

## O Summoner 451

### Chapter 451 - The Devil God Vepar

The Devil God Vepar basically fished out the abomination from the shadows using its very own abilities. The Devil God Vepar that Cersei summoned is using her life as a catalyst. The Devil God Vepar has two attributes and that is darkness and water.

The Devil God Vepar is basically the living embodiment of darkness and even Sirius could feel that he is weaker in controlling the darkness compared to the former. If the abomination has the ability of Night King, then the Devil God Vepar has something called the Dark Devil God.

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Skill: Dark Devil God

Tier: Mythical (Sealed)

Type: Passive

Effect: Increases stats by twice when in dark areas or at night. Gives the holder complete control of the darkness element.

Cooldown: None

Cast Time: None

Mana Cost: None

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Once the abomination got fished out of the darkness, Vepar immediately casted Hydro Blast. The Hydro Blast is basically a beam of intense water pressure that toppled the abomination. When the abomination got toppled, the tanks made it remained pinned to the ground.

The tank players would use their weight to continue pinning down the abomination. Each time the abomination would push the tanks, Adrian would blast it with the attack he absorbed. The domineering abomination is now being beaten to a pulp.

It did not take long for the abomination to drop down to 10% health. When the abomination's health dropped down to 10%, a huge shockwave ensued that made everyone get knocked back by five meters. The power of the abomination is actually rising again.

The whole raid party thought that the abomination has already peaked when it received all five skills per Asmodian race, but they were wrong. The Devil god Vepar thought that things would become even more troublesome so it told Cersei what it would do.

"Cersei, I will use more of your life in order to get more power to use in the mortal realm. You could die if I fail but there is one individual that could revive you anyway." The Devil God Vepar stated as it looked at Levin Cloud.

Adrian got shocked that the Devil God Vepar actually knew that Levin Cloud has a skill that can revive people. Adrian looked around and gave a sigh of relief because only he heard that. Even

Cersei did not notice much because Vepar already used almost all her health. She dropped to her knees when only 5% of her health is left.

The Devil God Vepar suddenly arrived before the abomination that is gathering power. No one knew what skill it used to go close to the abomination as it is still emitting shockwaves. The Devil God Vepar suddenly cut off its wrist with its sharp nail and blood dropped onto the floor.

The blood formed into a black magic circle that covered the ground that the abomination is standing on. The magic circle suddenly glowed in black light as it activated. Black water erupted from the magic circle that blew the abomination from its position. The shockwave even stopped which made the party members able to walk.

The Devil God Vepar disappeared in a puff of black smoke as it can no longer retain its form. Upon the disappearance of the Devil God Vepar, Cersei's health returned to about 60% but she cannot use spells for the next five minutes.

Everyone thought that Vepar had killed the boss, but they do not have system notifications saying so. When the black water settled down and their vision cleared, they saw the abomination in another form. The abomination has changed form once more, but its health stayed the same.

The new form is not grotesque but rather weird. Half of its face is that of the abomination, but the other half is that of an Asmodian. Its form has once again become incomplete due to being interrupted when it is undergoing metamorphosis.

"You thought that I will not be able to tame the mind of the beast!" The Asmodian Abomination shouted as it laughed maniacally.

The raid party once again attacked but their attacks are suddenly hitting a shield that is familiar with Adrian. The asmodian abomination is using gravity to deflect their attacks. Even Sirius' sneak attacks could not touch the asmodian abomination.

"I shall have my revenge against you! Once I master my new body, I will shatter your souls and feast upon their fragments." The Asmodian Abomination declared as it tried to tear the space behind it to escape.

Adrian could feel that the space behind the asmodian abomination is tearing apart. It is using gravity to forcefully tear the space behind it.

"Stop it! It is trying to escape!" Adrian shouted as he activated Prismatic Mirror.

The Asmodian Abomination's gravity shield still had enough defenses to deflect some of the attack. The beam still reached the abomination as it carried the power of its previous attack. The tree-like hand blocked the beam while the human-like hand kept tearing space.

[The Asmodian Abomination is trying to escape. Interrupt its attempt to escape.]

The system notification made everyone bulge their eyes. They do not want to let the boss go but it is tanking their attacks despite blocking with its body. Adrian narrowed down his sight and saw that the Asmodian Abomination is actually using its regeneration, but its health could not go up to 11%.

"You shall not leave!" Two voices that did not come from the raid party are suddenly heard.

The tearing space suddenly started to shrink as if time is reversing. Since only Adrian could feel temporal energy, he could see and feel the intense temporal energy. The two sphinxes have returned to aid the raid party. The other sphinx that was previously corrupted has reverted to its true form.

One winged sphinx while the other wingless but the power they are radiating is not less than the Asmodian Abomination.

"You ungrateful cats! I gave you power, yet this is how you repay me!" The Asmodian Abomination shouted.

#### Chapter 452 - The Asmodian Abomination's Death

The two sphinxes have now joined the battle against the Asmodian Abomination. The two sphinxes have cut off the abomination's escape route. Although, the abomination became invincible when its health dropped to 10%.

Any type of attacks no longer affected it, but the abomination is still determined to escape. The raid party determined that the invulnerability will not last long due to the desire of the abomination to escape.

"Feeble beings who have not escaped the mortal cycle! If you dare stand in my way, then do not blame me for killing you!" The Asmodian Abomination roared as it charged towards them.

The tanks tried to stop its charge, but they were all sent flying. The two sphinxes blocked the charge, but the abomination still overpowered them. The two sphinxes instantly became relics after clashing with the abomination.

The Asmodian Abomination saw that the two sphinxes became relic and reached out to gather them. Vayu became the first to react as he sent a tornado that swept the two relics away from the abomination. The abomination did not stop in its pursuit of the two relics as it knew that using the relics would increase its chance to escape.

As the abomination is about to reach for the two relics that was flung by the tornado, spider webs suddenly caught the two relics. The spider then threw it toward another direction as the abomination caught up to it. The abomination pounced on the spider which damaged its body and resumed its chase of the two relics.

The abomination and the raid party are now caught up in a game of catch those relics. The raid party could only stall because they cannot damage the abomination. The abomination's great interest in the two relics could not have been a coincidence. The raid party did everything in their power to prevent the abomination from getting it.

