O Summoner 1421

Chapter 1421 Hinomoto Under Siege IV

The seventh prince, Prince Reishi, managed to summon a demigod version of a god that resides in the underworld. Adrian could not believe it but he managed to do so because the God Xing Tian agreed to be summoned. The God Xing Tian is not at full power though as he is being limited by the power of the Evil Sealing Bamboo Scroll.

"You have summoned me, young brat! I though we would never see each other again after you vanished from the underworld. I am also not at full power but that is not a problem for me as I always love a challenge. You also have the Champion of the Twin Gods with you. Keep the young brat alive as we do not want him to get hurt." The God Xing Tian stated.

"I will do that." Adrian replied.

The God Xing Tian looks quite different from what you call gods as his body is built like a jacked bodybuilder covered in underworld armor. The most notable thing is that he has no head as he is really decapitated just like the description given to him. He does have a face though, but it is actually located on his body.

The God Xing Tian holds an axe on his right hand and a shield on his left hand. He is also not small as he actually stands at a height of three meters and that is without a head. The axe is actually even bigger than his actual body while the shield covers all of his body due to the size as well.

"Go Uncle Headless!" Prince Reishi stated as Adrian calmed him down.

"We should reign it down a bit, your highness. You just summoned a demigod and it seems that your body is suffering the effects." Adrian stated as he could see that Prince Reishi suddenly has low mana reserves and is panting despite not running.

"Sorry about that I just got a bit excited." Prince Reishi stated as Adrian smiled.

"Since you did your best then I should also do my best. Greater Summon: Sirius, Kanlaon and Saena!" Adrian stated as he summoned his first three soulbounds.

Three distinct magic circles appeared behind Adrian and the three soulbounds appeared from them in their real size. Sirius' size could easily match the large walls of the imperial city while Kanlaon and Saena casted large shadows from the skies above.

"Awesome!" Prince Reishi stated.

"You should not be impressed just yet as I will show you something interesting." Adrian stated.

"Primordial Armament: Bow! Perfect Assimilation: Charon!" Adrian stated as he also changed to his Aetheros Form since he plans on supporting from the back.

[You have summoned the Primordial Armament: Bow. All stats will change due to the nature of your weapon.]

[You have fused with your soulbound, Charon, and has gained increase in stats.]

Adrian's body suddenly morphed to become more like an undead wraith that has a holy appearance because his cloth armor is shining in a gold and white light. The coffin that Charon carried is fused with the bow armament instead of manifesting behind Adrian. He chose this appearance because Adrian wants to make use of Prince Reishi's passive skill.

==

Buff: Blessed by Souls

Type: Aura

Effect:

- Increases the effects of any monster or ally that are related to death magic.
- Increased defenses against spiritual attacks on the mind and body by 15%.
- Increased damage when using spiritual attacks by 10%.

==

"Our side is losing the battle since we get more damaged as time goes on but let us change that." Adrian stated as he drew his bow but did not aim at the enemies.

Adrian aimed his arrows towards his allies instead and released them. One might think that he is committing treachery, but the arrows were not designed to kill them. The arrows hit their allies and tethered their souls to Adrian's. Chains made of aether dust could be seen tethered to Adrian and his allies.

When the allies were tethered to Adrian, they suddenly had direct access to the effects of Aether Dust which means their natural regeneration increased a lot. Adrian made sure to hit all even his soulbounds as they would go and attack a Corpse Legion (Jiangshi) by themselves.

"Since the Corpse Legion (Jiangshi) is created using the spirits of others. Let us see if they could handle my soul once it linked." Adrian stated as he pulled the bowstring again but the color of the arrow is not a purifying white light but a darker shade of grey.

Adrian released the arrows and hit each of the Corpse Legion (Jiangshi) that was in the northern gate. Once the arrows pierced the Corpse Legion (Jiangshi), they suddenly started to lose health as Adrian is sucking up their vitality. He did not damage them physically but spiritually instead which made it very effective.

If one focused correctly then they would be able to see the chains that look like illusions. Adrian sucked the vitality out of the souls of the Corpse Legion (Jiangshi) and purified it using his soul. He would then send the life that he drained to his allies which become barriers that covered their body.

This made the soldiers almost immortal as they are receiving a great deal of life energy from Adrian via the Aether Dust and a barrier as well. They are also staring to become more energetic due to the effects of the Aether Dust which means the soldiers that retreated could fight more.

The immortals that saw this happening did not like the sudden turn of events. All of them charged towards Adrian and passed right through the barrier which means they were actually insiders. They managed to enter the imperial city without the barrier impeding them.

"Yuki! Slow them down!" Adrian commanded as a white fox with two tails suddenly appeared in front of him.

Yuki then swirled her two tails and released a powerful snowstorm at the direction of the immortals. Adrian released arrows that were dark grey in color again but each of them was also covered with a nasty energy. The arrows that Adrian released pierced through the immortals and attached perfectly but they were not tethered to Adrian.

The arrows that Adrian released created chains tethered to the Corpse Legion (Jiangshi) instead. The immortals thought that they were in trouble, but they did not feel anything. They were pierced by a mana arrow, but they were not heavily damaged until one of them screamed in intense pain.

"Wahh! It burns!" One of the immortals shouted as he crashed to the ground.

The other immortals soon followed and screamed in intense pain as they were enveloped in a burning sensation. They were not damaged by fire or anything but their souls were tethered to the Corpse Legion (Jiangshi) which means they now feel the pain that the souls inside the monster feels.

This was a very harsh punishment to anyone in the living realm and is actually banned. Adrian would not have been able to do this punishment without the judgement of two or more Gods of Death. They agreed in letting Adrian use Soul Arts which is the forbidden magic of the Death Realms.

"Feel the pain that the innocent souls you used. Make sure to have a taste of it because you will receive greater punishment in the underworld." Adrian stated in a domineering and powerful voice that suits the Champion of the Twin Gods.

"Help! Meee!" One of the immortals pleaded as he crawled towards Adrian's feet.

"This is the price you pay for toying with the precious souls of others." Adrian stated as he told Yuki to freeze the enemies that were being tortured.

Yuki froze the pitiful immortals and turned their bodies into dust by destroying the ice. She then sat patiently beside Adrian as she was her designated guard while her alpha is destroying the monsters. Prince Reishi looked at the ice dust particles with a blank expression.

"Was it too much for you, your highness?" Adrian asked.

"It is not as I am not as innocent about the matters of life. I am just shocked that they could create such things using the lives of others." Prince Reishi stated as he looked at the numerous Corpse Legion (Jiangshi).

"Not everyone is blessed like us and was able to see what is beyond the realm of life. People often forget that they would receive what they afflicted to others at the very end." Adrian stated as he suddenly took the seventh prince and blinked away from their location.

As soon as they vanished, a powerful beam of condensed miasma suddenly hit their spot. It was such a powerful condensed miasma as it was actually able to pierce through the barrier. If Adrian did not escape in time, then the seventh prince would have been dealt serious damage.

Adrian looked up to see who was the one that launched the attack and saw a robed individual holding a Depraved Man's Hand.

Chapter 1422 The Other Depraved Man's Hand I

Adrian could feel that the robed individual is different from the one that controlled the other Depraved Man's Hand. The enemy in front of them is actually controlling the Depraved Man's Hand instead of it controlling the user. The beam of pure miasma was a testament to how powerful the forbidden artifact could be.

"Found you!" Xing Tian stated as he jumped to the air and attempted to strike the robed individual.

