Multiverse 401

Chapter 401: Bomb

That attack didn't actually hurt anyone but it did give some time for Black Winter to pressurise Galactus more. And Black Winter succeeded in this small change as he used more devouring power on Galactus. It threw Galactus away by thousands of miles.

All the Avengers and the others were horrified by this. They saw Galactus, such a huge being being flung away. But that was not the main point of this attack, Galactus who had been healthy all this time now looked totally spent. His cheeks caved in as if he had been starving for a long time. He eyes looked hollow and his outer armor too looked big for his size.

And that was not all, he had lost both his hands in this single attack by Black Winter. All of them really looked desperate now. Even the huge devourer of worlds couldn't stop Black Winter, what chances did the ants have?

John had just used his full power on Black Winter but that too wasn't enough. It only made his size smaller, and it looked like it didn't weaken him at all.

"Galactus, use your trump card." John said using his helmet of Fate. He didn't want Black Winter to listen to the conversation. He knew even though Galactus looked weak, he was conscious.

"I can't. I wanted to use the infinity stones to bomb him from inside but I don't think I will be able to do it. We might as well die and accept our fate." Galactus said as his voice seemed like it would banish away any moment.

"Not for a moment give up on me right now. You wanted to bomb Black WInter. Right? Alright. I will do something about it." John said as he finally understood the plan of Galactus. He thought Galactus would eat the infinity stones and make himself more powerful.

But Galactus had other plans for it. He wanted to use the infinity stones as a bomb and place it inside the body of Black Winter and thus triggering it later remotely. But it seemed he never got the chance. That was the reason why Galactus tried to have a close combat with Black Winter.

"Avengers, we need someone to go inside Black Winter and place the infinity stones as bomb. Only that explosion will be enough to kill him." John gave good and bad news at the same time to all of the people.

"Who will take that risk?" Arthur asked.

There was complete silence. And as they were contemplating this, monsters again started emerging to attack them. It seemed like Black Winter was in a mood of playing with them by sending these small mercenaries.

All the Green Lanterns and Avengers went to confront all the monsters.. A green lantern said over the ring

"Whatever you decide, do it fast. He will get bored with his food after some time and it won't take a moment to kill us."

"I will do it." the next moment many such voices came. Many green lanterns were up for this thing. And even some of the Avengers. But before they could choose a huge voice rang on the ears of everybody

"Move, you ants, I will do it. Only a devourer can kill another devourer."

When they realised who it was they were surprised. It was Trigon. Even though he was under the control of John, his nature didn't change. That was the reason why everybody was surprised to hear such comments.

"Whatever you do, do it fast. We don't have much time." Wayne said, reminding everybody that the number of monsters were increasing.

"Wayne, Clark. Go, get the infinity stones from Galactus. I will irritate him one more time. This will give Trigon enough time to get the infinity stones. And later when he attacks, Trigon can go inside and finish the job." John said. He too actually didn't expect that Trigon would be up for the job. Like all others, he too had given partial freedom to Trigon.

But still like he did in Apokolips war, he decided to sacrifice himself for the greater good and his daughter.

John, meanwhile, opened the gate of Babylon to bring out another weapon. Sul-sagana, a large jagged divine construct sword which on attacking burns away everything.

John didn't know if fire was effective on Black Winter but he wanted to try, as his main power was more leaning towards fire. John even decided to use the philosopher's stone for this.

He flew high up close to the Black Winter while Wayne and Clark went to the almost unconscious Galactus to take the infinity stones. Only they can fly fast in open space and touch the infinity stones without problems.

"Your courage is commendable but even you can't stop me with all your power." Black Winter said to John who was holding Sul-Sagana.

"Maybe. Maybe we all will die. Death comes to all at the end. But death doesn't define us. It's our life that makes living worth living and we will continue to defy death until our last breath." saying that John attacked Black Winter.

Chapter 402: Death

And then a huge wave of fire that was as big as the size of a galaxy hit Black Winter. The burning fire which didn't have any source to burn, no oxygen still burnt fiercely as it touched Black Winter.

And finally there was a cry of pain. A cry which echoed on the ears of everyone present.

John had used almost all his power in this single attack. He chose fire because he being a host of Phoenix Force was on the side of life while Black Winter was on the side of death.

And this calculation of his paid off. This time it did more damage to Black Winter than it did the previous time. And this attack just wiped away more of Black Winter than it did the previous time.

This buffer time was enough for Wayne and Clark to get the stones. Two people were required for this because John wasn't sure if a single person would be powerful enough to hold the infinity stone. Especially the power stone. That is something that shouldn't be touched by a mortal.

