

## Once Human 331

### Chapter 331

A few days passed since the undead incident . The news spread faster than ever and in just this short period of time, the whole world became aware of the threatening undead army that almost dominated the whole continent except for South Africa, which is still standing thanks to its base . There are also a few strong Heroes that originated from there so the undead probably won't be able to seize it any time soon, especially not after the IHO dispatched a few national Heroes to defend the capital .

Lolitta still hasn't figured out the mechanism behind that small chip and Delia was still secluding herself and trying to comprehend the Holy Arts .

The days passed peacefully without any unwanted problems popping up out of nowhere . On the fourth day since Rey began torturing the captive, Arthur finally ordered him to kill the sadistic bastard once and for all . He felt no joy after spending a few days watching him suffer and cry in agony .

As for the two captives that were trapped in the dark and cold cave, he hasn't touched them and only deprived them of food . In a few more days, they'll surely start starving for real and even hallucinating . Heck! It wouldn't be surprising if they tried to eat each other after three or so weeks .

Today was the day Arthur brought back Miya to the Underworld . He already promised her and it isn't that hard to open a tunnel as Lolitta helped him find the exact coordinates of his destination .

The only odd thing that occurred these past few days was his inability to contact his copy, he couldn't even enter the ARK . No matter how many times he tried, he heard no response or felt no reaction .

The matter became stranger when he entered his consciousness and was flabbergasted to see a thick dark fog that blocked the view and countless small and big chains that intertwined and rubbed against each other .

Although it was his consciousness, he couldn't find where his soul was and ended up going in circles so he gave up for now . He inspected his body over and over again but he found no problems and the System didn't warn him about any curses or debuffs .

"Are you ready?"

Lucy spoke to Miya, who changed her outfit and readied herself to go back home at last . It's been five long years, it may be a short time for those Gods who lived centuries but the girl was just a teenager so the period was considerably longer than it should be since she was thrown into a completely foreign environment .

"Yes!"

Originating from the Lightning Fox clan which is part of the alliance ruling the center of the Underworld, Miya was considered a genius and was most likely going to be the head of the clan when she reaches a certain age . Alas, after the event that happened five years ago, many treated her as a dead person since she never returned and the perpetrators were never caught .

What was supposed to be a Grand Banquet to relax and see the young ones spar turned into a catastrophic fight between gods . That day was marked in the history of the Underworld and the event was named the 'Bloody Banquet' .

One of the three leaders of the Alliance, red-haired Meyzu was killed . More than fifty percent of the Royal Cobra clan was annihilated and only the Lightning Fox clan suffered the least damage and only lost a young talent .

If Arthur were to show up right now, it's for certain that they'll attack him on sight as he considered their archenemy along with Lucy .

The Underworld is said to be at a far off corner of the Cloud Sea Universe but upon a closer look, it's actually in the boundary between two Universes .

The trip took longer than usual and it even made all of them a bit dizzy since the distance is way bigger than the one Arthur is used to .

Arthur, Lucy, and Miya appeared on barren land with nothing but grey earth as far as the eye could see . This place was the same one Arthur and Lucy appeared on when they came to the Underworld for the first time .

Honestly, Arthur wasn't too worried about having to fight any of the leaders of the Underworld if they were to provoke him first . He had the confidence to defeat them and if Lucy joins the battle, it'll literally be a one-sided beatdown .

"Y-you don't have to guide me all the way home . This is more than enough . "

Miya spoke hesitantly to Lucy as she sneaked peeks to Arthur, who was staring South with an absent-minded gaze .

Unfortunately, Lucy rejected her and retorted

"That won't do . No one can guarantee your safety if you were to travel alone, especially in the Underworld where there's experts left and right . I know you're strong but it isn't enough to bring you back in one piece . Moreover, we need to apologize to your Grandmother for what happened five years ago, we didn't intend to cause such a big mess . "

Lucy sincerely conveyed her thoughts to Miya, who had no choice but to shyly nod her head . She lived with Lucy for five years and their relationship deepened, they can even be considered close friends, though the teenage girl considers Lucy more like a big sister .

She knew that with these two accompanying her, no one is capable of stopping them .

As to not alert Miya, Arthur used the [Telepathy] Skill and said

'Lucy, you can sense it too, right?'

Lucy glanced at Miya then nodded her head, she even had goosebumps and was feeling very uneasy as the terrifying aura coming from the South was just too domineering .

\*\*\*\*\*

South of the Underworld, where there's nothing but a dark forest and a gloomy valley that is inhabited by nothing except for deadly monsters that are able to tear Gods into pieces .

If you delved very deep into this dangerous valley, you'll reach a vast and peaceful garden than no monster dares to enter . This garden was beautiful and wasn't affected by the suffocating aura enveloping both the dark forest and the valley .

Unfortunately, there was something that decreased the beauty of this garden by half . It had a mind-numbingly large body, it was so big that horrifying to the point of making both Gods and Sovereigns shake in fear .

This creature, with a mulberry-colored skin and jet black claws and fangs, was silently resting its head on its front limbs and seemingly sleeping until its body shook by itself all of a sudden .

The creature let out a deep growl and raised its humongous head to stare at the distance . Its ruby eyes were able to see beyond anything as there was nothing in its world it couldn't see .

Just like the other party sensed its presence, the creature also recognized the new guests . It wasn't overly interested at first but when 'they' locked their senses on it, it finally let out a slight reaction .

This beast was none other than one of the three remaining mythical beasts, the Void Behemoth .

There was a man meditating next to the Void Behemoth, when the latter raised its head and growled, the middle-aged man raised his head and frowned then softly said

"Did they start fighting again?"

For a while, he heard no response, that is, a small portal appeared before the two of them . This transparent portal displayed three figures standing in the middle of nowhere . They were precisely Arthur, Lucy, and Miya .

The beast, which should not be able to talk, uttered a few words with difficulty

"Dangerous . . . man . "

Chapter 332

Their destination was at the center of the Underworld so, without wasting any more time enjoying the dead land, the trio entered Lucy's Spirit Boat and rested while waiting for their short journey to end .

The Spirit Boat was much slower than both Lucy and Arthur but it's very practical and doesn't consume Mana or Nether Energy . It just needs to be fueled by the Red Spirit Stones .

The blood red boat was like a shooting star as it bypassed all the other boats and flying beasts thus alarming the outsiders . Fortunately, no one was brave enough to provoke the owner of such a big and speedy boat, as for being ambushed by bandits, such a thing was pretty rare in the Lich King's territory .

The lightning Fox clan was part of the central alliance, which is mainly composed of humans . The city was as bustling and lively as ever . It was forbidden to fly or use Spirit Boats when entering it which is why you'll rarely see any flying boats in the air .

Arthur ignored such a rule and coated the boat using Space Magic thus making it turn invisible . With its incredible speed, it only needed a few minutes to arrive at the East of the city, where Miya's clan was situated .

Miya was fidgeting with her fingers in nervousness and excitement . She's been away from her family for five long years and it's finally time for the reunion . She just hoped her grandmother doesn't misunderstand start attacking the moment she sees Arthur as it will result in very unwanted consequences .

The granny is known to have a bad temper, especially when it's related to her family, she would flare up the moment anything happens to her relatives . In the past, when Miya was kidnapped, she didn't chase after them for fear of hurting her only family member .

