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Chapter 1081: Where is death monarch going?

Of course, there is also other methods that is not considered in this hypothetical battle but that is the rough calculation of trying to restrain a Divine Comprehension leveler.

And that is just to suppress normal Divine Comprehension leveler. Even Divine Comprehension leveler have tiers among them

All of it deepened on how many laws they had cultivated. Whether the law they cultivated is in the high tier and their mastery over the laws and how they use it.

Even if a Divine Comprehension leveler could control the Law, if they do not know how to use it according to situations, then it would be a waste of energy.

But on Earth, to reach this level right now, it would not be wrong to say that one who had reached such level is invincible right now.

Sasha who is inside the tower heard the noise in her head and she turns her head back.

To her, the voice seems to whisper just behind her, like a wind that passes by.

When she turns to look back, she could not sense anything but she knew that the words come from her boss.

Then the communication device on her waist suddenly emits a faint light.

She brought it out and tap the small round button on the communication device and all of the information of what happened in the area around the cave stream directly toward her mind with all the footages and explanation.

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After finished digesting all the information, she only smiles bitterly.

After sending the message Azief believe Sasha would; know what to do. He had something that he needed to do

Something that he had avoided since the end of the battle with the Demon King. It is very hard for him to muster his courage to deal with this one matter.

Because he knew what is going to happen. This is not some power of premonition but something that he could guess and expect.

Because he knows that person.... too well. He takes a breath and look at the sky and felt the sun on his face.

He smiles and then he takes a step. At the same time, he manipulates the space and time around him.

His eyes already see that place and he wanted to go there. The distance of millions of kilometers away.

Yes, now the measurement of travel between continent to continent no longer is measured in tens of thousands of kilometers but millions of kilometers and even some which is billions of kilometers away

So, it is not surprising that some Disk Formation leveler would even find it hard to patrol the world like they do before the Multiversal Convergence.

A portal appears in front of him, buzzing in a sound frequency that only he could hear.

Inside the portal, Azief could see the scenery of a tall hill with beautiful flowers all covering the trails around the hill.

There is some kind of invisible barrier between the scenery inside that portal and the space that he is in now.

The wind and the elements of that place inside the scenery could not pass the thin membrane of energy that is in the opening of the portals.

He closes his eyes, takes a deep breath and then opens it a few second later. Mustering his courage, he ten walk toward that portal and disappeared from the cave area.

Death Monarch Azief has exit his seclusion.

That is the thought of many of the department all over Pandemonium right now. The message that Sasha got is quickly relayed to the other department in the court

Her message is quite simple. That Death Monarch has returned. As for her, she is still in that tower.

She seems to be thinking of something. She then shakes her head as she clicks her tongue

'I don't think I could hide it for long. It is better to confess as fast as possible before my lord learns it from other sources' she thought to herself.

And she also thought about the message she got from Death Monarch

She right now is supervising the construction program of a new city by the nanobots while at the same time hearing the report of her subordinate that comes from all parts of Pandemonium.

It was then during all of this that a Divine Sense communication sounded in her mind. She frowned when she heard the message.

But she did not hesitate.

The message is simple. She is to wait for him in the Throne room.

Sasha send an order to his subordinate to continue her work as she went to the roof of the building and boarded her spaceship.

She input the coordinate of the palace while thinking to herself.

'Where is Death Monarch going?'

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There is a hill in an island.

The island had been enlarged but it is still an island. Somehow it almost seems like the island is being restricted somehow.

The energy that came seems to be absorbed to somewhere and it could not reach the ground entirely.

But still it become larger than usual.

There is thick deep forest, large trees yet there is no beast.

Maybe if the people in the island would go away, then monster might come here and make this island their habitat.

But none of these monster dares to land on this island. The reason is quite simple.

It is because this island had many fluctuation of energy that even made some of the powerful beast felt fear and goosebumps all over their body.

And in one of the hill, there is a man floating in front of a portal.

Green auras seem to come out from his body and connected him with the portals as the green aura seems to chain down the portals.

