

## O Summoner 631

### Chapter 631 - The Dark God's Death

All the Valkyries jumped from their pegasi and plunged their weapons on the dark god. The ascending dark god is now descending with the help of the Valkyries. They plunged their weapons deeply into the dark god and crashed to the ground with it.

A large crater formed into the ground where the dark god crashed. The faceless ones and the dragon that was controlled all went to the aid of their god, but they were blocked. The dark god is now below 20% health due to the surprise attack against it.

It seems that the Valkyries deal great damage to the dark god, and it is amplified by the nether mist that covered them. The most difficult task for them right now is to dispel the control that the dark god has over the dragon, Levina.

"Nature's Grasp!" Levin Cloud stated as he made a gesture as if grasping something.

Five wooden vines suddenly sprouted around of the dark god and bound its body to the ground. The dark god tried to struggle free, but another five vines bound its body in addition to the first five. The dark god became unable to move but it is now asking for help from Levina and the faceless ones.

All the demigods stopped those that wanted to get near the dark god. The dragon Levina is being stopped by her partner which is the male fire dragon. The Valkyries also helped in subjugating the dark god which made the fight easier than before.

The dark god could not see the future that it seeks anymore as it can feel the life in its body slipping away. The Valkyries are hacking away at its body like war goddesses that descended on the ground. The followers of the Gods of War saw their vigor and their attack volume increased as well.

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The dragonkin's mission is to help them contain the lightning dragon. About a quarter of them have been struck down but they are not stopping. If they do not clear the head of the lightning dragon then the dark god might possess her if it dies from the attacks.

The fire and lightning dragon could be seen 'dancing' in the air with the dragonkin. Large sparks of fire and lightning can be seen inside the clouds above that the fire and lightning dragons. The sky is being lit up by the magic of the two dragons while the other demigods are using their magic to clear up the faceless monsters that are spawning.

The dragons look like they need help, but no one can easily step in such a fight. Even the demigods that came there are wary of an angry dragon. They just vowed to kill the dark god immediately so that the control against the lightning dragon Levina will be released.

The fire dragon even used a domain skill in order to strengthen itself so that it will not accidentally kill the lightning dragon. She does not deserve to be killed which is why the fire dragon is not attempting to kill the lightning dragon.

Hou Yiwei wanted to join the subjugation of the dark god but the thought of having a dark god possess the dragon that taught him does not sit well with his mouth. He did not care of the fame and fortune right now and wholeheartedly stopped the fire dragon.

"Shadow Walker!" Adrian stated as his whole body that is already invisible disappeared from the world.

Adrian became invisible and is transported to the shadow realm as he traversed the location to find the shadow of the dark god. Adrian is not alone as Sirius was with him in his travel and also acted as the guide. The Shadow World is more of Sirius' place than him as the wolf is treating the shadows like a secret space for it.

Adrian found the shadow of the dark god in the shadow realm and struck at it. A large wave of nether energy hit the dark god which made it thrash about due to the pain. The dark god that screamed with a low raspy tone suddenly screamed with a sharp tone that will break windows or lenses.

The life of the dark god started decreasing sharply as the Valkyries are easily butchering the dark god due to their special armor and weapons. The Valkyries did not even care of the screams that the dark god is issuing and continued their attacks until Adrian used the skill that Sirius has.

"Sirius, Realm Ender!" Adrian commanded as Sirius leapt out from his shadow.

Sirius' grew even bigger than before and started to howl that made everyone in the battlefield stop moving. It is as if they knew what was going to happen and that the howl warned them of the impending doom that is to come.

A huge temporal and spatial storm suddenly surrounded the dark god as its body got hurt by just the wind blades generated by the strange tornado. Sirius, who is the source of the tornado, did not even need to plant its feet onto the ground as a giant hurricane made with volatile time and space elements hit the dark god.

The Realm Ender skill is also special because the surroundings became pale as soon as Adrian gave that command. It might have been his trump card, but he did not expect that the damage that the special storm dealt high damage.

When the tornado subsided, it was the bloody body of the dark god is what greeted them. The faceless ones that the dark god created or summoned all became sluggish and weak. They all started to gather towards their fallen dark god as the latter is still alive and calling upon its followers.

The Valkyries saw this and started their earnest cleaning of the faceless ones while the dark god continued to become even weaker. The large body of the dark god started to shrink and shrivel like it is getting old.

In the end, the dark god lost its life without even fulfilling its desire to terraform the entire world. The dark god died but the problem of each place is still prevalent. The angels tried their best to hide their dismay when they saw the dark god becoming slowly into ashes.

They expected that the dark god will at least leave a part of its body, but it did not. All of the body parts of the dark god became ashes as if telling the players that they do not qualify yet to have weapons made of parts of a god.

It is true with what they said that Valkyries choose who will live and die in the battlefield. They did not bother staying as they called their pegasi and rode back to the skies in search for another battle that they will participate in.

[The dark god, Nyarlathotep, has been eternally laid to rest.]

[All the followers of the dark god, Nyarlathotep, will become no more and they must find other job classes.]

[All questlines that are connected to the dark god, Nyarlathotep, will now disappear.]

[The game will enter a three-day maintenance after three hours.]

[Please make sure that all progress has been saved.]

## Chapter 632 - Aftermath Of The War

The dark god died, and the leaderboard got rearrange depending on the contribution of the players. Thankfully, it is only the contribution of the players that were in the leaderboard or else the players will never get anything good as it was the NPCs that mostly did the damage to the dark god.

Everyone did not notice that the angels suddenly disappeared without a trace in the battlefield. It is supposed to be strange but then someone pointed out that they are spiritual beings that need to return to their mortal bodies after the battle.