Miya finally stopped them when they appeared above a gigantic statue of a five-tailed fox that had lightning crackling around it . Some disciples of the clan were kneeling in worship while others studied it to try and gain enlightenment .

"We've arrived . "

The trio stored the Spirit Boat and descended while still being invisible . Being seen in public would attract just too much hate from not only this clan but all the alliance . It's better to enter unnoticed and quickly be done with this as weren't planning to stay here for more than a day .

Swiftly, the three of them bypassed all the guards and the passing elders and headed directly to the main chamber, where the Granny, who was the current Matriarch, was probably at .

Indeed, as expected, in a Chinese-looking courtyard, devoid of any sound and with but a single person resting near a calm pond, Arthur spotted the old woman .

Since he perfectly hid their presences with his Space Magic, it would be impossible for a person at the God Realm to discover them, much less sense their presence .

The second she saw her grandmother, Miya ran up to her relative while disregarding Arthur's prior order to not make too much noise .

The girl literally shouted at the top of her lungs as she jumped at the dumbfounded grandmother, hugging her tightly .

As for the old woman, she was in total disbelief even after feeling the warmth of granddaughter, who was crying while embracing her .

She only reacted after a few seconds passed, while caressing the soft back of the young girl, she let out a soft smile while saying

"Silly girl, a person who's going to become a Matriarch shouldn't cry so easily . "

Although she said that, the granny's eyes were also a bit watery though she tried her best not to cry . Like this, the atmosphere remained joyful for quite some time until the granny finally noticed the presence of two additional people at her courtyard .

The moment the granny's eyes landed on Arthur and Lucy's figures, her eyes flashed with purple light, she pushed Miya behind her and coldly said

"What are you people doing here!?"

Before Arthur could explain, Miya nudged her grandmother's sleeve and said

"Granny, t-they were the ones who brought me here!"

If not for hearing these words from her beloved granddaughter, the old woman would never have believed them . She hesitated for a few seconds while glaring at the couple before breathing out a sigh of relief

"I don't know what were your purposes in the past but since you brought my granddaughter to me, I hold no grudge against you . However, that's only because you never attacked my clan, if the rest of the alliance finds out you're here then they'll use everything they have to capture you . "

"You don't have to worry about us . "

Arthur calmly replied as he assessed the old woman's strength . Back in the days, he could only look at the Gods with awe as they were unreachable people, however, as he inspected this old God, he had complete confidence of winning in just one blow .

That's to be expected after spending two hundred years training and strengthening his stats . He still hasn't even possessed the two Divine Beast corpses in his storage or else he was sure his Realm would jump over to Sovereign .

Such a thing is surely beneficial but it would bring too many consequences, or so said his copy, who repeatedly warned him to only possess them when he becomes a Fusion Sovereign as it'll be the perfect time to gain their Stats and the benefit would be much, much more abundant .

"Madam, we came here to allow you to reunite with Miya and most importantly, to apologize for our past actions . We didn't have a choice so we were forced to take Miya with us to guarantee our safety . "

Lucy softly bowed to the old woman, Arthur did the same albeit reluctantly . As for the other party, when she saw them act this respectfully, she was even more shocked .

She could remember Arthur erasing many elders from the Royal Cobra Clan in one sweep and Lucy burning Gods left and right, it was truly a terrifying sight . For them to be acting this modestly right now was truly strange and made her feel uneasy .

.....

Back on Earth, in the new villa Arthur and co started living at, Lolitta finally managed to decipher what's inside the capsule after spending a few days wholly focusing on it .

She looked haggard and her face was even a little pale . She looked at the coordinates and the message she decoded with a flabbergasted expression, only after a few minutes did she finally snap out of it .

"Tt-this is impossible! How could there be two of it? And who's the one repeatedly asking for help . . . . "

Unfortunately, neither Arthur nor anyone else will find out what the capsule is about anytime soon as Lolitta seemed to have disappeared from Earth and no matter where they searched, they couldn't locate her .

### Chapter 333

Arthur and Lucy didn't remain there too long to not cause the old woman to become uneasy or uncomfortable . After all, they can barely be called acquaintances and if not for Miya's presence, who soothed things a bit, it would have been too awkward .

The couple didn't have any more important things to do in the Underworld . Although the presence at the South was still bugging Arthur, he wasn't willing to go out of his way to provoke it as it'll for sure bring a lot of trouble .

Actually, Arthur was curious about the mysterious man who helped them five years ago, however, as per the granny's words, he already left this high-Realm .

Bai Lingyue was a middle-aged man who was respected by the leaders of the Underworld and even treated as a Senior . Although he didn't participate in the bloody battle, he still wished to aid the couple for unknown reasons .

The granny didn't disclose too much information about him but she still said that he originates from the Azure Realm . One of the hundred most powerful High-Realms .

.....

"What's the meaning of this?! How was he kidnapped right under your fucking eyes?"

Claudia snapped at the guards who were supposed to be secretly protecting him from events like this . Unfortunately, they remembered nothing about the whole matter . One second they were watching at the young master was enjoying himself in the bar and the next they were already on the ground, unable to comprehend what happened to their High Stealth skill to deactivate and how did the young master vanish into thin air .

"T-the opponent was just too powerfu-"

Claudia cut him off as her face reddened with anger . She already regrew her lost limb after spending an astronomical amount of money to buy the highest kind of Health Potion and one of the well-known High Priests on Earth .

The anger and humiliation she suffered in her short trip were unleashed upon these two poor bastards who couldn't stop Lucy from taking the bastard .

Not only was she ridiculed and severely injured, her precious son was also kidnapped and she doesn't even have the means to find him .

It has already been a few days yet no one contacted her and her subordinates were unable to find any trace of him, which infuriated her even more .

"Oh don't spout that bullshit to me! I didn't hire you to make such lame excuses! You are supposed to be professionals for fuck's sake!"

In a fit of anger, the woman kicked the table and flipped the chair as the two middle-aged men emotionlessly watched her without commenting . They failed their job and she has every right to scream at them like albeit being annoying .

"GET OUT OF MY FACE!"

She pointed at the door while shouting hysterically . She's almost on the verge of ripping her hair from the anger . Everything was going smoothly until a few days ago, she horribly failed her mission and her son was captured out of nowhere .

Just as she was busy trying to find solutions, her phone rang and upon seeing the identity of the caller, Claudia frowned and hesitated for a few seconds before picking up

"Emm, Greetings CEO Josef . "

She and Josef were barely friends, she wasn't able to seduce him and her unique skills failed when cast on him . Although she has seduced officials from the government and is richer than most of the people on Earth, she is still lacking compared to a few individuals, including Josef, CEO of Lobisoft .

Google search [freewebnovel.com](http://freewebnovel.com)

"Yes, hello Miss Claudia . "

Claudia inwardly cursed him for this call . She was certain that he called her because he needs something, just like everybody . In any case, she was going to politely decline as she's busy with too many bullshit and a request from Josef wouldn't be something easy to do or acquire .

Unfortunately, her expectations were betrayed by the next words she heard .

"Miss, I heard some unpleasant news regarding your long and lost relative . "

Claudia froze for a few seconds, unable to reply or even move her lips . Only after ten full seconds did she bite her teeth and bitterly answer

"I'm not sure what you are talking about, CEO Josef . "

"Oh but I'm sure you do . . . it's your son, after all . "

Ever since she gave birth to her son, Claudia made sure he never appeared public . She was certain no one knows of his existence, which is why she was so shocked when she heard Josef speak of the matter so casually .