The portal itself shows only a spiraling void.

But every once in a while fi you look carefully, you could see some vision of a different world. Sometime one could see mountain of bones and sometimes one could see flaming seas.

The scenery in the portal seems to evoke some images of a terrifying world. Standing in front of that portal is Jean the Time Monarch.

Time around him seems to be slowed down. It is also probably because of this that the island did not reach the size like some other island that turns into continents

There is also a device near the portal.

It is a metallic device rectangle in shape, the size is like a box of tissue.

Etched on the side of the rectangular metallic device is WG.

This is the property of the World Government.

Every time the portal seems like it is about to change it position, the rectangular device would open and a silver chain would fly out from the device and hold the illusory border of the portal in place.

The chain itself is illusory in nature, translucent, formed by pure energy and mystical means.

There are also some other formations.

Some of them is so intricate that one could deduce that such a formation must be the handiwork of the famous Arrayist Sage Lee Sangmin

There are other measures of course

It is all to make sure that the portal does not grow any larger than it supposed to and did not move away from its position.

They were all helping Jean.

The portal is none other than the subject of surveillance and observation by all the great powers since Jean had stay there, maintaining its open position while at the same time adjusting the time differences between Earth Prime and the world beyond that portal.

This is the portal leading toward the Seresian world.

And the reason why it is observed by all the great powers is because this portal is the only portal that links Earth Prime and the Seresian world

After the matter of the Multiversal Convergence most people would want to close such a portal.

But, that is easier said than done.

Because the whole world knows that even if some of the other world power agrees to close the portal, there is two great powers that would not agree and they would go on the warpath if anyone would suggest trying to close that portal

That world power is Pandemonium and The Republic.

On one side is the man leading Pandemonium is the strongest man in the world.

On the other, is one of the Three Great Power the Republic who also has Jean, one of the three people on Earth that has Divine Comprehension attainment.

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To ignore them would invite a great war between the world powers. A war that none of them could afford.

There is a chance to restrain both Death Monarch and Jean if all of the Great Powers unite with each other and throws everything they got at them

They might even be able to force Death Monarch and Jean to back away. Do not underestimate the world powers.

Most of the things they show to the world is not their true strength.

chapter 1082: alone

The world powers are very terrifying when they truly get serious.

The resources they have, the manpower they possess, the kind of weapons and magical means that they could employ is endless.

Especially those who had deep foundation and a large pool of talent like Pandemonium, the Republic and the World Government.

Because they were ones of the first that was established, they attracted more talents.

And most of them had cultivated that talent as such it is not as easy to compare their achievement with the upstart that is the Four Great Powers.

Most of them hide their true power, used only in desperate measures when their own survival is threatened to the point of no return

And while it almost seems like Azief is invincible right now, he is not.

Loki would say that only Sovereigns are truly invincible. It is the reason why a Sovereign is enough to deter all forces in the world and in the Universe.

They are the true deterrent, filling the function of a nuclear bomb.

Only the difference was that a Sovereign surpassed the capability of a nuclear bomb. It is more like a galaxy ending destruction weapon.

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But the reason why all the other great powers did not interfere in this matter is because if they do fight, even if they could win, the loser is still Earth.

Not only that, if they survive, it would sow a seed of irreconcilable feud between them

Then there is the World Government.

The only one with enough authority to lead the other great powers to attack Death Monarch and Jean is the World Government but considering the actions that Hirate had taken over the years it would be hard for him to allied himself with the other great power

(The Three Great Powers is sometimes called the Three Giants or the Three Titans to differentiate them from the other four world powers. The Three Great Powers that is referred as the Three Titans is Pandemonium, The Republic of Earth (the other name for the Republic) and the World Government)

The Three Titans of the world power is united. The other four great powers had always been looking to undermine the influence of the Three Titans

If Hirate turns his back on the resolution of the other two titans of the world power, he would only be strengthening the power of the Four Great Powers.

And there is another reason.