And thus the race against time began. Wayne and Clark took the infinity stones and were returning back.

In the meantime, Black Winter, which had receded by a lot, was coming back again. And this time with more ferocity. Tony and others who were nearby saw this and knew they might need another attack to stop Black Winter for some moments.

"Avengers, we need to stop him for one more time. Let's do it." Victor shouted and then all his thrusters to shoot at Black Winter. Seeing that all the members of the Avengers, Green Lanterns and Blue Lanterns attacked using all means possible.

Black Winter by now knew there must be something going on so he tried attacking with more power this time, finally getting serious. But the fire of John had injured him considerably. Black Winter couldn't muster all his strength back in an instant to stop the all out attacks of all the people.

Trigon on the other hand finally got his hands on all the infinity stones. Bruce and Clark had returned by that time. Victor gave him the old set of boxes after being remodeled as a time bomb to detonate the infinity stones.

"You better be successful or else we all will die, along with your beloved daughter." Clark warned him.

"I don't need someone to tell me what I am doing. You all should have let me rule you. Maybe this would never have happened." Trigon said as he flew off. He used his 4 eyes heat vision to insert himself into the attack of all the people.

But there was a difference this time. Trigon was getting closer to Black Winter's core as opposed to others who were attacking from far or fighting the monsters.

Black Winter was surprised to see the coming of a lone man which looked more of a monster than his small minions. Even though the monster had malevolence he was on the other side so he didn't drop any punches while attacking him.

"Hahaha.. Come.. Come let me see how big the devourer of multiverses are. Come.." Trigon said as he was laughing and fending off for himself. He was surrounded by pitch black darkness all around.

It was very chilling to see a lone man who looked like a monster being surrounded all around and still laughing. Soon all the other people weren't able to see him from afar. But they could hear his voice. The last words they heard was

"Live my daughter. This universe is yours to rule."

Raven who was watching all this had tears in her eyes. She never really loved her father, Her father was responsible for all the bad things in her life. The death of her home, her mother, everybody. But in the end he was still her father.

She watched as the voice of her father faded and he got engulfed by darkness. All the Avengers and others watched with sadness and hope. A hope that this small move of theirs would pay off.

"Another ant gone. Now just get eaten by...Huh...."

And then it came. The moment they all had been hoping for. It started as a small speck of light coming out from inside the body of Black Winter. And in a moment's notice that small speck of light enlarged into a huge ball of light.

John who was seeing this used his last bits of energy to take away all of the people and teleport away. This explosion was not something they would be able to defend. John took them at least a few thousand light years away.

A self blast of the infinity stones was not something to be trifled with. And when they got teleported such a huge distance they still were able to see such a huge explosion from far. Visit no(v)eLb(i)n.com for the best novel reading experience

An explosion that was bigger than the size of a few galaxies.

Chapter 403: Life vs Death

All the people saw from afar when the explosion took place. This explosion was something that this universe had never seen before. Cosmic waves travelled all of the universe. Every major empire sensed that something big had happened. All their sensors went haywire after this.

John and others just waited and saw this explosion, all of them prayed that this explosion was enough to bring down Black Winter. They had expected Black Winter to be very dangerous but this turned out to be more nightmarish than they imagined.

The sheer size of this being changed the outlook of the people.

"I should have been the one delivering the last blow. That is my destiny." Thor said.

"Don't talk about destiny at this point. I will be grateful if I get out of this alive. This just turned out to be my worst nightmare. I will stop being a hero after this." Pietro said.

"John, are you alright?" Wayne asked as he saw John was exhausted. Even though he was still in Alien X form, everybody could notice that he was spent. Using all his strength and magic took a toll on him.

"I am fine. Just tired. Victor, take us back to where we are after the explosion dies down. We need to determine if he is dead. We can only rejoice after that." John said.

"What if he isn't dead?" Wanda asked.

"Then the Gods were right to isolate the whole universe to stop the Black Winter." John replied in a grave tone. This meant that their universe was doomed to die.

But John wasn't somebody to give up. He had been amassing fan values and not spending even a single point from this for a long time. Even after the update he didn't spend almost nothing. Only on Clark which cost him less than half a billion.

The total fan values that he had accumulated had now crossed 50 billion. So if he saw that there was no escape from it, he would directly call Goku. Even if he couldn't get the most powerful version of Goku, at least the version which would cost him around 50 billion would not be too shabby.

And that version would be enough to defeat Black Winter if he was alive.