Heck! She isolated him for fifteen years and only let him see the outside when he became an adult . It was too late to regret not being more cautious so Claudia could only sigh and stop feigning ignorance as it'll complicate things a lot more .

"CEO Josef, are you trying to blackmail me?"

A burst of laughter rang in her ears as Josef seemed to enjoy more than expected .

"Hahahaha no no no, by all means, I'm trying to help you . More precisely, guide you toward the safest path . "

Still not understanding, Claudia questioned:

"What do you mean?"

"See, Miss Claudia, my little birds told me about a recent kidnapping . Well, it doesn't personally concern me but I thought you may be interested . "

The angry woman remained silent, unable to find the right words to respond to him . She just waited for him to continue and say what he wants .

"Since I'm such a generous man, I'll give you the first piece of information for free!"

Josef could hear her gritting her teeth loudly which made him even more amused . He paused for a few seconds to make her tenser then resumed

"Your son is not dead, however, you should hurry up before he eats himself hahahaha"

"W-wait wait!"

Josef was planning to hang up and call her tomorrow to provide more information IF she was willing to pay up . He hesitated for a seconds before picking the phone again and saying

"What! You're already eager to know more?"

"What do you mean eats himself? Explain yourself!"

"Hahahahahahaha why should I? I've already done you a big favor by investigating into a dangerous matter . Of course, you're free to report me to the authorities if you want hahahaha"

The call ended with his laughter, which kept ringing inside Claudia's head . It was fortunate her only son was still living but the situation didn't change .

She suspected Josef's involvement but soon gave up on such speculation as he would gain nothing from her and they didn't have any previous enmity for them to go after each other's family .

\*\*\*\*\*

"Sir, did something good happen?"

The secretary of Josef, who's usually silent and expressionless, frowned upon seeing the man laugh nonstop while staring at the windows .

"Indeed, something very, very good, hahahahahah"

His laughter continued for a long while before it turned into soft chuckles . Arthur requested of him to call Claudia and say this and that . It was merely to make her nervous and uneasy . She would literally think of everybody but Arthur, the husband she killed herself a few years ago .

There is one more trade that occurred between him and his dear old friend . Lucy provided him with an astronomical amount of money in exchange for the chip . What's more, it wasn't a permanent exchange but a temporary one . He'll keep the money even when they return the chip to its owner, or so said Arthur .



Honestly, Josef trusted Arthur and he was sure that the chip will be safer in his hands so he accepted the offer almost immediately . After all he had seen, it was apparent that it isn't a simple storage but something more dangerous .

"Hey, you two, how strong do you think they are?"

Obviously, Josef was talking to his ever-so-silent bodyguards, who are always standing next to him . After a long silence, the oldest one spoke with a deep voice

"Uncertain . The woman seems to be as strong as the man and from their contained aura, I would say they are a league above the Goddess . "

The Goddess he was talking about was obviously Miya, who's known as the strongest being alive on Earth . It's a shame that she went back to her home . . . . but it's not like anyone knows of this matter .

## Chapter 334

When the couple returned to Earth, the first thing they did was check on Saly, who was, once again, forced to go to school to learn basic knowledge and properly grow up . Arthur didn't see why Lucy insisted about sending their daughter to school but he didn't object and remained silent . Perhaps she sees the earthly knowledge as something useful Saly could use when she grows up .

Once they were done with that matter, they headed to the gloomy and cold cave where Claudia's bastard son and the doctor were .

It has only been a short while since they were kidnapped but it became apparent how mentally tired and hungry they were, especially the young man, who wasn't as patient and tolerant as the old man .

In the time they were left alone, they conversed about many things but still couldn't find a relation between the two of them except that the doctor knows of the youth's mother, though they weren't particularly close .

No matter how much they tried, they couldn't shake off the thick chains around their limbs . There was the motionless Death knight which never lifted a finger and merely guarded the entrance of the cave .

When the undead moved at last, not only did it alert the two captives, it also scared them as they thought it will do something to them .

They only relaxed when they saw it leave the cave, however, their relief didn't last long as a grey-haired middle-aged man and a masked woman entered appeared at the entrance .

Instead of fear, the two were shocked as their eyes were fixated on Lucy . Although she never showed her face, her appearance was too eye-catching and she was famous worldwide, most people would immediately recognize her with just a glance .

Previously, they met Arthur but it's the first time Lucy appears .

Now that he saw another one of his kidnapers, the old man became even more confused . He couldn't remember doing any dealing with Lucy or the man beside him which made him frustrated and curious about the reason he was captured .

Unlike the young man, the doctor was certain of his safety as he could trade his life for a lot of things, things that would even make Lucy think twice before killing him .

"Y-you! What do you want from me!?"

While pointing at Lucy, the young man named Calias shouted angrily . For a National Hero such as Lucy to go out of her way to capture him and imprison here with the doctor, there surely must be a reason and although he was a 'bit' arrogant, he wasn't stupid .

"Well, for that you have to ask your dear mother . "

"W-what?"

Hearing Lucy's chilling voice, the young man was startled and decided to lower his tone a bit and compose himself . He momentarily lost himself to the built up emotions and shouted at her, the person who kidnapped him .

"Whatever you want, I'm sure my mother will give it to you . "

Calias took a breath of cave's cold air and said those words with a low tone and composed expression . He was sure his mother would try to save him even if it means paying large sums of money .

"Oh? Is that right? What about you, Doctor . Do you think you can provide what we need?"

This time, it was Arthur who talked . He didn't change back to his old appearance as the old man would certainly recognize him .

The elderly stared back at Arthur and Lucy for half a minute or so before he replied

"I'm sure we can peacefully find a solution where both parties are satisfied . There no need to resort to unnecessary violence . "

Unfortunately, Arthur didn't think so . He burst out in laughter as he retorted

"Hahahahaha that's quite ironic from a mad man who performs all kinds of violent experiments on innocents . "

When the old man heard Arthur's retort, his expression darkened all of a sudden and his eyes sharpened . Despite having his secret exposed, he kept a positive attitude and added:

"It is for the sake of evolution . We need to advance technologically to be able to resist any catastrophes that may befall on us . Just like the Undead Legion on Africa . "

Arthur walked up to the chained doctor, crossed his arms and grinned evilly while saying

"It's the same thing for us . You want evolution and I want to get rid of the filth that is scattered on the Earth . Both our goals are for the sake of humanity, it's just that mine . . . only require the sacrifice of a few people . "

Despite hearing Arthur's reason, the old man was persistent and didn't want to admit that this was the end for him . There must be a reason he wasn't killed the moment he got captured .

"Why must you be like this? I'm sure we can satisfy your wishes and grant you what you desire, you just need to ask . "

The doctor wanted to use this opportunity to use the right words to entice Arthur, who surely must be looking for something, or so thought the clueless old man .

He just needs his personal team to know his location and that will be enough for them to raid this place and bring him to safety . He even disregarded Lucy, who's a powerful Hero . In fact, he hugely underestimated her as he never saw her fight but in his point of view, all the Heroes are weakling who can be killed used the special weapons he invented .