Which is right now, there is a lot of problems that needs to be solved by each great power most importantly the border of their influence.

This is not yet addressed but it would probably be addressed in the next World Council.

For now, most of the great powers is sending messages for the people of their dominion to gather around the Capital of their force.

But because of the massive size of Earth right now, the message did not reach everywhere and there are still many things that needs to be researched

So most of the citizens of the great powers right now is scattered.

Other than their military force most of their normal citizens is separated from the capital of their force by millions of miles away.

And yet, even with all of these problems, all the great powers in the world is focusing their attention to this one place in the world.

They sent all kinds of surveillance probe, the highest tech that they could offer.

Some of them are even adjusting the frequency of the connection every few hours as the energy of the world sometimes messes up with the frequency.

This is time consuming and requires a lot of manpower. Yet none of the great powers think that this effort is a waste.

Jean like always is concentrating hard on the portal. Sometimes his eyebrows would be raised up and sometimes he would scrunch his face.

The area around him itself is affected by his mood and time is in chaos but did not affect the entirety of the island.

As such, the area around the hill seems to experience time reversion. It is like one part of the island is undergoing time moving backward while on the other part of the island it is moving forward normally.

Like some kind of an anti-universe of some sort.

Sitting under a large tent on the other side of the hill, free from the side effect of Jean powerful and miraculous Time Laws is Sofia.

The tent does not look shabby. It was more like she was glamping. The tent is tall and huge. There is even a bed with thick comforter and essence diffuser inside the tent.

Outside the tent, on the left side of the tent, there is a tree stump that she had place there where she put her cooking utensils.

While Disk Formation theoretically did not have to eat, the growth of many energy fruits had created a trend among the leveler who do not need to eat

In the past, some of them chooses not to eat simply because there is no benefit in eating. Azief eats simply because he wanted to remind himself of his own humanity.

Some other people eat simply to just taste the spices and enjoy the scent of it and not to fill their stomach.

But with the emergence of the energy fruit, eating is no longer simply something that needs to be ignored.

Some chefs that have powerful and mystical cooking technique could create food that bring endless benefit to one body when one digested it.

That feeling of fullness could once again be felt when eating energy based food.

Not to mention it would rid of any impurities in one body.

Unlike Azief whose energy is very pure; most people could not help but absorb impurities when they absorbed the energy of the world

It would gather and if it's become too much, it would manifest in one body in the form of diseases and illness.

Yes, it seems that even levelers could not escape illness and diseases. Only the diseases are a different kind of disease the sickness is not the sickness like before the Fall.

It requires people to research more about this new diseases and illnesses

Until one reaches a certain level, it seems that immortality and longevity is still a hard path to pursue.

Because of that it seems that Chef and Doctor class would be making a resurgence back in this world of magic and fantasy once again.

On the back of the tent is a lazy chair and a table where four people could down on the chair and eat together.

There is a shade that could be extended from the tent to cover this small area on the back of the tent.

Sofia might be living in a tent, but she is living in style.

Around the ten kilometers radius of the tent, even though one could not see it, there is formation arrays and runic characters embedded deep into the ground.

When there were still many people in the island, some of them volunteer to set up the protection array to increase the protection around her tent

She did not refuse. Because of that she did not have difficulties living here. And even if she does have difficulties, it is not like Sofia is a soft persimmon.

She used to live in forest and in the early formation of World Government she had travels many places and had to live in swamp area and fought in many unlivable places.

It is just that the reputation as the Divine Archer and the woman of Death Monarch overshadowed all of her other achievement.

And Sofia is not someone that likes to brag. She is now inside the tent sitting on a beautiful carved chair.

It does look like it was carved when in fact there is someone who is a Druid who could shape vines into whatever shapes he wanted to.

That Druid created the chair for her and as for the details, some Sculptor added in the details. Sofia knows they just want to curry favor with her and she did not mind it.

She is in the tent.....alone

She just woke up from her sleep. Like eating, sleeping is not necessary. But, nowadays, she felt tired and it is only when she sleeps that she could rid of that tiredness.