The others can only accept the most probable thought as they knew that the angels will not stick around anyways. The angels will surely tell something condescending then be on their way, but something is bothering the demons in this battle with the dark god.

The demons noticed that the angels were too engrossed in this battle like their life depended on it. They were ready to put their lives on the line which is testament to the fact that they lost about half of their numbers. To just disappear after the battle is not like those arrogant winged freaks.

The demons did not care that much since the dark god left something that is unfixable in the world. The rift that the dark god came out from is no longer able to fully close. The hole will forever be there which means that the influence of the dark gods will now be in the main world forever.

The dark gods will forever have a reach into the hearts of the normal people because of the large spatial tear in the atmosphere. That is also not the only thing that they need to watch out for as the rifts that come from dark gods increased which means that they are now fully aware of the location of the main world.

The dark gods could not just descend like Nyarlathotep or suffer the consequences but that also meant that the gods of Pandemonium could also descend with enough power. The interaction with gods in Pandemonium will forever be different now than it was before.

The allied army that the angels have collected have already dispersed back to their kingdoms after the dark god got killed. Every soldier or individual that joined in the battle with the dark god became blessed. They are now different from being a normal human as their persona increased by one regardless of contribution.

Adrian thought that he would also get his Persona increased automatically but he was too optimistic. He did find out that all players got a passive skill that increased their damage permanently by 10%. The players of the top guilds almost jumped for joy when they received this skill.

The numerous players that were followers of the dark gods could only cry as their reward is not that great compared to those who won. What they did not know is that they opened more opportunities for those who can become an Envoy of the Dark God. They once again hid in the shadows as they waited for the next time that they need to emerge.

The demons scattered once again and checked for rifts that could suddenly pop up due to the intense miasma that the dark god released. The dragonkins retreated as well since the two dragons that aided them are incredibly tired from fighting one another.

The orcs returned back to their mountain homes as they already defended their world from harm which their gods and goddesses told them about. The gnomes went back using their magitech airships to their city of technology. The dwarves also returned back to their kingdom hidden in the crusts of the earth after having an understanding with the other races.

The dark god has done them worse than good as their cities were razed or destroyed. Each race now has a strict compliance when it comes to rebuilding what they have lost. The large-scale project for each race right now is the restoration of their fallen cities or places.

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The angels immediately retreated upon getting the thing that they needed the dark god for and that is the heart of a god. One of them sneakily managed to swipe it before the entire dark god became ash and that angel got heavily praised by Pristina herself.

"With this heart, we can now free our brethren that have been trapped inside of the celestial realm for too long. They must have definitely missed hearing the voice of the goddess." One of the angels stated as she knew what trouble they had to go through just to get the heart.

The angel brought the heart to Pristina, and she squeezed the thing until every last drop of blood miasma is wrung out of the heart. The blood from this heart is then used to write different types of runic characters on a gate that no one can visibly see.

This entrance is none other than the entrance to the celestial realm which serves as the birthplace of angels. The angels prayed to the Goddess of Light that the blood of a dark god will be enough to pry open the gate, but it only weakened the gate than totally break it.

"It seems that we need the assistance of a demon with opening this gate, Your Eminence." One of the angels stated as he bit his lip as he knows that they will never bow their heads to demons.

"I do not know if this is relevant, Your Eminence. I managed to see an individual be able to summon an archangel. He commanded the archangel to summon a disaster. If I remember correctly then that individual summoned Gabriel." One of the angels stated as he remembers a summoner being able to call upon an angel.

"Getting help from that individual should be our last choice. The seal might not have broken because it is still strong and taking effect. All we needed to do is wait for the gate to truly open.." Pristina stated as the angels used the last of their strength to wait for the gate to open.

Chapter 633 - The Real Aftermath

All players still have their rewards being calculated which is why they will receive it after the maintenance that will cover system wide change. The maintenance that will span for a few days will be a welcomed break for all those that play Pandemonium.

Due to Adrian's legs being almost able to perfectly move, the first thing that his mother told him is to exercise. Adrian wanted to fake being unable to walk because the light exercise is definitely not the thing that someone wants when they almost recovered from an accident.

His cries of determination and injustice could be heard in the backyard as the exercise that he received is much deserved. It is not only Adrian that can be heard crying tears of fulfillment in the backyard as even Mina has the same war cry as her brother.

"To think that mother will have this type of exercise. We should definitely let her join the game as she has too much time in her hands. She does not even like shopping, and she barely hangs out with her girlfriends as they are also busy people." Mina stated.

"Should we release the demon to the world where we are having fun? Or we could just suffer in the real world? I already deal with you in Pandemonium and then you want me to be with my mother in Pandemonium? Do not get me started as dad will also definitely be in the game with us." Adrian stated.

"I get what you mean, and I regret my suggestion. Anyways, what did you get? I remember that first place will get something given by the gods." Mina asked.

"My reward will also be the same as others and it will be delayed. It seems that the number of players that participated are too much compared to what was predicted. The one thing that I am waiting for is the new era that will happen." Adrian stated.

"I actually do not care of what would happen next because the problems of the vampires are already finished. Both Lycan and me will also get married in game in order to unite our two species. Make sure to come to my virtual wedding." Mina stated.

"You can get married inside of the game? I did not know that. I thought you can only get married with NPCs, but it seems that player weddings will be a thing now." Adrian stated as Mina then showed her brother the buffs that couples have.

"This is the reason why the gaming community hates couples. 30% increase in stats when in the same party while also increasing the defenses by 20%. Couples should burn in hell." Adrian stated but Mina remembered something during the last hour of the game.