"Enough . I didn't come here to pointlessly negotiate with you . "

Arthur waved his hand, binding the old man and rendering unable to even move a finger . The same thing applied to the helpless Calias, who tried struggling but to no avail .

Using his Telekinesis, Arthur threw two dark red pills in the captives' mouths and forcefully made them swallow it . These weren't poisonous pills but are actually pills which amplified hunger and caused the victim to hallucinate .

Basically, these pills will worsen their state over the next days and once the time is ripe, the live show will begin .

\*\*\*\*\*

After feeding the duo the two pills, Arthur and Lucy left the cave and teleported to their new home . There, they met quite an unexpected guess . Someone Arthur was curious and very wary about .

An old man with half-open eyes and dark circles under them . He was hugging a pink pillow and his body was tilting left and right . This mysterious old man was none other than one of the seven deadly sins and the current guardian of Earth, Snory .

He works under the System and apparently, he's insanely strong, at least that's what Arthur's copy said .

The old man didn't dare intrude without invitation so he patiently waited in front of the door until Arthur and Lucy appeared . The two parties stared at each other for a while until Snory started dozing off .

"Sir, why don't you come in?"

The silence was quickly cut when Lucy took off her mask and politely invited the guest inside .

Chapter 335

"Hohoho, it is a pleasure to meet Miss Lucy again . "

The laziness of the old man laughed as he laughed heartily and followed both Lucy and Arthur into the villa . His focus was on Arthur, who was also wary and curious about Sloth .

His copy repeatedly told him that Sloth is extremely strong and one of the oldest beings in the omniverse . Though, it's a mystery why he's working for the System when he belongs to the Heaven and

Hell Universe and Arthur wasn't going to pry on that . Seeing as how Lucy treated him with respect, it shows how strong he is .

He didn't seem to carry any hostile or malicious intentions so Arthur didn't act arrogantly or cold toward this elder .

"This place is surely more comfortable than the rest . Good for you good for you!"

Snory praised the luxurious and spacious villa as he sat on the sofa and made himself comfortable . Although he merely glanced at the furniture and such, that doesn't mean he didn't get to sense the whole place with cultivation like his .

Silence prevailed the atmosphere for a moment before the old man spoke again

"In my life, never did I think I would meet another person who uses Dark Magic . "

This statement obviously startled both of them . Arthur was hiding his powers and even his aura was completely concealed . The Ethereal state was also activated, which diminished the chilling and ominous aura usually unleashed by the Dark Magic in or the Dark-Star Technique .

Their surprise only lasted a moment . Arthur already knew that Zodiak must have been a very powerful figure and since Sloth is old, he surely must have met him or at least known about him .

"I assume Senior met Zodiak in the past?"

It was a rare chance to know a bit more detail about Zodiak's life so Arthur unhesitantly asked Sloth, who didn't seem to mind his question as he chuckled while answering

"Met? I've fought him when he was in his prime . "

As he said that, the old man got up and removed part of his rugged yellow shirt to show a hideous scare that covered half of the left part of his chest . It resembled the scar caused by fire except this one was jet black thus making it looks way uglier .

"Hohohoho we nearly killed each other but don't worry, it was all in the past and I won't attack you just because you're his successor . . . sort of . "

Arthur tensed up at first but all his short-lived worries soon vanished as Sloth turned out to be a person who didn't hold grudges against 'relatives' of his past enemies .

The old man soon sat again and grinned as he glanced between Lucy and Arthur .

"Zodiak was powerful but that was all . He was alone and didn't have an army like most of his enemies . Moreover, he was different from you, he only had Dark Magic and nothing else . Put simply, he was unable to use any other Magic, whether it's with Nether Energy, Mana, Qi or any other type of Energy . Whereas you are more special . I can sense the Hell's flames within you, Void Magic and above all, Dark Magic . You are a dangerous being and if you were not Miss Lucy's husband, I would not have allowed you to remain on Earth . "

Arthur frowned and retorted

"Although I'm not human, I'm not purposely trying to harm this planet . Why would I be more dangerous than my wife? We're equally strong . "

"That is indeed true . On the exterior, both of you are perhaps equal but the inside is different . She's as calm as water and her consciousness is clear and stable, however, yours is as dark as night and is more dangerous than you might think . "

This only confused Arthur more so he asked again

"I'm not sure what Senior is talking about . Would you mind explaining?"

"I cannot explain it in words . I'm only saying what I'm seeing . You are like a time bomb, ready to explode and engulf everything around it . Check your mental state, boy . "

Without letting Arthur talk, Sloth resumed

"And for peace on earth to continue, I cannot let you rampage in here if your mental state ever goes berser-"

Arthur cut him off while retorting

"Senior, my mental state is stable and I don't think I'm suffering from any problems . "

Hearing this, the old man laughed and mocked

"That's exactly what a mentally ill person would say . Boy, you can face your fate or defy it but you can't deny it . Just remember, if you go out of control, I'll be forced to interfere and end your life... and Miss Lucy, please don't look at me like that . I'm just doing my job and we both know that when that time comes, even you, can't stop me . Well then, I said what needs to be said so I'll excuse myself . I wish you both a good day . "

Sloth silently disappeared from their living room and both of them were unable to sense him . Arthur remained absent-minded for a while before he snapped out of it .

He turned to look at Lucy, who was holding his hand and staring back at him with a resolute expression .

"I, I can't access my consciousness... it's like the connection is cut off . The same thing with the ARK . "

Arthur tried entering his consciousness but to no avail . He didn't feel particularly weak or sick, nonetheless, he started believing Snory's words .

"Don't worry, I'm here . I don't think you're ill, you're only mentally exhausted due to all that happened the last few days . Perhaps you should rest a bit and schedule your revenge a bit later, what do you think?"

Lucy's hand gently caressed his chin as she spoke . In response, Arthur smiled and nodded his head, agreeing immediately .

He didn't know what's wrong with him but the best thing to do now is meditate and clear his mind of any accumulated stress, even if it was just a tiny bit .

Actually, he was relieved and even happy since he came to Earth but his inability to contact his copy and enter his consciousness is surely caused by something . Although Sloth refused to say what the problem exactly is and only accused him of being mentally ill, that doesn't mean he'll blindly believe it . He just thought that Snory's words contained some truthfulness in them .

\*\*\*\*\*

Astria, Itas Continent .

A few hundred meters away from the thick World Tree stood a floating figure . He gazed at the gigantic tree with surprise before he started laughing loudly .

"Hahahaah to think you would end up here . Last time I saw you, you were nothing but a seed . I wonder what the angels would do if they discovered your existen-"

Before he could even finish, overwhelming shockwaves were unleashed from all direction, trying to crush him . What followed were vines larger than even dragons, they were like falling mountains which tried to pulverize the invader .

Unfortunately, both the shockwaves and vines were useless as they didn't even manage to injure or push the man even half a centimeter .

As he patted the dust off his clothes with a large grin on his face, he added

"Ahh come on, I'm not a snitch . "

After a long silence, the robotic voice of the World Tree resounded inside the man's head

"... what do you want?"