The God Xing Tian managed to reach the robed individual but was met with a powerful barrier that repelled him. He was sent flying towards the other Corpse Legion (Jiangshi). The robed individual as powerful enough to actually send a demigod flying although he is weaker than a normal demigod at this point.

"It is the Finance Minister!" Prince Reishi stated as the God Xing Tian managed to destroy the robe that was concealing the female minister's appearance.

"I see. No wonder they were able to get inside the barrier without getting impeded." Adrian muttered as he shot multiple arrows towards the finance minister.

"Useless." The female finance minister stated as she made use of the miasma to block the arrows.

The arrows that were not blocked by physical attacks were melted by the miasma barrier. Adrian could only frown as his modes of attack is suddenly locked. He cannot defeat the enemy in front of him with just normal attacks or his fused mode.

"Limit Break: Summoner!"

"Greater Summon: Dodu"

"Greater Summon: Kimat"

"Greater Summon: Wisteria"

Adrian summoned all of his soulbounds except for Charon as he is currently fused with him. The moment all of his soulbounds were summoned, they were immediately tasked with helping the others. Dodu is the one that would be the key to this battle as it will need to devour the physical bodies of the Corpse Legion (Jiangshi).

Kimat immediately called upon the lightning and the immortals immediately looked worried. It seems that the immortals of the eastern continent are afraid or have traumatic experiences regarding lightning. Kimat's lightning is also somewhat different than before as it is now filled with more natural energy and close to what the immortals call Tribulation Lightning.

Adrian made Wisteria and Yuki guard the seventh prince as he would need to move with all he has. Wisteria nodded and immediately rooted herself in the area as she transformed into a small willow tree. This was the skill she received from Flower Gift called Tree of Protection.

==

Skill Name: Tree of Protection Skill Tier: Legendary Skill Type: Unmovable Protective Domain

Effect:

- Roots the user in place if they are of the nature element and transforms them into a tree. Each tree will have different buffs to them but they will protect all the people inside the domain.

- Transfers all the damage received by allies inside the domain to the caster of the skill as nonlethal magic damage.

- The skill caster will have 60% damage reduction from all types of damage including the damaged soaked up from allies.

Cast Time: 10 Seconds

Cooldown: 1 day

Mana Cost: None (Temporary Skill)

Duration: Until the skill caster cancels the skill or dies.

==

Yuki also created a small protective film of cold air around them to ensure the safety of the seventh prince. Adrian told the seventh prince to stay put as he did not want any mishaps happening. He then shot the arrows to his other soulbounds to make sure that they are also benefitting from the barriers.

The female finance minister then tried to send a beam of miasma to the seventh prince once more but Adrian countered it with Shooting Star. The powerful burst of energy from the arrow repelled the beam of miasma but that also meant that they are at a standstill. Adrian then remembered something as he did receive a new skill and is dying to try it out.

"Heart Flame Summoning!" Adrian stated as he pulled the bowstring with all his force. Instead of a mana arrow made of pale light being drawn, a powerful flaming arrow could be seen manifesting.

The female finance minister could feel that the power behind that arrow should not be released. The Depraved Man's Hand is telling the female finance minister to make sure that the arrow will not be fired at all costs. She did not know that the powerful artifact could actually tremble but she did not ignore its wishes.

"Destroy the arrow and the summoner!" The female finance minister stated as all of the remaining immortals under her shot towards Adrian.

Just as the immortals all headed towards Adrian to intercept his skill, a powerful snowstorm suddenly swirled in the vicinity. To add more confusion, lightning started raining down from the skies as the immortals tried to dodge it as they saw those hit become stunned.

"Too late!" Adrian murmured as he released the powerful flaming arrow.

The flames from the arrow actually came from Adrian's chest as it was done using the Heart Flame. The loud cry of a powerful avian being rung throughout the imperial city. A massive flaming bird came out of the snowstorm and flew towards the skies with lightning falling down. It was like a scene from the movies of a powerful god bird rising from the ashes. The Vermillion Bird was summoned to the imperial city at Adrian's behest. To make matters in their favor, Adrian actually summoned the actual Vermillion Bird as he was in the eastern continent and the latter answered the prayers of the people.

Adrian would have only been able to summon an avatar of the Vermillion Bird but the collective power of prayers made it possible to summon the real one. As if accepting the huge amount of faith, the Vermillion Bird erupted in a powerful flame that swept throughout the imperial city but it did not burn the surroundings.

The powerful heat wave that the Vermillion Bird released was a healing wave that rejuvenated all the injuries of the people in the imperial city. It also burned the bodies of those that hurt the innocent faithful as a show of strength. The immortals that rampaged inside the imperial city were enveloped in a powerful flame that burned their bodies.

"I have answered the call of my friend and the faithful! Unworthy and defilers shall know my wrath!" The Vermillion Bird stated as she rose through the sky in flames and erupted in great power.

The skies that were covered in dark clouds suddenly started to glow in a bright red color as numerous flaming meteors started to rain down from the heavens. The flaming meteors were the ones that the Vermillion Bird created using its full power as its wrath cannot be quenched by asking for forgiveness.

The flaming meteors not only hit the Corpse Legion M (Jiangshi) but also the other people responsible for the chaos in the imperial city. The loud cries of agony rang throughout the imperial city as the Vermillion Bird swept all the enemies but the female finance minister was safe due to the Depraved Man's Hand.

"Retreat!" The female finance minister stated as she used a vast amount of energy to try and escape using the Depraved Man's Hand.

The female finance minister used all the remaining energy she could muster to create a gate. The gate was made using the miasma of the Depraved Man's Hand and Adrian could feel that the space near them shifted greatly. The enemy actually thought of escaping via a portal when they are fighting a demon.

"Wait a minute!" Adrian stated as he suddenly used Time Stop.

Time froze and the only ones able to move is Adrian but he made use of all ten seconds to seal the spatial rift that the Depraved Man's Hand created. He fired numerous arrows towards the rift with spatial energy to shut it off. When time flowed once more, the gate that the Depraved Man's Hand created is now sealed shut.

The female finance minister that wanted to enter the gate is suddenly met with a solid structure as she crashed face first. She tried pouring more energy and even used some of her life force but the gate was already sealed shut. She was not going anywhere, and she knew it.

"You actually tried escaping via spatial rift when in front of a demon. I do not know if you are confident or stupid. Maybe a little bit of both." Adrian stated.

"You may be able to cut off my escape via a rift but I can still run away without you stopping me." The female finance minister stated but she also forgot about one thing.

All of Adrian's soulbounds are now around her as she no longer has any means of escape. She clutched the Depraved Man's Hand but she cannot exert anymore power because she used it in creating the Corpse Legion (Jiangshi) army. She can no longer feel any connection with any of the Corpse Legion (Jiangshi) because all of them are now ashes thanks to the Vermillion Bird.

Chapter 1423 The Other Depraved Man's Hand II

The finance minister no longer has the confident attitude that she will be able to escape with the soulbounds that are around her. Knowing that her capture meant that the plans of the great liberation will be finished, she decided on using the most drastic approach. She opened her mouth and swallowed the Depraved Man's Hand.

Even Adrian did not expect that she will do that as eating an artifact means that they will be possessed by the cursed artifact. The moment the female finance minister ate the cursed relic, she exploded in powerful miasma that blew away all the soulbounds that are surrounding her. Adrian had to ran towards the seventh prince as he needed to protect the latter from the miasma.