"Do you not have anything to do with that Frey girl? She acted like both of you are really close while she acted like an Ice Queen when she faced us. It is obvious that there is something going on between you two." Mina teased.

"Really? She is just someone I knew from sparring and knowing a blacksmith that can forge godly weapons. She acted cold because she is not that familiar with you guys yet. She will definitely warm up to you guys when you meet more." Adrian stated but Mina frowned.

"I do not know if you are dense or just plain dumb. She definitely feels something towards you that she is not showing." Mina teased but Adrian is not going to fall for her provocations.

"I learned from you that girls tell one thing and do another. I also do not get my hopes up because of the interactions that I have with you. You have basically erased my will to date other people as you do not set a good example, big sis." Adrian teased back as he is not the only one that can tease their sibling.

Mina heard what Adrian said and they went for a round of chase. It seems that whatever Adrian said has resonated with his sister. They are chasing against each other, but it could be seemed that Mina is giving Adrian enough chance to get away.

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"Is there no separate server where we can play Pandemonium? It is getting boring just lying down in bed and scrolling through my news feed that is full of memes." Creepysoo grumbled in their group chat as three real world days of being unable to play is not advisable for him.

"It just goes to show that you have become addicted to the game to the point that you want it even though it is only unavailable for a few days." Peridot replied with a laughing emoji.

"Why is the maintenance a three-day period though? This is the first time that it takes three days. The previous maintenances were only half a day at most." Kabrakan added as he too misses being inside of Pandemonium.

"I heard rumors that it is in preparation for the upcoming Pandelympics that will be hosted in the States." Levin Cloud stated.

"Hey guys! Is my honey bunch present in this chat?" Lycan asked as he sent a wolf that is raising its brows.

"I am here honey buns!" Mina replied with a bat that is making googly eyes.

[Lycan and Mina has been temporarily muted from the chat for one hour.]

"What did you do that Equinox?" Levin Cloud asked.

"Normies should die and get shoved in a mountain full of crap." Adrian replied while also posting the effect that couples receive.

"I agree with you that Normies should die!" Kabrakan shouted as he typed an emoji giving the side eye for both Levin Cloud and Peridot.

"Anyways, I heard that our country is already recruiting for the Pandelympics since it is supposed to be a large event that is to be held this year. The date will be said to be released when the game returns online." Creepysoo stated as he typed a laughing skull emoji.

"Did you guys get invitations? I heard that the old man Vayu got one." Adrian stated but Vayu and Soleil are not online right now as they are having a picnic outside.. The discussions continued on until the servers for Pandemonium went back online.

## Chapter 634 - Changes In Pandemonium

As soon as the servers for Pandemonium went live once more, the people are greeted with a video that gave them the run down of what happened in the world for the past year. The video started explaining to the players that a one year has passed since they were out for maintenance.

The video started out with the human allied kingdoms becoming greedy for the huge area that the fallen imperial capital has left. The greed of those that wanted to expand their territories took over them a year long war has been waged by everyone.

The kingdoms of the gnomes, kingdom of the dwarves, the tribes of the orcs and the secret villages of the dragonkins did not actively participate in the war. They did not actively participate in the war but that did not mean that they did not aid the humans going to war for the expansion of their territories.

The territorial war was not encroaching upon the territories of the other races at first, but the greed of man cannot be measured. The whole world became embroiled in war as all the races have joined in the war and even the ones hidden participated to expand their territories since the imperial family is no longer in the continent.

Many would not know this, but the imperial family also pressured the other races near them so that they will not go outside of their hidden civilizations. Previous races that did not have territory are now out in the open with their own cities.

The power shift has become different than before as new races that did not have any interaction with the others have popped up from their hiding places. The one that is most notable is the huge citadel that the undead have created with the help of the demons transporting their castle.

Even famous players have appeared in the video as Hou Yiwei could be seen leading the defense of the hidden civilization of the dragonkins. Creepysoo leading the undead to secure the new land that they have obtained.

Characters that are famous and the representative of their races are all shown in the video promotion. Levin Cloud showed up and is seen taking care of the plant life in Alfheim. Lycan is shown leading a pack of werewolves to a hunt. Solstice is shown sitting on a throne while numerous vampires bow down to her.

Vayu and Soleil are shown freely roaming the world as what elementals usually do. Even Eldritch could be seen plotting something in the dark while he held a green orb. The one that players wanted to see the most is the 'Demon' player as his battles always gets lots of views in the official channel for Pandemonium.

Even Adrian's character has been included in the promotional video as his character Equinox is observing the chaos happening in the world with a frown. Equinox then looked at the numerous screens that the demon eyes have created and saw the numerous rifts forming in the world.

The video ended with Adrian floating over the floating territory that he owns with all the demons beside him. They then saw a giant monster crawl out from the rift that has been created in the midst of all the chaos happening in the world.

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"Did you guys see me in the promotional video?" Creepysoo told everyone in their chat room.

"We were there to you know. But some of us got the spotlight more than others as they seem to be the main character of the video." Peridot stated while hinting at the blatant favoritism that Adrian is currently facing in the promotional video.

"I think your appearances are cool as well while you can clearly see that an AI was controlling my character. The promotional video did give us some insight at what changed with the world as we have a one-year time skip." Adrian stated.

"I know and the maps are said to be outdated. It seems that the world has changed, and numerous lands have become ownerless because of the war." Adrian stated.

"I guess that would have been inevitable since the main superpower of the central continent is no longer active which meant that power hungry kingdoms will definitely want to take the place of the kingdom." Solstice stated as it has been proven in history that others use the misfortune of a group of people to succeed.

"About 50% of the land of the fallen imperial capital has been seized by different powers in the continent. Thankfully, the adventurers guild is still active, and their identification could still be used. The only thing that worries me are the new cities that have popped up that are headed by those of other races." Levin Cloud stated.