If only they could store the relic, then the game of catch would have been over. The relics cannot be stored inside their inventory like what happened to Adrian. The relics must follow them on their own accord as it cannot go inside a player's inventory. This is the reason that the relics drop upon death.

"Do your best to prevent it from getting the relics. Its invulnerability is waning." Adrian shouted as he saw that the energy shell covering the abomination is starting to dim.

The raid party only needs to hold out but that is easier said than done. The rampage of the abomination made it trample everyone that would prevent it from getting the relics. The tanks want to pin it down in one spot, but the abomination could easily knock them back since even status ailments cannot affect it.

Levin Cloud and Peridot used their abilities that could change the ground like making a mud pit or creating a small pond. It became effective to by enough time for Adrian to use Blink and catch the relics.

"Got it." Adrian stated but when he looked back the abomination is not behind him.

"It melded back in the darkness. Be careful!" Cersei shouted but it was too late.

The Asmodian Abomination appeared behind Adrian and the latter grabbed him by his neck. The abomination choked Adrian despite being in his true form. Adrian tried using Blink, but the system notification popped up.

[You cannot use any movement abilities while being grabbed by the Asmodian Abomination.]

"To hell with it! Nether Blast!" Adrian stated as he tossed the relic backwards.

Adrian tossed the two relics, and they were caught by Creepysoo. He then summoned a skeleton horse to ride. Creepysoo vacated the area that he was in because Adrian started sucking all the nether mist in the area.

"Master, you will also perish if you continue using this skill." The Cube of Paradox stated but Adrian did not care.

"Unhand me you fool!" The Asmodian Abomination shouted as it let go of Adrian's neck.

Adrian did not budge as he used his wings to hug the abomination in hopes of killing it with him. Cersei used all the buffs for magical power that she has. It seems she and Adrian were in the same line of thinking.

"You are not going anywhere!" Adrian stated as his grip became firmer.

"Idiot! You are the only one harming yourself. I am still invincible." The Asmodian Abomination screamed but Adrian just smiled.

"It seems that you have no awareness of the protection of your body. Nether Blast can bypass that hard shell of yours. Your health already dropped when I injected Nether Energy." Adrian stated with an impish smile as his skill activated.

The explosion of nether energy enhanced by buffs and primordial essence made the whole dungeon shake due to the force. When the smoke cleared, only the Asmodian Abomination is left in the wake of the explosion. The abomination is still alive despite missing a leg and bleeding.

"Stupid demon." The Asmodian Abomination stated as it laughed despite its injuries.

"Revive!" Levin Cloud stated as Adrian already told him to revive the latter in case of death. They might trust the Evergreen guild, but they are going to show them their passive revival skill.

[You have been revived by Levin Cloud.]

[No experience has been lost since the player has been revived.]

Adrian's figure emerged from the spot where he died, and the abomination's face showed great anger. The abomination tried to stand but numerous skeletal hands prevented it. A rope made of fire then coiled around its body to suppress the wings.

Numerous crowd control skills rooted the Asmodian Abomination in place as it can now be affected by crowd control. The abomination still has a shard shell that made them deal less damage to it, but they bought enough time. The Tree of Life and Death glowed in a eerie but beautiful light.

The raid party did not notice but the roots of Yewdrassil has already covered the entire zone affected by the domains. The abomination could feel a terrible and oppressive power emanating from the tree of life and death. It wanted to escape but numerous crowd control skills were holding it down.

[Yewdrassil activates its skill, Yewdrassil's Wrath.]

Chapter 453 - Broadcasted To The World

[The Tree of Life and Death, Yewdrassil, has used Yewdrassil's Wrath.]

The Tree of Life and Death glowed in two different light including the roots that it spread. A beautiful light is then spread out from the tree of life and death. The whole area it covered then exploded in these two-colored lights.

The Asmodian Abomination released a scream of pain as the shell of energy protecting its body is disintegrating. It knew that its life is coming to an end, but it cannot accept its fate. It struggled and even burned its own soul to protect itself.

Since the Asmodian Abomination still has Cristobal's soul, it used it as an energy source first. The image of a ghostly Cristobal wailing like he is getting burned by the fires of hell is heard. It would have been effective if the soul used is that of a being that is not mortal. Cristobal's soul is already worn down due to how old it is.

The Asmodian Abomination or the remnant will of the dark god could not accept that he will die without even getting the chance to fully revive. It now regrets its decision in choosing an Asmodian body as its new host. The remnant will of the dark god suddenly felt the creeping sensation of something clutching its soul and dragging it away.

In the Asmodian Abomination's subconscious, numerous vines started to spread. The vines are either lush and strong or decayed and rotten. These vines suddenly gripped the soul of the remnant will. The remnant will tried to escape but it is no use. The more it struggles then the more it tightens.

The remnant will started burning some of its essence to try and escape but it felt it has been caught. The one to actually hold on to the remnant will is Cristobal's soul that has been guided by the tree of life and death. A big grin is seen plastered in Cristobal's face. The smile is true but the intentions behind it is not pure.

"You shall come with me to the Realm of Hades to be punished for your crimes. I will keep you company lie you did for me for the last hundreds of years." Cristobal stated with a creepy smile.

The remnant will tried to escape but Cristobal refused to let go. As soon as the two of them are covered in the two distinct vines of the tree of life and death, it clamped on them. As soon as the soul of the body left, the Asmodian Abomination turned to particles of light.

Seeing as it used its last attack, the tree of life and death gathered itself into a seed. The seed then rose back into the heavens while the ground it rooted on returned to normal. The raid party all slumped down upon receiving their rewards.

[You have killed the Asmodian Abomination.]

[You have gained experience points.]

[You have gained the title 'Slayer of Abominations'.]

[You have done a great service by killing off The Mad Warlock Cristobal. The spirits of the elementals that Cristobal has tortured and experimented on has given you, their blessing.]

[You have gained 5% All elemental Affinity and Resistance.]

Everyone rested as they could not stand anymore. They stretched their stamina to their limits despite Lauma's gift restoring it the first time. They raided a boss monster that is fifty levels higher than them, and they succeeded.

