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Chapter 2281: Corpse Titan II

The Corpse Titan suddenly got buffed by a lot and that was not all it received. Adrian even made sure that the Corpse Titan becomes faster as he applied Chrono Shift towards it. The club of the Corpse Titan slammed at the Primordial Beast Kholomodumo which made the monster scream. All of the tendrils tried to stop the Corpse Titan as it repeatedly slammed its club on its large mouth.

The Corpse Titan became the best damaging being in the area as it is not just supported by buffs but also all of the players and NPCs. The Primordial Beast Kholomodumo could not stop the Corpse Titan as each attack that lands on it has started to slow it down. The chains started to slow down the primordial beast as Charon has already surrounded it with them.

Charon's synergy with the Corpse Titan is immense as all undead that are near the Corpse Titan are enhanced. Factor in the fact that Creepysoo's presence has also enhanced all of the undead in the area. The undead in the area are not just summons as there are also undead players in the guild alliance which benefits heavily.

Charon also has free reign against the Primordial Beast Kholomodumo as his chains are stuck onto the primordial beast and continues to sap the life and mana out of it. Even if the Primordial Beast Kholomodumo is using some of the realm's energy to sustain itself, Charon is basically siphoning off all the energy it is restoring and gives it to all allies. Even the minor damage that the Corpse Titan is getting are all being restored by Charon with the help of Levin Cloud and Anastacia.

The battle earlier where a lot of the players had difficulty going against the numerous tendrils are no more. The Corpse Titan basically reversed the situation in one full swoop as its commanding presence made the life of the Primordial Beast Kholomodumo feel like complete hell. Even the primordial beast looked pitiful as the gigantic undead slammed its club continuously against it.

The players like Adrian continued to rain down their attacks on the Primordial Beast Kholomodumo as well. Some players actually decided to just deter the primordial beast from using its tendrils against the Corpse Titan. This strategy proved effective as the more the primordial beast is restricted then the more damage it could receive from the Corpse Titan. As if the Corpse Titan became the embodiment of the frustration of all the players, they cheered for it to destroy the primordial beast that they have been fighting since forever. The Primordial Beast Kholomodumo started to lose lots of health as the attacks of the Corpse Titan could not be stopped. As if it was trying to do a last-ditch effort, the primordial beast actually launched its large mouth outwards to try and devour the entire arm of the Corpse Titan. This would have happened if not for the timely intervention of King Leonidas.

The Selvaggian King gathered the energy of the Wilde that is also trying to fight of the vermin that is feeding on the realm. The Wilde itself reacted to the fervent wish of the king as he suddenly got supercharged with ferocity. A golden aura suddenly covered King Leonidas as he released a powerful burst roar that took the shape of a golden lion.

"Roar of the Beast King!" King Leonidas shouted as his extreme energy attack sliced off a part of the Primordial Beast Kholomodumo' mouth.

The attack hit the sensitive part of the extended mouth of the Primordial Beast Kholomodumo and delayed its attempt to chomp at the Corpse Titan. The primordial beast screeched in pain for a second before reverting back to its original attempt, but it is too late. The Corpse Titan suddenly got a burst of death energy from Creepysoo himself as he sacrificed more of his levels to empower the next attack.

A powerful feeling of dread and death covered the weapon of the Corpse Titan as it slammed inside the mouth of the Primordial Beast Kholomodumo. One way or another, the arm of the Corpse Titan still entered the mouth of the primordial beast but not in a fun way for the latter. As soon as the club of the Corpse Titan entered the mouth of the primordial beast, the Corpse Titan released its powerful death energy inside of it which made the primordial beast squirm like its life depended on it because it did.

The Primordial Beast Kholomodumo is not a beast that can use death energy as no primordial beast can actually do so. There is no such thing as the primordial beast of death because death is something that only the divine should have control over. The powerful life essence of the Primordial Beast Kholomodumo is slowly being shattered as the death energy of the Corpse Titan is being pumped directly inside of its body.

The tendrils of the Primordial Beast Kholomodumo flailed in all different directions as it started to slam anywhere. The primordial beast could no longer control all of its body because death energy is like a harmful virus to its life essence. The primordial beast tried its best to actually detach from the Corpse Titan, but Charon's chains gripped it tighter.

Charon could be seen behind the Corpse Titan as he chained it with the Primordial Beast Kholomodumo. This is to make sure that all of the death energy even the one that the Corpse Titan is made of is fully injected inside of the Primordial Beast Kholomodumo. The large vitality of the primordial beast could be seen dwindling at an incredible pace.

The Primordial Beast Kholomodumo could not even utter words as the Corpse Titan just blankly stared at it while slowly killing it. The primordial beast could be seen slowly getting limp but something inside of it reacted to its wish to live and devour. An unknown energy suddenly ignited inside of the Primordial Beast Kholomodumo, but it was not enough to stop the Corpse Titan. Still, it was enough for the primordial beast to do a last resort.

The unknown energy is used by the Primordial Beast Kholomodumo to release parts of its body that is buried in the ground. The large tendrils came out and tried to search for fresh energy which are basically living souls. The tendrils that became limp also became energized as they all searched for living beings. Be it players or NPCs, the tendrils grabbed whatever is closest to it, but this unknown energy should have not activated.

[You sense a small fragment shard of Chaos from the Primordial Beast Kholomodumo.]

[You hunger for this small fragment shard.]

Adrian's body that was focused on supporting the Corpse Titan suddenly twitched as he felt it. The hunger inside of the very core of his soul is attracted by that thing inside of the Primordial Beast Kholomodumo. Adrian now thinks that it makes sense how a primordial beast that is said to be cut off the primordial energy of a world being able to survive this long. Only something that could change its fundamental structure can make it adapt as primordial beasts were not created to adapt.

"Let me out first."

Adrian suddenly heard this sudden whisper, but it did not come from anyone. This voice came from inside of him as his entire body suddenly started to change. Adrian's current form shifted to the thing that he transformed into when he lost control against Greater God Amatsu-Mikaboshi. His sudden transformation did not alert the others because they were more focused on saving themselves from the last resort of the Primordial Beast Kholomodumo.

The transformation was also quick as Adrian just transformed quickly then vanished from his location. The next moment, Adrian is now near one of the large tendrils of the Primordial Beast Kholomodumo. Adrian's arms changed to sharp claws as he pierced through that tendril to obtain a shard that oozed unknown energy.

[You have retrieved the small fragment shard of Chaos.]

Adrian did not even look around as he just opened his mouth and gulped the thing. As soon as he devoured the small fragment shard of Chaos, Adrian returned to normal but the tendrils from under the Primordial Beast Kholomodumo looked incredibly enraged. The tendrils from under the primordial beast suddenly looked for the culprit that took the energy source of the primordial beast. The tendrils would have successfully caught Adrian, but the loss of the small shard fragment meant it can no longer sustain its body.