"You are correct with worrying about them as we do not know their stance against players. Let us just pray that they have a neutral stance regarding the players. I do not want to get killed without even knowing how I died." Kabrakan stated as he remembered that being persecuted is not a fun experience.

"The promotional video also gave us hints on what threats that are coming next." Adrian pointed out the most important thing that they saw in the video.

"The dark gods are coming." Levin Cloud stated as he knew what the giant monster coming out from the rift ensues.

"I mean, can we even defeat those gods? We already have difficulty with one and they are saying that more of them are going to come?" Peridot grumbled as she knew the difficulty of defeating a dark god.

They also lost their minds when Adrian told them that it was just a low-ranking dark god that descended. They immediately felt that their strength is severely inefficient to handle the future threats that are coming their way. While the discussion about the dark gods was happening, another promotional video dropped.

It is the promotional video about the Pandelympics that will happen in two months.. The world is already shocked with the new promotional video and time skip but the Pandelympics made them lose their cool.

#### Chapter 635 - The Pandelympics Promo Video

The video for the upcoming Pandelympics is much more thought out than the timeline change video in the game. It is not that the video for the timeline change being too normal, but the Pandelympics showcased all the famous players in each region.

The video showcased different players in each country of the world fighting against each other in bouts of duels. There are two highlights in the video that greatly made the players of Pandemonium become enthusiastic.



One of the highlights is the 'supposed fight' between Hou Yiwei and Blade. The two have been vying for the rank one spot in the unified rankings. The rivalry between the two could be the battle of the ages since they are also of opposing countries.

The second highlight of the Pandelympics is the main event of the sport which is called the 'Advent of the King'. The event is like a raid boss section as all the players from different countries are looking at the main boss and charge at him in the end of the video.

"To think that they will add a raid event in the Pandelympics. I guess they wanted to appeal to all the audience of the game that is both for PVP and PVE." Adrian stated as numerous messages are piling up in his holoswatch that came from Atlas Inc. itself.

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"Have the expected participant for the 'Advent of the King' already come in contact with our branch in Asia?" The planning director asked.

"It seems that the player that we want is not answering the calls from our end. It seems that the Asia Planning Director will attempt to go with the physical approach." The employee replied.

"Can we not reach him inside the game?" The planning director asked.

"We have tried doing that but the player in question is very elusive and we cannot easily go to the areas that he is exploring as he mostly goes inside dungeons." The employee replied.

"Is the player in question not going to be a representative for his country in the upcoming Pandelympics? He should be a great candidate for the position since he is one of the strongest players in the game right now." The employee asked as he is also an avid fan of the 'Demon'.

"The person in question is not even famous and only his information is visible to us. His country already trained participants for the games. The quota is only about five per country which is why he will not be able to join the Pandelympics." The director stated as he already knew the circumstances regarding the players of each country.

They might not like it, but some players could be said to have been chosen just because of the influence of their families. Some were picked due to their skill, but some have used dubious ways in order to get in. In the end, it is their country that will suffer which is why Atlas Inc. did not say anything.

The other countries only thought of this event as something that passes by. They did not believe that this event will continue again the next year, but the prediction of Atlas Inc. is very different. They did not think of setting up a good foundation in the games this year then they will not have a great starting record.

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Each of the countries participating in the Pandelympics are now scrambling in the training of each of their players. Only about fifteen countries will participate this time as some did not think of even participating since they predict that the Pandelympics will fail.

There are five different events that the Pandelympics will have that will cater to five different skills that a gamer needs in Pandemonium. The first event is called Sharp Shooter which is a group type event where teams will compete in shooting down the targets flying in the air.

The second event is called the King of the Hill which forces the players to defend an area for a span of time. It will not only test the strength of each player but also their endurance. The third event that is announced by the game company is called Forest Hunter.

It will be a competition that is reminiscent of sport hunting and each prey will have corresponding points that are associated with them. The fourth event is called the Monarch which is just a classic player versus player event with also a group match event.

The last event is called 'Advent of the King' which is only revealed to be a raid event that features a boss. No other details have been told about this event instead of the basics. The team of each country is now starting to form their training regimen based on the events that are going to take place.

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Adrian is reading the patch notes since most of it were balance notes that deals with summoners. It seems that the contribution list in the fight with the dark god is mostly populated by the summoner players due to their increased number of resources which is mainly their soulbounds.

[Please look at your holoswatch inbox regarding the details of a special event that we have invited you to join.]

"Strange. Why did a system notification appear in front of me when I did nothing? Also, it says that I must see my holoswatch. Has the Pandemonium server been finally hacked by hackers? I should still check it either way then." Adrian thought to himself as he opened his own personal inbox which is filled with messages.

Adrian received about 100 messages from the main branch of the Atlas Inc. He also received about 50 messages from the Asia branch manager of Atlas Inc. The thing that worried him most is that the Asia Branch Manager will come to his house in order to discuss the deal.

Adrian read the deal that is presented to him and he could not believe his eyes because it seemed to good to be true.

## Chapter 636 - Patch Notes II

Good day Fellow Pandemonium Players!

It has come to our attention that the balance of some of the characters need to be adjusted. In order to promote fair and precise gameplay, the developers have balanced the stats of some of the job classes.

### Warrior Class

#### Buff:

-Increase Defense by 10%

#### Nerf:

-Reduced Stamina gain by 0.01 per level

The warrior job class has been lacking in the defense department, but their endurance is way over tuned. We decided to increase the defensive stats for the warrior job class while lessening their stamina gain per level as compensation.