Adrian leveled up five times as he is the lowest level while the others gained two or three levels. After a few seconds of resting a world message is triggered that is sent to all players.

[Congratulations to the Cristobal Raid Party group for managing to defeat a world boss. They have gained recognition as the third party to slay a world boss. All members of the raid group will gain a 20% experience boost for two months.]

Every player received this world message, and they are shocked. The members of the raid party are fairly unknown except for the core members of the Evergreen guild. Faust became shocked as he learned of the names of the party members when he clicked on the party name.

The forums and news channels suddenly started buzzing because of this achievement. The forums became wild as there is a dark god on the loose, yet they managed to kill a world boss. The Evergreen guild took quite a lot of praise and heat due to this achievement.

The praise they got is from those who greatly valued their achievement for defeating a world boss. The heat they got is from bashers who criticized them for not prioritizing the extermination of the dark god that appeared. It has always been this case as you can never satisfy all the people even if you did your best to succeed.

The Evergreen guild members suddenly had a boost of morale since they saw the names of prominent members in the raid group. Although most of the attention is gained by the Evergreen guild, other guilds and people started to wonder who the other members were.

The undead players suddenly recognized the name of their undead prince. The other names were not very familiar because this is the first time that they have heard of it. The whole community suddenly started to pay attention on the names of the people they do not know.

The players searched for each of the names on the leaderboards and they realized that they were not high in ranking. The other names were not even in the top ten, but they managed to join the

Evergreen guild in defeating the world boss. All kinds of rumors and speculations started to float in the forums because of this.

The only one who is not in the raid that has a clear idea of what happened is Faust. He is smart enough to notice Equinox' name (Adrian) in the party. He could more or less determine that it was Adrian that brought them to the world boss because of his peculiarities.

"We must become friendly with him or just strike a relationship." Faust thought as he saw the information that is gathered when the allied nations tried to kill the dark god. It is good information but it was bad news.

#### Chapter 454 - The Allied Army

While Adrian's group are wandering the labyrinth...

The punitive force that the allied kingdoms of the central continent has already formed outside of the fallen capital of the empire. They are mainly consisted of players and some foot soldiers from each of the kingdoms in the central continent.

The allied kingdoms army pushed for the players or what they call cursed children to be the main force this time. The heads of the kingdoms are basically promising the players a reward despite not liking them. They may not like the players because of their constant revival but they hate the other races more for their prejudice.

The one who actually suggested to use the cursed children or players are the kings and nobles of each kingdom. They knew that the cursed children will be the perfect test subjects. The kings and nobles of each kingdom wanted to know how powerful this dark god could be.

The players are not alone though as there are some generals from each kingdom commanding them. The holy churches are also supporting the allied army as it is a dark god. Numerous holy churches dug deep on their archives in hopes of finding a clue on how to stop a dark god.

What the allied army and the players do not know is that even gods have ranks. The god ranks are as follows: Lesser God, Greater God and Pinnacle Gods. Lesser gods are basically gods that ascended into divinity from being mortal or born from necessity. Greater Gods are lesser gods who have gained total control of their attribute.

Pinnacle Gods are basically greater gods that gained full control of their attribute and gain power from worship that they can wield to strengthen themselves. In the hierarchy of the gods, there is a hidden rank and that is the Origin Gods. Unlike the other gods, the Origin Gods do not need power from worship as they are power themselves.

The dark god that descended on the imperial capital is actually a lesser god. Nyarlathotep, the dark god of a thousand faces, is actually a lesser god but it managed to easily bash a demigod. The allied army vanguard all knew what they were getting themselves into.

The players knew that they are being used as expendables, but they do not mind. They are looking into something more valuable than level and that is familiarity. The players could sacrifice one or two levels for the cause as long as the familiarity increases as that increases the reward and might even unlock a hidden quest.

The players unaffiliated with guilds do not mind but those with guilds do. Players in guilds are very competitive as it is very cutthroat. Still, they know that having information on the enemy is a sound battle strategy. The guilds plan to abandon the allied army if they are always treated as expendables rather than actual soldiers.

The allied army basically surrounded the imperial capital. The one leading the charge is none other than the Pope of the Church of War. The allied army is then supported by the Pope of the Church of Light as they found a magic formation that could weaken dark gods. The formation is actually written by an Asmodian and the key ingredient is the blood of one.

Asmodians will not bleed even if you force them to. They can only bleed if they want to bleed. This is the reason why the Asmodian hidden in Abelpport is not bleeding despite being riddled by wounds. They are also nigh indestructible which is why they are difficult to kill.

The reason there is a vanguard force is due to the Pope of the Church of Light suggesting it. She tortured the Asmodian trapped in Abelpport to cough up a magical formation that could weaken the dark gods. The Asmodian gladly gave him the magic formation and even the small drop of blood to activate it when it heard that a dark god descended.

The Asmodian knew that Pristina would not barge in and not torture him unless it is urgent. He managed to strike a deal to lessen the restrictions on his runic chains. Pristina did not want to but even she was desperate as Heaven could not assist her.

The Realm of Heaven is still locked, and demigod level angels could not escape from it. The one who locked it is none other than an Asmodian which is why the angels are furious with them. The angels are getting close to deciphering the magic that is restricting them. Once the magic is gone, they could step out of Heaven without possessing a filthy mortal's body according to their logic.

The allied army that surrounded the imperial capital could see that it is inside a dome or a barrier. This barrier is what the Gods of Pandemonium conjured up using their collective powers. The allied army might have not seen what horror looks like but if they see the imperial capital then they would know.

Numerous grotesque monsters without features are roaming the imperial capital. These monsters are different from the faceless ones as they are quadrupeds while some have three feet. The one thing that separated them from the faceless ones is their hunger for human flesh. These monsters are basically feasting on the dead bodies in the imperial capital.

Some players that are not used to this sight became nauseated while some even puked. Although players like to hunt monsters, the monsters will usually become particles of light upon death. Even NPC deaths are like that but the scene at the imperial capital is different. It was a nightmare.

The players even doubted if they can even reach the dark god. The monsters surrounding the imperial capital looks as deadly as the giant dark god located at the center of the imperial capital. This dark god is even using the imperial castle as its own throne.