The Corpse Titan emitted a loud growl and ripped the Primordial Beast Kholomodumo apart. The entire body of the primordial beast has also been tainted with death energy as parts of its living body started to decay. When the life force of the primordial beast was destroyed, a loud rumble suddenly echoed in the skies above. The Distorted God Aletheia tried to destroy the dimensional barrier with a powerful attack but the Daemos Elders have already completed the

fix.

Chapter 2282: Controlling Impulses

[You have killed the Primordial Beast Kholomodumo]

[The erosion of the Wilde has stopped as the monster that is depleting its primordial energy source has been defeated.]

[All beings that contributed to the defeat of the Primordial Beast Kholomodumo will be rewarded]

[Destroy the remaining parts of the Primordial Beast Kholomodumo in order to make sure that it will not regenerate quickly.]

[The Primordial Beast Kholomodumo has died in a realm that cannot sustain it.]

[The Primordial Beast Kholomodumo has permanently died and can no longer be revived through normal means.]

[The death of the Primordial Beast Kholomodumo has empowered the world barrier of the main world even more as a result of the influx of primordial energy.]

"All of you did well! We shall feast and rest like kings!" King Leonidas shouted as he followed it p with a mighty roar.

"I guess we will be the ones cleaning up the battlefield as a courtesy of not being part of the action as much." Elder Ascalor stated as they finally finished fixing the dimensional barrier. The sky did not look like it will tear up again as the three Daemos Elders patched it up completely. They also installed a demon eye in the area to monitor it as well. There is still a chance that the Distorted God could create another lower quality clone to infiltrate the realm which is why more preventive measures are needed.

The Daemos elders really wanted to station a Daemos here for checking but they are already low in number to do so. The only way to monitor the Wilde is by having patrols that check the area in shifts. The Daemos gets more work, but they could at least prevent a Distorted God from casually destroying dimensional barriers. They were able to also partially connect the dimensional barrier from the main world to this realm so any damage will alert them immediately.

"Equinox, gather flame mages as we need them to burn the pieces of the Primordial Beast Kholomodumo." Elder Koronn stated.

"Ok. I will get them." Adrian replied as if he was still a daze.

Adrian fetched all of the flame mages that he knows, and they are all in one spot. Soleil basically led the entire group as she was the most powerful among them since she is basically fire herself. The body of the Primordial Beast Kholomodumo burned easily as all of its dead body was surprisingly flammable. Adrian also told his guild members to check all players if they mistakenly took a piece of the Primordial Beast Kholomodumo.

"Just so you know, a primordial beast could take over your mind and body if you are not careful. It could also feed on your soul which means character deletion if that happens." Adrian stated in the entire raid chat.

Some of the players thought he was just playing with them or preventing them from taking it to research, but he revealed the details of the flesh when he inspected it with his demon eye. The entire description of the flesh taking over living beings if energized enough made all the players that pocketed some throw it directly in the flaming inferno. The players that died all

dropped the parts of the Primordial Beast Kholomodumo that they placed in their inventory when they got killed, so they are safe.

Just to be extremely safe, Adrian summoned Dodu to sniff out anyone that is attempting to sneak out parts of the Primordial Beast Kholomodumo. It is a good thing that all the players here cannot escape from the Wilde unless Adrian or any of the Daemos Elders opens a portal direct to the main world. Even the teleportation scrolls that they purchased cannot return them to the main world as those scrolls are restricted to the main world only. Specialized scrolls that can transfer you to another realm are only available to trusted players like the Pantheon guild members.

"As the King of the Selvaggians, I invite all of you to the castle for a feast. Notify all of the tribes as well that we have saved our realm." King Leonidas stated which all of the Selvaggians cheered.

The march back to the castle was relatively easy as no monster or beast would dare to ambush a group of fearsome warriors. All beasts and monsters in the Wilde have special instincts that tell them if it is safe or a suicide mission. This is also the reason why the beasts and monsters in the Wilde are more dangerous than monsters in the main world.

"It seems that you are in deep thought that you did not even start a chat with me." Frey stated as she chatted with Adrian as they walked towards castle.

"Sorry about that. I was just thinking about the certain things that happened with the Primordial Beast Kholomodumo. Also, you were also busy dealing with the group you were suddenly given by my sister. I did know that you joined during half of the battle which I was shocked as I though you would not come." Adrian stated.

"I was just joking with you. Some did say that they cannot tell if I was telling a joke or making a statement due to my lack of emotional delivery. What are you thinking about? You can tell me as maybe sharing it would lessen the burden." Frey stated.

"I was thinking about the gods being too forward with their attempt of manipulating the world. They usually used an envoy or a champion to do such things, but this is a first that they actually destroyed the dimensional barrier of a realm. The distorted god earlier also said that it was the one that moved the primordial beast here to destroy this realm. A lot of things changed when the God Loki interrupted the balance of the main world." Adrian stated. "I think you should calm down as this is still a game in the end, but I get you. I might tell myself that it is a game, but a lot of the NPCs here have gained my affection." Frey stated as she herself feels that this game is another world she lives in.

"I think I am overthinking things a bit. Now is the time to enjoy as the fight is now over." Adrian stated as he and Frey enjoyed the festivities.

A lot of the players enjoyed the festivities to the point that some passed out drunk. Some were even invited to get married to some of the Selvaggian females and males. Some players were even enticed to switch their races using unknown means that did not reset their levels. In the end, the players partied, got their rewards, and some got something extra.

As soon as all of the players got their rewards as discussed, Adrian and the Daemos elders opened back the portal to the main world. Most of the players returned while some decided to explore the Wilde more as it is a place that is not accessible if you are not a Selvaggian. Adrian himself did not create a portal that leads to this dimension as King Leonidas rejected the proposal before. Surprisingly, King Leonidas and the elders of the Selvaggians told Adrian to create a portal that connects them to Avalon that all beings could use.

"As promised, this is the Creation Relic of the Selvaggian. Please handle it with care because it is our lifeline." King Leonidas stated as he opened the box to reveal the Will of the Wilde that is now in the form of a heart that resonates the auras and silhouettes of numerous beasts.

"I shall handle it with care." Adrian replied as he stored the box inside of his inventory. "As you now have the treasure of our race, I think that is now an indication that our alliance is solid. The Selvaggian Race is now the eternal friends of the Daemos. You scratch backs and we will scratch yours in return." King Leonidas stated as he roared which became a chorale as the other Selvaggian elders did so as well.

"I guess you have caught me there. They should really say that you guys are not pure muscleheads. Since Kabrakan is here, he is my proxy. So, any matters regarding your race will be handled by him." Adrian stated as he did not expect to suddenly be caught in a scheme that makes him take responsibility for the Selvaggians.

"What?! How?!" Kabrakan exclaimed in shock.