After a minute the explosion died down and Victor finally opened a boom tube to the location of the explosion. All entered the huge boom tube and crossed a long distance in just a few seconds. They left Galactus behind.

When John teleported he took away Galactus too. Even though he would have loved the death of Galactus, he was one of those necessary evil ones. Galactus was a kind of balance of this multiverse and killing him would just release another monster more terrifying than him. So it was better for Galactus to be alive.

When they all reached the place of explosion, there was nothing but ashes flying around. The explosion had died down and obliterated everything in its path, leaving nothing behind for thousands of light years around.

There was no sign of Black Winter.

"We won." Steve said slowly as he had a look of relief on his face. All had been waiting for those exact words for the last few years and finally they had won after such struggle and preparation for this moment.

The moment they all had been eagerly waiting for.

But then a small speck of black dust flew towards them. That small speck black dust in a moment changed into a huge black void surrounding all the people. All the blood drained from people's faces when this happened.

"You had to say it, Captain." Thor said now in a very sad tone. None of them had any juice left to fight Black Winter. They had given their everything before the explosion. And now all of them were on the end of their ropes. All had only faces of despair written on them.

"I have got to say, no other universe has ever put up such a huge fight against me. I have been living since time immemorial but never have I faced such opposition. But this is where the show ends." Black Winter said. Even though his voice sounded meek there was a sense of anger in it.

That explosion was big enough to almost kill him. He somehow was able to escape. But not without damage. He had lost almost 90% of his body. This attack had thoroughly angered him. So when the people returned to see if he was dead he didn't take any chances and directly covered them from all sides leaving no place to escape.

John who saw this sighed. There was really no other way except for Goku. He was his final trump card.

"So Goku it....Huh."

As he was ready to spend billions to get Goku here, he felt something from his Gate of Babylon. And before he could understand what was going on, a huge fiery bird appeared in front of him after coming out of the Gate.

Chapter 404: Life

Fire.

Fire can burn anything dear to life. Both living and nonliving can just turn into ashes because of it. Humanity was able to progress so rapidly because they had some control over fire. It is said that Prometheus was chained by the Gods because he introduced fire to the mortals.

Fire is often placed with destruction but that's not all what fire is. It's a bringer of life and hope. Fire is what gives light to the world and in turn helps life to bloom.

When the bird emerged from the Gate of Babylon, that was what everybody felt. In that total darkness devoid of life, the light brought them hope. The huge fiery bird flew around a circle emitting cries of joy.

Those cries denoted freedom, hope and light. All the people present there finally had hopes in that damned darkness. The bird gave one last cry before finally entering the body of John.

John knew what it was.

The Phoenix Force. The Phoenix that had hatched. After many months. Maybe it was Gilgamesh's luck or Blue Lantern's hope, it did pay off at the end.

As the Phoenix force entered his body, he felt he was rejuvenated. He came back to his original form, stopping the omnitrix.

John now felt that his body was full of power and life force. A power which he felt was endless. He felt that now he could destroy galaxies just with the wave of his hands. He felt he could even bring the dead to life. That was what the Phoenix force represented.

Life and Godhood.

He was now omnipotent and omnipresent. Normally the Phoenix force doesn't give that much power to the host, because the body of the host can't control such power. But John was different.

His Phoenix fruit made his body perfectly capable of handling the Phoenix Force. And on top of that he was Dr. Fate. A Sorcerer Supreme. And more so he was 2/3rd God to begin with.

Such compelling points made him the perfect host. The host that the Phoenix Force had been searching for aeons. Now finally it has got one.

"Can you hear me?" John asked in his mind.

"Yes. Thank you for waiting for me." a woman's voice rang his head.

"Wait. You can read my memories and thoughts?" This was the main question that he had in his head right now. He had too big of a secret and he didn't want anyone else to know.

"I can't. Just in the same way you can't read my memories, I can't read yours. Normally, I can do it but you are the perfect host. We can even converse with each other which was never possible for me before."

"But enough of that. Shall we deal with the problem at hand?" Phoenix force asked.

"Yes." John said as he finally looked up.

"What is this? What are you?" Black Winter asked as he felt an immense power emitting from the person's body which had hit him twice. The bird that had just emerged gave him fear like nothing before.

The amount of power he felt was almost on par with him in his prime. But right now he didn't even have 20% of his total power.

"I am life. But here, I am your death. Now disappear." John said as he looked at the hollow eyes of Black Winter one last time.

And just like that fire burnt in the whole of Black Winter's body. He screamed in pain. This time he couldn't escape as no matter what he would never be able to escape from the clutches of John now.