The dark god, Nyarlathotep, is basically biding its time. It needed more time for it to summon its domain in the mortal realm. The barrier it is trapped in also serves as a deterrent for it to fail in summoning its own domain in the mortal realm.

## Chapter 455 - Magic Formation

The allied army has been given the signal to attack. The army is separated into squadrons that have a general leading. Each squadron has a thousand members that consists of a mix of classes.

Each squadron has five hundred foot soldiers, a hundred armed cavalry, two hundred rangers, a hundred mages, and a hundred priests. This formation is the most effective way to siege a world boss, but the difference is that they are attacking a dark god.

The magical formation that the Church of Light has acquired will be used in battling the dark god. The allied army needs to reach the center of the fallen imperial capital in order for the formation to be set up.

The allied army all entered the barrier set up by the gods with caution. The scouts already tested the barrier by entering it. The barrier does not repel those who want to enter it, but the monsters inside will immediately sense those who enters.

From trial and error, the scouts tried looking for the routes where monsters will not immediately attack or where a large army could rally. The scouts also noticed that the barrier seemed to limit the perception of the dark god because it did not try to attack them.

The scouts did not know that the dark god only treated them as ants. Elephants really did not care for ants as they do not even notice if they trample on them. The dark god, Nyarlathotep, will only move when demigods are present because those are the beings that could potentially injure it inside the barrier.

The dark god, Nyarlathotep, would not have cared for demigods if it was not inside the barrier. It managed to kill a demigod easily when it first step foot on the mortal plane, but the barrier weakened its influence.

"Everyone march forward!" All the generals commanded, and the allied army started to enter the barrier one by one.

The vanguard for the allied army consists of 80% players and 20% NPCs. The allied kingdoms want to minimize their loss which is why they opted for the players to be the vanguard. A lot of players joined because they get 100 gold as a reward even if they die.

This is also the time where the Church of Light will test the magic formation that they got from the Asmodian. The Church of Light gathered most talented alchemists and mages to look at the magic formation in case it was a trap. The mages and alchemists gathered were mind blown by the beautiful and powerful magic formation that they did not stop talking about it.

As soon as the allied army vanguard has entered the barrier, the numerous faceless monsters started swarming them as if attracted to body heat. Each of these monsters are actually reliant on their keen sense of heat detection.

These faceless monsters swarmed each squadron in haste. Each of these monsters is above level 200 and does not move in groups. Some of these monsters are even fighting for their meals as they do not like to share. One thing is for sure, these faceless monsters are hungry.

The allied army did not show great coordination as they are just bunched up players and NPCs. They started becoming more coordinated when the generals started to personally lead. The general will issue a command and the player will receive it through the system notification.

If the player disobeys, they will lose contribution points but if they follow then it will increase depending on the command. The players did as they were told, and the squadron started to become more coherent. Each player or NPC started to show great coordination that they can easily push back the faceless monsters.

The allied army moved slowly towards the center of the imperial capital where the dark god is currently seated. The rangers are responsible for long range scouting and their main priority is observing the movements of the dark god.

The dark god that is treating the imperial castle as its throne did not appear to move but looked like it is meditating. The dark clouds that cover the imperial capital is forming a vortex where the center of it is the dark god. These dark clouds look like it is giving power to the dark god as the land below it is starting to terraform.

The ground below the dark god is the thing responsible for the spawning of the faceless monsters. The faceless monsters will just suddenly emerge from this dark tar pit. The rangers who saw this happening reported it to the mage division which will report it to the higher ups via magic telegram.

The vanguard is not to go to battle with the dark god unless commanded. Their purpose is to reach the desired area to test the magic formation. Basically, they are expendables if the magic formation is actually a giant magic bomb.

The players actually did not know this as they were told that they should try their best to reach the dark god. They are making considerable progress in getting to the center of the imperial capital though.

"Hold your positions! Defend the High Priest!" The generals commanded as the high priest of the Church of Light brought out a pure mana stone.

There are exactly twenty squadrons with a high priest each. The magic formation could be cast by one individual but that would take a godlike individual like an Asmodian to do it. The mages and alchemist decided to ease this burden by separating the magic circle into twenty points.

Each point will be the foundation while the drop of Asmodian blood will be tossed in the center after the magic formation is created. The twenty pure mana stones started to glow and create a converging magic circle that covered the designated area. A bird soulbound then delivered the drop of blood in the center of the formation where the dark god stayed.

Once the drop of Asmodian blood reached the center, the magic formation suddenly glowed in a rainbow aurora indicating that it activated. A scream is suddenly heard from the dark god which was previously quiet. One thing is for sure, they managed to agitate the dark god.

#### Chapter 456 - The Allied Army Is Decimated

The magic formation managed to agitate the dark god, but it also managed to stop its channeling. The dark swirling clouds in the center of the imperial capital became calm. The dark god wants to move from his position, but he cannot.

The barrier not only limited the dark god's sphere of influence on the imperial capital but also limited the spread of its domain. A dark god or any god would almost be impossible to beat inside its own domain. This is the reason why the dark god, Nyarlathotep, is not moving from its castle throne.

Despite treating others as ants, the dark god knew that the demigods surrounding him are waiting for their chance. The chance that they are waiting for is the dark god to move away from its domain. The moment the dark god even moves at least an inch away then they could damage it greatly.

The dark god might be limited in his movement, but it could still sense the numerous demigod existences outside of the imperial capital. These demigods are eyeing its god core which could help them elevate their status to a god. This is why the dark god has not moved despite the magical formation cut off its channeling.

"Useless resistance for mere ants. This magical formation will not hold forever. I just need to wait for them to enter my domain." The dark god thought as it could see the army getting close to it.

The faceless monsters became weakened due to the effects of the magical formation. The defense of the allied army became much easier due to this. The priest also started to use attack skills to damage the evil affiliated monsters.

The allied army's moral started to skyrocket due to the small victory that they have achieved. The magical formation did not boost the stats of the allied army as it could only affect dark gods and their spawns.

"Pope Pristina, how long will the magical formation last?" The Pope of the Church of War asked.

"It should last a day, Pope Mars. Still, we need to keep vigilance. This is a dark god after all. A lot of our ancestors have perished due to their cruelty." Pope Pristina stated as she started to buff every ally.