The powerful burst of miasma also destroyed the entire barrier covering the imperial city. This also led to the immortals that were not able to go inside the imperial capital to go over. A loud shriek of something inhuman erupted in the air as waves of miasma are being spread throughout the imperial city.

The female finance minister is no longer the beautiful plump woman that she was as she turned into an amalgamation of a humanoid hand monster. The face of the female finance minister is actually the Depraved Man's Hand with a mouth on the palm. Her hair became numerous fingers that are clumped together.

==

Monster Name: Depraved Man's Hand Puppet

Tier: Mythical

Level: 300

HP: 100%

MP:100%

Description: A monster born from the Depraved Man's Hand that possessed a human. It is a puppet that only serves the remaining will of the Depraved Man's Hand. It is full of miasma, and it will continue to create and release miasma until the vessel's body deteriorates.

==

"Destroy the traitor!" The voice of the Celestial Emperor sounded as all of the golden statues charged towards the Depraved Man's Hand Puppet. Since the Vermillion Bird destroyed all of the Corpse Legion (Jiangshi), the soldiers are able to go against the immortals that suddenly charged through the city.

The imperial soldiers moved in unison as the immortals started to rain chaos in the imperial city because they seem to be looking for something. The beautiful imperial castle started to smoke as

fire seems to have been created from the inside. The Vermillion Bird could not bear to see the beautiful imperial city to go down in flames which is why it decided to swallow all of the flames.

What the Vermillion Bird did not expect is that the flames were actually tainted with miasma. The Vermillion Bird weakened and had to land to consolidate the miasma it just inhaled. The Vermillion Bird started to burn itself in order to cleanse itself of the miasma.

"What happened?!" Levin Cloud asked as the others also arrived at Adrian's location.

"That happened." Adrian stated as he pointed at the Depraved Man's Hand Puppet.

Just as Adrian pointed at the Depraved Man's Hand Puppet, the God Xing Tian that has yet to be unsummoned jumped high and slammed its axe on the enemy. The Depraved Man's Hand Puppet is sent crashing down due to the unrelenting force that the God Xing Tian exuded.

"Go! Uncle!" Prince Reishi stated as he cheered for the God Xing Tian. A headless demigod and a Depraved Man's Hand Puppet are now in battle. It is a battle that no one ever expected to happen, but it is.

The Depraved Man's Hand Puppet released miasma in all directions. The miasma that the Depraved Man's Hand Puppet is releasing has the appearance of dark purple hands. When anyone is grasped by this miasma, they are already infected, and their flesh started rotting.

Some of the imperial guards infected by the miasma are suddenly overtaken by weakness and their skin melting. If not for Saena cleansing the miasma, then the imperial guards would have died under the threatening energy. The Vermillion Bird also aided in cleansing the miasma by releasing another heat wave that cleansed the impurities in the air.

The Vermillion Bird might be able to cleanse the impurities for a moment but the Depraved Man's Hand Puppet is able to release more into the air. The only way to shut down the production of miasma is to defeat the Depraved Man's Hand Puppet which even the demigod Xing Tian is having difficulty as the enemy is not an easy one.

The Depraved Man's Hand Puppet suddenly released an ear-piercing shriek that made everyone cover their ears. It then started to release miasma like a flood and the body of the puppet could be seen getting progressively drier as it is close to dying. They just needed to push it to the edge a bit more but the miasma that flooded the imperial city started to infect even the normal citizens in the shelter.

"I am on it." Levin Cloud stated as he immediately activated Guardian of the Forest.

Levin Cloud transformed into his true form and spread-out numerous trees in the imperial city that absorbed the miasma. This was very effective, but it was also very detrimental to his well-being as even he cannot absorb that much miasma by himself. His body started to break down as well due to the powerful miasma that even Saena could not easily purify.

Just as his body started to break down, lightning started to course throughout his body that actually acted like a purifying agent for the miasma. This was the lightning that he absorbed when he was hit by the tribulation lightning. Peridot also helped in trying to make sure that the miasma does not spread by aiding Kanlaon in pushing the air upwards.

Miasma is like energy that has a physical manifestation which means it can be sent away as well. They might be able to alleviate the others, but they still need to cut off the source. Kabrakan charged towards the Depraved Man's Hand Puppet and tackled it with all his might.

The Depraved Man's Hand Puppet is sent flying to the northern edge of the gate. With the Depraved Man's Hand Puppet farther from the imperial city, the miasma that it released became thinner which made the soldiers safer. Adrian also noticed this and told all his soulbounds to knock the Depraved Man's Hand Puppet farther away.

The Depraved Man's Hand Puppet did not like this though as it was still trying to accomplish something in the imperial capital as it tried to enter it once more. Adrian noticed this and released ten arrows that were attached to chains. The Depraved Man's Hand Puppet avoided all of these arrows but they were never meant to hit it.

The chains suddenly attached to something in the air as a coffin suddenly manifested behind the Depraved Man's Hand Puppet. The coffin then released a powerful suction force that caught the Depraved Man's Hand Puppet. As soon as the coffin sucked in the enemy, Adrian immediately grabbed it and teleported away from the imperial city.

Adrian teleported all the way to the Scarlet Mountains where no intelligent life is located. The coffin is then released with screaming Depraved Man's Hand Puppet. Adrian waited for the timing correctly as he released Orion's Wrath. Three powerful arrows powered by aether energy and primordial energy shot directly at the Depraved Man's Hand Puppet.

Each arrow dealt quite a bit of damage, but Adrian's won damage output is not enough to finish the job. The Depraved Man's Hand Puppet then released miasma and aimed it towards Adrian to which the latter did not even avoid. The miasma enveloped Adrian's body as the Depraved Man's Hand Puppet started to laugh as if some parts of the finance minister's personality was still left.

The laughing did not last though as the Depraved Man's Hand Puppet realized that Adrian was not being infected by miasma. To be precise, Adrian is being infected by miasma but a being that is made of pure aether like himself easily cleanses it away. In other words, Adrian is immune to the miasma that the Depraved Man's Hand Puppet is releasing.

Seeing that its miasma is not working, the Depraved Man's Hand Puppet wanted to ignore Adrian and go to the imperial city again. It was about to leave when chains suddenly came out of the ground and bound it in place. Adrian did not stop as he shot arrows in the air which released magic circles that created more chains as well.

The Depraved Man's Hand Puppet is now bound but Adrian's mana is draining faster than he anticipated. He had to do this fast if he is going to succeed. Adrian proceeded to chant in an unfamiliar language but the Depraved Man's Hand Puppet seem to know it instinctively and tried to break free.

"I give this body to the Gods of the Underworld. Punish the wicked being that has committed an atrocious act of defiling the souls of the innocent." Adrian stated as a magic circle suddenly appeared below the Depraved Man's Hand Puppet.

Chapter 1424 The Other Depraved Man's Hand III

The magic circle that manifested below the chained up Depraved Man's Hand Puppet created a sinister aura around it. The wind felt cold while the air felt stale as if the world suddenly became

dry due to the powerful death energy emanating from it. A skeletal hand then came out of the magic circle and grasped at the Depraved Man's Hand Puppet.

The Depraved Man's Hand Puppet tried to get away by releasing miasma but all of it was just being absorbed by the magic circle and making it stronger. The skeletal hand slowly dragged the Depraved Man's Hand Puppet below as the puppet screamed in agony.