John didn't move a bit when he said those words. His words were the judgement and doom of Black Winter. And after a moment of cry, Black Winter's last presence vanished from the multiverse all together.

The enemy was finally dead. Never to be born again. Never to hunt another multiverse ever again. And this was done with the hands of mortals and gods, together.

Everybody cheered when finally Black Winter vanished forever. And this cheer was from their hearts. They had now absolutely won. There were tears of joy in almost everybody's eyes. They really thought they would die but miraculously they survived.

John too had a smile on his face as he was taken on the shoulders of Tony and Clark and paraded around. John, seeing all this too, laughed. He too was really happy to see all of this and cheered.

They all clapped and thanked John who had been bravely fighting at the front since the start and other than Galactus he was the only one who was able to hurt Black Winter to such a degree. Even though at the end the Phoenix force came and helped them. At least the host was John.

"Let this day be remembered for eternity. A day where we fought against a God. Our universe was left without help but we still fought back. We didn't lose hope. We didn't abandon our friends. We fought and won. Let this be a reminder. Nothing is impossible if we are together." John shouted as he said that.

Chapter 405: Returning victorious

John and others and after cheering for a few more minutes and then teleported to the place where Galactus was. John then waved his hands to provide a little life force to him.

Galactus, who had been unconscious, due to low energy woke up with a start. Even though all his power wasn't restored he could still live.

"What happened? Did we win?" Galactus asked.

"Yes. We won." John said. Galactus looked at John. Galactus looked at him closely and he could tell that now John was finally the proper host of Phoenix Force.

"Our deal still stands. Norrin will be free from now and you will never touch any of the things of this universe." John reminded. Galactus nodded his head.

He didn't care about the deal. The greatest thorn in his life was dead. Even though he had lost a lot in this battle, it could always be recovered after eating some planets and galaxies.

He for the last time looked at Norrin and then took all the Power Cosmic that had been distributed before. Taking that he broke the multiversal wall and took off.

Norrin who saw this was more happy in his heart. Galactus didn't strip the Power Cosmic from him and now he was free. He didn't have to hide or run away from Galactus any more.

All people sighed in relief. They were really worried about how Galactus would react. Even though John had become the host, a being like Galactus was very eccentric. So they were all tense before, but now that he had left, there was a wave of relief for all.

"Norrin you are free. You can come back with us for rest. We have fought a lot. We need rest."

Norrin nodded his head. He was really grateful for all that had happened.

"We should return back home. We need to deliver the good news to others." And saying that John and the other Avengers were in the Ring. John didn't even use teleportation from his helmet. His words now were laws.

The Green Lanterns now were back at Oa. While the Blue Lanterns returned to their planet where the Blue Lanterns had their headquarters.

"This new power. Are you able to handle it?" Clark asked. They all were concerned about John. Even though they won the battle, John had become the host. And from the words of Norrin, nothing good comes out when a person becomes the host of Phoenix Force.

"I am fine. I have become the perfect host. There is nothing to worry about." John reassured others seeing their worry.

They all went into the Hall.

"So today was a victory for all of us. As a collective, we have fought and won. That deserves a pat on the back. More so, we have not seen our own death. That was important for us too. I know many of you are curious about what your future will be, but knowing this will only make us depressed." Wayne said as all took their seats. John had provided them with life force so that they were rejuvenated again.

"But whatever the process was, we won. And now we heal. I know you all have worked hard and prepared for this fight for a long time. And now finally we can rest. Rejoice and go on with your work. The Avengers are officially on vacation. Have fun people." Steve said with a smile.

All cheered at this, especially the Teen Titans. They were just teens and even though they fought like grownups, they loved vacations.

"I know that my life force wasn't enough for you all and you are exhausted mentally. You all should go and rest. Norrin, you too should go and sleep. You have been on the run for a long time. Guys, thank you for all the help and courage. You all have done an awesome job. Now enjoy your time."

All had a smile on their faces. They all got up and left. Guilty Spark took all of them to their homes. Only Norrin and a few others were left in the Hall.

"Tony, you have surprised me with your tech." John said as he was reminded of how his technology made the passive attacks of Black Winter useless. Tony smiled as he was proud of what he had achieved.

"I have said before. Technology reigns supreme." Tony said.

"We have lost the infinity stones forever. This is going to negatively impact the universe." Strange said.

"Yes, it will be but the mages will get their supply of multidimensional energy back. I can now connect this universe back to the multiverse." John said and his body instantly caught on fire for a few moments before returning back to normal.