The Church of the God of War has a custom where the pope will change their name to Mars upon being chosen for the position. The position for the pope of the Church of War is not a term basis but strength basis position. Any high priest could challenge the pope of the Church of War in bloody combat every year.

"Ascended Warriors of the Church of War! Unleash the might of the Gods of War upon the battlefield. May the blood of our vile enemies be the song we sing to our gods!" Pope Mars shouted with great enthusiasm.

The Church of War is basically a congregation of different followers of the Gods of War. They worship through war and honorable duels. They believe that death from war is the most honorable way to greet the Gods of War in Elysium.

With the warriors of the Church of War raising the moral even further, the other people started to get pumped up as well. This effect proliferated through the whole army which made everyone high on adrenaline. The players became fearless as well since they are the ones that are the majority.

The bloodbath ensued as the numerous faceless monsters started to get assaulted by the numerous players. The dark god saw this and decided to prevent the army getting close to it. The dark god knew that the demigods might start to join the battle if the numerous ants come close to it.

"I shall use their souls as my nourishment!" The dark god stated in an alien language that the allied army did not understand. All that the allied army could hear is a screeching growl of a dark god.

The tar like substance below the dark god's feet started to spawn other types of faceless monsters. The faceless monsters that are currently fighting with the allied army only consists of those that can walk on land. The dark god started to spawn flying faceless monsters with wings that looked like a wyvern without facial features and is naked.

"Bring me their souls my minions! They will be the source of my power." The dark god commanded.

The numerous faceless flying monsters started to take flight. Their targets are none other than the allied army. Seeing that flying monsters started to spawn, the races that could fly or utilize flying magitech machines started to fly as well.

The aerial battle has started but it is in favor of the faceless flying monsters. The faceless land monsters could be easily dealt with because they could be ganged up upon, but the flying monsters are different. There are only a handful of players or soldiers that could fly.

It did not take long for some of the players to finally become the sacrifices. The flying monsters would swoop in and take the members of the allied army. The faceless flying monsters did not swoop in and kill them but brought them to the tar pit where the dark god stands. The faceless flying monsters would then drop them in the tar pit.

The members of the allied army who saw this could only pray that they will not be the one to be picked up next. The endless onslaught of the faceless flying monsters became the weakness of the vanguard allied army as they did not prepare for aerial assault because the only monsters that they scouted were land based ones.

After every individual offered to the tar pit, the tar pit would ooze and bubble up. The ooze then slowly traveled towards the dark god. Nyarlathotep suddenly started accumulating power and the generals of each army could feel the intensity of this attack.

"Priests! Deploy your holy shields and barriers!" The popes of each church shouted as they knew that the attack will more likely kill all of them if not blocked.

When about 20% of the entire army has been offered up to the tar pit, the attack that the dark god built up finally reached critical.

"Wave of Corruption!" The dark god, Nyarlathotep, shouted but it only sounded like a screeching roar to the allied army.

A wave of corrupted energy is then released from the dark god. The corrupted energy did not differentiate between friend or foe as it decimated even the faceless monsters. The shields of the priests could not protect the others as much because it is shared with all the other individuals.

The allied army forces that are battling in the front lines could not protect themselves and immediately became ashes upon being hit by the wave of corrupted energy. Out of the twenty thousand strong army, only one thousand injured forces remained

The loot that they received are pretty much all legendary tiers except for one. The eyes of the raid party sparkled upon seeing the glowing regal violet light from the items while the other one had a golden shine. There are exactly eight items that the Asmodian Abomination have dropped.

Of the eight items, there are six spell books of legendary tier. One of the eight drops is a vial of Asmodian blood while the last is a journal made of some type of monster skin. The drops might be on the low side quantitatively, but the quality of each item is top notch.

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Item: Gravity Control

Tier: Legendary

Type: Skill Book (Consumable)

Effect: Upon learning the spell book, the skill will be added to the list of skills of the user. The user will then have the power to adjust the gravitational intensity of an area. The user could either make gravity stronger or lesser by up to ten times. All enemies in the area will receive 100% to 200% magical damage.

Cooldown: 10 seconds

Mana Cost: 100 Mana points to 1000 Mana Points per second depending on the intensity of the gravitational change.

Cast Time: Instant

Restrictions: Arcane Magus or Daemos Race

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Item: Overflowing Vitality

Tier: Legendary

Type: Skill Book (Consumable)

Effect: Grants the user of the skill book the Overflowing Vitality skill upon use. The user of the skill will have a 1000% increase in health regeneration for a given duration. If the user loses 10% of his or her health within the span of two seconds, the skill will help recover that health in five seconds.

Duration: 1 minute

Cooldown: 24 hours

Mana Cost: 10% of Maximum Mana Points

Cast Time: Instant

Restrictions: Dryad / Leshy species or any race with amazing vitality will qualify for this skill.

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Item: Omnidirectional Rock Needle Assault

Tier: Legendary

Type: Skill Book (Consumable)

Effect: Grants the user the Omnidirectional Rock Needle Assault skill upon use. The user will curl into a ball and generate rock spikes for the duration that the skill is active. The user is invincible for the first three seconds of the duration. Even status conditions cannot cancel the activation of this skill. Each rock needle deals 10% of the caster as earth elemental damage. The rock spike will change depending on the rock or earth covering the caster. (Deals additional damage if the rock becomes crystals or gems)

Duration: 30 Seconds

Cooldown: 10 hours

Mana Cost: 20% of Maximum Mana Points

Cast Time: 2 seconds

Restrictions: Any race or species that has a rocky layer for a body or body part.

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Item: Unyielding Ferocity

Tier: Legendary

Type: Skill Book (Consumable)

Effect: Grants the user of the skill book the Unyielding Ferocity skill upon use. If the user of the skill book has a low-ranking version of the Ferocity skill, then that skill will automatically upgrade to this skill.

If the user of the skill does not have the Ferocity skill, then the user will gain the Ferocity Gauge with a maximum of 150 stacks. If the user already has a Ferocity Gauge, then it will be increased to 200.

