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Struggling to get back on his feet, Xandros gazed at Kai with sheer disbelief. Kai is merely a Body Fusion Realm cultivator. How did he summon such an overwhelming aura? This is utterly preposterous!

Simultaneously, Remus' eyes widened in astonishment and disbelief. Kai's aura rivals my own! Moreover, the speed is astonishing; I barely had time to react!

At that moment, the disdain in Remus' gaze was replaced by wariness and uncertainty. He couldn't comprehend how Kai, a mere Body Fusion Realm cultivator, possessed the capability to unleash such an imposing aura.

While there were indeed exceptionally gifted cultivators in the Ethereal Realm who could project auras stronger than their cultivation level, they were few and far between, and the differential wouldn't typically be too significant.

However, Kai, a sole Eighth Level Body Fusion Realm cultivator, had manifested an aura equivalent to that of a Tribulator. It was nothing short of incredible.

Witnessing Xandros being catapulted away by Kai's aura, Cloud exclaimed with sheer exhilaration, "Now you know who's about to die, right?"

Xandros' visage was twisted with anger as he remained silent. Kai's aura had left him shaken.

"Mr. Xandros, we should go." Recognizing the futility of contending with Kai, Remus chose to take Xandros away.

His primary mission was to safeguard Xandros, and the consequences would be dire if Xandros was captured. In agreement, Xandros nodded and followed Remus, no longer underestimating Kai after recognizing the wide disparity in their abilities.

While Xandros had no idea what Kai had experienced while he was away, the pace of his growth in terms of strength within such a short period was inconceivable.

"Leave?" Kai scoffed. "You're already here. Do you think you can still leave?"

A disdainful smirk appeared on his face. I won't let these two leave!

"No one can stop me if I want to leave, you brat."

As Remus spoke, his robe fluttered without the presence of any discernible breeze. Unexpectedly, white smoke started to emanate from his expansive sleeves. In an instant, Remus and Xandros vanished, wholly concealed by the smoke.

"Mr. Chance..." Seeing that, Cloud was about to dash over to assist Kai.

"Stay back! This smoke is toxic!" Kai swiftly warned, halting Cloud in his tracks. Then, Kai waved his hands, summoning a powerful gust that swiftly dispersed the white smoke.

Yet, by the time the smoke had dissipated, the figures of Remus and Xandros had vanished without a trace.

"Where did they go? I didn't see them leave!" Cloud exclaimed, bewildered, as he hurried over. I had my eyes trained on the smoke, and no one emerged from it! How did they vanish without a trace?

Kai quickly surveyed the surroundings. Suddenly, he extended a finger and lightly tapped the space in front of him.

Within his nascent space, the Illusion Nascent Constellation shimmered instantaneously. Sensing the fluctuation of his illusion nascence, Kai smiled.

However, instead of letting his delight show, he turned around and told Cloud, "They must've concealed their escape with the smoke. Let's go.

Still not grasping Kai's intention, Cloud inquired, "Mr. Chance, I swear I didn't anyone emerging from the smoke! How could they have escaped?"

"I'm sure they know a vanishing skill of sorts. We won't be able to see them. Just let them escape for now. I'll make them pay if I run into them again tomorrow."

With that, he turned to head back toward Imperial Beast City, and Cloud, though perplexed, decided to follow suit.

At that very moment, Xandros and Remus were standing right in front of Kai and Cloud, who simply couldn't see them.

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Xandros was utterly astounded as he watched Kai and Cloud leave. "What kind of technique is this, Mr. Quayle? Even though we're standing right here, they didn't detect us in the least, not even our auras," he marveled.

With a hint of pride, Quintavius replied, "This is a skill known as Vanish, Mr. Xandros. It's an ancestral technique passed down through the generations. Even a Top Level Tribulator cultivator wouldn't be able to penetrate it. In fact, Vanish has rescued me numerous times in the past, and it has never failed. Now, we only need to wait patiently for them to leave before we can make our exit."

As soon as Remus finished speaking, Kai's voice echoed through the surroundings. "The technique has never failed you, you say? Really?"

Remus and Xandros were left dumbfounded as they searched the area. Yet, there was no trace of Kai to be found.