And it does not only happen to her. Many people had noticed it. Some people believe this is related to the change of the world

It seems to slowly changes humanity.

Other than those who could control Laws, it seems that no other levelers below Divine Comprehension could escape feeling this tiredness other than eating some Stamina Pills or something that have the same effect

The moment she woke up; she went bathing in the nearby creek.

Then she returns back to her tent and eat some breakfast. And now, she just sits on one of the chairs in her tent, taking a bit of a break

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It has been quite some time that she could truly sleep.

Most of the time, she just closes her eyes and the sleep is something that she could manually induce but with her Divine Sense always on surveillance

She forgot how good it is to sleep and for a moment forget some of her problems.

Right now she is alone.

Chapter 1083: The bad ones

Sofia has been alone in this island for two days.

But time in this island is quite weird.

Because of the phenomenon of time acceleration and time reversal around this island, even though only four days had passed in the real world, Sofia felt it had been quite some time for her.

Sina was with her for a few days, accompanying her

But then she had to settle something in Pandemonium. When they were here, they talk about many things

And of course, they touched upon Loki. Sina does not seems surprised. And Sofia also found out that Loki broke up with Sina.

Though, Sina doesn't seem that upset. When she asked why she is not sad, the answer that Sina gave her made her dumbfounded

She said

"this is not the first time and this is surely not the last' As for the reason why Loki broke up with her, she very much understands.

Sina told her that her relationship with Loki is very calm. They were not as passionate as her and Azief.

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But she said, there is all kind of love. Not all love had to burn so brightly it consumes them. Her love with Loki is like the calm water.

They understand each other and they trusted each other implicitly. The reason Loki broke up with her is not because he did not love her and it is not some sappy love story reason.

It is for practical reason

Loki did it so that the world would not transfer the hate they have for him to her. He was always thorough.

And she, as his girlfriend would cooperate. Sofia did ask her whether Loki met her after the matter ended

But Sina told her that they did not meet each other after that matter. Sina understood that the moment Loki decided to cut her off, he would truly cut her off.

She was also sure that Loki would never response to any threat that one would point towards her.

Because once Loki succumb to any of these threats, he would prove that Sina is important to him.

And acknowledging that, she would then become a liability.

It is because she knows this that she understood the step taken by Loki and did not complain

Sometimes Sofia envy that. How easily it is for them to understand each other. With Azief it is very hard.

But Loki is not the reason she had to return back to Pandemonium.

Pandemonium court is in chaos right now. If not handled carefully, there would be another clash between the military officials and the court officials.

Without her, the military faction is running the court and some of the officials of Pandemonium went to pick her up in a mini sized Battlestar.

Sina could be considered a very influential senior official of the court. That is how most of the officials of the court treated her.

With her there backing the officials of the court, Wang Jian, Freya and Athena could not throw their weight around.

After all, even though those three controls the military Sina is after all the friend of their lord. They have to restrain their domineering attitude.

Though it seems like Sina and the Three Army seems in conflict with each other, in reality this is not so. At times, Sina even approve some of Wang Jian methods.

But after all, the officials are the people close to Sina. Some of them are her acolytes and disciple.

Yes, when one reaches Disk Formation, the system does open up the discipleship system.

Loki had a disciple which is the Heaven Flute Lihua.

Even Azief had one and that was Somi.

But unlike Loki and Azief who take disciple not using the system, Sina took disciple using the system.

As such many of her disciple is not really an alchemist but all kinds of jobs.

With the discipleship system, she could easily transfer the knowledge of alchemy to her disciple.

And because disciple could not easily betray their master, Sina send them to the court in the early days of the formation of the Pandemonium court. As they were loyal to her and owe her, the Pandemonium court runs very stably in the past.

But it is also because of that, it created factions in the court.

As such, when the military come back to Pandemonium and Pandemonium is in a state of emergency, the officials of the court fears that the Three Army would use this emergency as a ploy to gain more benefits for their factions.