"Masterful deflection. My son has a lot to learn from you." King Leonidas stated as he laughed because Adrian instantly shifted most of his responsibilities to another without

batting an eye.

"I have a request. This one is personal, but I believe that the Selvaggian race have some that you call as Gurus. I would wish to meet one as I have some problem with controlling some impulses. It is related to the inner self so I would like to meet one." Adrian stated.

Chapter 2283: A Guru is Needed

"You need a Guru?! If you need a master that can manipulate the spirit freely then you are a bit unlucky." King Leonidas stated.

"Why am I unlucky?" Adrian asked.

"The time now is when the Gurus commune with the spirit realm, but you are already the Mediator of Death. Why do you need a master that can deal with spirits?" King Leonidas stated as he did not know why Adrian needed a Guru.

"The Gods of Death cannot tamper with a living soul, and I am still considered someone from the living which is why I need the help of a Guru." Adrian replied.

If Adrian asked the help of a God of Death, then they might actually help him but that would also mean he would in a state of vulnerability. He would be in a domain completely controlled by a god of death which could harm him if he was not careful. Just because he is the Mediator of Death does not mean he could trust all the gods of death since even they have motives of their own.

"Why not let him go to the marsh, your majesty?" The frog beastkin elder stated.

"The marsh? What is there or who is there?" Adrian asked.

"I see. That is correct since the marsh is one of the places where it is relatively safe. Most of the residents there did not need to vacate as it is in the opposite side of the primordial beast that we defeated." King Leonidas stated.

"The most important thing is that there is the oldest Guru there, your majesty. The elder should not be communing with the spirit realm as he now uses most of his time to teach other Gurus of his ways." The frog beastkin elder stated.

"You have done well, Elder Ribbit. If it is Guru Polliwog, then he might be able to help the mediator. Please assist our esteemed guest to him. You will be excused from the meeting for now as we will need to discuss the efforts to revitalize the lost villages." King Leonidas stated but Adrian felt the jealous gazes of the other elders towards Elder Ribbit.

"You are very magnanimous, your majesty. I shall give it my all in escorting our guest. I shall give him the best the Marsh could offer." Elder Ribbit stated as he gestured Adrian to leave with him before the gazes of the other elders turn into piercing bullets.

Adrian could only sigh as even the Selvaggian Elders hate meetings like the Daemos Elders. He also made sure to give some of his thoughts to the other guild members that stayed in the Wilde. He told them and some of the players that stayed that they could return to the main world by talking to the Daemos that is posted every two hours in this realm.

"Thank you for your assistance, Elder Ribbit." Adrian stated.

"No worries, Mediator Equinox. I should be thanking you as I get to skip the meeting that would stiffen my body. With the agenda that I managed to take a peek in, they might not be able to finish everything within a day." Elder Ribbit stated as he was skipping with joy.

"It seems that beastkin have a case of being restless as they need to move around a lot. It might be because your instincts are always in high alert which is why that is the case." Adrian stated.

"You are correct in that sense as majority of us do need to be active for our restless body. The only time we actually settle down is when we are asleep. We do not even settle down even with injuries in our bodies as we dislike being unable to move even if we are healing.

The meeting back there could also become heated where fists will fly about but it has gotten better where only crumpled papers are getting thrown. Also, there are some of us that can become Gurus that exhibit great restraint. Those that have this trait are often sent to Guru Polliwog for training as they have the ability to become one." Elder Ribbit stated.

Adrian then remembered the face Kabrakan made when he told the latter to be the representative of his race. The large bodied Kabrakan looked small as he actually wanted to tell

Adrian that he did not want to be there. Adrian just smiled and proceeded to swiftly ignore any attempts to beg as he himself do not like meetings with loud people.

"I now see why Kabrakan was being pestered to becoming one by some of the Gurus that he met. He has outstanding inner peace which is different from his other counterparts that are a brash bunch." Adrian stated as he saw how rough the other bull beastkin are with one another. "Yes, as even I was told by Elder Polliwog to bring him to Guru training as he was the most suitable candidate that he saw. It is a shame that Hero Kabrakan is riddled with worries about our race which is why he declined. Gurus are special beings even for our race which means they get special treatment. Even King Leonidas himself cannot just order them around as they are the ones that help calm down the side effects of Beastification." Elder Ribbit stated. Adrian knew what Elder Ribbit is talking about as Kabrakan did mention that not all Selvaggian could control their Beastification. Some would lose their minds and attack even their loved ones. In fact, Kabrakan himself is a rare one as he could control his without any problems. Usually, a Guru is needed to calm down a Selvaggian that uses their Beastification for the first time.

The both of them could be seen walking for about an hour already but the speed of their steps are high. If they walked like a normal person, then the distance that they covered would have taken four hours. Adrian chatted with Elder Ribbit along the way and learned interesting things about the Marsh.

The Marsh is basically a real marsh but there is a secluded area within it where the Guru candidates train to attain enlightenment as they say. Even Elder Ribbit does not know what this enlightenment does but he knows that the Gurus fight differently compared to normal Selvaggians. If Elder Ribbit described it, then he said that they could create manifestations of their ferocity which sounded cool in Adrian's ears.

"I think I saw one of so-called guild leaders using aura. He has the aura of a blue fox if I am not mistaken which is why one of the Silver Fox elder's daughters got enamored by him. His fighting style is close to that of the Gurus, but the latter uses our Ferocity since we cannot use aura." Elder Ribbit stated which actually shocked Adrian a bit.

He did think that Kabrakan was a bit weird when he did not use aura given the fact that his job class stemmed from the Warrior class. If that is the case, then all of his aura might have been changed to Ferocity when he became a Selvaggian. It seems that Ferocity is truly limited to Selvaggians as a resource that is actually much fiercer than aura.

"We have arrived at my hometown, Mediator Equinox. Welcome to the Marsh." Elder Ribbit stated as they finally reached their destination about half an hour later.

The Marsh is indeed a literal marsh as it is a type of wetland. It is an area of land where water covers ground for long periods of time. The area has water that is about knee high at the shallow parts and a meter in depth in the deeper areas. It is also not like a swamp as there are mostly grass here which makes it cleaner looking like the vibrant green color lifts up the natural energy in the area.

"The houses here are made of mud?" Adrian asked as he saw mounds of mud with doors.

"Yes, as that is the best way to also preserve the environment. Any tampering and it could destroy the rich natural energy in this place which the Gurus use for their training and services." Elder Ribbit stated.

"I am actually reminded of the place where we lived back then. We had cave dwellings before I got my land in the main world." Adrian stated as the Daemos did live in caves before he got

his territory.

"Please follow me deeper as the Gurus live in a more secluded area. They live deep within the Marsh in a section we called the Nature's Sanctum. You would be quite surprised if you enter it as there is nothing like it in all of the Wilde." Elder Ribbit stated as he guided Adrian deeper.