"See... I'm pretty bored after a certain someone kicked me all the way here . So I'm searching for some fun guys to battle hmmm like that crazy old man who brought you here . Last time we fought, he escaped and left me itching for more action . "

The weirdly-dressed man cracked his knuckles and waited for the tree to reply

"... He died a long time ago . "

The man didn't see surprised, he just sighed and glanced at his surroundings before his pupils focused on the main trunk of the World Tree . For a while, he remained silent before he started repeatedly nodding his head

"Then tell me who caused that Sword Slash engraved on you . It has a bit of Sword Insight lingering it so I presume it's a Sword Saint hahahah been a while since I fought one!"

"... He also died . "

This time, the man didn't believe it as he retorted

"Bullshit! If he died then this tiny bit of Sword Insight would have disappeared! I ain't leaving if you don't TELL me where he is!"

Chapter 336

A few days passed since Sloth paid a visit to the couple . Unfortunately, the undead army managed to successfully raid the Southern fortress in Africa and once and for all dominated the whole continent .

The IHO said several groups composed of high-leveled heroes but to no avail, the force of the undead was just too strong and these efforts turned out to be fruitless as more than fifty heroes perished miserably .

Claudia became even more restless as the search bore no fruits so she tried contacting Josef but was flatly ignored . Her temper worsened and her anxiousness deepened as her son was missing for more than a week .

The disappearance of the human AI startled Arthur so, with the help of Lucy, he tried locating her but the little girl seemed to have disappeared into thin air .

She didn't leave a note and no one noticed her until it was too late . Arthur knew that this had to do with the small capsule she was inspecting but was still helpless to do anything as he couldn't inspect it for he hasn't enough knowledge about the System to figure out the secret behind Hell Gate in general .

He still had Josef's chip, which on the outside, looked like any other ordinary chip except for the foreign language written on it . Moreover, the matter with his 'illness' was still unsolved . He couldn't enter his consciousness but nonetheless, was still feeling perfectly normal . In fact, he is in his peak state all day long and apart from spending a few hours at night to cultivate, he would relax and enjoy his time with Lucy and co for most of the time .

\*\*\*\*\*

In an isolated room situated at a deserted island on the Pacific Ocean, there stood four figures, three of them were wearing dark cloaks that covered their faces and most of their body . As for the last one, it was a gorgeous woman wearing expensive clothes .

She stared coldly at a tall and large silhouette that was chained at a corner of the room .

"So this is the one?"

The three women stood respectfully before the woman . The one at the center bowed then replied

"Yes m'am . "

She walked up to the tall undead knight and kicked it hard while loudly cursing it . Though no matter how much she provoked it or cursed at it, she simply wasn't satisfied .

"Are you absolutely sure this is the one that attacked the village?"

Claudia was skeptical about this whole matter . She didn't feel the same dread she experienced when this 'knight' attacked her and even severed her arm . The one that attacked her spoke and was awfully powerful yet this one seemed weak and was a complete mute .

The whole matter was odd and the rage within her wasn't the least bit quelled . However, no matter how unsatisfied she was, she didn't dare blame these three women .

They were part of the only assassin organization on Earth and each and every one of them was not only efficient at tracking, they even never failed a mission .

She used an astronomical amount of resources to be able to recruit them for this mission and they even managed to complete this in merely two days, including the time they spent traveling .

Although she felt helpless, Claudia continued beating the motionless undead for an extra half an hour before storming out of the room angrily .

The three women disposed of the undead which was already on the verge of death then swiftly left the whole island .

Merely a few hours later, the same three women were half-kneeling before Arthur and Lucy . They described what happened without missing a single detail .

Actually, they didn't even need to search for the undead as Arthur directly handed it to them . He knew Claudia's character and that she would try her best to capture the undead and vent all of her accumulated rage and hatred .

It's a shame that he wasn't there to watch as he was busy playing with Saly, nevertheless, hearing it from Lucy's subordinates was still extremely satisfying .

\*\*\*\*\*

Unbeknownst to Arthur and the rest . Gutcha, who disappeared since the moment he was brought to Earth, was currently on the brink of death . He was covered in injuries and blood covered half of his body . He was breathing heavily as he did his best to resist an overwhelming pressure that was pressing his body on the ground, almost flattening it .

After thoroughly studying the history of Earth and visiting many places where old meteors fell, he found this dreadful place, which only its entrance, was almost able to kill him .

'Arghh! To think I would find a Heavenly Tomb in this place! Simply unbelievable . . . . '

Gutcha was currently three kilometers underground, precisely under the Vredefort crater, situated in South Africa . It is the largest meteor on Earth as well as the oldest .

The Pigolo was only able to advance 300m before the pressure suddenly became too strong to the point of causing him to fall on the ground and become unable to lift a finger .

He could only sit there and circulate his Nether Energy to resist some of the pressure . As for getting out of here on his own? That was impossible with his current cultivation . His only way of survival is for someone to find which is rather unlikely as he only managed to find this tomb after a long and bitter search .

\*\*\*\*\*

Inside the Grand Palace, the Water Empress stood there dazed . The ancient paintings carried a mighty and old aura that even caused her a supreme existence, to feel an unimaginable pressure and even some dread .



She forcefully shifted her eyes from the paintings and pondered on where to go . This place was too large and made her feel uneasy . She knew that it isn't a simple palace and it was definitely the right to call to come here . Just as she was about to check the closest room to her, she suddenly turned around only to find a woman standing behind her .

Although this mysterious woman was but a few meters away from her, the Empress was unable to sense her presence as if she doesn't exist .

The woman bowed and spoke with a melodious voice .

"Ma'am, please follow me, her excellency is waiting for you . "

The Empress frowned upon hearing this but didn't object . She silently followed behind the woman while curiously glancing at the palace and the several paintings and statues that were neatly placed all over the palace .

Her gaze was quickly drawn to a four-meter-long statue that was made from bronze but the second her eyes landed on it, her mind started buzzing and her soul was attacked by something shapeless and dangerous .

It was at this moment that the melodious voice rang in her ears again and forced her out of this dazed and even life-threatening stance .

"Please refrain from looking at the statues . I'm afraid I can't guarantee your safety if you do that . "

Chapter 337

Author note : School is over, back to daily updates .

\*\*\*\*\*

It has been exactly since Claudia's son and the doctor were captured and imprisoned inside this desolate room . Moreover, the effect of their hunger multiplied due to the pills which Arthur forcefully made them swallow .

The old man's skin started turning darker and the two of them began staring at the other with malice and hostility . Were it not for the chains holding them down, they would have leaped at each other trying to fill their stomach .

While the old man's skin changed, the young man's teeth lengthened and resembled a beast's . No matter how much force they exerted, they couldn't shake off the thick chains binding them down .

It was also today that coincidentally, Claudia managed to locate her son but the matter wasn't so simple . Some anonymous person used a small-scale company to post countless information about Claudia's companies . This was posted on many public forums and was even shared by multiple international media companies which led to a disaster befalling on Claudia .

All the illegal crimes she did, ranging from blackmail to even human trafficking was made public and with conclusive evidence too . Were it not for Claudia's high status and her being a famous Hero, she would have been apprehended by the police already .

She was torn between going to save her son or hastily doing a conference to shake off some of the crimes she had been accused off and ease up the enraged public .

The problem was that whoever did this was extremely ruthless as he had evidence for every word he said which made it almost impossible for Claudia to recover . The only thing she could do at this time is to, little by little, find the culprit behind this and evade being forced to go to court as this would definitely end up bad for her since she can't deny the definite proof posted on forums such as videos, pictures, and even voice recordings!

