

## **Mana 531**

### **Chapter 531 - Assassinate the 9th Infernal Lord!**

In the many battles occurring throughout the Novus Galaxy, very few in particular were ones that many of the higher ups of both sides watched.

The battle taking place at the stronghold that was known as the Verittas Fortress was one of the few that took the center of attention for many!

Powerful beings from both sides were currently watching as two Celestial Legions led an assault towards this fortress, the eyes of many on the dominant 9th Infernal Lord as they prepared to watch just how extensive his abilities were.

The Grand Mage Edrusim was in the busy command room of the Mages Tower as he pulled the illusory feed of this battle in front of his eyes, gazing towards the tens of thousands of unique undead creatures that the Infernal Lord was summoning on top of the 5 World Rank beings.

His perceptive eyes caught the unique aura of fate and chaos on these undead as he shook his head incredulously, his eyes fully absorbed into the scene as the twelve Celestial Commanders did not mince any words and rushed forward, the two Legions behind them following along as the two sides clashed!

Edrusim was prepared to watch another blood pumping battle as he observed the scenes of the Verittas Fortress, and it was actually shaping up to be such a battle. The Celestial Legion clashed with the numerous undead, Infernals, Vampyres, and Mages as those with keen eyes could observe them being pushed back, their power visibly not being able to especially withstand the forces of Vampyres and modified Undead that held the aura of two Supreme Laws.

But the battle was shaping up to be a wild one as a majority of the World rank Celestial Commanders swarmed towards the 9th Infernal Lord who was surrounded by him summoned creatures.

The Infernal Lord had a calm smile on his face as he prepared to move, but it was at this time that something drastic happened!

Something that brought shock and horror to all those watching took place as all known and established norms of Wars were broken on this day!

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In the starry expanse of space near the Verittas Fortress, 8 World Rank Celestial Commanders had surrounded the heavily protected Infernal Lord, the other Commanders going on to match the experts defending the Verittas Fortress.

If one was perceptive enough, they would notice cold smiles on the face of the Commanders at this moment, but none of this would matter for what was to come.

These 8 Commanders raised their hands in the air as if they were about to cast powerful abilities, many watching with rapt eyes to see what colorful skill the Infernal Lord would use to defend, but it was at this instant that something drastic occurred!

**ZIING!**

It felt like a droning sound that scratched ones ears, and it only registered a millisecond later as widening eyes watched the sudden appearance of a solid and piercing golden needle-like sword that had come to be so fast that nobody caught it, only seeing it a few inches away from the forehead of the 9th Infernal Lord.

With the appearance of this shimmering sword, the immense aura of a realm that they were familiar with descended, many having color drain out of their eyes as they felt the ridiculously powerful aura of a being at the Star Forging Realm!

Star Forger!

A Star Forger's aura had appeared out of nowhere, and now a golden needle-like blade was about to pierce into the head of the Infernal Lord!

Yet...it seemed that even this was not enough as behind the Infernal Lord's back, they could see the rapid materialization of a being stretching out a crackling red-gold palm, this individual actually bringing out another aura at the Star Forging Realm as many realized that to their horror, it was not just a single Star Forger that was actually sent here to attack- nay, to assassinate the 9th Infernal Lord.

Two Star Forging experts, one in front and one in the back. Two separate attacks that were sent out with the purpose to kill, the World Rank Celestial Commanders that had been even close to the region beginning to move back not to be caught in the impact.

It was coordinated, planned, and carried out perfectly!

The assassination of a being that was displaying a high level of power at the World Realm, the being that held great significance for the beginning of this Last War, was being carried out blatantly in the eyes of all as the attacks of the two Star Forging Experts reached this being.

RIIIIIP!

BOOOOM!

Space itself ripped and cracked, the needle-like golden sword carrying with it deadly vibrations and the immense power of an expert, the crackling palm coming from behind the Infernal Lord's back actually being reinforced by the law of fate and the law of fire.

Both attacks landed squarely on the target that was intended, immense fluctuations erupting out as the cold eyes of the Star Forging experts watched the target they hit explode in a sea of blood!

A sea of blood!

Many watched with unbelieving eyes as the entire body of the Infernal Lord was turned into a mess of blood, the reality of what just occurred dawning in on them as fear began to overtake them.

As time seemed to be moving in slow motion, only the truly powerful could notice the distinct fluctuations of this mass of blood that was supposed to be the dead Infernal Lord actually begin to wriggle and contort, the assassins that just appeared squinting their eyes as they saw the exploded pieces of the being that should have been dead collect themselves together into an enormous drop of blood, this blood drop blooming into the smiling figure of a devilishly handsome being that was looking at them with sparkling eyes!

"Two Star Forgers? You must think very high!"

BOOM!

Space ruptured again as the assassins gave no time for a pause, the one that had thrown the strike of a crackling palm moving his hands forward as tens of such palms filled with immense fate and fire essence filled the surrounded, the golden needle-like blade actually transforming into the shape of a golden haired man who waved his hands forward and caused the appearance of thousands of extremely small golden swords that vibrated powerfully. They attacked without pause to complete their mission of assassination, not letting their first failure affect them one bit!

Noah looked at these scenes as a wide smile spread from him, his heart shaking in excitement as he called out calmly.

"Very well. {{Flame Lord's Authority}}."

RUMBLE!

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"{{Water Lord's Authority}}."

RUMBLE!

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### **Chapter 532 - So Damn Easy!**

The Figure of Edrusim and multiple other Star Forging Mages beside him disappeared the moment the aura of two beings of the same power as them appeared on the battle field of the Verittas Fortress.

This was because an unwritten rule of the war was broken, with the Celestials choosing to send multiple beings in two realms higher for the single purpose of assassinating a rising individual that would possibly be a great threat to them!

Such a move from the Celestials was a great provocation as it effectively ripped away all rules of engagement for war, the powerful figures of Dark Expanse shooting towards the Verittas Fortress the moment the two experts entered the same battle field as the 9th Infernal Lord.

The Mages moved! The Vampyres moved! Even the 5th and 4th Infernal Lords moved!

They all rapidly adapted to the changing situation as they moved to save a singular being that they knew could be one of the major keys for this war.