Their universe was back with the multiverse. Before only Gods were able to break the wall and come to their universe. But in reality, their universe was losing it's life force slowly as it was separated from the multiverse.

Chapter 406: Home

"You really are on a whole different level now. Aren't you?" Steve lamented.

"I am the same old person, Captain. It's just now I will have too much information on my head. I can only switch off the constant flow of information." John said as he assured everybody that he was still the same.

"So our universe is back with the multiverse. Is it a good thing or a bad one?" Tony asked as the normal people felt no change when John said that they were back with the multiverse.

"It's a good thing. But there is a downside. This might lead to more people crossing over to our universe now." John lied. The Black Winter was done so now he could spend his fan values as much as he pleased. He didn't need to care about anything anymore.

"More people? From where?" Tony asked.

"I have no idea. I might be omnipotent but not in every sense. I can't always know the future." John lied again as he always had an idea who would be coming. But here, as of now, he hadn't decided.

"Alright. Be it an ally or an enemy. We will face it together. Let's stop here for now." Wayne said as he got up and started walking away. Following that all of them left. Visit no(v)eLb(i)n.com for the best novel reading experience

John was back at his home but he shuddered the moment he returned because he saw an angry woman standing on the patio looking at him. It was Emma. And before he could defend or say anything she asked

"You asked the Guardians not to include me in the fight against the Black Winter. Didn't you?"

"Uhh...No.. I don't know what you are talking about." John replied as he moved his head to avoid the eyes of her. It was him who asked the Guardians not to inform her of the battle. In the battle John couldn't let himself be distracted so he chose the most viable option possible.

Not to include her in the battle and keep her as far as possible from all of this.

"Liar.. You asked the Guardians not to include me in this whole assault and I was never informed." Emma said in a more stern tone. John sighed, he knew he couldn't hide the truth from her for a long time and had to come out with the truth.

"Let's go inside and discuss this, can we?" John said. Emma didn't speak and just went inside. Followed by John. And then the whole argument started. Well, it was more of a scolding and less of an argument.

But finally after a lot of convincing she calmed down. She really didn't like being away from the whole battle. But John just denied her that. She only accepted John's reasons after the assurance that she would be present if a major battle breaks out in the future.

John in order to make it up to her made a candlelight dinner and took her to a romantic date. It was there that Emma understood that her boyfriend had just been elevated to Godhood after being the host of Phoenix Force.

She was very happy to know this. Being the girlfriend of the host of a cosmic entity was a huge thing and she was genuinely ecstatic to know of all this.

John on the other hand was just happy that Emma had calmed down. He wanted nothing more but to see her smile and all he did was to preserve that smile and preserve the smiles of his loved ones.

Earth on the other hand got to see Galactus. The satellites like last time caught pictures of him. And this being was bigger than the last one. There was a whole lot of discussion on all of this and it added more when the rumours came that all the Avengers and even the Teen Titans vanished for sometime after this new being appeared.

There was debate on the internet and speculations of him as usual. Neither Umbrella nor Avengers came up and gave any information of why such beings have started appearing one after another.

But unlike last time, the people weren't deeply concerned about who appeared and who not as long as it didn't affect their lives. Humanity had the notion that now, since they had Pokemons and mythical ones at that, they would always be protected as Pokemons now lived on the same Earth too.

John, who knew what was going on on Earth, was happy to see such a response. The next day Emma had to leave as there were less lanterns in the universe now and even though new lanterns had been chosen they needed to be trained for combat. So all the remaining Lanterns had more work for the time being as they had to look after more sectors as a whole.

Chapter 407: Visit

After this battle all the Avengers went into retreat. They wanted a rest from all the running around so they all took a break. Even the people working as mercenaries like Oliver, Clint and others didn't show up.

In order to control everything SHIELD had to recruit more ninjas from the villages to handle everything. John didn't let the ninjas participate in the battle as he wanted someone to hold the fort on Earth.

He wasn't sure if anybody would sneak attack his Earth. He had angered a lot of people on Earth 616 so he needed assurance on Earth. A proper legion to defend if anything went wrong.

Thankfully nothing went wrong. And everything was in its place. 2 months went by and John was now focused on making the new movie which was in its last phase. The movie would be the continuation of the previous DC movies.

Now that was all he cared about was 'His own life and be on the lookout of potential threats'. With his omnipotence he even found out the location of Ultron but he didn't care any more about him. No matter what he did, it would never put a dent in the universe.