She was sure that someone must have betrayed her but she didn't have time to find who it was . After careful consideration, Claudia actually something out of Arthur's expectations .

As he laid on the sofa with Lucy leaning on his shoulder, the couple watched the TV and stared at the Vice-CEO who replaced Claudia .

Lucy's informants told her that Claudia was rushing to where her son is but it'll still take her a few hours as he was imprisoned in the middle of nowhere .

"So it turns out she cares more about family than fame . . . hahahaha"

Arthur coldly laughed as he learned of this matter .

"Wouldn't that make it even more satisfying?"

Lucy seductively whispered those words in his ears as she softly smiled

"Indeed it would!"

Arthur didn't shy away and planted a kiss on his wife's lips . Currently, they were alone in this house as Randuin and Taliya went out with Saly and Delia was still in closed-door cultivation .

\*\*\*\*\*

"Are you sure it's the right place?"

As she stared at the grand villa situated at a desolate peak in a mountain range near China's border . Claudia frowned and warily looked at the villa which was too conspicuous .

She brought with her the two most expensive mercenaries . Both had a Lv higher than 150 and were experts in their fields . Along with them were three cloaked women who were hiding in the shadows, unable to be seen or sensed even by the mercenaries .

Claudia herself was wearing strong defensive and offensive items which could obliterate anyone in her path, or so she thought .

The six humans cautiously entered the villa which had its gates fully open for any visitors . At the front were the mercenaries and at the back were the three women .

Fortunately, they met no danger and entered the grand villa only to find it luxuriously decorated and devoid of any speck of dust .

The group inspected the villa but didn't enter all the rooms . Thanks to the high dexterity stat of one of the mercenaries, they found the location of the two captives .

Contrary to the expectations, the basement they were heading to transformed into a whole other place . The staircase became half-broken rocks and the illumination disappeared .

They were met with a tall and threatening figure of an undead . It was over three meters tall and just its aura made the two mercenaries and Claudia soak with cold sweat . They only dared to move when they noticed that the undead was motionless as if it was 'dead' .

A tall man who was one of the mercenaries, banged his hammer on the undead but his strike was pointless as it literally did no damage . The undead was unscathed and wasn't even pushed half a step which terrified the humans even more .

They advanced further into the cave until they started hearing chains noises coming from a distance away . Anxious about her son, Claudia hurried her steps and after taking a few dozen seconds to adjust to the total darkness, she shockingly saw two chained figure trying to break free from their binds and jump at each other .

Both of them had distorted faces and ugly expressions, savage and barbaric . They didn't resemble humans but hungry beasts that thought of nothing but food .

"Calias!"

The woman rushed toward her son despite his unusual behavior . However, when she was merely a couple of steps away from him, her body suddenly froze as if something was restricting her movements . The fate of the two mercenaries wasn't so fortunate, their bodies froze and shattered into countless fragments in merely two breaths .

A clapping sound could be heard from the corner of the room and followed by it two figures appeared from the absolute darkness . One was a one-eyed man a long grey hair and the other was a stunning beauty which had a silver hair that gave off a beautiful light in this dark and gloomy cave .

"Truly a moving scene, I'm almost moved to tears, really!"

Claudia was astonished as she didn't know what's going on . In such a dire situation, she glanced at the three women whom she brought with her only to find them kneeling toward Lucy, who she didn't recognize on the spot due to the absence of a mask .

Only after a few seconds did she manage to piece one and one together and guess Lucy's identity . As for the tall man beside her, she found him unfamiliar and thought that Lucy was the mastermind behind this .

"What the fuck do you want? I treated you good all these years and this is how you repay me? Kidnap my son and torture him?"

Unfortunately, her loud shouts were met with no response as Lucy was staring at her with a cold and deadpan expression .

"Now now, the show is about to start . It would be better to keep the silence to make it more entertaining . "

The mocking voice of Arthur caused the bound woman to fiercely glare at him but no matter how much she struggled, she couldn't resist the force that was immobilizing her .

Helpless, she activated her unique skill while speaking to him

"Why don't we stop this and solve this peacefully? I'm sure I can provide you with anything you need . "

As he stared at the row of notifications that popped before him, Arthur burst out in laughter . As for Claudia, she immediately knew that the opponent was too strong which is why her skill failed instantly .

To begin with, her unique skill had a low probability to work, plus, Arthur was apparently high\*leveled so it was expected that it'll be resisted .

Arthur flicked his finger, snapping the chains holding the old man down thus leading to the half-human half-beast being to leap at Calias, trying to rip his flesh and fill his belly .

## Chapter 338

Google search [freewebnovel.com](http://freewebnovel.com)

Claudia began breathing more heavily as both chains of the captives were cut into pieces . It was the old man who first leapt at the Calias, wanting to devour him whole .

Just like the elderly's appearance changed, so did Calias' . His grew sharp and long claws, two fangs similar to a vampire could be seen erected from the upper part of his lips .

Amused, Arthur laid back and watched the amazing show that's about to begin . Claudia became breathless as she saw her son being attacked and pinned on the ground in just a few seconds .

She was facing the two beasts and was unable to look at Lucy and Arthur behind her but she still kept trying to save her son and begged non-stop but to no avail .

Arthur turned a deaf ear and merely gazed at her with a chilling look .

\*\*\*\*\*

Unbeknownst to Arthur and Lucy, right where they fought the little girl and the man who could freeze time, there appeared four figures which appeared from a grey portal .

There were two familiar figures which were the little girl who had a hesitant look on her face, and also the middle-aged man who had an extremely ugly expression but still didn't dare voice out his thoughts .

"I can't believe you came back like that after one loss against some trash from an inferior planet!"

One of the two unfamiliar people rebuked them loudly, there was even some saliva which landed all over their faces but they still hang their heads low and remained silent .

The two new silhouettes were actually two old men who wore white robes and had two long staffs on their back . After shouting at their juniors for a while, they turned around left after saying those words

"Make haste and quickly finish our plan . Bring bigger quantities of undead here, we can't allow them to remain in our world any longer!"

With that, he flicked his hand and flew away with the other elderly .

Once they were sure their two superiors were gone, the man angrily punched the ground and cursed loudly

"Motherfucker! I ain't staying here any longer . "

He opened something akin to a portal and was about to step in when the little girl hastily stopped him

"W-wait! They'll surely exile you if you were to disobey them . "

The man was still uncaring, he glared at her and said

"Fuck! Do you I have the look of someone who cares about that? Go fucking look at their moon then see if you still want to stay here!"

Without any hesitation, the man disappeared from her sight, leaving the little girl confused and fearful . She looked at the moon which could barely be seen in the evening . Still unable to find anything useful, she flew straight towards it but half-way there, her face became extremely pale . She staggered and remained floating there for an unknown period of time before she did the same thing as the middle-aged man and bailed out .

It is a common thing for small planets to have a guardian which protects it from any disaster that could eradicate all living beings on it . However, when the duo came here at first, they didn't bother looking for the Guardian as he couldn't be that strong since all Humans on Earth are really weak .

However, after being beaten by Lucy and Arthur, the man sneakily was curious about why there were two monsters hiding here . To his surprise, he found even more terrifying beings living here .