Yet in the next instant as they teleported or streaked across space, whatever method they were using to watch the unfolding assassination displayed an even more shocking scene.

The being that should have been dead and only been a puddle of blood reformed, his bright face looking at the two Star Forging Realm experts as he actually muttered words which heald great meaning to those with great knowledge.

"{{Flame Lord's Authority}}"

"{{Water Lord's Authority}}"

WAAA!

The hearts of many being and even of the rushing Star Forgers shook as they heard these words, their indication being something grand that meant someone had comprehended more than half of a universal law, and had gained the ability to lay down its authority.

Very few of them had comprehended any laws past the halfway point, so seeing this newly rising Infernal Lord utter of the {{Authority}} of two separate laws, they almost had heart attacks!

RUMBLE!

Majesty and resplendence was the only thing to describe what happened next as the shining abilities that the two Star Forging Realm experts were throwing out became wiped away, a sparkling circle of red and blue beginning to expand from the Infernal Lord as it went to cover them and the 8 running World Rank Celestial Commanders in the surroundings.

Space crackled with immense energies as the authority of two laws spread out, the faces of 8 World Rank Celestial Commanders becoming ashen as the newly arriving Star Forging Celestials adopted hard expressions on their face.

The many experts rushing towards Verittas Fortress pushed their essence to erupt even faster, their hopes of saving this being shooting up even higher as they saw this ridiculous talent that could actually use the authorities of two universal laws. This talent was simply monstrous, and such a person could not be left to die! They wanted the 9th Infernal Lord to hang on just for a few minutes before they arrived and saved his life, but was such a thing even needed...?

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On the battlefield at the Verittas Fortress, an arrogant penguin was watching a spectacular scene with shining eyes.

His heart had only shaken for a second when the assassins first appeared, but he then recalled just who his master was before he felt completely at ease.

This was his master, someone that did ridiculous things almost every single day. When it came to an impossible situation where two powerful Star Forgers, beings that actually forged an entire star within their Origins- when such powerful beings sneak attacked his master, the only thought in the Emperor Penguin's mind was exactly what ridiculous thing would he do to bypass such a situation?!

It wasn't fear, or worry that popped in the Penguin's mind, but it was an expectation for what his Master would do at this moment. And these expectations...were exceeded on all levels as the flippers of the penguin trembled while watching the authorities of two universal laws spread out!

Noah had simply thrown out his hands, covering all his enemies with an authority that erased their skills as he in the next moment, tongues of noble red flames began to cover his body.

Many did not know what this was, but under the possibilities of {{Authority}}, this was Flame Lord's Armament- flames made under the authority of the Flame Lord that could not be bypassed unless a being also holding an authority came to match him, or someone with exceedingly powerful force!

Noah's body seemed like the Incarnation of Flames as his outline was that of a man of fire, a spectacular crown of flames spinning above him as it released immense might which pressed down on all in the surroundings.

The beady eyes of the Emperor Penguin shone while he looked at this, him and the rest of the Harbingers staying put as they believed in their Master immensely. At this moment, the entire battlefield seemed to have come to a stop as only the events that seemed to be playing out in slow motion were capturing the gazes of all!

The penguin watched on as he could feel a smile forming behind the tongues of flames his master was under, his gaze on the two Star Forgers being that of delight as in the next millisecond, his figure instantly vanished in a flash of flames as he appeared in another location.

It seemed like teleportation, but this was even faster than that as it was an extremely rapid instantaneous movement that the Flame Lord could carry out in the area under his authority, instantly appearing anywhere in this region!

The place he appeared was not next to the Star Forgers to attack them, but he instantly appeared behind the party of 8 World Rank Celestial Commanders that were trying to run away, his palm lifting toward the head of one of the Commanders as he grasped onto it...and people watched in horror as it melted.

His hand that was covered in extremely scorching Noble flames just reached out to grab onto the head of a World Rank Commander, the extreme heat melting the head of the Celestial right away as his body soon became engulfed in wild flames!

The remaining surrounding 7 Commanders moved their essence to protect themselves as the Star Forgers angrily moved, many watching on in shock as the 9th Infernal Lord actually ignored the two powerful assassins a rank above him that had come to assassinate him, attacking the World Rank Commanders first as one was taken down in less than a millisecond.

Shock and stupefaction was the only thing spreading in the hearts of many, but in one particular Emperor Penguin, all he felt was pride!

This was his master! This was Noah Osmont!

### **Chapter 533 - Hepta Kill!**

There are a variety of rare occurrences that very few beings get to experience in their entire lifetimes.

Falling in love for the first time, enjoying immaculate food unlike any other, or the feeling of being intimate for the first time. They were all experiences that one would remember and ingrain in their memories, and Noah was experiencing such a feeling right at this very moment as he used the {{Authority}} of two laws for the first time.

The feeling of strength and power that he sensed...was simply too exhilarating to describe!

He had to stop himself from instantly closing his eyes the moment he cast it just to enjoy that feeling of something unknown and powerful coursing through him, his gaze instead seeing every small detail over the area where he expanded the two Authorities.

In the areas he covered, he felt a feeling of control over them unlike anything he had sensed before. In this space, he was king!

He placed the focus on the {{Flame Lord's Authority}} as he encased himself in a terrible Armament, his body vanishing instantly as he turned into a flicker of flames that was faster than the speed of light, instantly appearing behind a World Rank Celestial Commander as his hand writhed in flames and grasped down.

Immense power was gathered in this palm as the authority of the law of fire disintegrated all defenses of the World Rank Celestial, his achievements in laws not being able to withstand the attack for even a little!

The body of the Commander then became inflamed as Noah saw the burst of light that represented loot entering his Expansive Space, an even more brilliant explosion of Fate Lines shooting out because of the ability of [Fate Stealer].

He had arrogantly moved to take down the World Rank Celestial Commanders first, knowing the Star Forging beings would be a much harder case on their own as he chose to power himself up even more with the Fate Lines and loot that was simply being delivered to him on a platter by these surrounding commanders.

They could only react a millisecond later as their bodies began to shine brilliantly, their faces that of dismay as even though the two Star Forging Celestials had begun shooting their way, their bodies seemed to move at a turtles pace as the two authorities Noah laid down were not just for show!

RUMBLE!