It is known that Death Monarch would not interfere between the battle of officials of the court. It is only when they touch Death Monarch bottom line, that He would make his move.

It is for that reason the officials even came to invite Sina in a spaceship with all the high tech protection measures.

That is how widely regarded Sina is in the Pandemonium court.

Even though it is called a mini size Battlestar, that is just relative to the real size of a Battlestar.

However, that mini Battlestar still could fit half the entire population of Europe in the mini Battlestar.

Sina while she rarely interferes in the Pandemonium court, her speaking right is quite strong.

She is one of Death Monarch closest friends, one of the people in his inner circle, and she had a lot of allies all over the world.

She is also rumored to have something with Loki and everyone knows that she is friends with Sasha the leader of the Shadow Guards.

With all of this attached to her, it is no wonder that she alone could balance the situation at the court.

And as for the other people in the island, most of them were recalled back by their respective power.

All of the great powers send some people to channel some energy toward Time Monarch.

This is not because they approve the decision of the Republic and Pandemonium decision to keep opening the portal

It is simply as a gesture of respect and not wanting to offend both of these titans.

Especially when right now, if such a beast or some other invader from some other worlds or other galaxy comes knocking, the only one that probably have enough firepower to force these invaders to get lost from Earth is Divine Comprehension leveler.

Sofia sighed as she leaned her back on the chair. On the table beside her there is a hot coffee, its mist is rising up from the cup.

It is not a normal coffee as it produces mist after being brewed. This mist could give calm of mind and relaxation when it is drunk

She did not know why she is still here.

No, she does know.

But she did not want to admit it.

The wind keeps blowing bringing the scent of sweet scented flowers.

Outside her tent, there is a large maple tree stand tall. It is unlike normal maple tree. It is even more colorful and it reminded her of cheery trees.

She is still here waiting.

Because she knows he would come here. And she needs to talk to him. the reason did not matter. But, it should still have a reason.

And that is why she is here and not in Pandemonium. That is his place. Not hers. His domain. And she doesn't need to be reminded about certain things.

There are too many memories there.

She does wonder whether that house of her is still there.

With all the chaos after the expansion of the world, maybe her house is now on top of some mountain.

Considering that her house is on top of some cliff before, maybe the cliff had become a mountain.

Or it might be that her house is now in the bottom of some abyss. Her house might have split apart as the land beneath it split apart.

She sighed

'I promise to myself not to do this. Yet, I keep doing it' That small house with the white picket fence, is a special house. It is not as big as a castle and it is not luxurious at all. But the memories shared in that house is very special

And because of that, the house became special. Even though she thinks she could just let it go, when it comes to it, she found herself hesitating and her mind kept lingering

'It is hard letting go' she thought to herself. She shakes her head trying to shake the thought off from her mind

This.... whatever this is between him and her.... she just could not see how they would not crash and burn in the end.

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That is tragic and it would be painful. And she thought she could endure it. But maybe she is not as strong as she thinks she is.

And this is the reason she chooses to do this.

Because then, she would be the bad one. And not him. Because Azief.... that guy would never want to be the bad guy. At least not to her.

Since that is the case, she will take the blame. If its makes it easier for him to be honest, than she would take the blame.

Chapter 1084: The person only she knows (1)

She had experienced all of this before. She is not eager to experience it again.

She hesitates because she did not know whether she is making the right decision. There were times she wanted to come back to Pandemonium and maybe chose another way.

But each time, fear crept in her heart.

And this fear, this pain.....that is what made her stay.

It is stupid. But she could not endure that again. She could not endure another betrayal.

Not from him.

As she closed her eyes, there were many memories that flashes in her mind.

She took the coffee on the table and drink half of the coffee in the cup.

Feeling relaxed and calm she walk outside the tent.

A few feet from the tent is a tree with just enough height and width that it could be considered a normal tree.