Adrian felt it with each of the step he takes towards the deeper part of the Marsh. He can feel something resonating with his soul, but it is not of nether or aether energy. The primordial energy within his soul is resonating with the deeper area of the Marsh.

Chapter 2284: A Certain Bar in Avalon

At the bar in Avalon...

A lot of players often talk about things that happen in Avalon here. This bar is actually being ran by an Imp that has mastery over temporal magic but is a grandmaster in brewing alcohol. A lot of older players tend to frequent this place as it has an ambiance of a realm bar in the real world. They can also drink and taste alcohol without getting liver damage unlike the real world.

"I really am curious what the Pantheon guild house looks like. We cannot see it unlike the other guild houses of other guilds because it is in another dimension." One of the regulars at the bar stated.

"Really! That is so cool that you can make a guild house in another dimension! I guess having a Daemos as a guild master has its perks. Tell me, Master. Is it difficult to create those pocket dimensions?" Another of the regulars asked the bartender which they refer to as Master since he is a master at mixing drinks.

"Ohoh! You might not know this, but the young lord himself is very good in our innate magic. He might look friendly and approachable at time, but he is a master in the arcane. One needs mastery over our innate magic in order to even attempt to create pocket dimensions. It is of no chance that he is the youngest Arch Demon after all." The Master stated as if he is filled with pride.

"Wow! I guess he really is very good at what he does if the Master himself is praising him. Still, I think you are better Master since you can send anyone to paradise with just a sip." One of the regulars stated as he took a sip of his drink to savor it with euphoria.

"I do what I can to make good spirits after all." The Master stated.

"Still, I am curious on what is the look of their guild house. I hope they can at least film a tour or something. A lot of the other guilds filmed what their guild houses looked like. The Valor guild's house is located at the top of a plateau with martial aesthetics." The regular stated.

"I think the Infernum guild has the coolest since they have their guild house on the side of a volcano." One of the regulars chimed in.

"I think the Evergreen guild is better since they have theirs in the giant tree. Every time you go in and smell the calming scent of nature would be wonderful." A regular at the bar who is actually an elven player stated.

"Maybe the Master could tell us what is inside." Another regular stated as they looked at the bartender.

"I have been there before since some of them order my drinks and alcohol. They have a great chef there as well that really embodies the culinary spirit. Still, all I can say is that their guild house is majestic like Avalon." The Master stated as he wiped a glass since he did not want to talk more about it.

"Did they have a Chef player in their roster? I never seen him before if that is the case." A regular stated.

"I do not know as most of the Pantheon guild are eccentric, but they are good people. Whenever I see their guild crest, they will always wave back if I ever initiate a friendly greeting." A regular stated as she has more than enough encounters with Pantheon guild members.

"The one I always see is their alchemist guild member that is Lady Jianna's apple of the eye. They always create some weird potions together with a devious smile which is why I often tend to stay away during some specific times." A regular stated as he witnessed Lady Jianna and Brew laughing maliciously as they created a potion using a cauldron.

"I always met the others at the outer church since one of them is a Muse. She likes to sing and would often help other players that are bards to increase their mastery. She is the Angel of Music for us players that thought you should pick bards even if you are tone deaf in real life." A bard player stated as he shed one tear and then gulped his entire glass of alcohol.

"Kukuku. I believe the Prince of the Undead is the best because he takes care of all of us" A skeleton player stated while he swirled his drink.

"Why do you even order a drink when you do not have a stomach?" Another customer stated as he pointed out that the undead in question does not even need food for sustenance.

"This is for aesthetic." The skeleton player stated.

"I believe that the best one among them is none other than Lady Solstice!" A group of guys stated in unison as they suddenly summoned bandanas and paraphernalia with messages that praise Solstice.

"I see they are part of that group. Make sure to get some distance from them unless their germs rub off on you." A regular whispered to the one next to him.

"Who are they?" The other regular asked.

"They are the Solstice Fan Club here in Avalon. It seems that they were helped once by Solstice in passing and they got enamored by her charisma. They can get a bit heated, but they at least know to control themselves." The regular stated.

"What about you? Who is your favorite Pantheon guild member since all of them are already talking about it?" The other regular asked.

"Me? The answer would none other than Vayu. A real man needs a sword and could slice anything with it." The regular stated.

"Are you just biased because you also use a sword?" The other regular pointed out as he saw the sword near the other's feet.

"What about you? Who is your bias as they say?" The regular stated.

"Of course, the strongest among them. The guild master himself since I am part of his fan club." The regular stated. This was just a normal day in a certain bar in Avalon.

Chapter 2285: Guru Polliwog

[Creepysoo sent a message to the Pantheon Guild Chat.]

[You have received news on Updated Pantheon Guild Fame Rankings.]

"Is something the matter, Mediator Equinox?" Elder Ribbit asked.

"Nothing, Elder Ribbit. I just got something on my mind. Please lead the way." Adrian stated as he and Elder Ribbit are now deeper in the Marsh.

Unlike the area before, the place they are now is shrouded in fog, but it is still visible. Adrian felt that the entire scenery changed about ten minutes ago. As soon as they entered a fog, he immediately noticed that they entered a pocket dimension.

The pocket dimension is still a marsh, but it is covered in fog. The fog is not too heavy that it impedes sight as they can still see about ten meters in front of them. The grass beneath Adrian's feet is also different than before as it is glowing in silver or blue light instead of green.

"This place feels ethereal." Adrian stated as he did not expect such a mystical place in the Wilde.

"This is what we call the Marsh of Spirits after all. It is considered a sacred place for all the Selvaggian Gurus." Elder Ribbit stated as his voice suddenly trailed off.

"Elder Ribbit? He suddenly vanished." Adrian exclaimed as he was sure that elder Ribbit was right next to him a second ago.

[You have been affected by the Hoodwink Fog.]

[Perception of the world around you would be twisted.]

Adrian suddenly felt his entire surroundings become rather bent. He found this incredibly odd as he does not experience this. Anything that warps perception should be unable to affect him due to the senses of a demon. The Hoodwink Fog was different compared to other things that manipulated perception.

"Strange. Time and Space is the same but the way I sense everything is warped. This is a first for me since I always had good senses as the elders say." Adrian stated.

Just as Adrian said, the changes in time and space are not distorted for him as everything is as it should be. The only thing that changed is his perception of the surroundings he has. He is basically confused on what he should believe or not believe. The fog around him did not help as well because it became thicker the moment he got affected.

"What should I do? Should I destroy it? If I do that then the Gurus might treat me harshly as they might be doing this as a test." Adrian muttered to himself.

Kabrakan gave Adrian some hints about the lifestyle and personalities of Gurus. The Gurus seem to like testing people that wander inside of their territory. They like to teach other realities or truths that they do not want to swallow. This attitude becomes a bit of a problem as they are very serious about teaching that they sometimes forget that they need to be less strict with kids even if they mean well.