Noah felt the sensation of his hands that were covered with the authority of law that easily decimated the defenses of a being at the same realm him, fully beginning to understand why the palm of the Founder was so inescapable back then.

This feeling of simply the authority of the law of fire had made him this absent-minded, his heart not even beginning to appreciate the authority of the law of water as he closed his eyes while the Celestial Commanders near him were panicking.

He felt the flames he could control in this domain of authority as he stopped his original ways of thinking and ventured into a different direction. The use of an {{Authority}} was extremely taxing, both mental and in terms of mana. So very few could even use it for prolonged periods of time and utilize its efforts fully until they were in higher realms of power.

So at this moment, Noah stopped restricting himself as he went past just attacking a single being under his banner of authorities, his closed eyes focusing on the {{Flame Lord's Authority}} as he pumped the mana he had access to into this authority senselessly!

What he wanted to do was not to just focus on one point of attack or reinforce his body, he wanted the entire area that was under his authority to...burn.

WAAAA!

A feeling of freedom erupted from him as he senselessly poured out mana at a rate he never had before, where he could effectively confirm none of his previously cast skills and abilities had ever taken this much!

With him at the center, seven scrambling World Rank Celestial Commanders running away from him, and two Star Forging Celestials rushing towards him... his body exploded with scorching red flames that carried a deep orange hue, a hint of gold traveling within them as many watched with shocked eyes the grandiosity thereafter.

In the entire red and blue circle that represented Noah's two authorities, flames had permeated with him at the center as they filled every single inch of this glimmering circle, forming a resplendent aurora of red and blue as the beings in the surroundings could feel the face-melting and dangerously scorching heat of the flames as if the fire was right next to them!

BOOOM!

Countless implosions occurred within this world of flames as this modified essence filled with authority tried to rip apart any beings that were not Noah. The defenses of the World Rank Celestial Commanders were shredded over and over again as even while casting what could be considered a wide area of attack ability, its damage was so high that even those in the World Realm could not defend for long!

POP! POP! POP!...

He could feel the bodies of the Celestials get squeezed down by the scorching pressure of flames before they were imploded into fiery balls of fire, the flames sneaking into their orifices as they exploded them from the inside and shattered their Origins.

One, two, three...numerous pops that represented deaths rang out before Noah laughed in the world of flames, his eyes opening as he gave a command for the flames to clear away, his gaze locking toward the only two beings that were still alive within the area of his authority.

BOOM!

Two Star Forging Celestials neared him with their spectacular attacks, their bodies steaming and tan as luminous golden veils of light covered them. Their expressions were maddened with fury and anger as amidst all of this, they seemed to have forgotten that they were just acting as assassins!

The sight of the circular field under Noah's authority was gradually becoming visible as the beings watching had to blink their eyes multiple times to make sure they were seeing the correct scene...

#### **Chapter 534 - Just Who Needs to be Saved?!**

Kazuhiko watched the brilliantly shining domain of flames clearing up instantly, showing the expert control of the being causing this as the sight within it nearly caused his eyes to bulge out.

Only three beings remained in the area under Noah's authority! It was the two Star Forging Celestials as well as Noah, and that was it! Everything else was a burnt and unrecognizable mass of flesh...

The colors of the iridescent and dominating authorities shimmered in the starry expanse of space as the breath of many beings was taken away by it. Kazuhiko looked at this with an unbelievable gaze as he shook his head.

'F.u.c.k.i.n.g hell...that was seven World Rank experts, right?'

His thoughts could not help but comment as he observed the burnt and bloody remains around Noah, his body now being covered by a shimmering circle of water that deflected the attacks of the Star Forging Celestial Commanders. But the main point of what he just saw still stuck in Kazuhiko's mind!

7 World Rank Experts! Dead with a single move!

7!

These weren't just flies or common beings. They were monsters that had lived for hundreds of years to hone their skills and abilities.

Yet in the face of a single being using their Authority, they were wiped away!

"I'm gonna have to thank you for being nice enough to bring so many of you this time around."

Noah's clear voice could distinctly be heard as he stared at the two Star Forgers with a smile, using the authority of the Law of Water to build this defensive and illusory field to actually withstand their attacks.

His body was currently rapidly eating up the Fate Lines of the 7 dead Commanders, his percentage in the law of fate already reaching 40% as it continued to climb forward!

His gaze stood upon the two Star Forging Realm experts as he knew he could not let them go, the rewards they held with them being too abundant. With their defeat, it would mean that just today, he would possibly pierce through the halfway point in the Supreme Law.

His eyes looked at the faces of the two assassins as possible identities came to him because of their skills. These were two of some of the more powerful Commanders under the banner of Aldrich, their entrance here showing simply how much importance was placed on this matter.

Not just one of them was sent, but two! As Noah looked at them with a hungry gaze that wanted to devour, they looked at him with even deadlier gazes as he had effectively taken down powerful commanders they should have been protecting right under their eyes.

RUMBLE!

No words were spared as from one of the Star Forgers, numerous needle point golden swords erupted en masse while the other reinforced his body with essence of fate and fire to move towards Noah with out hesitation.

Even with the use of Authorities, these beings that were an entire realm above Noah had been able to withstand it with their powerful reinforcements, as well as the fact that they comprehended more of the law of fate than the dead World Rank Commanders!

They prepared to complete their mission even with the deadly power showed as in their beliefs, they knew the strain of using the Authority granted by laws was enormous, and already saw themselves being able to pierce through his defense in just a few minutes.



These few minutes would be crucial as they knew with their appearance here, they had set a precedent that would cause the war to become even deadlier as beings of high ranks could start moving at this moment.

Just a matter of minutes, and they believed it would be enough! What they didn't know was how wrong their assumptions were, and the fact that Noah was only just beginning to use all of his abilities!

As he kept the Authorities of the laws of water and fire active, Noah appeared and disappeared at light speed as he only became a wisp of a flame, dodging the many needle like golden blade and the crackling hands trying to tear his clone apart.

When it came to those a level above him, he saw that the use of Authority would allow him to restrict their movements while heavily boosting him, cutting the gap in their strength as his other skills would more than make up for it.

Even the Flame Lord's Armament he was adorning granted him a level of protection where very little damage that he could not dodge from the Star Forgers got to him!