Not all warrior job classes will be affected by this change as there are some who specialize in speed. This change is more for the players that chose a more defensive playstyle that seems to have noticed their lack of defense. With this buff, the developers encourage more players to go with a defensive playstyle.

#### Ranger Class

##### \*Bow Users

##### Buff:

- Increased accuracy and damage of long-range arrows that exceed 50 meters.
- Damage will increase for every 10 meters that the arrow has traveled.
- Increase Stamina level by 0.02 per level

##### Nerf:

- Decreased the range of some skills that have penetration effect.

#### Gunslinger Users

##### Buff:

- Increased accuracy and damage for attacks that are about 10 meters in range of the gunslinger user.
- Added more penetration skills and area of effect skills in their arsenal

##### Nerf:

- Scrapped the base power of guns and opted for a damage modifier range instead of a fixed value.

The Ranger Class is given a wider variety of buffs and their damage will be modified depending on the range that they hit their opponents. Some job classes are not affected by this change due to their unique nature.

#### Scout Class

##### Bufs:

- Increased agility gained per level by 1
- Increased damage by 10% against targets that are attacked from behind

##### Nerfs:

- Decreased defense by 5%
- Decrease Strength gain per level by 0.01

All the Scout class players have been given an insane buff but also a nerf that they will carry from now on. Some scout players build their assassins to be mildly tanky but also deal a large amount of

damage. This change implemented is aimed at scouts that built semitank despite having high burst damage.

To ordinary scout players that have seen the patch notes, they think that it will not affect them, but the pros have different opinions. To the pros, they must now focus on a build that is burst damage oriented as that is where the meta shifted.

Shaman Class:

Bufs:

- Increased the duration of the buffs given to others
- Increased the duration of the debuffs given to others
- Increased the damage of Shaman's by 15%

Nerf:

- None

The Shaman Class is different from the other job classes because not many choose this class as they think it as a waste. It has lacking supportive skills unlike a priest but also does not deal enough damage to opponent in order to become a main damage dealer.

With the changes that are implemented by the developers, they hope that more people will choose the Shaman class. With the new races that practice the ways of the shamans, the developers hoped that shamans will become much more popular in the future.

Mage Class:

Bufs:

- Increased accuracy for some of the spells.
- Increased the cast speed of low tier spells.
- Decreased the mana cost of low tier spells if the spells are mastered.
- Increased damage dealt by 5% up to 15% dependent on the mana used for the spell.
- Increased Intelligence stat gain by 1 per level.

Nerfs:

- Decreased the stamina received every level by 0.02.
- Decreased Strength stat gain by 0.5 per level.

The mage class has been given a big bump in terms of fire power as the developers noticed the lack of damage of the mages. They still do enough damage but their damage per second is different to pure damage classes in the same division.

The developers noticed that the mages deal the same damage that a ranger deals in ten seconds. This must not happen as mages should be glass cannons. They must be powerful enough to deal twice the damage that a ranger can do in a span of ten seconds.

#### Priest Class

##### Bufs:

- Increased Defense by 5%.
- Increased the Intelligence gained per level by 1.
- Decreased the Overheal aggro taken when healing someone being targeted by Boss Monsters.

##### Nerfs:

-Reconfigured some of the spells to a new mechanic where the target gets healed by half the amount while the rest will be healed in a specified duration.

The Priest class has been mostly untouched except for the fact that some healing skills will be revamped. The developers noticed that the priests were essentially machines that heal their teammates back to full health upon taking damage.

This is a great chance for them to gain less aggro but also decreasing their healing capacity by half without killing off their job class. The only difference now is that Priests will have to heal at the right call which makes pro priest class characters highly sought after.

The support meta has now change in favor of the shamans. The priests are still the best support class character but with their instant healing reduced, shamans will be asked to fill that gap using their own supporting skills.

#### Summoner Class:

##### Bufs:

-None

##### Nerfs:

-Revamped the Soulbound summoning system.

Adrian read the revamped mechanics of the soulbound summoning system and could not believe his eyes. It seems that the revamped made the power of summoners decrease. The meta where one solely relied on their numerous soulbounds is now gone.

#### Revamped Soulbound System

1. A total of three soulbounds can be out in the world at a time.
2. Summoning the soulbound only cost mana and no longer have cooldowns. Soulbounds still have their death restrictions.
3. Soulbounds cannot be more than 50 meters away from their summoners unless they are in a special area.
4. Each soulbound will have a different type of buff when summoned that empowers the summoner.

"They basically made my job class almost unplayable.

## Chapter 637 - Visitor

Adrian could not believe what he read about the patch notes regarding summoners. He can no longer summon all of his soulbounds for battle. He can now only summon a maximum of three every battle which meant that he needed to think of combinations compared to just using quantity.

"The good thing is that they may revert these changes when they see that the summoners are suffering. My job class did too well when it came to the battle with the dark god as summoners raked up the contribution points." Adrian thought.

It has been established back then that summoners grow slower in exchange for the wider variety of attacks that their soulbound can do. The good thing is that the restriction is only restricted for battle-oriented play which meant that one can still have all their soulbounds out inside of the city.

The buffs given to the summoner by the soulbounds is also a great mechanic to supplement the lack of soulbounds. It meant that three buffs can be placed on all of the summoner and soulbounds if the summoner is intelligent enough. They might have closed the quantity strategy, but they also gave birth to a new one.

The restriction to summon the soulbounds are also lifted as soulbounds can now be sealed during battle and summoned during battle. The endless array of new strategies came flooding inside of Adrian's head as he thought of a strategy to battle enemies.

[Parent Notification: Son, you have a guest waiting for you downstairs. He says that he is the Asia Branch Manager for Atlas Inc.]