To top it all, one of the Seven Deadly Sins was actually guarding this planet . Almost everyone in the Cloud Sea Universe and the System Universe knew that Sloth was working for the System but they didn't know that he was actually a guardian of an inferior planet!

No matter how much his clan was powerful, it can't face Sloth, it was just absurd . Moreover, the reason he didn't stop his two superiors or even tell them the truth was because he had no special affection for his clan nor did he have any loyalty . Although he had decent strength, his status was incredibly low which is why he was assigned to do such a simple task .

Who would have thought it'll lead to this .

\*\*\*\*\*

The battle between the two ex-humans, who lost their humanity and resembled real beasts, became fiercer and the two of them became more aggressive and ferocious .

Blood splattered everywhere and limbs were torn off . At the end of this battle, which lasted a little over fifteen minutes, there was only a creature that resembled a dark Goblin which gnawed on the corpse of its enemy . It grabbed the intestines and devoured them then moved the limbs, eating the rotten and dirty flesh of this lifeless body .

With a face as white a sheet of paper and a trembling body, Claudia started crying as she looked at the body of her kid, which was being eaten .

Even until his last breath, he suffered greatly from the pain of being eaten alive and the starvation he was feeling .

"Why . . . why . . . . "

The grieving woman was muttering the same word as she soullessly stared pile of meat in front of her . Her eyes were hollow and her lips were trembling . She truly loved her son and doted on him, in fact, he was her only family .

Now that he is gone, she couldn't help but feel sad and incredibly angry .

"What did I do to you to kill my son! LUCY!"

Claudia crazily yelled, though she couldn't directly stare at Lucy and Arthur, she was still directing her words to them . She was still unable to comprehend why would Lucy do this cruel thing .

As she said that, she felt that the restraints around her body disappeared thus making her fall on the ground . Without any hesitation, she turned around and threw a weird looking bomb at the couple . Unfortunately, before it traveled even a meter, the bomb disappeared into nothingness .

"I WILL KILL YOU TWO!"

Enraged, the woman ran at them prepared to trade her life with theirs . Her emotions were in disarray and instead of carefully thinking about a plan, she just aggressively charged at her opponent, which was unlike her . However, the death of her son affected her state of mind too much

SLAP!

Claudia's body was sent flying as Lucy slapped her face turning it a pig's face . Her cheek became awfully swollen and she even lost four teeth .

"You still the audacity to question our actions when you know full well what you did . Not to me but to all the people you incriminated, killed, and . . . tortured . "

Hearing the last word, especially, Claudia's body shook for a split second . In all of her life, she personally tortured only one individual .

'No! How could she know about that?!'

Claudia panicked but didn't show it on her face . She spat some blood and glared at Lucy then at Arthur who was next to her .

"Do you think I will let you off after I did? I'll repay today's debt a thousand's time over!"

Claudia laughed hysterically and sneakily retrieved a weird looking grey orb . A drop of blood landed on the orb hence causing it to glow with a mysterious white light .

This item was one of the rare loots that dropped once in ten million monsters . It's priceless and Claudia only managed to acquire due to pure luck .

It only has one function and it's to teleport the user to a random location on a radius of five thousand kilometers . As her body began to disappear, she glared at the two of them with a piercing glare .

Unfortunately, just as she was about to escape and breathe a sigh of relief, Arthur waved his hand, shattering the space that was enveloping her and destroying the small grey orb .

## Chapter 339

Stupefied and unable to comprehend what just happened, Claudia stared at the grey ash in her hand then back to Arthur, who was looking at her with an amused expression .

A low-grade item such as this one can easily be nullified with his High Mastery of Space Magic . In fact, he can even negate the high-grade items as long as they aren't above Mystic Rank .

(Small reminder: Items ranks are : Spirit => Mystic=> Heavenly, Godly, Mysterious . )

"You think you can escape your fate that easily? I don't think so . "

Arthur shrugged his hands innocently then clutched the air with his hand thus resulting in Claudia being raised a few centimeters above ground and suffocating as her hand was being grabbed by something invisible .

Slowly, Arthur started walking up to this venomous woman while his figure started turning illusory until he regained his old appearance .

Once he was merely two meters away from her, her pupils contracted as she even forgot to struggle for air . She stared at him with a dumb look as she didn't know what the hell was going on .

This was obviously none other than her deceased husband, who was supposed to have died five years ago . For more than ten seconds, she remained in this state until the grip that was tightening around her neck was finally retracted .

The woman fell on her knees but her eyes still didn't leave Arthur, who was watching her with an emotionless face .

"I bet you never thought that such a day would come, right?"

He stared at this woman who made his previous life miserable, even in her current state . With a disheveled hair, weakened body and pale face, he felt no trace of pity .

In fact, he could feel his insides burning as his hidden emotions started surfacing . All the rage and anger he had been saving her for her .

It is no longer about a simple story of revenge but it's about repaying old debts and getting back at her for all the horrible things she had done to him and all of that for what? Just money and power, material things that surely would push anyone to do the things she did but not the same way .

He knew she felt joy when she saw him suffer and wondered many times about this matter . What could he had done to her to push her to the extreme and make her torture him for months!

It wasn't a human thing to do, a thing that even demons of hell would refrain from doing .

"A-a . . . w-wha"

Claudia couldn't utter any words as they got stuck in her throat . She sat there, astonished and confused about this whole matter . The first thing she thought was 'Impossible' .

He died five years ago and even if he was a God, he can't come back to life . She saw his dead body and confirmed it herself that he was deadlier than dead!

"T-this is P-preposterous! You're not 'him'!"

With reddened eyes, she pointed at him angrily with a trembling body . Although she was sure he wasn't the real one, she still couldn't help but feel anxious and afraid .

"Y-you . . . ! You're using illusion to trick me!"

The truth was before her eyes but the woman was refusing to believe reality . With the appearance of Magic on Earth, there surely are people who are adept at using illusions, which is why she uttered those words to try and convince herself .

"What's preposterous? The fact that I'm still alive or the fact that I'm here, cornering you like the rat you are?"

Claudia's mind went blank as she couldn't understand what's going on . Her thoughts were in total disarray and her body was shaking instinctively due to the chilling and ominous aura Arthur was emanating .

She shifted her glare to Lucy, who was a distance away and yelled at the top of her lungs

"YOU WITCH! What the hell did you do? You think using some petty illusions to show me my dead husband would shake me?"

Hearing this, Lucy snorted and retorted

"Husband? First of all, he was never YOUR husband . Secondly, this isn't an illusion . Lastly, you should think of what's going to happen to you instead of denying reality . "

"NONSENSE! THIS IS TRICKE-"

Claudia was interrupted halfway through her sentence as a loud slap landed her face and slammed her into the wall, breaking a few bones in the process .

The unimaginable pain made her screech loudly as she held her red cheek and venomously glared at Arthur, who used a handkerchief to clean some of her blood which landed on his palm .

"I remember it clearly, our first meeting, I mean . It was in a classic Chinese restaurant which was reserved to just the two of us . You wore a traditional purple Chinese robe and fanned yourself with a golden fan as you sat opposite of me . You even said those exact words 'Am I pretty?' . I was young back then and didn't know what real love was, you could say I was temporarily attracted to your body but couldn't see the ugliness inside of you . My foolishness led to our marriage, which ended becoming my doom . "

Arthur paused for a second before continuing



"We even had a little secret between us that nobody knew but I'm not sure if I should say it . "

As she listened to him, her breathing became heavier and faster and she even starting sweating . The more she heard him the more she started believing that he really was Arthur Bilgart .