Now, all he had to do was overpower them with his wide array of abilities! Using the boosts of the two Authorities, he began with the spectacular abilities of <<Herald of Flames>> and <Herald of Water>> as scorching meteors began to shoot towards the two Celestials out of nowhere, droves of water also filling the circular area under his authority as his enemies were restricted even more.

Even with this, there was still his transformation skills that he could use, and abilities from the seven deadly sins! He had many choices, but he went with the one he liked the most for its destructiveness and splendor.

His hands crackled as the abilities of the Juvenile Terror began to crackle with wildness, his heart expecting the crazy effects of his Aether Rays that had gained the support of blooming a Portal of Terror with every hit on top of their ability to chain between enemies.

Now that he had two enemies, just how would this scene play out?

RUMBLE!

The many eyes watching this scene as well the beings of the Dark Expanse that were rushing towards the Verittas Fortress nearly wiped their brows at the deadly show of abilities that showed themselves on their illusory screen, some of them even coming to a stop as they saw the scene they were heading to rapidly changing, with a shocking thought arising in their minds!

'This...does he even need to be saved?!'

### **Chapter 535 - A Realm Above? So What!**

In a fight against beings that were an entire realm above yours, what exactly would you do?

Others would either run for their lives, and those more proficient would use experience and genius to outsmart these stronger enemies. In the case of Noah, he had no need to run for his life nor even outsmart his enemies- he chose the most direct route of force!

Yes, they were more powerful than him, with their bodies covered by the immense energies one could only feel from an actual star. But as long as he could withstand this power, he could use something that they and nobody else in this Novus Galaxy had- immense reserves of mana unlike anything ever seen before.

With the use of two Authorities, he was able to withstand their dreadful attacks. Now, he would do the one thing that he could do slowly begin tearing down their defenses, and he would do it by no other way than fully utilizing his unique ability and simply spam his skills!

RUMBLE!

Aether rays released from him in a flash of dark color as they soon reached the body of the Star Forger that continued to release numerous golden blades of light, this ray that was a mixture of chaos and aether striking him as instantly after, a pulsating Portal of Terror bloomed right at his face before exploding with a horrendous force.

But this wasn't the complete scene as right after that ray of aether struck him and the portal bloomed, that same ray went to hit the other Star Forger that utilized the law of fate and fire, chaining onto him as the same scene repeated itself!

But ridiculously, the chaining ray of aether did not stop as it returned to smash again into the first being, going back and forth between the two beings rapidly until ten chains were established.

One must know that each time they chained and hit the figures of the Star Forgers, a Portal of Terror that released destructive energies would bloom and rip into the bodies of the powerful beings, this attack being extremely deadly and fast paced!

ZAP! ZAP! ZAP!

The chaining aether ray stopped as the destructive enemies of the Portals of Terror lingered a bit longer, their energies causing the bodies of the two Celestials to shimmer with light as they still protected themselves.

Their eyes looked towards Noah contemplative as to them, this deadly attack had actually caused their luminous defenses to dim, and thought that it should have been an ability which had a high cost of mana for it to be able to damage beings of their power. Thus, they became even bolder as they waited for this being to tire himself out in the next few seconds before they pounced, taking his life even before the powerful figures of the Dark Expanse could respond!

Yet as they began to move their essence to send out their attacks, their eyes expanded as they saw a similar ray of aether rush towards them. And another. And another.

ZAP! BOOM! ZAP!...

Every single ray came with it more than 10 Portals of Terror, the rays chaining between the two Star Forging Celestials as they didn't even have the time to separate, thus they received double the damage from the close proximity of the Portals of Terror that bloomed from each of them!

ZAP!

"..."

Many beings watched with agape expressions as the powerful Star Forgers were put in a constant defensive position, terrible destructive portals releasing close to them every half a second as they used their huge reserves of energy to reinforce their defenses, the constraints of Noah's two Authorities still around them as they believed this being would tire himself out of energy sooner or later.

This thought that Noah would be stopping these horrendous attacks that should naturally cost a lot of mana to use so frequently in order for them to retaliate...would actually be the nail on the coffin for these hundreds-year-old monsters at the Star Forging Realm!

This was because many watched in stupefaction as the 9th Infernal Lord did not even seem to be putting in all that much work, his body regal wreathed in flames and a bubble of shimmering water protected him, his hands spread out as chaotic rays of darkness left every second to smash into his enemies. Only a light smile and a look of anticipation was present on his face as this was the only thing he did.

No other attacks, no other ridiculously colorful abilities, just the constant spam of aether rays that had the attributes of chaining and summoning portals of terror every time they hit!

But just this...was actually more than enough as dark expression covered the faces of the two Star Forging Realm experts, feeling their energy draining lower and lower from defending against the terrible attacks as their enemy just continued to throw more of them.

In their minds as they could only defend against these terrible attacks without even being able to retaliate, they were only thinking how his energy should soon be expanded, right?

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Yet many watched with disbelief as the grandeur of Star Forging beings was stripped away every passing second, the single Infernal Lord keeping them all at bay as their illusory golden defensive shields became thinner and thinner, their faces becoming darker as time passed!

At this moment, a few across the battlefield had actually begun to question their awareness as they actually began to wonder if the powerful auras of the two assassins really was at the Star Forging Realm.

Had their senses tricked them? Disbelief was spreading across the minds of many as the expected power and Domination that beings of such a realm should have been capable of causing was all but gone, the both of them left to simply defend as they could do nothing else!

Aside from the disbelief and stupefaction, the surrounding Celestials were already feeling deep fear as even these powerful beings were actually being dominated by this single Infernal Lord.

ZAP! BOOM!

The faces of the two Star Forging Realm experts became ashen at this moment as they sensed their nearly depleting energies while their enemy still had a calm smile on his face. Unbelievable thoughts began to spring in their minds at this impossible situation that went against everything they knew.

They were a realm higher, you know?

They had more energy, you know?

They...they...

They were lost for words as a shocking thought traveled across the minds of many watching beings.

'This Infernal Lord wasn't about to defeat two beings a realm higher than him this simply, right?!

Right?!

### **Chapter 536 - You can't finish that fast!**

The Emperor Penguin and other Harbingers were watching the scene playing out with bright eyes, this scene of domination being something they all strived to be able to do in the future!