The fact that they could hear him but not see him sent a shiver of unease down their spines. Soon, they noticed ripples in the void before them. Before they knew it, Kai reappeared right in front of them.

Remus' Vanish technique was promptly dispelled, exposing his position to Kai and Cloud.

"Did you really think you could play hide-and- seek with me? How absurd," Kai quipped, wearing a sly grin.

Remus wore a dismayed expression, utterly taken aback. His use of the Vanish technique had never failed him before. Yet, Kai had effortlessly saw through his technique.

"You are too arrogant, brat!" Without hesitation, Remus launched a palm strike toward Kai, generating a fierce gust of wind in the process.

However, his attack penetrated directly through Kai's form without hurting him one bit. It became apparent that the Kai before him. was merely an illusion.

"Since you enjoy hiding so much, I guess I'll play along for a while." Kai's taunt resounded from every direction.

Xandros and Remus' surroundings started shifting continually, and Kai's shadow clones materialized from all angles.

Xandros was about to lose his mind, frantically launching relentless assaults against all the surrounding shadow clones. Unfortunately, it proved futile, as none of the shadow clones were the real Kai.

Remus grabbed Xandros' hand, stopping his attacks, and furrowed his brow as he examined their surroundings. "What an impressive illusion array. We were ensnared within it without even realizing..."

"What do we do now, Mr. Quayle?" Xandros panicked. Kai's shadow clones would materialize every now and then, and even though they did not attack Xandros, it was sufficient to unnerve him.

If this went on, he might literally be scared to death because he couldn't predict where Kai would show up next.

"Stay calm, Mr. Xandros. This illusion array's purpose is to confuse us. As long as we collect ourselves and avoid panicking, we should be able to dispel this illusion formation," Remus reassured.

As he spoke, he remained vigilant, closely scrutinizing his surroundings. Xandros huddled closely behind Remus, shivering uncontrollably. After executing a series of intricate hand movements, a green light emanated from Remus' fingertips.

"Banisher of souls, dispeller of spirits..." he recited an incantation while executing further gestures. Gradually, a green soul attractor took form in Remus' hands.

The soul attractor radiated an icy energy that sent shivers racing down Xandros' spine. As the soul attractor pulsed with a green light within Remus' grasp, eerie wails emanated from it. Xandros, still hiding behind Remus, was frightened out of his wits.

He had never seen Remus using something like that before. The soul attractor swayed continuously, and the illusory surroundings promptly morphed into a green-hued world.

"Shatter!" In response to Remus' shout, the verdant world erupted into fragments, and everything reverted to its usual state..

It was only then that Xandros and Remus noticed Kai and Cloud watching them from a distance.

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“Hmph! Do you think a mere illusion array can trap me? You must be delusional!” Remus snorted.

Kai narrowed his eyes, fixing his gaze on Remus. “So, you’re a Demonic Cultivator. You hid your true nature quite well. I can’t believe I failed to notice anything even when your aura was exposed. I must admit, I’m rather impressed.”

“I’m afraid it’s the end for you now that you uncovered my true identity, brat.” Remus’ eyes glinted with murderous intent. Meanwhile, Xandros stood in utter disbelief, unaware that Remus was a Demonic Cultivator.

“Looks like Demonic Cultivators truly lurk everywhere. Now, they’ve even infiltrated Norwal City. Everyone is so vehement about eradicating Demonic Cultivators, yet they all secretly collaborate with them. It seems that demons, humans, and beast races are no different. They’re all equally disappointing,” Kai lamented.

“Cut the crap! I’m going to end both of you right here and now!” Remus declared with confidence.

Since he dared to expose his true identity, he evidently believed he could defeat Kai and Cloud. Otherwise, it would spell trouble if his secret was leaked.

With that, he brandished the soul attractor, casting a green light that engulfed the entire battleground.

As these emerald gleams descended upon the ground, they affixed themselves to nearby corpses. Miraculously, those lifeless bodies gradually rose to their feet.

Cloud was taken aback as thousands of corpses came to live and charged toward him with ferocity. It was a horrifying spectacle that he had never encountered before. Witnessing this, Kai furrowed his brow, a sense of confusion in his gaze.

He opened his palm, summoning Dragonslayer Sword without delay. With a swift motion, he swung the blade, unleashing a wave of sharp and horrifying sword energy. This assault effortlessly cleaved dozens of zombies in half, subjecting them to a second demise.