For every damage taken or attack received gain five ferocity stacks. For every successful attack on the opponent, the user will gain two ferocity stacks. You can use the Ferocity stacks to empower skills by up to 50%. The bearer of the skill will also have a 1% increase in stat for every 10 Ferocity. The stacks disappear when out of combat.

Duration: Stacks of Ferocity dissipate after ten seconds out of combat.

Cooldown: None

Mana Cost: None

Cast Time: Instant

Restrictions: Selvaggian Race

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Item: Night King

Tier: Legendary (Degraded)

Type: Skill Book (Consumable)

Effect: Grants the skill Night King upon use of the skill book. The bearer of the skill will have up to 80% increase in stats whenever he or she is covered in total darkness. The bearer of the skill will automatically be able to see in total darkness.

When in darkness or during night, the bearer of the skill can perfectly meld with the darkness. The bearer of the skill will also be more evasive during night or in dark places. The stat bonus drops whenever the bearer of the skill is illuminated by any source of light.

Cooldown: None

Mana Cost: None

Cast Time: Instant

Restrictions: Erebian Race or any race affiliated by the Gods or Goddesses ruling over darkness or night.

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Item: Pain Splitter

Tier: Legendary

Type: Skill Book (Consumable)

Effect: Grants the skill Pain Splitter upon use of the skill book. Using your deep understanding of dark magic, bind the vitalities of a certain number of targets together. The targets bound together will equally share the damage they take for a certain duration.

Maximum Number of Targets: 20

Duration: 10 minutes

Cooldown: 16 hours

Cast Time: 5 seconds

Restriction: Warlock Job Class or Any class with Intermediate Dark Magic

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Item: Small Vial of Asmodian Blood

Tier: Transcendent

Type: Consumable or Alchemy Binding Agent

Effect: Increases the purity of any of the ASmodian descendants. In alchemy, it is a strong binding agent that can be used to combine even the most volatile of all elements. Unknown effect if drunk by any other race apart from Asmodian descendants.

Description: A small vial containing the blood of the forgotten race that was the first race of the world. Many do not know what mysteries this blood contain as even their descendants have very little knowledge on how to use the blood except for being a binding agent.

Quantity: 1

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Item: Cristobal's Journal

Tier: Legendary

Type: Book

Description: The Journal of the Mad Warlock Cristobal containing all his knowledge gathered from years of being a warlock. It contains hexes and the logs of his experimentation with elementals. It might also contain details of what he found out about the dark gods, but it was mostly the remnant will of a dark god that influenced his research on an immortal body that could house a dark god.

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The burden suddenly fell on Anastacia as she was the raid leader. She immediately gave Adrian all the loot of the boss because she knew that her guild has gained immense recognition by just participating and clearing a world boss.

Chapter 458 - Being Generous

Adrian is not that shocked upon hearing what Anastacia stated because he knew of her character. If Anastacia's character is not great, then Adrian would not have let them join this raid. Adrian then discussed what he should do with his friends.

Adrian asked if anyone wanted the skillbooks or if it is applicable to them. Adrian already took the Gravity Control skill book and the Small Vial of Asmodian Blood. He is the only one in the party that could utilize it, but he still asked Levin Cloud if he wanted the Small Vial of Asmodian Blood.

Levin Cloud refused the Small Vial of Asmodian Blood, but he did get the Overflowing Vitality Skillbook. He needed to have a great counter if he gets cornered by high damaging monsters or individuals. Everyone did not raise a fuss when Levin Cloud took the skill book as he deserved it.

"I think Creepysoo or Cersei should roll for the Pain Splitter skill book as they are the only ones in the party that could use it." Adrian suggested and everyone also agreed.

The Pain Splitter skill book is obtained by Cersei after a close roll of 51 and 49 with her being the former. Cersei jumped for joy upon receiving the skill book and Creepysoo accepted the results since they rolled for it.

"I would like to have the Unyielding Ferocity skill book if you guys do not mind." Kabrakan stated his desire.

"I believe that if anyone of us is deserving of a skill book then that would be you." Anastacia commented and the others nodded in unison. Kabrakan did a great job in being the party's shield. Even the other tanks could not help but agree.

"Thank you!" Kabrakan replied.

"Should we roll for the remaining skill books? If we do then I would not participate because I already got what I wanted." Adrian asked.

"That is fine with us." The one's left exclaimed.

Adrian did not want to be greedy with the Night King skill book because his sister already has that skill in her arsenal. She even has a better version of it called Bloody Night Queen that would increase in strength with her rank up.

"If we are rolling for the skill books then count me out. I already received mine and do not want another one." Levin Cloud stated as he took his name off the roll list.

"I would also exclude myself from the list as I already got a skill book as well." Cersei stated as she also removed her name from the roll list.

"I shall do the same as well. One Legendary skill book is enough for me. It was a team effort, and I would be too greedy to claim one more." Kabrakan stated as he took out his name from the roll list as well.

The remaining members rolled for the Omnidirectional Rock Needle Assault and Night King skill book. The Omnidirectional Rock Needle Assault skill book landed on the hands of Alder while the Night King skill book is received by Mariposa.

Alder then decided to ask Peridot for a trade as he needed to go to the East Continent for a mission. Alder knew that a Ryujib's status in the eastern continent is akin to a king. He could finally gain access to Infernofrost Ridge if he asks Peridot to take her there.

Peridot agreed with the trade as she has great use for this skill book. If she masters the earth element, then turning her scales into rocks would become easy. She herself could use this skill just by utilizing the earth shard which is one of the gems that is a part of her weapon. Levin Cloud suddenly smelled danger and became defensive of Peridot.

"Since Alder thought of trade, why don't we trade as well, Adrian? I noticed that your wolf soulbound Sirius could utilize this skill book. I would like your services in exchange for the skill book. What do you say?" Mariposa asked as she too has a mission which needs to go somewhere.

"By services, you mean going to a different world and helping you on that quest? If you want, I could just teleport you there free of charge." Adrian offered but Mariposa rejected.

"Not only do you need to help me go there but I would need your help in subduing a certain monster. I am only limited in bringing one party member for that quest. If us two summoners join forces, then most of the threats there would become rather easy. Also, I do not like owing people which is why I want a trade." Mariposa stated.