**BOOM! BOOM!**

Explosions after explosions resounded as a ridiculous feature of Portals of Terror being summoned any time an Aether ray hit an enemy was abused, the chaining rays ravaging through the defenses of the Star Forging beings as they had unbelieving and unwilling expressions!

They were powerful experts that had trained for hundreds of years! They were Commanders that actually piloted one of the terrible Dreadnaughts of the Celestials! They were beings of immense positions that should not have been in a predicament like this...

They had expected to quickly assassinate this being an entire realm below them quickly, and they brought two of them to guarantee this reality.

Yet...yet...

The ridiculous scene where they could not even get a chance to fight back occurred. They could not realize their wide variety of splendorous abilities, not show the experience and smarts they had cultivated for hundreds of years.

All they could do was slowly watch with unwillingness as their energy reserves were being cleaned out by a being that seemed to have limitless energy!

**ZAP! BOOM!**

None of their unwilling thoughts were answered as Noah simply continued to throw out rays of Aether, the powerful defenses of these beings remaining paper thin as the one who could turn into a needle like golden sword was the first to falter.

**RIIP!**

The layers of energy he surrounded himself with for protection were ripped apart, a ray of aether and a subsequent portal of terror coming down to tear apart everything that made him as he exploded into a gory show of blood!

"OOOOOH!"

Seeing this ridiculous scene, the remaining Star Forger let loose as he burned his very soul for more energy, waves of gold and red erupting out as he rushed towards Noah for the first time since they began the defensive bout.

Yet it was at this moment that this powerful being took the most damage, as a feature of the support ability that allowed Noah's aether rays to chain simply showed its utter ridiculousness. There were no surrounding enemies in the circular field where he laid down his Authorities for the aether ray to chain to, so what it did was simply, repeatedly, and instantaneously smash into the body of this single Star Forger as it made him shake like his body was having an epileptic seizure!

BRRRRR!

POP!

Multiple rays of aether had actually chained onto a single body tens of times all once as they just utterly shredded any ounce of remaining defense raised from the burning of one's soul, even Noah watching on in stupor as he was blown back from the tens of portals of terror that erupted instantly and exploded, rupturing the space as the body of the remaining Star Forging Celestial Commander was ripped to shreds...

"..."

Silence reigned on the battlefield as many even forgot to fight against each other. The 4 World Rank Celestials that had gone to match the Commanders of the Verittas Fortress were shaking with a feeling of horror as the entire two Celestial Legions felt their bodies rumbling with fear, the reality of what just occurred in front of them being very hard to imagine!

Even Noah himself was asking if his skills were bugged, the chaining effect repeatedly smashing onto a single being as their defenses were utterly shredded being something even he did not expect.

Two Star Forging beings had come to assassinate the 9th Infernal Lord, and this target had somehow turned the tables around as he decimated them and eight World Rank experts in a matter of minutes.

It was such a short period of time that even the powerhouses that had been rushing over from numerous locations to gather here and save this Infernal Lord could not even arrive in time before this damsel ripped apart the high leveled assassins himself.

Not just assassins, but powerful beings practicing the law of fate, their bodies filled with immense power at the Star Forging Realm! This was a realm where one's Origin was actually transformed into a miniature star, the force behind such a thing being hard to comprehend!

As the battle between such beings came to such a quick and abrupt close, many were just watching with agape expressions as they did not even know how to process it all.

They glanced at the bloody remains of shining Celestials that had an overpowering aura when they arrived, and now they floated in a red and blue void of space where only a single being remained.

These beings were genuine powerhouses at the Star Forging Realm! They had such immense power compared to many others in the Novus Galaxy that the battle against them could have been described in another chapter or two!

But was it really needed? The answer was no! Noah's power was ridiculous enough that after the boosts and protection given by the Authority of two laws, he could effectively evade and defend against the attacks of the Star Forgers, all that was left being for him to spam his increasingly reinforced and

boosted skills to tear away at the defenses of these powerful Celestials until their mana and essence could not keep up.

Maybe if they had achieved more than 50% in the law of fate, they could have turned the tides and even caused him to run. Maybe if they brought a few more Star Forging Celestials. Maybes and maybes and maybes!

But what occurred was the reality. All the conditions were met for Noah to wipe the floor with the newly appearing assassins, decimating them even with their realm of power as he pocketed loot and the even more valuable droves of Fate Lines rushing towards him because of [Fate Stealer].

A crescent smile spread out across his face as he watched streams after streams of fate lines descend down, the percentage of the Law of Fate seemingly trembling at the 49% mark on his stat panel before it soon broke through and smashed towards 50%!

50%!!!

### **Chapter 537 - Win Some, Lose Some**

Across the vastness of space of the Novus Galaxy, a particularly powerful being was watching a singular illusory screen showcasing the quick battle at the Verittas Fortress.

Aldrich, the remaining Founder of the Celestials watched on with out so much as a change of emotions in his eyes as two Star Forging Realm Celestials were actually killed, and in a short time at that by the 9th Infernal Lord that had many mysteries surrounding him!

Yet at this moment, no anger or wrath was apparent on his face, only slight surprise as he closed his eyes and sent forth a telepathic message.

"Advance the Realm Dreadnoughts forward and pierce through the layers of defenses."

A terrifying command released from him and went towards Celestials Commanders already stationed and waiting at specific locations, the powerful vessels known as Realm Dreadnoughts that only Star Forging Commanders piloted moving forward!

The place they were stationed and hidden at were actually extremely important strongholds where the Star Forging experts of the Dark Expanse protected, and amazingly, a few of these experts had left their posts to quickly go towards the Verittas Fortress to save a certain being that should have been facing a certain death.

These Strongholds were now left unprotected, the forces that Aldrich had stationed in advance moving out as they began to rip through the defenses of beings which had no Star Forging leaders to protect them!

Aldrich's eyes shone with a golden l.u.s.ter as even though he has lost two Star Forging Golden Commanders unexpectedly at the hands of the 9th Infernal Lord, he still stood much to gain as things still went exactly how he expected.

"You win some and you lose some, hmm?"