"Uhmm... Guru Polliwog, was it? Can you help me out of this place? Elder Ribbit, can you hear my voice?" Adrian stated as he wanted to see if there was an answer.

Adrian repeated to call out for ten minutes but there was no answer from Elder Ribbit or Guru Polliwog. Adrian could feel that nothing is anomalous when it comes to time and space which

meant that he is safe. He could even escape here just by creating a portal but that would defeat his purpose of asking help from a Guru.

"Can you guys make it out of here?" Adrian asked his soulbounds that he could telepathically talk with.

"We mostly share the same perception as you, master." The soulbounds stated.

"How about you, Kenos?" Adrian asked as Kenos would be able to perceive more compared to the others.

"Even the fog will affect me, master." Kenos replied.

"I guess I have to break through with the method that the Daemos Elders taught me then." Adrian stated as he was being observed by beings outside of the fog.

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"Guru Polliwog, this is a bit disrespectful to the guest of the king." Elder Ribbit stated as he already made out of the fog and is now talking to the one that they came to meet.

"Hush child. I am just testing the young sprout. It is quite rare that demons would come here after all. I want to see how they do against our defenses... I mean see if they are as perceptive as they are told to be." Guru Polliwog stated.

"You are once again in your playful antics, Guru Polliwog. He is the Mediator of Death and a guest of the king. Please do not do this or else my head might be sent flying." Elder Ribbit stated.

"Come now, child. This young demon is very perceptive as the Hoodwink Fog actually used all of its maximum properties to affect him. He must be highly perceptive which means he will be able to come out with a little patience. The fog will definitely let him out after three hours or so." Guru Polliwog stated.

"Please kill me now, Guru Polliwog. I should not have volunteered if you were going to do this." Elder Ribbit stated as he started to sweat with his entire body.

"Look at him. He is already trying to find a way out, but the Hoodwink Fog cannot be defeated easily. This is something that I learned from the Spirit Realm after all." Guru Polliwog stated. Guru Polliwog wanted to be playful towards the guest and terrorize Elder Ribbit along the way. He would have guided Adrian out of the fog after half an hour or so as he knew that the latter will not be able to get out easily. The Hoodwink Fog is not for beings with great perception and Guru Polliwog already knew that Adrian is that kind of being. He was about to help Adrian out as Elder Ribbit practically fainted, but a large powerful explosion suddenly sounded. A large black hole could be seen devouring all of the fog in sight.

"Stop!" Guru Polliwog shouted in panic.

Chapter 2286: Chaos Inside

"The elders always said that if you can destroy it then do it. You can just fix it after since you can do it." Adrian stated as he snapped his fingers.

At the snap of Adrian' finger, the small star that was hovering on top of him suddenly exploded. A powerful vortex suddenly manifested and started to devour the mist. The entire area around him that is filled with fog is being devoured by the black hole. Even the water beneath his ankles is getting devoured into it which basically cleaning the area.

"Stop that you demon brat!" A loud and old frog beastkin suddenly shouted as he ran towards Adrian.

The loud and old frog beastkin was shouting at Adrian to stop the black hole from absorbing the fog. He also saw Elder Ribbit following from behind the old frog beastkin, but he did not stop. Adrian just needed to wait the ten seconds for the black hole to stop and he also noticed that his perception was slowly returning with the amount of fog reduced.

"Are you deaf? I never heard that there are demons that are born deaf." The old frog beastkin stated as he performed a tantrum in front of Adrian.

"I am not deaf. I just did not care to stop it since it will only be active with ten seconds." Adrian stated as he suddenly compressed the black hole after it was done sucking all of the things around him.

This is something that he learned to do when he got more mastery over Spatial Magic. He can release the things inside the black hole later as long as he did not absorb any living beings. He

can only keep all the things trapped inside the black hole for half an hour though before it gets released automatically.

"This disrespectful brat! Do you know that you weakened the Spirit Formation that a lot of Gurus prepared!? You need to release back what you absorbed into that black hole." The old frog beastkin stated.

"Who is this, Elder Ribbit?" Adrian asked the terrified and tired looking Elder Ribbit.

"He is the Guru that we need to visit, Mediator Equinox. I am sorry about his temper as he is a bit stressed during this time." Elder Ribbit stated.

"Oh! It is a pleasure to meet you, Guru Polliwog. I can return the fog that was absorbed later so you do not need to worry. I only thinned the strange energy here which is similar to Primordial Energy. Do not worry as I will not absorb it even if it is close to what I have in my body." Adrian stated.

"This kid. If an elder tells you, do it then you should do it. Let us see what you can do when I dive into your soul! Huh!" Guru Polliwog stated as he suddenly created a circle using both his hands and looked at Adrian through it.

[Another spiritual entity has entered the depths of your soul.]

Guru Polliwog suddenly entered Adrian's soul depths to teach him a lesson. He does not really want to physically hurt the kid as he just wants to reprimand him. He will just teach him a lesson inside of the depths of the soul.

"This is how I train the younger ones that show talents as a Guru." Guru Polliwog stated as he suddenly looked behind him in terror.

"Hello." A being of indescribable horror looked directly towards Guru Polliwog.

"How is that possible?!" Guru Polliwog stated as he suddenly passed out.

The being that Guru Polliwog saw was not something that represented Adrian's form in the real world. The being he saw looked like a gigantic being made of cosmic dust that is hugging the

two distinct trees deep inside of Adrian's soul. This gigantic being made of cosmic dust also did not have a permanent face as it changed from time to time as it had numerous faces.

[You have repelled the spiritual entity that has entered the depths of your soul.] "What is that?! What are you?" Guru Polliwog stated before he passed out.

"Uhm... what just happened?" Adrian asked as he looked towards Elder Ribbit.

"I do not know anymore. I am also at my limit." Elder Ribbit stated as he also passed out.

"I guess I should go to the territory then. I will release the fog when I can see the faint structure there. Sirius, carry the both of them." Adrian stated as he called upon Sirius from his shadow.

Adrian slowly released the things absorbed in the black hole as he walked towards the structure he saw when his perception returned. A group of Gurus gathered towards him when they saw Guru Polliwog and Elder Ribbit passed out. He made sure to explain what happened and some of the Gurus even apologized to Adrian because of Guru Polliwog's childish actions. "Why are all the old people in this game so eccentric?" Adrian thought as he was led to a small pavilion while he waited for the two beings that he brought to wake up.

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"You terrified that being." The Noblesse Inner Demon Equinox stated as he came out of the tree inside of Adrian's soul depths.

"It suddenly entered into my territory. I will protect my own soul while the other me catches up." The gigantic being of cosmic gas stated as it suddenly compressed itself to create a copy of the current Adrian but with wings and horns that glow like galaxies.

"I should have been the one that greeted the visitor as it is my duty. You terrify me even if you are the master himself just in another form. The true soul that has yet to be unleashed." The Noblesse Inner Demon Equinox stated.