"If that is what you want then I accept. Just be sure to tell me this expedition we are taking part of, but we still need to stop the dark god first." Adrian agreed and received the Night King skill book.

"I also think the same thing and do not worry as my mission does not have a time limit.

"Cristobal's Journal is more likely a grimoire. It holds all his spells and knowledge from being a warlock. I am fairly sure that the material in this journal will make anyone mage drool." Adrian stated as he showed the animal skin covered book.

"If that is the result of being the best warlock then count me out. Even if that journal is valuable, the evil deeds written there to become that powerful will not make me a great person." Creepysoo commented.

"I think it is best that you hold it, Adrian. It was your quest that led us here anyway. We decided to let you keep the journal but in exchange of information about the dark gods written on it." Mariposa stated to which Anastacia acknowledged.

"Do not worry as our biggest problem right now is that dark god. If we do not kill or send it back to its dimension, then we would be the one in big trouble. It would probably terraform the entire central continent if we do not stop it. Even the barrier erected by the gods could only hold it by so much." Adrian stated as he started to read the grimoire.

#### Chapter 459 - Untested Knowledge

Adrian decided to open Cristobal's Journal to see what is inside. Just as he predicted, the journal is more of a grimoire as it has numerous spells and rituals written inside of it. Grimoires are different from skill books because of one thing.

Grimoires are basically a recording of all the knowledge of a mage in their lifetime. It contains all their knowledge and experience so that they can train their future apprentices. It also is a tangible representation of their determination and perseverance.

In some kingdoms, the grimoires of their famed royal wizards are placed in displays to inspire aspiring court mages. Grimoires are not only a symbol of mages but also a reminder for young mages to strive for the best. Adrian did not know why Cristobal created a grimoire, but he probably had an idea to get an apprentice if he succeeds in his experiment.

Adrian could also more or less guess why Cristobal wanted a relic that could turn back time. Cristobal had probably wanted to reverse the flow of time for his body so that he could become younger. The numerous experiments on himself probably denied him of time reversal because of a dark god's genetic makeup running in his veins.

Cristobal kept the relic in hopes of enhancing it to become more powerful which is why he corrupted the guardian. He probably thought that corrupting the guardian into a corrupted being would make its magic affect his corrupted body.

"All the details in this grimoire are so sad. All he has are experiments of the different beings and theories on how to reverse time for a person." Adrian commented as he felt that Cristobal was a lonely person who ventured unto the wrong path.

"Is it possible to reverse the time of a person?" Mariposa asked as she knows that Adrian used magic skills that can speed up or slow down an individual.

"It is possible, but it could probably revert you back up to a decade if the caster is very powerful. The gods of time do not take lightly the perversion of time. The elders say that they could outright erase you from the timeline if you mess with time to the point of creating parallel realities.

Even relic that can manipulate time, those relics can only stop the aging of a person for them to become immortal. They can only use their power for small inconveniences or else the gods of time

would destroy these relics. Many do not know this, but the flow of time is one of the ways we are safe from the dark gods." Adrian replied.

"If that is the case then why do the demons still exist." Alder asked an ingenious question which made everyone look at Adrian.

"That is because demons live outside of time and are timeless since we do not change appearance after a few years. That does not mean that we cannot die but we cannot die from age as that is not a concept that demons use. Still, there are rules placed upon us which is to never mess with the past." Adrian replied while omitting the fact that you can travel back to the past but not influence it to a huge degree.

"It sucks to be a demon then. I thought you could like travel to the past and undo certain things since you would be stronger than other people." Alder added to which made Adrian giggle.

"I do not want to be a bad guy and point out your flaws but people in the past are way stronger than those in the present." Adrian replied as he remembered the young Ascalor being level 150 despite looking younger than Adrian.

"It is the current generation today that is weakened. The invasion of the dark gods is one of the reasons why the strong people are no longer with us or else there should be no kingdoms ruled by humans." Adrian replied as he continued to read the grimoire. Unknown to him that he instantly made everyone curious about the people of the past.

"Is there anything about defeating a dark god in that grimoire? This dungeon is giving me the creeps now that I can finally observe the walls." Peridot asked as she noticed the grotesque walls of the dungeon.

"All Cristobal has found out about the dark god here is from a figurine he encountered in a dungeon. It says here that the flesh of a dark god is very effective in merging with the cells of any inhabitants of Pandemonium. The dark god's cells exhibit a predatory nature of normal cells.

The cells of the dark god will not only predate the cells but also transform it. Hence, the reason for becoming an abomination. It also has the formulas on the potions he used to transform the elementals into an abomination. If we can find a demigod alchemist, then we could probably turn back all the elemental abominations in this place." Adrian stated which made Vayu and Soleil smile because they treat the elementals as family or friends.

"That still does not tell us a way in defeating the dark god." Anastacia stated as they needed a more direct approach.

"I think I know of a way for us to potentially kill that dark god. I could more or less verify it from the grimoire's entry about attaining the perfect body." Adrian stated which greatly excited everyone.

"Well, spill it! We do not have all day." Levin Cloud stated as he slapped Adrian's back for dramatically pausing.

"I managed to have an idea when Cristobal used this for the potion to turn him into a perfect being for a few seconds." Adrian stated as he took out the Small Vial of Asmodian Blood.

"A small vial of blood will help defeat the dark god?" Cersei warily asked as she does not believe that the small vial of blood will help.

"I am not saying that this vial would eradicate a hundred meter or more dark god but the blood in this vial is poisonous to them." Adrian stated with confidence.

"The only problem is the ones who could produce that blood are already dead." Levin Cloud stated as he knew the origins of Asmodians from the stories of the faekin.

"There should probably be one more living Asmodian. Guild Leader Anastacia, do you have a member of your guild that is high ranking in the Church of Light?" Adrian asked with his impish smile. He felt something tugging at him back then at Abelpport and he found it odd that the Church of Light defended that city with all their might.

## Chapter 460 - God Slaying Weapon

The allied army retreated from the fallen imperial capital or rather what is left of them. Since the first assault against the imperial capital is broadcasted to the whole world, the dismay of the casual players who were stripped away of their homes inside the game magnified.