His face had a widening smile as his eyes focused a whole lot more onto the Infernal Lord staying stationary while being surrounded by two Authorities of universal laws, the terrifying plan he hatched already taking form as even with a loss today, his forces would gain so much more as they would finally pierce through the important layers of the Dark Expanse!

"But you..."

A contemplative gaze was apparent on Aldrich as he stared at the illusory figure of the 9th Infernal Lord on the screen, many thoughts crossing his mind as a golden light of fate enveloped his location.

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In the Verittas Fortress, the shocking auras of multiple Star Forging beings had made their appearance in succession within the minutes following the death of the two Star Forging Golden Commanders.

The Grand Mage Edrusim, the 4th and 5th Infernal Lords, and a single Vampyre Lord all stood in the periphery as they looked towards this being, their hearts seeing a bright future with such a creature standing with them!

They were about to go towards the red and blue circle of authority when each of them began receiving news from their forces, news that mentioned Realm Dreadnoughts with Star Forging Golden Commanders in the lead had actually made their moves at this exact moment!

"F.u.c.k.i.n.g hell."

Edrusim cursed under his breath as he turned around right where he was, his body beginning to teleport vast distances as the other Star Forgers were doing the same as they rushed to protect the command the post they left.

Only the four of them- Edrusim, the 4th and 5th Infernal Lords, as well as the single Vampyre Lord had rushed to this location at high speed, the other experts of the same realm turning around halfway through after they saw that the 9th Infernal Lord could somehow defend himself.

This was because they also understood how risky it was to leave their posts during times of war, so only Edrusim and the other three continued forward to the Verittas Fortress just to make sure another Star Forging Golden Commander did not pop up to target the 9th Infernal Lord while the rest rushed back to their posts.

They didn't expect the Celestial to still be plotting and actually exploit this period of time, powerful Celestial Legions actually moving on important locations that had yet to be attacked since the beginning of the war!

Even Noah with his position as a Celestial Commander did not know about this, the Legions being sent this time actually being under the Leadership of Star Forging Golden Commanders, with the release of three Realm Dreadnaughts to attack three specific strongholds with even higher importance than the Verittas Fortress.

So even though some of the Star Forgers from the side of the Dark Expanse had returned to their posts halfway through, they had still left them as the Celestials hiding in wait went forth and attacked, beginning to decimate their remaining forces as they worked to quickly take over these strongholds!

The Grand Mage Edrusim was receiving numerous communications of this plot as he gritted his teeth while streaking across the void of space, teleporting vast distances every now and then as he neared his Mage's Tower where he could see and command everything in just three minutes.

The Mage's Tower was hectic as reports flooded in, Edrusim resuming control as the situation across the Dark Expanse became clearer.

In just a matter of minutes and with the reduced defenses of some strongholds, more than five locations were pierced through and overtaken, three of them being those that faced the three Legions which had a Golden Commander leading a Realm Dreadnought!

Colossal losses were taken, the forces of the Dark Expanse realizing that the plot of Celestials today was not just the assassination of the unique 9th Infernal Lord, but to also use the chaos surrounding this to lay a siege which actually succeeded in capturing 5 locations!

Other strongholds were gradually fighting and holding on as their Commanders returned and faced the Star Forging Celestial Commanders, especially the locations where Vampyres were protecting being those that actually could not be taken over in time before all their forces returned.

But the damage was done! On this day, Celestials advanced further into the Dark Expanse than all the days since the war began, gaining a major victory even with the loss of two Star Forging Golden Commanders under the power of the 9th Infernal Lord!

### **Chapter 538 - Star Forger!**

Noah was relayed everything occurring at this moment from Vladivostok, his body still experiencing and enjoying the impeccable sensation of his law of fate breaking past 50%.

The strongholds that had many Vampyres protecting them actually stood strong, the wisdom of Old Man Inuit directing them to keep their defenses even when he saw Noah being besieged by two Star Forging Celestials.

Only a single Vampyre Lord at the Star Forging Realm had left because Inuit still had a semblance of worry, but his intuition allowed for them to actually hold off three Celestial Legions under the banner of Golden Commanders.

Only the strongholds that were heavily protected by Mages and Infernals fell, all three of the powerful Realm Dreadnoughts being sent into these locations as if by a plan expecting the fearsome defense of the Vampyres, those three targeted stronghold falling into the hands of Celestials as well as another two similarly defended strongholds.

Tens of billions of beings were now under the Influence of Celestials because of this move, their forces advancing further into the Dark Expanse as the forces of the 5th and 6th Infernal Lord had to retreat, along with many commanding Mages and Wizards as they unwillingly left behind their homes to gather their power and not needlessly die before they tried to fight back for them!

If the Celestials so chose, they could obliterate these planets and kill billions, and this was the untold threat that allowed for them to smoothly take over the numerous planets clustered around these 5 strongholds the moment those defending them were defeated.



Thus, even though the plot of assassination failed, a hidden plot had succeeded! Noah rapidly collected his thoughts as his surroundings rapidly changed, multiple Star Forging beings appearing and leaving in a matter of seconds, the two Celestial Legions collapsing as the remaining four commanders were quickly defeated, the Verittas Fortress that was at the center of a huge plot today actually surviving with very few deaths or injuries to their people!

Seeing the many beings clearing the battlefield while looking toward his shimmering circle of Authority, he deactivated his Authorities as he sent out a few telepathic messages to his people and then...disappeared from the battlefield!

There were too many things currently occurring within him as he wanted some time to observe them all, [Fate Discernment] telling him that nothing else exciting would be happening around the Verittas Fortress today.

He could not change the outcome of the plot that the higher ups of the Celestials hatched, to the point that even his identity as Crixus did not grant him this information for the plot today. So he would leave it behind for now as he actually did something that would actually be of help- and that was to use the enormous amounts of loot he gained from the two Star Forging Celestials to power himself up even more!

Aside from his Fate Lines continuing to shoot past the five million point, he wanted to quickly begin the process of turning his Origin into a genuine Star as he stepped towards the higher realms of power. His clone teleported to a nondescript location in the Light Expanse as he threw a Blood World and a veil unto himself, waving his hands as he grasped into multiple rainbow colored Cores from his Expansive Space.