The moment these undead creatures were severed, a nearly imperceptible marked aura emanated from their bodies, promptly absorbed by Kai. Kai beamed with satisfaction, not expecting his hunch to be accurate.

When those corpses revived, he had a strong intuition that Remus might belong to Hadad's lineage. The most conspicuous evidence was the soul attractor, pulsating with negative and frosty energy-a weapon distinctively associated with a member of Hadad's lineage.

The emergence of marked auras after the zombies were vanquished only served to confirm Kai's conjecture.

"H-How can you still smile in a situation like this, Mr. Chance?" Cloud observed the approaching horde of undead, utterly perplexed by Kai's reaction..

"Why can't I? These are all precious resources." Kai grinned. Though the marked aura produced by the corpses were not abundant, they still held value.

After Kai finished speaking, his body was enveloped in flames, fashioning a protective barrier around him. With Dragonslayer Sword in hand, he then plunged into the sea of undead.

Each strike from him took down dozens of zombies in one go. Kai reveled in the carnage, moving with grace and ease across the battlefield.

Meanwhile, Remus strained to wield the soul attractor. He incessantly infused marked aura into the weapon, causing it to manifest as green sparks that descended onto the lifeless bodies.

Of course, he was fully aware his weak undead army stood no chance of killing Kai. However, there was one thing they could do- which was to deplete Kai's stamina.

Thousands of zombies charged relentlessly at Kai, forcing him to eliminate them with all his might.

Once Kai grew weary from battling the relentless onslaught, exhausting all his strength, he would be vulnerable.

While Remus' strategy was sound, he unfortunately failed to anticipate that Kai's stamina would not wane. In fact, Remus unwittingly contributed to enhancing Kai's strength, as the latter absorbed all the marked aura released by the undead upon slaying them.

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When Cloud saw Kai slaying the zombies, he wanted to help but was stopped by the latter. Since he was incapable of absorbing marked aura, his killing them would be a waste.

Hence, he had no choice but to watch Kai anxiously. In contrast to Cloud, Remus and Xandros were watching on smugly.

"Mr. Quayle, I didn't expect you to be so powerful. Why don't you raise more of the dead and overwhelm Kai with them?" Xandros suggested in glee.

Nodding with a smile, Remus chanted a spell while brandishing his soul attractor in the air. Countless corpses began to rise from the dead and swarm toward Kai.

Soon, almost all of them had come alive. Despite that, Kai continued to cut them down vehemently with Dragonslayer Sword, showing no signs of tiring. The sight triggered a frown from Remus as cold sweat broke out on his forehead.

He continued to use his soul attractor, draining a significant amount of his marked aura. Yet, Kai was still more than capable of resisting.

When Kai noticed that Remus was slowing down and seemingly unable to sustain his spell much longer, he screamed, "Argh!"

Thereafter, he pretended to be struck by a zombie and was sent flying backward.

"Mr. Chance!"

The sight caused Cloud to rush over and frantically help Kai up.

“Are you all right, Mr. Chance?” Cloud asked as he examined Kai for injuries. Kai merely smiled in response. “I’m fine. It’s just a charade. You should pretend that I’m badly injured.”

The stunned Cloud had no clue what Kai was trying to achieve but did as he was told.

“Mr. Chance, you’re hurt, and your aura is weak. You had better stop fighting. Let’s retreat instead!” Cloud said loudly as he helped Kai up. “No, I have to wipe all those corpses out....

Kai pushed Cloud aside before charging back into the fray with Dragonslayer Sword in hand. This time, his actions were visibly slower, making it appear as if his strength was diminished.

“Mr. Quayle, Kai is on his last legs. Intensify your attacks!” Xandros urged Remus when he saw Kai weakening.

Sensing the same, Remus mustered all his strength to unleash his marked aura again as he waved the soul attractor around with greater ferocity.

Just like that, another two hours passed. Even though Kai appeared to slow down, the corpses weren’t able to get close to him still. Every time he looked as if he would be overwhelmed, he would end up surviving somehow.

By then, Remus’ face was burning red as he clenched his teeth tightly. After raising so many of the dead, he had drained nearly every last bit of his strength.