The large area of effect attack of the dark god is not the only thing that they learned. When the players revived after the death timer, some of the players immediately refused the second recruitment for the attack force. A terrifying system notification has discouraged the players who have a lot to lose.

[You have been killed by the attack of the Dark God Nyarlathotep. The dark god used a part of your soul to empower itself. If you get killed nine more times with your soul shredding by a dark god in a short span of time, then you will cease to exist.]

The system notification that they received scared almost all the players from attempting a second attack. Some of the refused even if the participation reward is doubled because they do not want to get erased. Players who poured their blood, sweat and tears always fears Character Deletion.

In fact, the players did not know that the attack of the dark god might have exceeded the imperial capital if there were mostly NPCs present in the allied army. The NPCs that died in the attack got all of their souls devoured.

The players were also not dumb to notice that the shields of the priests were mostly directed at the NPCs that were stronger than the players. One thing that the residents of Pandemonium has lost is the trust of the players. The players that stayed behind only wanted the participation reward and nothing more. After a second failure, the players that remained will more likely disperse.

All the ones affiliated with the guilds no longer joined because they now have a different goal. The stream of the Rank One player, Hou Yiwei, garnered massive attention because of three words: God Slaying Weapon.

Hou Yiwei apparently found traces of this weapon when he cleared a mission for the elder dragons. The elder dragons are the highest-ranking dragons that even the dragon kings need to listen to. At first the dragonkin players thought the dragon kings they served were lying but they are proven wrong.

The dragon kings told them that the Elder Dragons are the ones who initiate the Festival of the Dragon King. The Elder Dragons are rather very powerful as they are like gods on the mortal plane

but that also came with a burden. The elder dragons were weakened by the dark gods through a poison that not even an Elder Light Dragon or Elder Nature Dragon could cure.

The Elder Dragons cannot access their full power because if they do then the poison they were injected will spread like wildfire in their body. This is the reason why the elder dragons are weakened despite being level 400. They can only release strength that is in the realm of someone in their upper 200s.

The elder dragon gave Hou Yiwei clues on the God Slaying Weapon because he managed to find a rare herb that could alleviate the symptoms of the poison. Even the Elder Dragon that gave the information is not sure if it is true because he just recalled what he remembered.

The god slaying weapon that Hou Yiwei got a hint of is actually like his weapon. It is a war bow that is said to have been possessed by the greatest warrior that could use the bow and two swords. That warrior is said to have ascended to godhood but left his weapon for his inheritor to come.

Hou Yiwei relished the thought of becoming a unique job class where there is only one of you in the world. He actually felt bitter that he was not the first one to unlock one as he has been a pioneer of the game. Soon, other unique job classes have popped up, but he has yet to unlock one.

He saw what happened at the low-level fort and Neo Alfheim. He has seen the videos of a player who managed to unlock the demon race or Daemos. The player is a summoner that could transform and imbue his soulbounds with energy. The player even buffed all the players in the area with him.

Although Hou Yiwei always says to himself to never let fame get to his head, he always felt a prickling sensation in the back of his brain when the demon player is talked about. He did not want to admit that he always like being the subject of the stories despite his fervent refusal of praise.

Nowadays, he could only hear rumors like, 'If that demon player and Hou Yiwei were to battle, who do you think would win?'

Another rumor would be, 'Do you think if all the unique job classes were to gather then they might overthrow the world rankings?'

The people no longer held interest on the concept of ranking based on level. They now have an interest in being different. Even Hou Yiwei of jealous of this demon player without even realizing it. When he unlocked the dragonkin race, he got lots of praises for it and it continues even now but the people were hungry.

The general player base wanted to feel excitement. Even Hou Yiwei could agree that he is not different from other dragonkins except for an increase in stats. It was then he found out that dragonkin could evolve and their base form is actually called a dragonewt.

The elder dragon told him that if he comes back with the god slaying weapon then he might have a chance to evolve into a dragonoid. Dragonoids are far different to dragonewts because they would look human but have the presence and power of a dragon.

He got this answer when he asked the elder dragon why demons differ in appearances. He got an answer and that was because the demons evolve into a higher order species. Unlike demons who

have chaotic evolutions which could be influenced by different factors, dragonewts could only evolve into a dragonoid upon passing the Trial of the Dragons.

This did not bother Hou Yiwei as he only wanted to become stronger and to be recognized as the best player in the world. It did not escape his ears that Atlas Inc. is planning of holding an Esports event. He knew that he would get more attention there rather than outright challenging the demon player.

The first thing that he needed to do is to find this god slaying weapon that the elder dragon told him about. It seems that it would increase his chances of becoming a dragonoid if he were to possess this weapon. It would also grant him immense fame when he uses it to kill the dark god in the fallen imperial capital.

The only clue that the elder dragon gave him is that the god slaying weapon is located at the land where the sun is most bright. He first thought of the Western Continent because it is the land where the sun gives the most heat which is why he plans on going there without the aid of his guild members.

The elder dragon told him that the god slaying weapons have minds of their own and choose their masters. He wanted to prove that he deserves the weapon by finding it by himself to which his guild members thought as suicide. They knew that a god slaying weapon could not be easily found by an individual.

They are correct in assuming that but does not mean it is impossible. If Hou Yiwei let them come, then he would have already proven himself worthless in the eyes of the god slaying weapon. It is already hinted that the previous owner of the weapon ascended to godhood by himself without the help of others.

He started his journey in the blazing heat of the western continent alone. Even if he was alone that did not mean he is truly alone because he has his mount with him that is a fire bird. The fire bird is a rare type of bird that is said to be a bird that has the blood of a phoenix. The difference from a phoenix is that it cannot revive from its ashes.

Hou Yiwei searched the western continent for traces of the god slaying weapons. Unknown to him that the god slaying weapon is actually at a different continent as the clue said where the sun is most bright not most harsh. Still, his trip to the western continent will make him stronger than he is now.

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"What do you mean by us having a high-ranking member of the Church of Light?" Anastacia asked as she knows it is very tricky to become an enemy of a church.

"I need your help in breaking in at a special area in Abelpport. The solution to our problems might be hidden down there. Do not worry as I will be the one who will put himself in danger." Adrian stated with meaningful smile to which Anastacia could only somewhat agree.