His eyes shone as the energy that signified the hard work and experience of hundreds of years that made a Star Forger begin to rush towards Origin of his Main Body, a unique phenomenon occurring as his clone continued to act like limbs to his original body, whatever they absorbed being sent directly to him and whatever energy they used also coming from him.

This meant that Noah's main body that was overseeing the occupied Witches Layer had hidden itself in his Command room as he also veiled himself and accessed the Expansive Space to bring out more Star Forging Cores, the energy rushing in even faster as it simply acted like multiple limbs on his body were absorbing the dense essence.

Even the second clone in the Time Space did the same as the potent Star Forging Cores that would have taken a day or two to fully be absorbed were becoming smaller at a rate visible to the n.a.k.e.d eye, Noah's bodies gaining a starry hue as his face shone with splendor!

All the essence rushed toward his Origin as it remolded it, the Domain energy and the essence of the World Rank beginning to transform into a genuine Star within him as the forging continued.

DONG!

Fluctuations were released every few seconds from his Origin as it became larger yet more compact, Noah accessing the abundant atmospheric essence of his Spiritual World through his second clone as the process went on with out a problem!

DONG!

His entire body seemed to be vibrating as time passed as it felt heavier and ridiculously stronger, a natural thin film of protective light similar to the ones that protected the 2 Star Forging Assassins beginning to wrap around him as it shimmered with an assortment of colors.

DONG!

His speed, strength, defense- everything was shooting higher and higher as a Star was gradually Forged within him, his eyes opening sharply as he stared at a blinking Stat Panel!

[Noah Osmont][Title(s): Infernal Lord(Variant)]

[Bloodline(s): Vampyre Progenitor]

[Fate Line(s) : 5,256,728]

[Chaos Particle(s) : 1,483,245]

[Origin Core(s) : Fire-5, Water-5]

[Domain(s) : Fate,Chaos, Space, Fire, Water]

[Vitality: STAR FORGER]

[Focus: - ]

[Strength: STAR FORGER]

[Law(s) : Fate-52%,Chaos-14%,Space-8%, Fire-52%, Water-52%]

[Authority(s) : Fate Lord, Flame Lord, Water Lord]

An additional {{Authority}}, vast advancements that would terrify the most powerful of beings in the Novus Galaxy, and a sparkling new addition that read Star Forger.

Because of this single battle and plot to take his life, he was actually given such a large amount of presents that his power had skyrocketed into the Realm right before the highest one in the Novus Galaxy, making an even grander advancement as he effectively comprehended more than half of a Supreme Law and gained the subsequent {{Authority}}!

### **Chapter 539 - Might as well make a Realm**

Noah flew the still exploding strength of his body as he freely let the essence in his environment rush towards him, his eyes honing in on his Stat Panel that listed the newly gained Authority of a Supreme Law!

**{{Fate Lord's Authority}} :: A right given to a being that is embarking on the path of understanding Fate. This Authority has the effects of Radiant Knowledge, Cast Disruption, Mana Interference, Fate Manifestation, Atmospheric Regulation, as well as increasing the effectiveness of all Fate related abilities by 1000% and reducing their mana cost by 95%.**

The simpler description of the Authority given after passing the 50% mark in the Law of Fate was displayed on his eyes as he went over it. Nearly everything was the same as the Authorities of the Laws of Fire and Water, but the effectiveness of Fate Skills under this Authority were actually +1000% compared to the +500% of the previous two laws, with the mana cost being cut down by 95%!

The only thing else that was new was the addition of the ability called Radiant Knowledge. Noah's eyes twinkled as he didn't make himself wait before casting the Authority, his first clone that had the identity of the Infernal Lord and was currently hidden in space casting this Authority is a small range around him.

OOOM

Golden fluctuations erupted outwards as Noah closed his eyes and compared the feeling of this Authority.

In the few meters surrounding him, it had turned into a space tinged with a gold hue as abundant Fate Essence filled the surroundings, each of them dancing joyfully as they waited for Noah's commands.

He felt the stupendous feeling of strength this Authority brought him as the effects of the abstruse skill called Radiant Knowledge smoothly came in, his thoughts moving subconsciously as an idea seemed to suddenly strike him, his hands waving forth as he also cast the ability that cultivated the law of chaos, [Disciple of Chaos]!

RUMBLE!

It felt like oil being added to fire as the intrusion of Chaos Particles into the radiant field of gold fate essence that were abundantly swimming in the laid out Authority exploded out, this action causing a chain reaction as even more Chaos Particles manifested to rush down. It was similar to when Noah performed Dual Cultivation, but the reaction was much more intense as he quickly made calculations as time passed.

His eyes shook as he confirmed the effect was actually closer to being more than 5 times as effective as when he performed Dual Cultivation of the two Supreme Laws, this space under {{Fate Lord's Authority}} actually providing a way for him to increase his progress in the opposing Law of Chaos even faster!

His thoughts moved rapidly as he continued to test a few things, his Second Clone in the Time Space actually taking over the task as he released {Fate Lord's Authority} in the region where he was surrounded by four different Law Spaces, not wasting any time thereafter as he cast the authorities for the Law of Water and Fire as well.

RUMBLE!

The very space around him shook at the immensity of the authorities as at this time, Noah also cast the skills that would allow him not to just perform dual cultivation, but quadruple cultivation as all the techniques of comprehending the laws of fate, chaos, water, and fire were cast!

His body was first covered in the respective law spaces of these elements that gave him access to their abundant energies, and he then laid out the {Authority} for each of them but chaos, gaining access to their purest forms of essence as the effects of his progress were multiplied.

He was actually cultivating by using his Authorities- something that nobody could do in this Novus Galaxy! Who had the capability to master three laws more than halfway? Who had enough mana to keep such Authorities active at all times? It was only him!

It was ridiculous, crazy, and unsustainable for anyone else but him as he visibly saw the numbers of Fate Lines and Chaos Particles changing rapidly, the Fire and Water Origin Cores also spinning rapidly within his main body as they ate up as much energy as they could before they spit even more out to reinforce his body.

Long story short- through the use of the Authorities of the laws that he had comprehended more than 50% of, he had increased his speed in law comprehension multiple times!

The norm of a being taking longer to advance as he reached higher stages was once again broken as while Noah achieved grander achievements and realms, his speed continued to accelerate even faster! What slowing down? What pacing? Taking years to make advancements?