So he left Ultron on his machinations and never bothered. He even conversed with the Phoenix Force when he was bored and came to know more deeply about the universe. The Phoenix Force had only one responsibility and that was protecting the M'kraan crystal.

The crystal was responsible for holding the realities of the universe together and right now it was residing in his Gate of Babylon. With the crystal a person could time travel and go to any world. But John never cared about any of this. Only thing he needed to care about was the security of the crystal which was residing on the Gate of Babylon.

The crystal came with the egg and it was inside the egg when it was hatching.

One evening when John returned from work he saw a small group of people waiting for him near his home. John was taken aback by the presence of so many people and the thing was he didn't know them at all and had never seen their faces. And all of them looked very weird.

But John remembered them from the comics. Remembering that John had a smile on his face. He had been expecting the visit from them but never expected that all of them would be here together.

"Oh so the cosmic entities of the multiverse have finally graced this universe with their presence. I am eternally grateful." John said in a very mocking and a sharp tone. This tone signified how unhappy he was with them.

The people who came were the cosmic entities of their multiverse. The actual controllers and the preserver of this multiverse.

"Kid, you have no right to speak in such a way with us." said a woman whose whole head was covered in a mask. The woman looked very sexy and appealing even though her head was covered by a gas mask which looked like it was made during world war 2.

"Why are you getting irritated Death? Got bored after flirting with Wade?" John asked as Death had a very complicated history with Deadpool.

"You... How do you know this?" Death was taken aback when John called out on her secret crush on Deadpool. John didn't reply to her but said to everyone.

"Why don't you all come inside? I am sure you have not come to this universe just to get mocked by a mortal like me. We can talk inside."

Saying that he walked in. All the other Gods were thoroughly confused about how John knew of Death's fascination for a mortal. They all were omnipotents but they could never cross boundaries and could look into each other's lives. But John here actually knew of them and their secret lives.

"He is different from all of us. Tread very carefully. His existence gives me a smell of one place which I myself fear a lot. Aeons of roaming in the void made me aware of many things and trust me when I say this. He isn't simple." said another being. That person was Oblivion.

It is said Oblivion is the only God which roams the void outside the multiverse. Oblivion looked like all other human beings in shape but the difference was that nobody had seen his face as his face was always covered with a cloak and the only thing that could be seen was his eyes.

They all were surprised by such words of Oblivion. They never expected that he would have such high evaluation of the new host of the Phoenix Force. Even though they took notice of him for sometime but nobody cared.

Until they killed Black Winter. And he was responsible for winning half of the battle and later becoming the perfect host of Phoenix Force.

Chapter 408: Disagreement

They all went in. This was the first time that all the cosmic entities were invited to the home of a mortal. Even though technically John was God, he wasn't born abstractly like the others. So all the Gods had different views about John.

John had gone and sat on his sofa while the others sat in the vacant places. Everybody had no problems with that but when Death sat at the sofa, it got obliterated into nothingness. Death who saw this stood there awkwardly. Her powers were related to death and destruction and sometimes she had no control over it.

Seeing no solution she made a throne for herself made of bones. John who saw this didn't mind as he could just obliterate it later.

"So I think this is the first time all the cosmic entities were together. Am I right? Or am I missing something?" John asked.

"No. This is the first time we have all been together." said a woman. She had weird yellow colored transparent markings all over her body. She was Infinity, sister of Eternity, counterpart of Death. The multiverse had all counter parts of each abstract being. Like Eternity's counterpart was Oblivion. And like Infinity's sister, Eternity too had come with all of them.

He looked like he was made of stars. Just like the model of Alien X. The only difference was that Eternity had massive horns in his head and the stars were more prominent in his body as opposed to Alien X where the stars were very small and negligible.

Watching Eternity was one of the most mesmerising things.

"Then I should be honoured to bring all of you together for the first time." said a voice. There was a small fiery bird which sat on the shoulder of John. Phoenix Force had itself come out to converse with all of them. Before, the Phoenix Force could never manifest herself in the real world for a long time. But this time it was different.

"Phoenix. Are you alright? Is he really the perfect host?" Eternity asked.

"Yes. John is the one I had been searching for. His powers are aligned with me. You don't have to worry about the crystal. It's safe and will always be under our protection." Phoenix assured everyone as that was one of the main concerns of the abstract beings.

"We trust you." replied Infinity.

"I don't." suddenly came a reply to the last person among the Abstract beings. The man looked like he was half of everything. His body was painted from top to bottom by equal portions of black and white color. He looked the most weird and probably the bad apple in the whole lot of the Abstract Beings.

The In-Betweener.