[Parent Notification: Your father has verified the identity of the man and he is indeed from Atlas Inc.]

Adrian immediately logged out upon seeing the notification. He never thought that the branch manager will immediately arrive as he thought that it would take at least a week for the branch manager to arrive. It seems that Adrian has shrugged off the urgent tag in the email that he received.

The Asia Branch Manager Rudra is from India, but he is proficient in almost all of the Asian languages due to the nature of his work. He is also very well known in the circle of businessmen as he is the face of Atlas Inc. in Asia.

The Asia Branch Manager Rudra noticed that Adrian is using a walking aid in order to walk. He also noticed that the young man is not that different from his in-game avatar which is already handsome but to think that the image of the young man is almost a reflection.

Some people that play Pandemonium change their appearance in order to become more attractive to the public eye. He actually thought that the famous 'Demon' player would be the same, but he is shocked that there is not much difference other than the horns and the hair.

"You have called for me, Asia Branch Manager Rudra?" Adrian asked as he already did partial research on the branch manager when he received the email.

"Oh! You know my name already. It is such a pleasure for the 'Demon' to actually know my name." The Asia Branch Manager Rudra stated as he got snapped out from his deep thought.

"I have already read the email that you have sent me, and you seem to want me to do this particular event in the Pandelympics?" Adrian asked as he already read some of the email that is heavily marked as confidential. He could not even share the email to other recipients as if something is blocking him from doing so.

"You are correct in assuming that as we want you to participate as the King in event called 'Advent of the King' that we have thought of." Asia Branch Manager Rudra stated.

"This King character...what am I going to do if I do accept the burden of this responsibility? I mean, I know that I am not going to be some lofty king just sitting on his throne." Adrian asked as he too is interested because of the rewards that he will be given upon accepting and even more rewards for defeating players.

"Of course, we already have set you the incentives. One legendary material upon accepting our proposition then One mythical material for every five players that you defeat." Asia Branch Manager Rudra stated as he is sure that Adrian will definitely accept the proposal.

"I think my son needs better compensation compared to the already existing one. Seeing that a Asia Branch Manager Rudra came himself into our house means that the matter is of the utmost importance. I want you to double everything that my son will get, and he will accept the proposal." Adrian's father stated as his business mode suddenly flared up.

Asia Branch Manager Rudra started to go back and forth with Adrian's father about the compensation. Asia Branch Manager Rudra became so nervous that he started to sweat despite the air conditioner in the house being on full blast. He had never met such an assertive person except for the CEO of Atlas Inc himself.

"The best that I can do is the promised rewards that has already been sent to you. We will also cover the air fare of your family when you come to the states plus the accommodation will be no less a 5-star hotel. The proceeds from the videos for the 'Advent of the King' will also be owned by Adrian by about 60%." Asia Branch Manager Rudra stated as he already exhausted all his cards.

"We accept the conditions. I already printed out the contract while you were talking. Please sign here." Richard, Adrian's father, stated as he let Mina fetch the contract that is just printed.

Asia Branch Manager Rudra signed the paper in a hurry and excused himself after Adrian also signed the paper. He felt that he will not be able to stay long in that house if he stayed for dinner that they offered. He might as well pass out from the invisible pressure that the Demon's father is exuding.

"I do not know if I should applaud or be ashamed that you managed to chase out an important person, dad.." Adrian stated as he started to think of a theme for his 'Advent of the King' event.

#### Chapter 638 - Rewards For Subjugation

Adrian logged back in the game in order to see what his rewards for the subjugation of the dark god is. All he received is a piece of paper and a chest that gives him a chance to get a mythical tier or legendary tier item.

One might think that the reward is not great, but he is already a champion of the twin gods which meant that he refused the initial reward. In exchange, Adrian got the chest that can give him an item that will greatly increase his strength.

The piece of paper that he received is also not normal as it is a Territory Expansion Deed. It is a special item that anyone in this new type of world change will want to get their hands on. The world has been split into new territories with land in between each territory that not just anyone could claim.

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Item: Mythical Tier Random Equipment Chest

Tier: Mythical

Type: Consumable Chest

Description: Opening this chest gives the user a chance to receive a random piece of Mythical Tier Equipment or a Legendary Tier Equipment. This chest will disappear once the item is opened.

Chances: Mythical Tier (25%), Legendary Tier (75%)

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Item: Territory Expansion Deed

Tier: Unique

Type: Deed (Consumable)

Effect: Increases the land mass of a territory by one for free without compensation. Only effective to territories that are the size of villages or towns. Disappears upon use. Can only be used once. Can only upgrade a territory until the Town territory type.

Description: A mysterious piece of paper that is said to be blessed by the land gods in order to increase the land mass of a territory without paying tribute to the land gods.

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The two items that Adrian received would make anyone kill for them because of how rare they are. It is definitely not a good thing for him to wave the two items around. He returned to his territory in order to use up the items as it can only be used once on a territory that is a town or below.

Adrian pulled out his territory management and looked at the description of his territory. He did not think that it would already start growing as he did not focus much in managing his territory.

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Territory: Avalon

Size: Village

Territory Type: Floating Island (Upgrade Requirements +)

Level: 2



Owner: Equinox

Population: (179 / 300)

Security: (89 / 100%)

Food Storage Number: One

Specialty: None

Attractions: Tree of Life and Death (Details +)

Tax Collected: 1653 gold

Total Gold Invested: 1000 gold

Description: A newly owned territory by the individual named Equinox. Not much has been done because he was left with this abandoned territory by the grace of the spirits of the past residence. Huge investments need to be poured into this territory to make it functional and habitable once again.

The territory became a floating island which means new things would be needed for it to increase in level. The Tree of Life and Death, Yewdrassil, is currently rooted in this territory which means it is abundant in life and death energy.