Noah gave a big middle finger to all of this as he barreled forward, achieving things that would take others hundreds of years in a matter of days! Yet somehow, this speed was still getting faster...

It was ridiculous, to say the least, but Noah only nodded contently as his second clone continued this new cultivation method, the unique ability termed Radiant Knowledge under {{Fate Lord's Authority}} spinning again as all the ideas he had about the future and himself were laid out clearly in his mind, all these ideas coming together in a much cleaner manner as he was provided knowledge of how to use these ideas in a more optimum manner similar to how he stumbled to try his newest cultivation method.

His thoughts at this moment had revolved from the battles of the Last War, the mysteries he was still unfolding, and then they came to rest on a single topic amidst all of these- and that was his plan of forming a realm!

He had just broken into the Star Forging Realm and passed the 50% mark on three Universal Laws, and at this time he rose as he stared at the starry expanse before him as he said to himself,

'I might as well make my realm.'

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A shocking and arrogant thought! Yet it seemed achievable to Noah as the Radiant Knowledge ability under the {{Fate Lord's Authority}} acted like an upgraded version of Fate Discernment, this new ability not showing him any abstruse concepts or hidden meanings he had to figure out as his own thoughts and ideas were filled to the brim with new information as any gaps were filled, wondrous new possibilities that Noah had not considered opening themselves up in his eyes!

#### **Chapter 540 - Prepare for something beautiful!**

To make a Realm, Noah had originally planned to go through the upgrading of tiers of the Spiritual World into a Spiritual Realm.

He wanted to observe this process before he fully committed to the grand undertaking of elevating his homeworld and the many other connected worlds into a singular Realm, this idea seeming feasible if he combined the status of all his connected worlds and fused it all together to create a Realm!

Yet now, he looked at the upgrade of his Spiritual World and his connected worlds in the same manner. His Spiritual World was also connected to him, which also meant it shared a connection with his Homeworld and all the other worlds. So why not use the upgrade of tiers into the Spiritual Realm as the conduit for the fusion of all his connected Worlds into an even grander realm...?

He had not even entertained this idea before because of many unknowns and because it involved the lives of beings that now passed a few hundred billion, but the advent of {{Fate Lord's Authority}} filled his gaps of information with a lot of knowledge that made him confident in this possibility!

It would truly be a great undertaking as it was not simply him tying the Spiritual World upgrade with his Homeworld and many others, it also signified that the wondrous things and the unique features of the Spiritual World would all be shared into a grand realm that would be nothing like any of the other realms out there.

Noah's eyes were shining with a gold light the more he thought about it, realizing that the outcome of such actions would be something that even he had yet to fully grasp, but the golden light of fate allowed him to infer just how grand it could be!

Thus, he delayed no longer as he committed to it and began sending telepathic messages to the Spiritual World Beasts, telling them to get ready for another round of upgrades as he pulled out the numerous World Rank Cores from the Celestial Commanders he had taken down.

The figure of his first clone disappeared from the starry void of space as he appeared near his forces still at the Verittas Fortress, waving his hands as all of them entered into the Spiritual World.

He could see Commanding Mage Turner and the others sending out numerous directions, their eyes shaking as they turned towards him.

Noah only gave a light smile as he knew if these beings could actually feel his hidden aura that was now at the Star Forging Realm, it wouldn't just be their eyes that shook. He sent commands for the Infernal Legion still at the Verittas Fortress to remain stationed as he disappeared again without even glancing at rest the masses of beings that were still moving to clear the battlefield.

Some were happy, but the Commanders were filled with worry as the news of multiple Celestial Legions using this opportunity to pierce through the defenses of the Dark Expanse reached them. Since Noah also could not change this at the moment, he continued forward for his grand goal of creating a singular realm unlike any other!

After collecting his subordinates, his figure actually teleported at the void of space not too far from his home world, glancing at the twinkling blue star far away from his gaze as he released the Spiritual World to become its full size.

**RUMBLE!**

A splendid world that was a huge central continent surrounded by four floating continents appeared, sparkling essence seemingly overflowing from it and into the surrounding space as it grandly appeared.

Within it, multiple Domain Rank Spiritual Beasts had appeared in the time space where Noah's second clone was training, stepping into the vibrant Law Spaces filled with essence as they received multiple World Rank Cores from this clone!

The Emperor Penguin and others had already taken down a World Rank expert and gained such cores themselves in the first battle as they absorbed them and the herbs of the Spiritual World to improve their realm, but they weren't enough. With Noah freely distributing his loot though, and even releasing the few Star Forging cores he had not completely absorbed- the achievement of getting many beasts at the World Rank would be achieved in a matter of days.

Of course, they would be in the Time Space, so this would barely be more than a few hours in the outside world!

At this juncture, Noah actually prioritized the Spiritual Land Beasts, the Harbingers of Sin like Kazuhiko, the Kraken, and even Barbatos taking a back seat in upgrading their realms for now.

As the beasts worked to increase their ranks, Noah himself had to move to obtain the remaining Prime World Cores required to initiate the upgrade of the next tier.

This would require for extremely ruthless actions of displacing billions of beings into the Ancient Blood World while he devoured the cores of their Worlds, but even the devoured entities that were the world cores would simply be assimilated into the entity overseeing the Spiritual World, so he didn't see it as too much of a loss for them.

This was especially so since all of the displaced beings would soon be placed into a grand realm that their worlds went on to help create. There were many ways that Noah could go about justifying his actions, but his mind continued to flash with ideas as he moved to actually obtain these world cores!

The beings all over the Novus Galaxy continued to move at this time as the powerful forces digested the move of Celestials and their success into piercing deeper into the Dark Expanse, the seriousness of this situation overtaking anything else in the minds of these powerful figures.

So they focused on the continuing efforts of the war, none of them knowing that in an unknown corner of the Light Expanse, a single being was about to start the upgrade of a unique treasure that he found in a small world.

This unique treasure had grown so much that it was now about to enter the stage that nobody could have thought possible, but the result of this would not just be the creation of a grand realm as Noah expected!

Even he was about to be blindsided by the unexpected results that would come because of the formation of this Realm, something that was only ever on the back of his mind actually coming to fruition because of the actions he was about to undertake!