He was an agent of Lord Chaos and Master Order. Like the DC universe, Marvel too had chaos and order. And unlike Lords that existed in the DC universe, Marvel had only agents who represented both of Chaos and Order.

But John always had prejudice against him. He believed that the In-Betweeener always tilted towards Chaos and his history wasn't so good to begin with.

"It's fine if you don't trust. We didn't ask for your validation. The crystal will stay with us. Whether you like it or not." John replied in a sharp tone.

All became silent when John replied that. They had come for a normal conversation but it seemed like not everybody was aboard with this gathering.

"You are just a mortal. You have no right to hold on to the crystal." In-Betweener said.

"Let's be honest here. Phoenix had been with many hosts before but none of you had shown up to them. You all are not here for the crystal, you are here to test me." John said.

"When I was small I hated exams and all kinds of tests. One of the reasons why I left school. It was childish of me for sure, but that habit remained with me. I don't like tests. If you are just to do that, then you can please leave my home. I don't like being disturbed after a long day of work." and saying that the door of the house opened by itself.

It showed how irritated John was by the cross examination of In-Betweener and the other beings who were silent about this treatment.

"How dare a mortal talk to me like that." In-Betweener said. But what came next was not what he expected.

He was welcomed with a kick on his head. A kick that was powered by Alien X, Lord of Order and Phoenix Force. The kick was so powerful that In-Betweener was thrown right out of the House of Mysteries.

This created a massive hole in the wall of the House and even destroyed the surrounding furniture and books. All the other cosmic entities didn't expect that John would be so violent that he would attack another abstract with no restraint whatsoever.

Chapter 409: Warning

"Sorry, I destroyed the house. I will rebuild it later." John mumbled under his breath. It was for the spirit of the House. Since her life was connected to the House, John needed to be respectful to her. The spirit appeared nearby and nodded her head.

She understood that John must be really angry to deliver such a massive blow inside the house to someone.

"Go inside. It might get ugly." John reminded her.

"Was that really necessary?" Oblivion said. The other abstract beings came outside with him. To the patio. John's kick was powerful enough to drag In-Betweener for a few more metres before stopping. His body was dragged on the sand.

"Necessary? Absolutely. Especially him. An agent of Chaos and Order who does as he wishes." John said. The other abstract beings just stood there without any notion of interfering. They didn't want to add more chaos to what was going on.

They were wrong in the first place to begin with when they abandoned their universe. And now they didn't have any moral high ground to argue against the anger of John. They just stood behind to see how everything would play out.

In-Betweener, who was hit by John finally stood up. He had anger written all over his face. He waved his hands and a hammer appeared in his hand. The hammer was like his body. With two colors of equal proportion.

John saw this extracted Sul-Sagana. He didn't want to use Ea. John thought it would be an insult to Ea if he used it here. And now since he was the actual host of Phoenix Force he could exert more power in it.

"I need to teach you some manners, kid." In-Betweener said in a very grave and heavy tone.

"Says the guy who just got kicked by the same kid moments ago." John saying that flew off to him. He swung his huge jagged sword at him while In-Betweener swung his hammer. Both the weapons clashed. And that clash was so massive that a wave was produced around.

The wave travelled to the surrounding area creating destruction on the surface of the Ring. The sea and the land got divided instantly. Infinity seeing the destruction waved her hands. All the destruction that was produced by the clash was restored instantly.

But the damage was already done before and it raised the sirens on the Hall of Justice. GAIA who had been keeping an eye called every Avenger by that point of time. And Guilty Spark started teleporting all the members of the Avengers to John's side as GAIA felt that John might need support as many people had come.

John and In-Betweener stepped back after they clashed and when John stepped on the land. Tony and others appeared near him.

"You should have called us if you wanted to... What the.." Tony who was going to say something became tongue twisted seeing the enemy that John just clashed against. Even though GAIA had mentioned that the enemy was weird and powerful he didn't think much.

But now seeing this he was dumbstruck.

"Oye John. Why is there a chess piece in live action? Now even chess pieces have come to life. What is left now? A game of checkers in live action?" Tony said in his typical fashion and words. Saying this he had already put up his armor

By that time almost all the Avengers have appeared. Like Tony everybody was surprised to see this new guy. And more so when they saw the people behind John. All looked very weird but nonetheless they were ready to fight. John didn't even care about all this and again swung his sword at In-Betweener. And this time he used more force.

In-Betweener proceeded to defend with his hammer. As they clashed there was another wave produced by it and like last time it too caused destruction all around. All the Avengers had their eyes wide open when they saw the destruction caused by such a simple clash. Though GAIA said that the situation was dire, they never expected that it was this bad.