The security of the territory is currently being handled by the joint effort of the elves and the Daemos. Investments have been made in the territory, but more is needed in order for it to flourish.

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Adrian did not immediately use the Territory Expansion Deed as he wanted to increase the Village to a Large Village first as it will be the next step in upgrading his current territory. The requirements for the upgrade can be bought using the gold that Adrian currently has which meant that he can upgrade the territory.

[Do you wish to invest 10,000 gold coins in order to upgrade your territory from Village to Large Village?]

Adrian wanted to back down, but he must do this in order to increase his prestige. He needed to increase the level of his territory in order to create a guild base there. A level four territory is the minimum requirement for a guild base to be created in a territory.

Adrian looked like he was about to cry when he gave up the 10,000 gold coins but he just thought of it as an investment. The world works through investing and earning money which is why he is now fired up to make sure that he wins the 'Advent of the King' event.

The streaming rights that will be given to him will be enough to cover the expenses that he has used up. He did not need to upgrade his gaming pod as it is already the best one currently that is in the market. He does not want to buy a lot of things as normal items cannot be put on his character.

[You have successfully upgraded your territory from Village to Large Village.]

[Territory level has increased to Level 3.]

[Population increased to 300 to 1000.]

Adrian received the system notifications that his territory has transformed into a Large Village and the population increased by a lot. It is not the only thing that changed as the ground trembled which should not be possible for a floating territory, but it is happening.

The soil below the floating territory started to break off from the crust of the ground. The pieces that broke off started to stick towards the floating territory. The area of the floating island is basically expanding under the supervision of the others.

Those that did not know what is happening started to panic but the guards and the elders assured them that the territory is just expanding. It seems that the lord of the land is using his powers to increase the plot of land which made the visitors, and the current people think that they can immigrate.

The whole floating island trembled for about twenty minutes before everything settled down and the guards could visibly see that the area increased.. The temporary fence that they built is now far from the edge of the territory about a hundred meters away.

#### Chapter 639 - Territory Expansion Deed

Adrian became glad of the new things that popped up in his territory and even he can feel that it increased. He did not immediately consume the Territory Expansion Deed and looked at the requirements in upgrading a territory to a town.

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#### Upgrade Requirements:

- 100, 000 Gold Coins
- Create a Town Hall
- Security must be 70% and above
- Population must be half of the total population
- Large Magic Crystal

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The requirements almost made Adrian faint as the first requirement of 100,000 gold coins is enough for anyone to live a happy life as it is equivalent to 500,000 dollars as one gold coin is equivalent to one US dollar right now.

The fact that it is needed to expand the territory means that the landowner should really have the resources in order to upgrade their territory. What Adrian did not know is that the 100,000 gold coins could be collected in a span of five years as long as the citizen of his territory is happy and paying taxes.

"I should just immediately use the Territory Expansion Deed as I cannot afford to even upgrade the territory to a town. I can create the other establishments when I have enough money anyways."

Adrian muttered to himself as he used the Territory Expansion Deed.

[You have used a Territory Expansion Deed.]

[Your current territory will now be upgraded to the next level.]

The ground started to shake once more but this time it is much more intense. The next thing that all the inhabitants of Avalon have known is that another floating island is now beside them that is smaller than the main floating island.

The odd thing about the next island is that it is chained to the main floating island. The chains seemed to be made something of mana as those that investigated it just passed through it as if it is an illusion. The chains acted like an anchor between the two floating islands.

[You have successfully upgraded your territory from a Large Village to a Town.]

[Territory level has increased to Level 4.]

[Population increased to 1,000 to 10,000.]

[New establishments could be made as long as you have the sufficient materials to build it.]

Adrian checked the new status of his territory and is shocked by the drastic changes. He could not believe that his territory is now considered a Town that can inhabit a total of 10,000 people.

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Territory: Avalon

Size: Town

Territory Type: Floating Island (Upgrade Requirements +)

Level: 4

Owner: Equinox

Population: (179 / 10,000)

Security: (61 / 100%)

Food Storage Number: One

Specialty: None

Attractions: Tree of Life and Death (Details +)

Tax Collected: 1653 gold

Total Gold Invested: 11000 gold

Description: A owned territory by the individual named Equinox. Not much has been done because he was left with this abandoned territory by the grace of the spirits of the past residence.

Investments have been made but it is not enough for the current level of the territory.

The territory became a floating island which means new things would be needed for it to increase in level. The Tree of Life and Death, Yewdrassil, is currently rooted in this territory which means it is abundant in life and death energy. The soil in the territory is very good for farming and growing plants.

The security of the territory is currently being handled by the joint effort of the elves and the Daemos. Investments have been made in the territory, but more is needed in order for it to flourish. It is now a town but an increase in population is needed to make it be considered as a proper town.

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Adrian could see that he needed to increase the establishments in his territory which is why he decided to use the tax money that he collected to create more establishments. He increased the food storage to five which meant that he used 400 gold coins for each storage.

Adrian did not add much in the territory other than the food storage as other establishments need an administrator or an architect in order to build stuff. There is currently no architect in the territory which meant that Adrian needed to outsource for this project.

"I need to find a decent architect that can build all the stuff that I need. Thankfully, a guild base can now be built in the territory, but the only problem is the materials. I need to make those guys work or else only I would be contributing." Adrian muttered as he gave materials to find to each of his friends for their guild base and some extra stuff.

Adrian is managing his territory and minding his own business when a server wide announcement is made.

[Congratulations to Player Equinox for being the first player to achieve the upgrade of his territory to a Town.]

[As a reward for this achievement, different races have known of your feat and will want to immigrate to your territory.]