The sounds of all the souls that were used as ingredients for the Corpse Legion (Jiangshi) suddenly manifested from the magic circle and dragged the Depraved Man's Hand Puppet to the underworld. The souls were not just in the hundreds but actually in the thousands. It seems that a lot of lives was sacrificed in creating the perfect Corpse Legion monsters.

"Pay for you sins in the afterlife. Since your physical body is also going there, you will have such a great time." Adrian stated as he stopped channeling mana into the magic circle once the Depraved Man's Hand Puppet could no longer be seen.

[You have opened a Gate to the Underworld in a location that is not filled with Death Energy.]

[You will be penalized for doing so.]

[You have managed to seal the Depraved Man's Hand which is a boon for the underworld. Your penalty will be lessened.]

[You can only recover 80% of your total health and total mana for a period of six days as parts of it will be used to maintain the stability of the mortal realm.]

Adrian already knew the consequences of what he did as he opened a gate to the underworld by himself. It would have been a different thing if he came to the underworld and dragged the Depraved Man's Hand Puppet, but he cannot do so due to the level difference. The price he had to pay was health and mana stats for a certain duration.

Adrian did not mind the penalty as he could barely uses up all his mana and health in normal fights. He would still have the same damage output but he does need to be careful of any attacks that might come his way. The chance of him getting executed are higher since 20% of his health is missing for six days.

The missing health and mana that Adrian lost is actually a part of his soul that is being used by the mortal world to close off the Gate of the Underworld that he opened. If he was not careful then some souls could have escaped the gate as well. He did something that could have ended a lot worse but he managed to pull it off without any difficulties.

[Levin Cloud: We managed to subdue all the immortals that attacked the capital but all of them suddenly died or killed themselves when they were about to be questioned.]

[Equinox: I have sealed the Depraved Man's Hand Puppet at the very least. I will return to pick you guys up.]

Adrian answered Levin Cloud's message and is about to leave when he suddenly looked behind him. He sent a wave of energy in front of him to see if there is any reaction but there was none. Seeing that he might have just been too worked up, he immediately teleported away from the area and returned to the imperial city.

"He almost caught us." A female fox player stated as she took of the charm that she placed on his allies.

"To think that his senses are that extreme. I though demons are not that perceptive unless it is related to arcane energy?" A monk player who is clad in golden robes stated.

"He is just built different, I guess. We also arrived quite late and was not able to retrieve the Depraved Man's Hand. Chiyou will not be glad of this outcome, but we did get the Kusanagi no Tsurugi from the imperial castle which is our real intention." A player with an oni masked stated.

"It is such a pain that Princess Shini did not die though. Her barrier is such a pain to deal with that even the demigods are afraid of it. Are you not even mad, Tai? All the plans went sideways when those four entered the fray." Vixen, the female fox player, stated.

"We should still be glad that we got what we really came here for. Killing off the princess was just an additional task should we get the opportunity." Tama, the monk player, stated.

"I mean her dying would make it easier for us to get inside the imperial castle. The plan was to have someone on the inside destroy the barrier completely and kill her off when she was weakened but we were not even able to do that. Plus, the seventh prince that is supposed to be weak and useless made the tortured souls we used for reconnaissance useless." Vixen stated.

"I agree that not everything went according to plan but we got the sword. The mirror is no longer here but that was just a regalia that was added centuries after the first two. All that is left now is the jewel regalia called the Yasakani no Magatama. We searched all of the imperial castle but it is not there unlike what the reports stated." Tai stated.

"I know right! The one in the imperial castle is actually a fake one. I thought it was the real deal, but it was just a replica. If we had that then we might have destroyed the entire imperial city." Vixen stated.

"Even if we had that, we will not be able to do that because the Vermillion Bird suddenly appeared in the city. We would have been burnt to ashes if not for the relics that were given to us for protection against the four divine beasts." Tama stated as he held out four figurines that represents the four divine beasts but the Vermillion Bird's statue is already crumbled.

Chapter 1425 The Guild's Infamy I

The four figurines are a relic of protection that the three could use when they encounter the four divine beasts. They could either use it to summon a protection enchantment or a sealing enchantment. The protection enchantment makes them immune to any damage from the selected divine beast for a given duration.

The sealing enchantment can trap the divine beast in an alternate dimension for a few minutes which is enough for them to escape. When the Vermillion Bird released a powerful heat wave that disintegrated all the offenders, they used up the charge that the relic has on it to make sure that they come up alive. The benefit does outweigh the cost since they got what they came for.

"Let us return or else we might get spotted again." Tai stated as he vanished from his location along with Vixen and Tama.

What the three did not know is that there was a small black puppy lurking in the corner. It was Sirius that Adrian left there to monitor what would happen. He is in the form of a small black puppy as he was commanded to reduce his aura to the utmost in order to avoid the detection of the other party. Once they left, Sirius hopped inside the shadows and returned to his master's side.

"My soulbounds were ready to attack if they showed any signs of hostility but they did not. It seems that their leader made sure that they did not bother me. He is very perceptive as expected of the one labeled as the Oni." Adrian thought as Sirius shared the latter's memories with the former.

"I have done what I can here, my friend. Thank you for protecting the imperial city even though it was not your duty." The Vermillion Bird stated as it saw Adrian return.

"It just so happens that it overlapped with part of my duty as the Champion of the Twin Gods. You do not need to thank me for doing something that I was supposed to do anyway." Adrian stated.

"Remember that I can see what you do, my friend. You did not return just because of your duty. I am off as summoning me is also straining your soul even if it is the sturdiest ones that I have seen a being possess." The Vermillion Bird stated as it curled up its wings and vanish into a pillar of flame.

"We should leave as well." Adrian stated.

The imperial city has already been cleared up of miasma thanks to Levin Cloud, Saena, and the Vermillion Bird. All that is left is for the citizens to rebuilt what has been destroyed but they prayed deeply to the Vermillion Bird as they were graced by its healing powers. If the Vermillion Bird did not spread its power then a lot of the evacuees would have died from the miasma.

"You are going already?! I wanted you guys to teach me how to wield my new abilities." Prince Reishi stated.

"We would love to teach you but we are also in a quest to save the world. Besides, there is someone that can teach you." Adrian stated as he pointed towards the demigod Xing Tian.

"Are you referring to me, Champion Equinox?" The demigod Xing Tian stated.

"Who else will teach him the ways of using the evil spirits? You have accompanied the God Zhong Kui which means you know of his tricks." Adrian replied.

"You are correct! Haha! I can teach the boy some of the things then I should maintain this form." The demigod Xing Tian stated as he reduced his size to the size of the seventh prince. He used this form to match the movement of the seventh prince.

"We will leave it up to you." Adrian stated as he opened a portal back to the Temple of the Sun.

==

Adrian, Levin Cloud, Kabrakan and Peridot returned to the Temple of the Sun all battered up as they just came from a fight. They also arrived before the other returned, but Cairo greeted them. He then approached them with a rather apprehensive look which made Adrian ask him why he is like that.

"Is there something wrong?" Adrian asked Cairo.

"I actually forgot to mention to you about the thing in the guild chat. Aren't you mad about the messages that popped up there?" Cairo asked.

"Why? Why would I be mad?" Adrian asked as he forgot that he muted his guild chat since they were in such an intense situation in the eastern continent.

Adrian then unmuted the guild chat and he was blasted with notification. The thing that caught his eye is the fact that he received a message that he thought that he will never get or rather his guild will ever get.