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Compared to the trees in the forest nearby that reaches thirty to forty feet high and shades that could cover you even from rain and sunlight, this tree is quite small

Leaning on the trunk of the tree is her bow. She gestures with her hand and the bow flew toward her palm

She grabs it and put it over her back. She looks at the sun in the sky.

'Two more days' she thought to herself. Sofia has always been waiting for Azief here.

This time, she is going to do this. Because is f she did not do this, he would stay with her, till the end.

Sina told her that she was Azief first love. It was when they were teenagers Sina told her. She kind of chuckles trying to think how Azief was like back then.

That is the Azief only Sofia knows. Sina probably could not have imagined that Azief in high school is unlike his current image right now.

The differences between the two is like Heaven and Earth

At that time, she remembers him as they were in the same class for a few years.

But she always thought of him as a funny guy. But a few years later, when she once saw him, there is this darkness about him.

Maybe...because she too had a darkness about her that she could see it in Azief.

At that time, she was also not in that good of a situation. She did not get the scholarship. She was in the archery department when she was in school.

Her school is a sport school.

Though they also accept normal students to pass the SPM, during the years when she was there, the sport athletes and the normal student interact normally.

Of course, after a few years later, she heard that there is this discrimination between sport people and the normal student but it did not matter anyway considering the event of the Fall

Her interaction with Azief during that time is scarce. Sofia was dating Hasrul at that time, a young rich man and her the poor abused kid.

Hasrul family is a family of local politician. She on the other hand a poor girl with talent in archery

Even though, they love each other, when it is all over, she finds out that it is just young love. She could look back on it with fond memory

They were some painful times in that relationship.

But they were also some good times.

She did not want to forget it. But with Azief.....it was different. The boy she knew and the man she met that come into that mall a decade ago, is a different person.

But in some point, it is still the same. She sighed.

Sofia is a friendly person. She smiles a lot. She talks with people and she is sweet. That is how she cope with all the bad things in her life.

Behind her smile, there is a sadness only certain people could see.

She hides her darkness so well that it is very hard to see it. With smiles and laughter, she wipes away the tears but on the inside, it is hurting

In that moment, she wears a mask that only she knows how to craft.

But Azief.... he shut down those emotions, prefer to handle it by himself. If there is a mask that he wears, it is those cold eyes, those expressionless face.

It is not some kind of man machoness that he handles all of it alone, it is because he simply too accustomed being alone.

The cold man the world knows, Death Monarch the strongest man in the world. But the Azief that she knew is nothing like that.

She knows how sweet he is when they were alone together. She knew that he could laugh. That he could smile and play jokes.

She could feel and see his kindness.

When the mask is torn off, there is the man he loves. A light in his eyes that is gentle and warm, the face that lights up when he is happy, these things that no person other than her could see.

It is just that the world could not see it.

Because, that is not what is expected of him. Because reality is harsh and kindness to some people is a weakness.

She knew him.

She knew him in a way no other people knew him.

And she wanted to embrace every part of him. But...there is always a part of him that he would never share with her.

And her, wanting him to share that, it made her feel selfish.

It made her feel.... bad.

And that is not good for her heart. And wanting him to love him the way she loves him make her felt evil. That everything she did is wrong.

And because of that she knew that this is love. Because the pain is nothing she had ever experienced.

And the reason why the pain is so intense is because the good days lingers. Because every time she is with him, she could not help but happy.

It did not matter what they were doing or where she was....as long as he is there, she felt happy.

She closes her eyes again and she thought of all the kisses they shared together, the touches and all the words they say to each other

Each time they kiss, she felt like everything is right in the world and every time he smiles, that rare smile, coming from such a private man, she felt some kind of satisfaction, knowing that the smile is for her and because of her.

'Huu' she sighed.

Her hair sways a bit as the wind blows pass her.

Her hair is now golden.

It is not blonde as that it is not her hair original color but golden. though when it is not supplied with energy, it does really look like a blonde hair

She is tall and beautiful with curly golden hair. A decade had passes and she look nothing like she was in the past.

The stronger she is, the beautiful she became. The same could be said for Azief. But she is white pale on her face.