"Clark, tell me you can do this?" Banner asked fumblingly.

"I can. I think Bruce too can cause it. But will the Ring be able to sustain this?" Clark asked. And as if to counter Clark's words, Infinity proceeded to undo all the destruction with the wave of his hands.

"What the... Who are these people?" Clint asked as he was surprised that all the destruction caused was back to normal even before any one of them could take a shot. John who was on a standstill against In-Betweener said.

"Still think I am a kid?"

"You have no idea who you are dealing with?" In-Betweener replied.

"A hypocrite." John shouted loudly as he directly used more power in his clash. This extra force applied by him was enough to throw In-Betweener away.

And this time he was thrown till Venus. His body hit the planet Venus that was thousands of kilometres away destroying the whole planet.

Chapter 410: Discussion

John flew into space at a very fast speed to confront In-Betweener again as he knew this wouldn't put a dent on his body or even wound him. The Avengers who saw this now just accepted this. They had a very vague idea of how powerful John was now, but this really established who the strongest Avenger was among them.

Thor too had appeared. When he saw all the abstract beings he was taken aback. Even though he was omnipotent in the 10 realms, being like them were dark spots for him. Thor looked at Strange and both nodded their heads. And then they approached the cosmic entities.

"Greetings from 10 realms. I am sorry for asking but is there a grudge between us?" Thor asked. He and Strange knew who they were. Being connected with Yggdrasil gave them a lot of knowledge. And the knowledge of these beings was also among them.

"We and the Avengers do not have a grudge. But John has prejudice against us. So that is what is going on between him and the other nasty guy." Death said.

"Prejudice against you? But I don't remember John telling us about you all. Who are you?" Wayne asked as he was curious about what was going on. Strange looked at all the confused faces of the Avengers and finally said.

"Ignorance is bliss. These are the 'Gods' who control the workings of the multiverse." Avengers were struck by lightning when Strange said that. They expected that these people were powerful but they never expected that these were the Gods that they had been discussing for such a long time. John had spoken of them multiple times.

At first he didn't show any emotion to them. But after the emergence of Black Winter and their non involvement made John very angry and this rubbed all of them the wrong way. Thus the Avengers too didn't have any goodwill for them. But now that they were on the doorstep and seeing a glimpse of their powers they understood that having grudges against them was foolish.

They were never in the same league. Ants don't get to hold grudges against elephants. Only John had the audacity and power to back himself. Not them.

They were again reminded how weak they were in the cosmic scale.

"Oh so they are them. No wonder John is angry with them." Tony said with a grin and didn't mince his words at all. Everybody here was not so happy because their universe was isolated for some time even though they could never speak it out loud. Though all turned out to be good at the end but at some point of time they were abandoned.

"Hey please control your words Tony. We can be dead in the blink of an eye." Banner whispered to Tony.

"Can you please stop the two of them from fighting? Seeing the fact that you are not attacking us I will assume that you all are not here for war. So I hope you can stop both of them." Clark said as he didn't feel any ill will from them.

"We come in peace to apologize for what we have done but we have no control of our colleague." Eternity said.

"We understand. We all have some bad apples in our leagues." Wayne said, looking at Tony.

"What does that mean? I am the most perfect guy for the team." Tony refuted his friend.

"I presume you are not here just to apologize. Is there any other reason for your visit?" Clark asked.

"We do have a matter to discuss. But I guess we can do the same with you all. You are his friends and only you can convince him." Infinity said.

"Oh. Did he do something more to annoy you?" Steve asked.

"Yes. He went to the main universe of the multiverse and depowered every Avenger in that Earth. And now this has created problems in all of the multiverse." Eternity said.

"Huh.. Hahaha... This is something I didn't expect.. This is hilarious... Worth writing about in history books." Tony laughed out loud when Eternity said that. Nobody expected that John had gone to the main universe and made all the heroes of the Avenger of their universe a normal person.

They had seen how one Avenger from another universe turned out to be a nightmare for all. Now John had gone and done the same thing. Only this time he was successful while the Strange from another universe failed.

"By the main universe, you mean the universe where that Strange came from?" Oliver asked.

"Yes. He is the leader of the Black Priests. Since he joined them, he could never interfere in normal matters any more." Infinity said.

"Then that universe deserves what they are getting. They played God with us. And now John played the actual God. I am sorry but we will not convince him." Pietro said as he still remembered that fight. Everybody here remembered that fight as it was a major and an impactful one.