[Your guild member, Solstice, has razed a city in the western continent. The Patheon Guild's Infamy has increased by 100.]

[Your guild member, Creepysoo, has raised an army of undead and destroyed livelihoods in the western continent. The Patheon Guild's Infamy has increased by 100.]

[Your guild member, Lycan, has been called the Bloody Beast of the West in the western continent. The Patheon Guild's Infamy has increased by 100.]

•••

[Your guild has built up a lot of infamy in certain parts of the western continent. Your guild will be hunted down by bounty hunters if you enter those territories.]

The messages continued as a lot of them have gotten infamy in various colorful ways. Never in a million years did Adrian think that they would get infamy. He thought that they would get recognition but the fact that they made infamy makes him question the methods that they used. Even their 'shadow squad' has earned infamy by being called the Dark Assassins of the Northern Dessert.

"We just split up to get Sun Stones. Why did they get Infamy instead?" Adrian stated as he calmed down and reminded himself that they were not that discreet like him.

"No worries as it comes with the mission but when did you have a bug?" Levin Cloud stated as he pointed at the bug behind Adrian.

Chapter 1426 The Guild's Infamy II

"A bug?" Adrian asked as he suddenly tried to turn around.

Adrian noticed that something was attached to him but the fact that it attached itself without him noticing is the most worrying thing. He saw the creature that attached itself to his back and found out it was the Faux Mana Caterpillar that transformed thanks to his mana. It was also eating some of his mana that is naturally radiating on his body.

Adrian caught the Faux Mana Caterpillar with his hands but it actually bent space to appear behind him once again. Everyone is shocked upon witnessing such a scene as they actually saw a bug suddenly teleport. Adrian is even more shocked as he suddenly got a parasite attached to his body which troubles him.

"I will deal with the Guild Infamy when I get back. Can you accommodate those that will come back." Adrian stated as he tasked Levin Cloud to be person handling the guild members that return.

Adrian then teleported back to the only elder in the Daemos that he could ask about things such as this. He did not even bother walking to the farm as he just popped up near Pann. The old man did not even flinch at Adrian's arrival as if he already expects it from time to time.

"So, what do you want boy?" Old man Pann asked.

"I need help with this!" Adrian stated as he turned his back towards Pann.

Pann saw the Faux Mana Caterpillar and is even shocked. Adrian suddenly trembled as this is the first time that Pann became shocked when it comes to monsters. If Pann is shocked, then this would be very alarming to someone like Adrian.

"Uhmm... Can I get something? Having you be silent is even more nerve wracking and scary." Adrian muttered.

"Fascinating! This is the first time that I actually saw a monster such as this. It is basically living off your mana but it is only taking on the excess that seeps out of your body." Pann stated as he poked the Faux Mana Caterpillar, but the monster did not have any reaction.

"So, if I actually condense my mana and not have it spreading, the monster will naturally detach to me?" Adrian asked.

"It should as it is attracted to your own mana signature as if it has become part of your body as both of you have the same distinct energy." Pann stated.

Adrian then went and did what he thought is a solution. Just as Pann said, the Faux Mana Caterpillar suddenly became confused as it tried looking for the mana signature that Adrian radiated. It actually teleported here and there but it always ended up near Adrian.

Condensing one's mana in order to hide it is not easy and is actually a painful feeling when it takes to long. Partially releasing mana from the body is like making the mana circuit breathe so that it could recycle mana. It might be uncomfortable for a few minutes, but long periods of time are basically painful.

When Adrian stopped controlling his mana, the Faux Mana Caterpillar attached itself to his back once more. Adrian looked at Pann for a solution as he did not want a pesky bug being attached to his back. He tried trying to kill it but it actually hid in a pocket dimension. It hides itself when it detects danger to itself as it has high danger perception.

"Can you like kill this Faux Mana Caterpillar for me?" Adrian asked Pann.

"I can but I will not. This is a new species. It is no longer Faux Mana Caterpillar anymore. It has transformed into a new species of caterpillar from feeding on your mana." Pann stated as his eyes glimmered at the thought that he could now see a new being.

"I cannot have it being attached to me. It will get in the way of battling." Adrian stated.

"If that is what you are worrying about then why not just make it your soulbound? If it becomes your soulbound then it will continue to feed on your mana like the others." Pann stated.

"I already have seven that I use, and I am not replacing them. This guy cannot even fight." Adrian stated.

"I am not telling you to replace your current ones but store this one in your soul chamber as an extra. You can do that as you do not need to name it when doing so and the bond does not solidify. You can just view it as you are raising it inside your soul. Who knows what it could turn into!? From the energy it radiates, it is almost the same as the cosmic beasts." Pann stated.

Adrian is shocked upon learning that this small bug that attached itself to him is starting to have the same energy as cosmic beasts. Cosmic beasts are special monsters that could traverse time and space like Bessy, the Cosmic Cetacea, that Pann takes care of. They are incredibly rare and powerful that it is said that spotting two of the same species is a one in a million chance.

"Fine. If you say it that way then I shall store it as an extra. If I get another slot unlocked then I might form a contract with it." Adrian stated as he created a sealing magic circle below and threw the mana caterpillar inside it.

Adrian could feel that something attached itself to his soul and is sipping on his mana but it is only minimal. The drain in his mana is easily recovered compared to the amount being drained. Adrian just prayed that he made the correct choice in sealing the unknown bug.

"If it becomes bigger, come and see me as I want to know what it transforms into." Pann stated with a satisfied smile.

"Thanks for the help... I guess." Adrian stated as he did not know if Pann truly helped him or not. He teleported back to the Temple of the Sun when he learned that almost all of the people that were sent to hunt for the Sun Stones have returned.

==

"Now that I am back, let me hear the explanation that you guys have for increasing our guild's infamy." Adrian stated but no one wanted to talk.

"So, Creepysoo... talk." Adrian stated in a stoic tone but his eyes conveyed that they should talk.

Creepysoo could not keep his mouth shut and started rambling on what he did and stuff that he encountered. Adrian was honestly amazed that he was able to talk for one hour straight without being hindered. Adrian had to stop him and told him to summarize the things that he needs to say or else they would be there all day.

"Basically, we had no other choice as there were these hidden occultists. The people in the city did not want to leave but they would get sacrificed if they do not leave. I had to be the villain but I inadvertently got too caught up in the act and even uttered our guild name." Creepysoo stated.

"I get that but the others should also be given the chance to speak." Adrian stated as his eyes came with a glint as he interrogated all the people that added more infamy.

In the end, Adrian became exasperated with all the excuses that they have given him. He did understand that some things were unavoidable but they actually chose the more revealing plot instead of the shadows. They did get the sun stones that they were trying to find which is why he did not scold them too much.

"We can just rebuild the reputation later!" Creepysoo stated.

"Thank you for volunteering! I await news of our increase in reputation." Adrian stated as he did not want to be bothered fixing it. He is glad that Creepysoo basically took in the job as he has a lot on his plate already. Adrian clapped and the others followed as they wanted to pacify his upset face.

"The good thing is that we already collected seven sun stones. We only need three more but the ones that are assigned to the three sun stones are silent. They have not sent a report to us about what is happening on their side." Levin Cloud stated.

As soon as Levin Cloud said those words, a trigger suddenly happened. As if it was the golden moment for the punchline, three individuals from the teams related to the last three sun stones. Two came from the Evergreen Guild while the last one is from the Briar Rose guild.