[Player Equinox will also be rewarded with a Town Creation Starter Kit.]

Adrian did not expect the notification as he thought that a top guild has already beaten him to it, but he did not consider that many guilds have territories. Even for the top guilds, getting the resources needed for their territories will also be a challenge as expanding territories is not easy especially for controlled territories.

The thing that Adrian needed now is inhabitants for his territory but that is already supplemented by the reward of other races wanting to immigrate. He wants to find a hidden gem from those that immigrate so that he can make his territory flourish.

Adrian needed to create a specialty for his territory as the Tree of Life and Death is not really a specialty but a feature of his territory. The next thing that he knew is that his messages is being blown up by numerous whispers from players that he knows, and he does not know.. His territory expanded successfully but a headache is his current reward.

#### Chapter 640 - Evolution Requirements For Kimat

Adrian stopped thinking about his territory as his friends will be the one to get the materials for him. He is now looking at the Mythical Tier Random Equipment Chest that he has received. He moved to the area near the tree of life and death.

Thankfully, there is no one in the area right now and he could open the chest without any fear of getting disturbed. The Mythical Tier Random Equipment Chest will definitely release a large amount of light and he needs the aid of the tree of life and death to dampen the light.

Adrian opened the Mythical Tier Random Equipment Chest and just as he expected, a large beam of light pierced the sky. The piercing light definitely meant that the item that he got is the best that the chest could offer. Anyone would be overjoyed upon knowing this, but Adrian did not smile as he got an item that is sealed.

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Item: Cloak of Ruin (Character Bound)

Tier: Legendary (Degraded and Sealed)

Type: Cloak

Effect:

-Increase resistance to all elements by 15%

-15% chance to deflect the damage from projectiles or long-range attacks

-(Sealed Skill)

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Description: A mysterious cloak that is said to have been worn by one of the forgotten gods. It is currently degraded and sealed which made its tier go down to Legendary Tier. Special items are needed to increase its tier and restore it to the Cloak of Ruin back to its original appearance.

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The Cloak of Ruin looks like a normal cloak, but the neck part is made up of a mysterious metal. Adrian could not see what type of metal it is because he is not a blacksmith. He needed to go to a blacksmith in order to see what it needs to be upgraded or unsealed.

What really made Adrian not celebrate is the fact that he needed to upgrade it like his other items. The only redeeming feature of the cloak is the fact that it increased elemental resistances by a whopping 15%. It could basically decrease damage from elemental attacks by almost a quarter.

The cloak also has a 15% chance to deflect projectiles which is great because it can deflect. Deflecting a projectile meant that the attack will be sent back to the enemy. It is also a cloak which is a rare type of equipment that not all people could get. Adrian is also missing a cloak which meant that he can now complete his body set.

The only thing that Adrian is missing is the head ornament. For that kind of item, he will need to commission a blacksmith for that as items that can be equipped on a demon's head is very rare. Even Kabrakan does not have a helmet equipment since blueprints for beastkins are not widespread.

"Anyways, I will just wear it." Adrian muttered to himself as he equipped the Cloak of Ruin. The interaction with his equipment is unique.

The Cloak of Ruin did not attach itself to his neck, but the cloak floated just behind him. The Cloak of Ruin is equipped for Adrian, but the cloak is not fully attached to his body. There is about an inch of space between the Cloak of Ruin and Adrian's back.

Add the fact that Adrian is already hovering three inches above the ground, he now looks like a regal demon noble that came to visit the countryside territory. Even Adrian's dislike for it needing to be upgraded is overshadowed by the coolness that the Cloak of Ruin adds.

"Since I got the item, the next point of business is evolving Kimat. When he leveled u a lot from the battle with the dark god, the evolution choices are also opened for him. I just hope that the choices are good enough that I do not need to feed him special fruits to add an evolution." Adrian thought as he looked up the evolution choices for Kimat.

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Evolution Choices for Kimat:

1. Lightning Cat
2. Thunderstroke Panthera
3. Thunderlight Tigris

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Kimat has three evolutionary choices that Adrian could choose from. Like all the other evolutionary choices, Adrian knew that the better the evolution then the harder it is for the soulbound to get stronger.

Adrian noticed that the growth rate of soulbounds can be characterized as slow, normal, and quick. When Sirius was still a demon wolf, the growth rate of the demon wolf Sirius was quick as he became stronger faster, but his stats are overall lacking.

If the demon wolf Sirius is compared to the Frostfire Dragon Kanlaon then the former's growth rate is faster. Adrian noticed that this growth rate affects the soulbound's current power level. He concluded that the best growth rate for a soulbound would be the slow growth rate.

The slow growth rate made the soulbounds weaker early but made them monsters in higher levels. If Kanlaon and the previous Sirius is compared, then Sirius became outclassed after level 100. Now that Sirius is an Abyssal Fenrir, his growth rate also became slow which made Adrian a bit happy.

Slow growth rate monsters shape their power more unlike those that have quick growth rate. All of Adrian's current monsters are all slow in growth rate except for Saena and Kimat as they are both normal growth rates as of now.

Saena is also very close to evolving but she needs to go to a special area that Adrian does not have an idea where to look. Even the Daemos elders do not know of the location of such hidden realm. The best that Adrian could do right now is evolving Kimat that has yet to evolve since birth.

Each of the evolutions for Kimat have different growth rates. The Lightning Cat is of the quick growth rate. The Thunderstroke Panthera is of the normal growth rate. The last evolution which is Thunderlight Tigris of the slow growth rate.

Adrian wanted to choose the last option, but the requirements are difficult right now as he is also on a schedule.. He needed to power up for the Pandelympics.