All he could do now was desperately sustain his efforts to see who was the first to fall.

Another hour passed under such circumstances. By then, Remus’ aura was barely perceptible, while the glow on the soul attractor gradually dimmed. All of a sudden, his vision went black as he collapsed onto the ground.

“Mr. Quayle!”

Xandros hurried to Remus’ side to help him up. The latter was panting heavily as though he had just gone through a brutal battle.

“Mr. Quayle, you have to continue. It’s clear Kai can’t sustain this any longer,” Xandros pestered. However, Remus waved his hand. “Mr. Xandros, I’ve given it everything I have. This guy has looked that way for a long time, but he just refuses to fall.”

The sight of Remus reaching his limit elicited a smirk on Kai’s face. Unleashing his aura without warning, he raised Dragonslayer Sword and slayed the rest of the corpses. Kai’s sudden explosion of aura left Remus and Xandros stunned.

Once he had wiped out the last of the corpses, Kai approached the two with a smirk.

“You... actually still have strength left?” Remus exclaimed in shock.

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“Haha, you fool! There’s plenty more where that came from. It was all an act to trick you into releasing all your marked aura,” Kai said as he guffawed.

“H-How did you learn about marked aura?” Remus’ eyes opened wide in shock, for marked aura was a form of aura wielded by those of Hadad’s lineage. It enabled them to summon spirits and raise the dead. Thus, he didn’t expect Kai to know about it.

“I know about it because I have it too.”

No sooner had Kai finished than marked aura began emanating from his body, and in the blink of an eye, encapsulated Remus and Xandros in it. Sensing Kai’s marked aura, Remus spoke in awe. “A-Are you a disciple of Hadad too?”

Kai scoffed, “Bah, I’m no disciple of Hadad’s. Instead, I saved that old fogey’s life. Logically speaking, you should be kneeling before me, as I’m his savior.”

Remus obviously didn’t believe Kai. Staring daggers at the latter, he said, “So, it turns out that you were pretending all along in order to absorb the marked aura. No wonder you didn’t allow others to help you.”

“You have finally realized the truth, but it’s too late,” Kai gloated.

“Since you possess the marked aura of Hadad’s lineage, you are considered part of it even if you’re not a disciple. Because of that, both of us share a bond. Why don’t we treat what happened today as a misunderstanding? If you release me, I’ll report it to King Lucian and get him to spare you. You need to realize the situation now. Imperial Beast City is on its last legs, and taking its side will only lead you to your doom,” Remus persuaded Kai.

Kai couldn’t believe how naive Remus was for expecting Kai to let him go.

“Hahah, you truly are clueless. If Hadad knew that he had such a stupid disciple like you, he would be exasperated. I have now taken both of you prisoner, yet you dare make demands of me?”

Right then, Kai grabbed at thin air, causing Remus to fly into his grip. Just like a lamb awaiting slaughter, Remus had zero ability to resist.

Meanwhile, Xandros trembled at the sight before him. He didn’t dare flee because he knew that there was no escaping Kai.

As for Remus, he was seized by terror while being in Kai’s grip. With a fearful expression, he pleaded in a trembling voice, “We’re of the same lineage, so please don’t kill me. I can choose to withdraw from this conflict and stop fighting you.”

Remus could only beg for mercy when he realized threats were useless against Kai.

“Didn’t I f*cking tell you that I’m not a Demonic Cultivator, let alone share the same lineage as you? Stop trying to lump us together into the same group. That said, you can rest assured that I won’t kill you. I still have other uses for you alive.”

With that, Kai released Remus but grabbed Xandros’ collar immediately after. Xandros felt a chill run down his spine as he attempted a brief struggle. “Kai, let me go! Let me go! If you kill me, my father won’t forgive you. Imperial Beast City will be annihilated together with you-”

Slap! Kai’s scathing strike upon Xandros caused his mouth to swell, the impact rendering the latter speechless.

“If I hear another word from you, I’ll castrate you and hang you at the city gates,” Kai warned as he shot Xandros a glare. Overwhelmed with fear, Xandros gulped continuously.

Kai turned toward Remus, saying, “Go back and tell your king that I have his son. If he wants to see his son live, he’ll have to do as I say.”