"Just make sure he starts your trial. I cannot wait to be unleashed as those smaller fragments can barely sustain my hunger." The Chaos Equinox stated as it vanished.

Adrian waited patiently at the place he was escorted to. This place was akin to a monastery but more in tune with nature as he could feel that this place is a spot teeming with an energy akin to primordial energy. It is a place that is likely what each realm calls Eden which is difficult to find or even stumble upon.

"To think that they found the Wilde's Eden and used it to cultivate talents. Other beings would usually plunder all the energy here and then get hit with the consequences later. Still, where is the Guardian of the Wilde's Eden? A powerful guardian should be present to even stop other beings from living here.

Any damage to a realm's Eden will result in the realm slowly decaying. It would not make sense for that old frogman to panic when I suddenly used a black hole to devour the fog. I returned it though but there is still this prickly feeling of being watched as soon as I entered." Adrian muttered.

Adrian was given some snacks that are steamed in a taro leaf with a tea that has a fragrant aroma of wood. It was incredibly calming and relaxing as he waited for the two beings to wake up. He was even seen cozily lying on Sirius which actually made some of the Gurus and Guru Candidates to not want to talk to him.

"That is a Fenrir, right?" One of the Guru Candidates whispered.

"Maybe it is just a wolf king?" Another Guru Candidate passing by replied.

"Do you not feel that tyrannical energy that could swallow the world itself? I am actually shocked someone managed to tame one. It is even incredibly docile as it is just letting those small child Guru Candidates to ruffle its fur." The other Guru Candidate stated.

"I am actually quite jealous. I want to check as well if it is fluffy." The first Guru candidate that initiated the chatter stated.

The Guru candidates suddenly scattered as they suddenly heard the familiar footsteps that terrify them. Even the small child Guru candidates that were playing with Sirius ran away when they heard it. This imposing and mighty figure then stood in front of Adrian as the former waited for the latter to open his eyes.

"Ehem." Guru Polliwog stated as he looked calm but imposing.

"It seems that the Guru has gotten his rest. I was quite shocked when you suddenly fainted. Thankfully, I was able to find my way around the fog and reach this place. I am Equinox and I greet the great Guru Polliwog that leads this place." Adrian stated as he even added some

flowery words.

"Your words are very flattering, young mediator. I also thank you for helping me as I might have been in so much stress that I fainted." Guru Polliwog stated as he looked a bit

embarrassed.

"It is of no concern, Guru Polliwog. I also work with the elders of my race, and they also succumb to stress and exhaustion from time to time. I am just relieved that you are fine." Adrian stated as he smiled cheekily.

"Just make sure to not tell them that I fainted because of being scared" Guru Polliwog's eyes basically told Adrian without even saying anything.

"If you take care of my problem then I will make sure to stop myself from spilling anything." Adrian's eyes and smile basically stated as he shook Guru Polliwog's hand.

"I heard from Ribbit why you wanted to come to me. Follow me as we will need a more private place to check on your inner self. If you were to go berserk, it would not be ideal to be in this open area where you could easily escape after all." Guru Polliwog stated as he gestured Adrian to follow him.

"As the elder wishes. I thank you in advance for your help." Adrian replied as Sirius returned to his shadow while he followed Elder Ribbit to a chamber.

Now that Adrian could see Guru Polliwog directly, he could really tell that the frog beastkin in front of him is old. Guru Polliwog has a slight slouch that shows his age and also the fact that his skin is much coarser than Elder Ribbit's. Frog Beastmen have their distinctive features being their eyes and ears which is that of a frog while the rest are mostly human. They are also

said to have the smoothest skin as they always have this wet look, but they look drier as they grow older.

"This is the Hall of Patience where we usually tend to other Selvaggians that have difficulty controlling their Beastification. I never thought that I would use it to solve the worries of a demon but there is a first for everything.

Now tell me clearly what you need because you are very strange when I entered the depths of your soul. I am even wondering why you are alive right now. Are you even considered alive or is the blessing of being the Mediator of Death keeping you alive?" Guru Polliwog stated.

"Uhm? Pardon?" Adrian replied with a confused face.

"Let me simplify it this way as I found everything in the depths of your soul contradictory. I even found something terrifying lurking at the very depths of it which shocked my own spirit that I fainted. I can at least say that you are very much immune to any attacks regarding your spirituality." Guru Polliwog stated.

"Can you simplify even more? I think my brain is glitching from what you are telling me." Adrian asked as he did not know what Guru Polliwog is telling him.

"Your soul is basically made up of different energies that should not have been able to mix together. I suspect that the terrifying being in the depths of your soul is the reason why you are still alive, but I am not sure. It is actually quite shocking that you are still alive at this point since you could very well explode suddenly because of your soul being volatile." Guru Polliwog stated which suddenly made Adrian realized some words told by the other gods of death to him.

"Interesting soul for a living being." The God Ah Puch once told him in passing when Adrian encountered the creepy looking god of death.

"You are a living paradox, Mediator Equinox." The God of Death Hades told him when he was about to leave his underworld domain.

"I think all of the gods of death have the same opinion as you. I just thought that they were interested in my soul which is why I did not stay much in the death realms. To think that they were actually saying that I am lucky to be alive with the soul that I have." Adrian muttered as

he remembered all the gods of death that he encountered would have this comment one way or the other.

"I can vaguely feel that both energies that are a majority of your body is fighting for supremacy, but something is keeping them in line. Your Soul Root that I have seen inside of your body might be the cause of your temporary stability." Guru Polliwog stated.

"What is this, Soul Root?" Adrian asked as this is the first time he heard of this.

"A Soul Root is basically what your soul embodies due to the collective experience and enlightenments that you have as an individual. Soul Roots are different for each person, but they can be similar in general terms. For example, my Soul Root is this." Guru Polliwog stated as he suddenly emitted an energy that actually used the power of his soul.

Adrian was about to tell him to stop since he knew that using the energy of his soul would lessen his life span, but he is shocked to see the control that Guru Polliwog had. When beings usually use what Adrian calls Soul Energy, they would lose a percentage of their life span depending on how much they burn but Guru Polliwog defied that expectation. Guru Polliwog's Soul Energy basically is released but he is also able to control it and not have it dissipate.

Adrian looked at the image that Guru Polliwog showed him using soul energy. The image of Guru Polliwog's soul root is a large burly monstrous frog that looks like a world boss if it was real. Adrian could feel the clear soul energy being regulated by Guru Polliwog and he also felt when he retracted it back to his body. A clear look of amazement can be seen on Adrian's face which made Guru Polliwog become proud looking.

"Amazing. I have never seen such clear control over soul energy before. Is this what Guru's can do?" Adrian stated.

"It is too early to be amazed, young mediator. Having full control of their own soul is a must for one to be even considered a Guru." Guru Polliwog stated.