They really had a secret which only they knew of it . She never spoke of it to anyone and he didn't either, for she was monitoring him daily and even slipped a few microphones into his clothes .

\*\*\*\*\*

Inside Arthur's consciousness, the Earth Spirit was freaking out as part of the dark fog managed to corrode some of its body .

"Fuck! Why the hell did it became so agitated . . . . Shit! I'm doomed this time!"

It shrunk its body until it was merely three meters tall but it still couldn't escape the ominous dark fog which was sucking the life out of it .

If this continues, it would survive for a few more days before being fully corrupted and dies a miserable and pretty painful death, to say the least .

The cluster of thick and long chains around it, which were forming a spheric cage, were rotating in a weird manner and the whole consciousness, which was a vast starry sky turned into complete darkness where the only source of light was the huge bright blob, which was none other than Arthur's soul .

The Earth Spirit peeked through a small hole to see what exactly is going on but in doing so, its expression turned even graver .

Between the spirit and the soul, there were specks of dark and grey lights which were merging together . They were made from Dark Mana and Death Energy .

The problem was that these two peculiar kinds of Energy were affecting it since it was so close it and its presence was actually aiding the birth of a monstrosity .

"Motherfucker! It's actually the birth of a Spirit! And not an ordinary one at that! We're doomed . . . it's over . . . . "

## Chapter 340

"I-It can't b-be! You died!"

Claudia was hell-bent on rejecting reality . Even in a world like hers, where technology is reaching its peak and Magic is a normal thing, the revival of the dead isn't a common thing, not even in High-Realms . In fact, it's the most taboo thing one could ever do .

The dead should never be revived, which is why the Undead are partially hated by some factions, mainly the Holy Dominion .

"Ah . . . you really want me to speak of your little secret? Alright, it doesn't concern me so I'm fine with saying it . Hmm . . . let's say that your respected step-father had an unusual liking to his little foster daughter . "

Claudia's body trembled fiercely as she heard his words . Now, there was no denying that this man is her deceased husband, Arthur Bilgart .

"A-Arthur . . . is that really you?"

'SLAP!'

This time, it wasn't Arthur who slapped her but Lucy, who remained silent and merely watched the show from the sidelines .

"Don't you ever utter his name . "

Unfortunately, Lucy didn't weaken her strength so her slap literally disfigured Claudia . A dislocated jawline and red cheeks and bleeding lips . The sight was truly horrible and even Claudia's closest acquaintance won't be able to recognize her .

Claudia ignored her current state and sneered in a desperate tone

"S-so what if you're alive? Do you think I'm going to apologize for the past? Or beg you to spare my life? Ha! Don't make laugh\*spit\* you totally deserved everything!"

Arthur wasn't angered by her words, in fact, he displayed a broad smile and clapped his hands while saying

"Now that's the real you! It really won't be satisfying unless I see such stubbornness hahahahaha"

Arthur was just about to bind her using Telekinesis when something suddenly occurred . Neither he nor Lucy were injured as a cool breeze passed by their necks but wasn't even able to tear their clothes, however, the disaster was actually that Claudia didn't have such an impenetrable defense like the couple .

Cleanly and swiftly, the disfigured face along with the whole head of Claudia was sent flying in the air and landed a couple of meters away from the headless body .

Arthur was so focused on this whole matter and with Claudia so the moment this happened, it immediately made him astonished and in a daze . He forgot everything around him and merely stared at the lifeless corpse in front of him with hollow eyes .

Lucy wasn't the same, she was momentarily startled but quickly regained her senses and spread her Godly Sense to find out the enemies' location .

Unfortunately, she wasn't able to find them for some time, however, that only lasted for half a minute before she managed to find the two hiding rats .

For two strangers to be able to attack them without her or Arthur's awareness, there are only two options . One is that the enemies are way stronger than them and second is that they used a particular technique or a treasure/artifact that allowed them to remain undetected .

. . . .

High up in the sky, approximatively two kilometers away from Arthur and Lucy . Two old men were floating in the air as they stared at the cave which had three corpses and two higher beings which were stronger than they expected .

"I wasn't even able to injure them with my Time Rupture . They are just a God and a Half-Sovereign, how come they could resist me?"

The two old men pondered for a few seconds before the second one talked

"Perhaps . . . they have unique treasures that can resist us?"

Once he said that, the two pair of eyes flashed with greed as they focused their attention on the dazed Arthur and Lucy, who was motionlessly staying behind her husband with her eyes closed .

Obviously, they didn't think that they would be found since they were controlling Time so that their presence couldn't be felt or found .

Sadly for them, after half a minute passed and seeing that the two fat sheep were still motionless . The two old men dropped their guard which affected their technique very slightly, however, that split second of carelessness was more than enough for Lucy to sense something .

She wasn't even going to question them or figure out their identities . As the two old men were discussing how to deal with the two of them, Lucy's figure disappeared but before the other party was able to react or even be surprised by her disappearance, one of them heard the sound of bones breaking .

Lucy's body had surpassed the limiter like Arthur and even God Monarchs couldn't match her in strength and speed unless they practiced some kind of a special body cultivation technique .

One of the two old men was kicked by Lucy and was sent flying a few kilometers until he crashed into a mountain . More than half of his bones were broken and his face became horribly pale .

His comrade, who witnessed what happened, retrieved his staff and was going to retreat while stopping time, however, he was still a beat slower than Lucy, who brought down a ten-meter wide meteor which emitted an intense heat and had purple flames burning on its edges .

With a panicked expression, the old man raised his staff to block but such a move was beyond useless as the meteor crashed into him and literally pulverized his staff and flattened him on the ground . Once the smoke was cleared, you could see his body which was severely burnt due to the lava and the purple flames, moreover, he was missing both of his legs .

Lucy emotionlessly glanced at this dying old man before disappearing into the horizon and appearing next to the other old man, who was breathing heavily as he glared at the unexpected visitor, who was approaching him .

"W-who ar-"

Before he could finish, Lucy's soft saber had already penetrated his throat thus causing a fountain of blood to splatter on the ground . Without caring about the corpse, she turned around and returned next to Arthur, who wasn't looking so good .

Slowly but surely, a dark fog was emanating from his body . Clouds started clustering around the area and soon, the rays of the sun were totally covered . This, however, was but the beginning of an absolute nightmare .

Arthur fell to his knees and clutched his head as he blankly stared at the ground .

\*\*\*\*

"T-this can't be! NO!"

Lucy wanted to calm him down but the dark fog around him was corroding everything and pushing her back .

.....

On the surface of the moon, Sloth, who was snoring while hugging a huge pink pillow, suddenly opened his eyes and stared at Earth with a serious look .

"Ahh! Even if it was only a Dark Spirit, it would have been a miraculous thing yet it's a Dual Spirit . . . truly terrifying! Even I, can't help but shiver!"

His form disappeared from the surface of the moon as he was heading toward Arthur only to smash into a solid cubic dark barrier that developed the whole Earth .

Sloth angrily smashed his fist on the barrier but it didn't cause any damage . He sighed helplessly then said

"Miss Lucy, it's up to you now . You must calm him down . "