The two from the Evergreen Guild looked dry and dehydrated as if they were trapped in a place for such a long time. The one from Briar Rose is covered in soot and burns that Levin Cloud actually had to heal her immediately. The first words that they uttered despite being badly injured and tired is 'help'.

"Collect yourselves first and tell me what happened." Adrian stated.

Chapter 1427 To The South I

The first two were from the Evergreen Guild that went to two different locations in the western continent. One of them was led to an area controlled by a demigod that can actually shift the earth with her ability. She created a powerful maze that trapped anyone that went inside of it without her permission.

Only one of them was able to get out as they planned out who needed to be ejected. The ones that were left had to hide inside the maze so that they would not be caught by the monsters inside. The return scrolls that Adrian gave them did not work inside the maze as well as if something was blocking them.

"It seems that the demigod is using my Sun Stone in manipulating the rules of space inside the maze. If she could do that then that Sun Stone must have been supercharged and is one of the early ones that I have created." The Sun God Ra stated as he listened in on the request.

The second one seems to be located at the edge of the western continent near the ocean. It is on top of an island but the people assigned to that Sun Stone could not defeat the guardian monsters and the demigod. They also feel a repulsive force whenever they tried to fly over to get it.

"This one is using it like a barrier of some sort which means it also has some sort of power behind it." The Sun God Ra commented.

The last one reported is in the mysterious southern continent were lost of volcanic activity occurs. It is also mostly islands or archipelagos with dense jungles. The monsters there are also large and fast which is not suitable for their sizes. It is basically like a whole different world as there are not many known native people living there.

The last sun stone was actually on top of a pyramid where warriors of an unknown race. It seems that they were somehow captured by them and cannot get out of the continent as a warrior that has the strength of a demigod is holding them captive. They also speak in a language that they cannot understand which is why they cannot communicate.

Apparently, they use the sun stone for harvesting energy from the sun and diverting it into the ground. This is how they make their fields lush and full of life. They also use it to create a barrier around their city to make sure that they do not get attacked even at night. It seems that they also worship some gods, but they have not investigated which gods they are.

"This is bad!" Levin Cloud stated.

"What is bad?" Adrian asked.

"The Shadow of Apophis has been seen on the periphery of the Temple of Bastet. The players are still intercepting it, but it seems that the Followers of the Dark Gods are also joining in in attacking the Temple of Bastet. We need to provide back up as it seems that they would not be able to hold up." Levin Cloud stated as some of their guild members were sent to the Temple of Bastet.

"Since some of the teams have returned, we should split it up four ways. I shall go to the southern continent myself and save them If I can, but I would do reconnaissance first. The rest of you guys will provide back up to the Temple of Bastet." Adrian stated.

With everything under control, Adrian sent them on their way, and he headed to the southern continent. Since he cannot choose a location, he had to travel the old fashion way by skydiving. The next thing that met his face are the harsh and hot clouds of the southern continent.

"The Sun Stone is located at that island over there." Adrian muttered to himself as he unfurled his wings but he suddenly sensed a powerful bloodlust aimed at him.

Adrian immediately teleported to the dense jungle as soon as he sensed this in order to defend himself. He looked up to see what was attacking him and it was a gigantic eagle like monster that has an aura of fierceness. Adrian could instinctively feel that this flying monster was more powerful than him.

"It is always the freaking flying monsters that want to eat me. Am I really that tasty in their eyes?" Adrian thought as he then jumped high as he sensed bloodlust once more.

The branch that he was sitting on was actually a snake monster that was camouflaged. Adrian slapped the brains out of that monster as it was not at his level, but it was still powerful. He did have to reinforce his palms with primordial energy.

"Just because I am bullied in the air does not mean that I will also be bullied in the forest. Greater Summon: Sirius!" Adrian stated as he summoned Sirius to decapitate the snake monster. He then commanded him to track scout ahead.

Adrian then used Soul Form Transformation to make sure that he does not get attacked anymore by other monsters. Just as he expected, the southern continent is not just an overgrown jungle, but it also has a very hot and humid climate that makes one stamina decrease at a greater pace.

"Master, I have found the area that you have pointed to. It is just like they have said as the place is covered in a barrier that even my shadows cannot penetrate through." Sirius reported.

"I shall head there now." Adrian replied as he hurriedly came to the location that Sirius scouted.

Just like Sirius stated, the whole place was a huge city covered with a barrier. The whole city looked majestic and mysterious at the same time as numerous large pyramids like structures are scattered throughout the place. Adrian touched the barrier to see the essence of the mana used as he is very sensitive to stuff like that.

As soon as Adrian touched the mana, something inside of him resonated with it. The mana is actually resonating with the sun energy inside of him which means that the source of this barrier is none other than the sun stone. The only problem now would be for Adrian to get inside the city without getting detected.

"Master! I have found residents of the city." Sirius reported as he saw a part of the barrier suddenly getting lifted.

"Share your vision with me." Adrian replied as his sight is exchanged with what Sirius sees.

Adrian could see that the natives in the southern continent are wearing some sort of armor made of bronze like metal. They are also covered in tribal tattoos, but the amount is dependent on what seems to be their conquest. The warriors were carrying a large number of monsters that they hunted down to feed the city.

"Enter the city when the barrier opens." Adrian commanded.

"As you wish." Sirius replied as he attached himself to the shadow of the hunted animals.

The barrier closed once more which even blocked Adrian out even if he was in soul form. The barrier could actually repel spiritual entities like himself. Adrian tried to use the sun energy located inside him but it was so miniscule that he could not even coat himself in it.

"Master, I think I have found the people that you are looking for. They seem to be tied up in the center of the city as if they are up for display." Sirius reported as he once again shared sight with Adrian.

The players included people from the Briar Rose guild and even Frey. Adrian is shocked to see that even Frey was captured by the warriors. If she was captured, then there is a high chance that he might get captured as well. He now needs a plan or else he will really end up like them.

"Can you send me in?" Adrian asked Sirius.

"I can send you in using my shadows master but we must use a building where the shadow is casting." Sirius replied.

Adrian circled around the area and found a spot where the pyramid like structure casted a shadow. Sirius also went to that place and Adrian only needed to get back in his physical form. Once he could step on the shadow, Sirius used his abilities to suck Adrian into the shadow realm and popped him back to the real world inside of the barrier.

Adrian then transformed himself in soul form once more as he went closer to the center of the city. It seems that they were holding some sort of ceremony as they were dancing and singing while bowing towards the heavens. Their language is definitely different to any other language that Adrian has heard of but he did hear a few things that are similar.

"The language seems to be almost the same as those that live in the island further south of the eastern continent." Adrian thought as a powerful being suddenly descended from the top of the pyramid structure.

Chapter 1428 To The South II

==

NPC Name: Agni (Demigod) NPC Tier: Transcendent Level: 400 HP: 100% MP: 100% Title: Deity of Fire

Status: Sealed

Description: The God of Fire that is worshiped by those that believe that he is exist at three levels, on earth as fire, in the atmosphere as lightning, and in the sky as the sun. He is quite easy to anger but is often benevolent as he is said to provide the fires of birth to his followers.

He is currently sealed in a body of a demigod that he has fashioned himself. He has descended onto the mortal realm when the seal of the world weakened. He has come to the mortal realm due to the command of his God King and the wishes of his followers.

==

"Holy Fire!" Adrian thought to himself as he definitely cannot escape with the sun stone with that demigod guarding it.