"It is similar to one of Kabrakan's skill where he releases an independent Astral Projection of himself. Now I know why he is a great candidate for becoming a Guru as Elder Ribbit said." Adrian added.

Chapter 2288: Soul Root II

"As expected of the Mediator of Death, you already know your basics of the soul. Also, the young Kabrakan does indeed have great talent to become a Guru. It is such a shame that he does not want to become one for some reason." Guru Polliwog stated.

"So, this soul root... is it the form that our soul takes? Are there any other ways to have it be impacted?" Adrian asked.

"A divine relic could possibly influence it, but I have yet to see one. As I was saying, your Soul Root has a very unique form that even I have never seen before. Yours have the form of two different trees clutching orbs of power. The thing that I have observed is that it looks like a tree that is mirrored by something like a lake." Guru Polliwog stated.

"Wow! You really did go into the depths of my soul!" Adrian is shocked because it really is the image of what he sees when he goes inside the depths of his soul.

"Did you think that I was lying that I even passed out from the shock?!" Guru Polliwog stated while making sure to calm down as he did not like to be called a liar.

"That is not a lake actually. From what I can tell, it is a reflection of myself because I have two different energies fighting for dominance in my body. One is Nether Energy which takes the form of a large, withered tree clutching dark colored orbs. The other one should be Aether Energy taking the form of a large, luscious tree clutching vibrant green orbs.

The lake is not really a lake but what I call a dimensional separator. Those two energies are two sides of the same coin if you can interpret it being the reflection of each other. It might also be reason why those two energies are not fighting for supremacy because my very Soul Root is keeping them in check." Adrian told Guru Polliwog of his own interpretation of his soul root's image.

"Such a shame." Guru Polliwog stated.

"What is a shame?" Adrian suddenly asked as he did not expect a comment like that.

"It is a shame that you are born a demon. If you were born a Selvaggian then you might become the best Guru ever born. You have the spiritual awareness of Grand Master Guru like me. Do you want to change your race? I have a secret item that can make that happen." Guru Polliwog stated as he is actually serious about his statements. "Thank you for the praise but I am very happy of what I am now. What I want to know is how to control these cravings that I have been getting." Adrian stated as he started to tell Guru Polliwog what happens when he encounters items that contain the power of Chaos.

"I see. It makes sense on why that is happening. With the explanation you have given me about your soul root and the odd thing I encountered in your soul depths... I can at least give you, my analysis." Guru Polliwog as he suddenly started to contemplate.

"Care to share this analysis... please?" Adrian stated as Guru Polliwog seems to be pondering heavily.

"Given all the details you have told me, I can at least tell you that your soul is in an incomplete state. I would need to verify more by diving in your soul depths once more, but I need your subconscious self to be with me as well to test this." Guru Polliwog stated.

"I am ready. Please take care of me, Guru Polliwog." Adrian stated as he relaxed his body.

"We need to synchronize our breathing as I will not forcefully enter your soul depths like the first time. You are basically going to escort me to the depths of your soul. Are you sure that you are ready?" Guru Polliwog stated.

"Please guide me." Adrian stated as both of them sat in a lotus position.

Both Adrian and Guru Polliwog then entered a trance that synchronized their breathing. The candles inside the Hall of Patience that flickered suddenly stood straight as both beings manage to attain inner peace. A small light from Guru Polliwog's body entered Adrian's forehead gently unlike before when he entered forcefully. There was no fighting back as Adrian himself was falling down deeper in his soul depths and is now accompanied by Guru Polliwog.

A faint white noise is heard by Adrian and Guru Polliwog as they landed inside of Adrian's soul depths. Unlike before when Guru Polliwog was immensely shocked at the scene, the old frog beastkin is now more grounded and calmer. Still, the intensity of the scene before him is not something even a Guru of his caliber cannot react over.

"Such a terrifying Soul Root. The entire depth of his soul is basically his Soul Root and that means his soul is stronger than a demigod level being." Guru Polliwog thought but did not say

this out loud though as he needed to take in the uniqueness of the soul root of the being before him.

"You actually willingly invited in another being to the depths of your soul." The Noblesse Inner Demon Adrian stated as he appeared from behind Adrian.

"Were you the one that scared off the elder earlier?" Adrian asked.

"You give me too much praise, body owner. Unfortunately, I was not the one that moved when an intruder suddenly entered your soul depths. The old thing there should be glad that his soul was not obliterated by me and was only scared stiff by the other one." The Noblesse Inner Demon stated.

"To think that I will encounter the so-called Inner Demons of the Daemos. I was told that they are incredibly beastly and ferocious, but this one is not." Guru Polliwog stated.

"I am offended that you think that I am the same as the others. The blood flowing in our veins is not ordinary after all." The Noblesse Inner Demon stated as he smiled.

Chapter 2289: First Challenge of a Noblesse I

The Noblesse Inner Demon of Adrian is indeed different from the others that a normal Daemos would have. Normal Inner demons are what people will describe as demonic because of their brash and destructive nature. It is also an alter ego of the Daemos if they lose control of their own power. It is what takes over a Daemos temporarily when they fail to defeat their inner demons to attain a higher Persona.

An inner demon that is intelligent is really out of the norm just like what Adrian has. It is not normal because intelligent inner demons that have full control over instincts can wreak havoc and untold destruction. Unlike a normal inner demon that would usually just rampage and destroy the area around them, an intelligent inner demon meant they could even manipulate the real ego into doing things without being noticed.

"You are talking about the Asmodian blood flowing in the veins of the young mediator." Guru Polliwog stated as he already knew that Adrian is different from a normal descendant of the Asmodians.

"It seems that this old man has already felt the power within our veins. He is not as ordinary as he seems despite the fact that he was a bit strange during our first encounter with him." The Noblesse Inner Demon stated as he cheekily poked Adrian's shoulder.

"I already know that he is not normal the moment he is able to enter our soul depths. I might even say he is one of the most courageous beings we encountered as well. Even the Gods of Death do not dare invade here because of you or that other thing sleeping deeper." Adrian stated as he could feel there was another him sleeping or observing from afar.

"You actually agree that your inner demon is correct! You are indeed a very strange kid to even agree with your inner demon." Guru Polliwog stated as he has met a lot of Daemos back when he was younger that told him about their struggles with their inner demons.

In fact, the state of easily slipping inside the depths of the soul of another being is due to Guru Polliwog defeating his own so called inner demon. He is able to manipulate his soul power because he has already completely understood himself as a being. He conquered even his own fears and evil thoughts that manifested in an evil version of him. He essentially defeated his own 'inner demon', but this is the first time he saw another converse with it.

"This other me is still me even if it is my own inner demon. What is wrong with conversing with it?" Adrian stated which startled Guru Polliwog because the latter did not detect any lies from what the former said.

