the cover of its surroundings, coming to a stop after an hour as he felt the overflowing aura of a Behemoth filled with the Fire Element.

He stopped his quick movements as he climbed the grasses that were huge proportionate to his size, peeking from beneath the earth as he did not use any of his skills that allowed him to spread out his aura to check his surroundings. As long as he didn't use any mana in this place where even plants overflowed with immense mana, even the extremely perceptive Behemoths would not be able to locate him.

The Fire Behemoth he came across adopted similar features to the ones he had been coming across as he moved with the Righteous Fire Exploration Team, this one looking similar to an oversized Iguana that was slowly strolling through the mystical swaying trees.

Noah observed this powerful beast as he finally came across a Behemoth while moving alone, the presence of it being at the Normal Level being apparent as Noah was confident in being able to take it down with time.

He glanced at the calm surroundings and the Fire Behemoth that continued to stroll undisturbed as he smiled as returned back under the shade of the grasses, continuing towards where the golden arrow pointed as he marked the location of this Behemoth.

He had used the abilities of {Herald of Fate} to determine the best pathway for him to take that would cause the least chaos for his mission, and it told him to continue on his path towards where the golden arrow pointed to!

So for now, he only marked the location of this Behemoth as he continued forward, fully trusting the abilities of {Herald of Fate} as they lead him to upgrade [Blood Lord] skill tree that made possible for the Ancient Blood Clone to come to life, as well as the reminder for the profound uses of the Spiritual Land that he was currently using right now.

A single Fire Behemoth was not hard to find in the close proximity of the Sanctum, and he could come to find one whenever he wished to start a long and arduous battle with it alone. But his goal currently was the location where the golden arrow that the unique feature of the Spiritual Land, [Treasure Hunter], was pointing to. After he ascertained exactly what was considered a treasure in the eyes of this ability and got his hands on it, he would hunt all the Behemoths he could!