The demigod Agni has the same appearance of the warriors but he has two heads instead of one. His skin tone is also not tan but reddish as if fire itself manifested a body. He also is quite tall compared to the tallest warrior in this city as he stands at a height of two and a half meters.

He is wearing ceremonial outfit that kings or nobles wear which is covered with gold. Even the thread used in the actual fabric for the outfit is made of golden threads. He wears three contrasting colors of red, white, and gold which symbolizes his three existence levels.

"Master, what do you wish for me to do?" Sirius asked as he was waiting for his next action.

Adrian told Sirius to lurk inside the shadow of those that were currently tied up in the center of the city. Adrian did not want Sirius to move as he knew that one wrong move and they may be killed off or captured. He needed to think on what to do next, but the Demigod Agni suddenly spoke.

The Demigod Agni looked towards Adrian's direction and started to speak in an unknown language. Adrian did not even know that he was actually the subject of the conversation as he cannot understand anything. It was only when the Demigod Agni spoke in the central continent language did Adrian understand that he was being spoken to. "To our uninvited guest, can you please show yourself. It is either you show yourself or be vanquished by the fires of my anger. It is also a good idea to introduce yourself or else I might make you combust where you stand." The Demigod Agni stated in a demanding yet calm tone.

Adrian knew that hiding for long will not save him as the gaze of the Demigod Agni falls to him. Adrian knows the feeling of staring at one's soul even though he is currently at his soul form right now. The warriors that bowed to the Demigod Agni are suddenly in high alert because their god suddenly talked to an invisible foe.

"Greetings! God of Fire Agni, I am Equinox. The current Champion of the Twin Gods and an Arch Demon from the Daemos Race." Adrian stated as he showed himself.

"Djinn!" The warriors of the city suddenly shouted as they prepared their weapons.

"Equinox!" The players exclaimed.

"Wrong flavor of demon. I am an Imp." Adrian stated.

"Stand down, my proud warriors. He did not come here to hurt you or at least he only came for the people that you have captured. You may resume your duty while I chat with our sudden important guest." The Demigod Agni stated.

With the command of their god, the warriors that were still holding their weapons went back to their duties. Some of the warriors did form a small group that acted as the bodyguards of the Demigod Agni but the latter did not really need one. Only another demigod of the same level could kill the Demigod Agni and there are not a lot of gods that descended.

"Well then, Champion Equinox. I am curious as to why your acquaintances are trying to steal the Sunshine Orb that the people worshipping me is safekeeping. This is a treasure that their ancestors have received when they traded with people from the east." The Demigod Agni stated in a calm tone but Adrian knows that he is being tested right now.

"That is not the Sunshine Orb but a Sun Stone. A relic of the Sun God Ra that he has crafted when he reincarnated as a human hundreds of years ago. He needs it back in order to restore his power enough to fight the Distorted God Apophis." Adrian stated.

"You mean to say that the Sun God Ra has truly been revived!? I thought the other gods were just doing idle gossip once more to pass their uselessly long lives." The Demigod Agni stated.

"It is true and he wants his Sun Stone back. He would really appreciate it if you can give it back." Adrian stated.

"What can you give me in return?" The Demigod Agni asked.

"In return? I am only the one asked to get back the item. Please hold." Adrian stated as he snapped his fingers and created a small rift in space.

The small rift in space actually connected the southern continent to the Temple of the Sun God. The rift was only small as it was the size of a plate but it was enough to make the two gods converse with one another. Adrian will not bother himself with the negotiation as he is not the one that should spearhead this.

"Sun God Ra, are you there?" Adrian asked the plate sized rift and a loud reverberating voice answered.

"I am here, Champion Equinox. Why did you call for me? Have you gotten the Sun Stone in the southern continent?" The Sun God Ra stated.

"We ran into a small problem because we have someone that came to negotiate with you. It is your item which is why it is only right that you should talk to the current owner of the Sun Stone." Adrian stated as he moved his head away to show the Demigod Agni.

"Ra!" The Demigod Agni stated.

"Agni!" The Sun God Ra stated.

The two were silent for a few moments and then burst out laughing. Adrian thought that they would be enemies, but he remembered the description of the god in front of him. The God Agni sometimes represents the sun which means he can also be counted as a minor sun deity hence the familiarity with the Sun God Ra.

The two of them then talked in a language that was foreign to both the inhabitants of the city and also Adrian. They seem to be talking in a language more ancient that the ones that Adrian could already translate. Adrian's Scribe secondary class suddenly started to trigger its effects as the new words that he is hearing enhances his mastery.

[You have heard and tried to process the language of the Gods.]

[Your mortal brain cannot process the language as you lack in Divinity.]

The talk of the two continued until Adrian saw that his mana is almost depleted. Seeing that his mana is almost out, Adrian told them to wrap up the conversation because he cannot be here all day. The Distorted God Apophis will attack the Temple of Bastet any minute now.

"Could you like... I do no know... negotiate faster? We do not have all day and I do not have an unlimited mana source to keep this small rift open." Adrian stated.

"Sorry about that Champion Equinox. It has been a long time which is why we just chatted quite a bit." The Sun God Ra stated.

"Apologies for me as well. It has been quite a long time since I have talked to my friend. We have agreed to give you the Sun Stone, but you must do something in exchange." The Demigod Agni stated.

"What should I do?" Adrian asked as he already knows that this request might take all of his focus.

"In exchange for the Sun Stone, Ra has agreed to give us the Sun Collecting Formation so that my people does not suffer. If the Sun Stone that is here vanishes then my people would be vulnerable to the dangers of the southern continent." The Demigod Agni stated.

"I see. It is a fair trade for an item that gives them protection but I do not know the Sun Collecting Formation." Adrian stated.

"Do not worry, Champion Equinox. Come close to the rift." The Sun God Ra stated, and Adrian followed.

"Even closer." The Sun God Ra stated as Adrian basically planted his face on the rift.

The Sun God Ra then used his finger and injected it with his divine mana. Inside that divine mana is the information regarding the Sun Collecting Formation. With a powerful gush of energy, the Sun God Ra sent that information towards Adrian's mind which knocked him back a few meters.

Chapter 1429 Sun Collecting Formation I

Adrian centered himself as he recovered from the shock of suddenly having his head become filled with a burst of information. The Sun Collecting Formation that the Sun God Ra has given him is a magic circle that has a tier of Transcendent. Adrian could not believe that he will create such a powerful magic circle without the help of anyone.

"You seem to have gotten the information that you need. Start creating the magic circle as soon as you are ready." The Demigod Agni stated.

"I already know the image of the Sun Collecting Formation but I do not have the materials in creating it. You should also know that a god, divine relic, or a divine being is the thing needed to become the catalyst of this magic circle. Are you sure that you want to become the core of this magic circle?" Adrian asked.

"Tell me what do I need to do and the things will restrict me once I accept the duty." The Demigod Agni stated which impressed Adrian.

Adrian is impressed because the God of Fire Agni is not like the other gods that he has encountered. Some of the gods that he encountered that were not of the gods of life or death are usually selfcentered. They would rather have their followers sacrifice for them instead of the god themselves become the sacrifice.

The God of Fire Agni might look menacing but he loves his followers to the point that he will restrict his freedom in order for them to be protected. Adrian did not know that the people of the southern continent are dwindling faster than they propagate because of the heavy dangers of this continent. Those that are left are very strong to the point that they could go against a whole army in the central continent.

"Once you become the catalyst of the magic circle, you cannot descend on any other place other than the location of the formation. The range can be increased if other places of worship with your effigy is there. You cannot fully descend onto other continents, but you can move freely in the southern continent.