"The visitor is quite perplexed by our situation as if he cannot grasp such a simple concept. Anyways, I already know why you are here. Still, I will give you the pleasure to ask me since it has been quite a while to see you." The Noblesse Inner Demon stated as it vanished from Adrian's side and appeared on the throne located beneath the mysterious soul root tree inside of Adrian.

"Tell me how to stop my cravings. You know what I am referring to as I lose control of my body when shards of Chaos are present in the area. If you can also tell me the reason for this strange impulse, then that would be good." Adrian stated.

"Your body is now in a state of energy exhaustion because it cannot sustain itself from what is happening. The fusion of Nether and Aether energy to form that energy deep in your soul has already used more resources than your own soul can produce. For now, it is being supplemented whenever you devour a fragment of Chaos as the energy in those can be extremely nourishing for you." The Noblesse Inner Demon stated. "What is it saying, young mediator?" Guru Polliwog asked Adrian as he did not hear anything that the Noblesse Inner Demon said but the intent in the statements is true.

"It is better if you do not tell the visitor about what I have said to not complicate things. He can still verify if I am speaking the truth, but we all know that I do not lie." The Noblesse Inner Demon stated.

"He is telling me the state of my body. That is all I can tell you for now but please alert me if there is any lies you can detect." Adrian stated as the Noblesse Inner Demon is content that the body owner is not trusting of a visitor.

"How can I fix myself then?" Adrian asked as the Noblesse Inner Demon basically told him that he is broken to some extent as he is lacking.

"You have already passed all the preliminary tests. I think it is time for you to finally challenge me. Even if you needed the help of another being to reach the depths of your soul, you have managed to open the path and will be able to come here by yourself from now own. Are you ready for my challenges, Equinox?" The Noblesse Inner Demon stated.

[You have passed all of the required things to challenge the last inner demon present in your soul.]

[Do you wish to start the challenge?]

"Will it be a series of tests? Unlike the others that only needed some things to be accomplished and a battle, it seems that this will be a long journey." Adrian stated.

"Of course, a Noblesse is different from an Arch Demon after all. All demons will bow before you and with the purity of our Asmodian blood... becoming Demon King might not be impossible. Let me ask you again, do you wish to start my challenge?" The Noblesse Inner Demon stated.

"I detect no deceit nor lies from him, young mediator." Guru Polliwog commented as he stuck to observing.

"I accept. I have been growing tired of not being able to challenge the gods that torment this world by myself." Adrian stated which made his inner demon smile.

Chapter 2290: First Challenge of a Noblesse II

"Excellent. We would need to have the visitor go away for now. Please tell him to get out for this as soon as possible since he might accidentally hear what I am going to say." The Noblesse Inner Demon stated.

"Guru Polliwog, it seems that I will need to confront him on my own now. Thank you for your help in helping me reach my soul root without any problems. I ask that you help contain whatever my body outside might leak." Adrian stated as the Noblesse Inner Demon also told him that he might leak both nether and aether energy during the first challenge.

"I see. This old man understands as only a resolve forged by oneself can defeat the inner evils hidden in their souls. This old man will now return and make sure that you will not destroy the outside world from what is going to happen. Make sure to do everything you can to defeat him and trust this old man as well." Guru Polliwog stated.

"Thank you once again. I will gladly hear out one request from your once I am done with this." Adrian stated.

"Ohoho! That is a very tempting request even for you. I already know what I want to ask of you. I pray that you will be victorious." Guru Polliwog stated as he focused his mental state once more and vanished from Adrian's soul root.

"The visitor is gone. It is now safe to resume the challenge." The Noblesse Inner Demon stated as he snapped his fingers.

A stone table could be seen slowly floating to the surface with intricate drawings of trees and circles. Unknown runes could also be seen surrounding each of the circles which fascinated Adrian as he is called the Rune Maniac by his friends. Even the esteemed mages that visit Avalon would geek out with him when they bring parchment that contains unique runes. The story about the Avalon Rune Maniacs is for another time though.

"The First Challenge is simple and difficult at the same time. You would need to fully activate your Soul Root." The Noblesse Inner Demon stated.

"Does this mean that I am only using half of my Soul Root the entire time? How is that even possible when the Soul Root is the representation of the being's soul?" Adrian asked.

"The souls of demons are different from others since it is always split into three the moment they are born. Each of the split of your soul represents your inner demons that you must conquer to become more powerful. The divided soul would then be completed when all inner demons are conquered.

Think of this as a safety measure created by the world because a being that could manipulate time, space, and force at will or by instinct is dangerous if they are infants. Demons would usually have a complete soul overtime, but it seems you or rather we are also different from normal demons. Your soul that was split into three manifested into different entities that represent you as well." The Noblesse Inner Demon stated.

The Noblesse Inner Demon told Adrian that inner demons should only be beastly and wreak havoc. It should have only been the Noblesse Inner Demon that has some intelligence to keep the others in line but all of Adrian's inner demon possessed great intelligence. To make matters even more shocking, all inner demons agreed to make the host stronger as if they already knew their mission from the start.

The Noblesse Inner Demon became an overseer instead due to this development and did not need to reign in the other inner demons from rampaging. The reason the Noblesse Inner Demons are the most intelligent is due to the fact that they are the holders of the Ancestor's Will. They are what people call the Blood Inheritance of a Race which is present in races that are powerful like dragons and such.

"I guess the other two were incredibly smart and the elders did put on a complicated face when I told them." Adrian stated as he remembered recounting his experience of challenging his first inner demon to the Daemos elders.

"Back to your unique situation. As you can observe, you are different from other demons because of the great energies that are present in your body. There has never been a demon like you ever that can resonate with the old creation energies of the universe. Due to you absorbing both Nether energy and Aether energy, your soul root needed to be split into two as well." The Noblesse Inner Demon stated as he told Adrian that the table inscription, he is seeing is the form of his soul root. "Are you saying that my soul is now split into two different entities because of the two energies in my body?" Adrian asked.

"Your soul is split into three distinct entities. Your Netheros self, your Aetheros self, and me who keeps them from destroying each other. I have already started the merging process of the two souls to ease the burden and the possible chance of sudden explosion, but it is not me to do. You are the owner of this body, and you must be the one to take full control of it." The Noblesse Inner Demon stated.

"What do I need to do?" Adrian stated as he gulped since he knew that this will not be easy.

"What you need to do is both easy and difficult at the same time. All you needed to do is to perfectly connect the Qliphoth part of your soul root to the Sephiroth side. The Qliphoth side represents your Netheros self while the Sephiroth side represents your Aetheros self. Currently, the Qliphoth side is more active compared to the Sephiroth side. It seems that you have a more favorite side which is causing this imbalance." The Noblesse Inner Demon stated.

"Well, I need to destroy more things than create which is why I use my Netheros self by default." Adrian stated as he indeed likes his Netheros self more.