The good thing is that you can harness the power in the formation. It can also increase your domain and the place where the formation is amplifies that domain. You basically convert the whole city as your domain by using the magic circle." Adrian stated.

"No wonder Ra does not move away from the western continent even though he could fully descend back then. The good thing is the city will become my domain which means my followers will be able to see me descend. I shall agree to all of that. Give the materials that you need in creating the magic circle as I will have my people look at the treasury." The Demigod Agni stated as Adrian gave him the materials needed. The materials that Adrian needed were all present in the treasury of the city. He was very surprised at this fact since all the needed materials were Mythical Tier. Precious metals called Solarium, the blood of ten different Mythical Tier monsters, and bones of twenty Mythical Tier monsters are all the needed materials in creating the magic circle.

Adrian was given these materials but that does not mean he could practice. The Demigod Agni stated that these are the most precious things inside the treasury of these city which decades of the people's ancestors collected. If Adrian were to fail then he would become public enemy number one in the eyes of the people.

Adrian learned that the city is called Aggi Siam and was named after the God of Fire Agni. The people here are also devout worshippers of the God of Fire Agni as he has given them shelter. It seems that it was the God of Fire Agni that told the ancestors of the people in the city on using the Sun Stone. Due to this, he was the primary god that is being worshipped here.

"Thank goodness! I have a bottle of water from the Spring of Life." Adrian muttered as he searched his inventory.

Adrian always bottles water from the Spring of Life that he placed in Avalon. He does this as the water is very effective in cleansing internal wounds and increasing health regeneration. It is also a very important material for alchemy due to its potent life energy.

The people of Aggi Siam prepared the needed materials and the large pot that is needed in mixing all the ingredients. Adrian placed the blood and the water from the Spring of Life first inside the pot. He summoned Kanlaon to create fire but the Demigod Agni himself told the former that the latter will regulate the fire.

"To think that you forgot that I am the God of Fire Agni. Even if I am currently using a body of a demigod, I am still a god in my own domain." The Demigod Agni stated.

"Sorry about that. I was just quite nervous as this is an important part." Adrian stated as the fire of the pot started.

The blood of the mythical tier monsters was purified by the water from the Spring of Life. When it was boiling, Adrian slowly added all the bones of the mythical monsters. He saw how powerful the liquid solution is as it could melt the bones as if they were made of powder. All the bones melted in a matter of seconds without even leaving solid residue.

"This is the important part." Adrian stated as he engraved the necessary runes on the Solarium.

He used the molten liquid to engrave the runes with the power of Collect, Sun, and Energy. The engraving is successful as Adrian took his time with each block of Solarium. When the metals have been engraved and became magic metals, Adrian dumped all of them inside the pot.

As soon as he dumped the metals, a powerful burst of light erupted from the pot that pierced through the heavens.

Chapter 1430 Sun Collecting Formation II

The pillar of light attracted the bird monsters of the southern continent but they could not go to the source as the city of Aggi Siam is still protected with a barrier. Adrian sighed with relief as the pillar

of light shooting through the sky meant that he has created the solution perfectly. The difficult thing about this formation are the materials since all of them are mythical tier.

Adrian then carefully used his mana as a guide to make the solution follow his will. He first went to the center of the city and started to paint the ground with the magic circle. As soon as he finished the magic circle on the center of the city, the runes would get absorbed into the ground and vanish from the naked eye.

Adrian pointed out nine corners that needs to be the endpoints for the magic formation. He wrote all the necessary runes in the process, and it took him quite a bit of time. By the time Adrian has finished, the next day has already arrived. Adrian could feel his stamina being incredibly low due to him pushing his physical and mental capacity.

"The places are already set. The last thing to do is to sacrifice a divine being." Adrian stated.

"Finally, I can now get back to my domain and this body that I created is finally of some use." The Demigod Agni stated.

Adrian then told the Demigod Agni to stand on the center of the formation as he will now start the ceremony. Adrian also told the Demigod Agni to have his followers pray to him while the ceremony is ongoing to make sure that the success rate increases. It will also make the process smoother as the energy of the people's faith will be needed to power up the magic formation as well.

"Ready?" Adrian asked.

"Fire waits for no one, and it is always ready whether one likes it or not." The Demigod Agni stated.

"If you say so." Adrian stated as he took potions from his inventory and chugged it.

He needed to recover the mana that he depleted in the process of making the magic circle. He also drank water from the Spring of Life to recover some of his fatigue. He also switched to his Aetheros form as he would have an easier time in manipulating energy in this form and he will save more stamina as well.

Adrian then slammed both his hands onto the ground and pushed his mana onto it. The hidden magic circle that he created suddenly surfaced and glowed in a powerful yellow light. While Adrian was pushing his mana onto the magic circle, he was also chanting in an unknown language.

The followers of the God Agni started their prayers earlier and their fervent wishes gave the god more power. When Adrian activated the magic circle, the wishes of the people of Aggi Siam started to fill the air as if their heartfelt wishes materialized. The heartfelt wishes echoed in the surrounding and those that heard it could describe it like a song.

All of Aggi Siam is filled with the song of the heartfelt wishes of the people to their god. The Demigod Agni smiled with both heads as he heard and felt the wishes of his followers in the air. The members of Briar Rose and Frey, who were still captured, could hear a beautiful song that resonated with nature.

The heartfelt wishes of the people not only covered the whole of Aggi Siam but also its nearby surroundings. The trees that were around Aggi Siam started to become filled with the energy of life and it also swayed to the song that the people created. The people inside Aggi Siam also started to

become cured of their ailments and the battered Briar Rose guild members and Frey started to recover as well.

Adrian's body started to become weak as his limit is about to be reached. He is not at full power right now due to the curse that he was afflicted with. Adrian pushed his body to the limits once again as he could see that the body of the Demigod Agni is starting to be integrated into the magic circle.

"Just a little more." Adrian thought as he could see that the demigod body of the God Agni is starting to break down.

Seeing their master push his limits, the soulbounds started to share their mana and life to him. The soulbounds were only able to do this because they were still inside the Soul Chamber. A rush of life energy started to flow to Adrian's body as he knew what his soulbounds are doing.

"Thank you." Adrian stated as he pushed through with all his might and blitzed the completion of the magic circle.

The Demigod Agni did not even scream as his demigod body deteriorated but he did smile as he felt the wishes of his followers. With a powerful shockwave, the demigod body became integrated into the magic circle. The shockwave blew Adrian away, but he regained balance and saw the entire magic circle glow in golden light.

The divine soul of the God of Fire Agni suddenly shot towards the skies as he returned back to his divine realm. The entire city of Aggi Siam is then coated with golden light as its tall pyramid structures suddenly started to become coated in a gold sheen. When the entire city was covered in this gold sheen, the magic circle released a powerful energy again and it vanished once more.

[Congratulations for completing a Transcendent Tier magical formation called the Sun Collecting Formation.]

[You are the first player to ever create a Transcendent Tier Magic Formation.]

[You have gained +3 to your level.]

[Fame has been increased by 10, 000]

[You are no longer an unknown Scribe due to your great accomplishment. All the things that you have created will be etched with your name.]

[Some of the Gods of Pandemonium are wary of your ability.]

[The Dark Gods are paying close attention to your activities.]

[The Devil Gods are delighted with your achievement.]

[A certain goddess is cursing you for trying to demean her domain.]