It shows that she has been injured a bit. It is clear though that she is now slowly recovering from her injuries.

This had something to do with the monster that tries to come to the island. Some of these monsters are Disk Formation equivalent.

Since she is here, there is no harm for her to kill all of these monster from going closer to the center of the island where the hill that have the portal is situated.

She uses her eyes to try to see if there is any monster this morning.

After the Multiversal Convergence energy fills the world, it is better to use your eyes than your Divine Sense to look at things

Divine Sense could give more detailed description and seeing things comprehensively compare to using eyesight.

But at least eyesight is not suppressed by the energy of the world. If she uses her Divine Sense, what she would see is only ten kilometers around her.

The denser the energy around a certain area, the harder it is for a Disk Formation leveler to use their Divine Sense to judge some things

She slowly floats upwards and look down with her eyes.

She is surveilling the entire area

She is ready to rain down a tide of arrows if she saw any monsters but after a few minutes of looking and seeing nothing is wrong she landed back on the ground.

She then looks toward the area of the hill with a complicated expression.

'I'm sorry that I used you. If I didn't do it this way, then he would never let me go. And because of that, I fear that I would make a mistake'

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The one that she used is Katarina. That is the reason she would use.

And she knows this is simply her just running away

she sighed and then return back to her tent, throwing her bow to the corner of the tent and laid down on the makeshift bed that she had made using the power of the Elements.

She lay down on her bed and lay down the back of her hand on top of forehead and close her eyes. the moment she closes her eyes, her mind began to wander

When she heard from Sina that she was Azief first love, it did not make her happy. Instead, it made her worry.

Chapter 1085: The person only she knows (2)

He was the one that opens her heart. He came to her and under that cherry tree, he holds out his hand and she took it

She and him, against the world. She smiles a bit thinking of that memory. Azief was quite childish at the time.

She still remembers that day like it was yesterday. Even though, it is not quite how they thought it would happen, in some way they achieved a bit of that promise.

The thing is most of the time, he is the one that is fighting the world. And all she could do is watch.

Sometimes, it is because he did not want her to get in danger. At other times, it is because the battle is not something she could participate in.

Because she is not as strong as he is. She shakes her head.

This is her regret, her guilt. And that is not what she wants to think about

She thought of how she fell in love with him

Affection, friendliness turns to something more. Before she could stop the feeling she found herself falling in love with Azief.

There is no exact moment when she suddenly realizes that "Ah, I had fallen in love with this person"

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No, there is no such realization. She just is. Without even realizing it, she had fallen in love with him.

He was her savior. He was her protector.

And she thought that this feeling is simply that.

Gratitude mistaken as love.

But when you started thinking about someone all the time, that even when he was there, she is missing him, wanting to know him, then that is not simple gratitude anymore.

She was falling for him, and she did not even know it.

By the time she realizes she had already fallen so hard for him that she could not extricate herself from it.

But when she found out from Sina that she was Azief first love...it did make her doubt grow stronger.

That what he felt is simply a lingering feeling for her. A memory of a first love

Azief would never leave her because she believes that he had to keep that promise with her

That he will always choose him no matter what. That promise in the beginning sound like a sweet thing to say.

But as time passes, to her, it seems more like a curse that she had imposed upon him.

And that is not what she wanted at all.

She did not want her love to be some kind of curse for the one she loves.

She wonders is it because she was his first love, that he fell in love with her?

Or did he fall in love with her because he is in love with the idea of her

A lingering sweet memory of love.

When everything is simple and when they were young, that idea of her, a memory of a past that he wanted to have.

Azief was not his first love. But the first love of a woman and the first love of a man is very different

There is just something about first love that is romanticized.

First love defies duplication.

Because before such feeling, the heart is empty. Like a blank canvas. After, it is full of colors.

And when it ends, there is always a trace.

But sooner or later you will always find someone else.

But that feeling of first love? That could never be duplicated. She wonders whether the reason why he finds it so hard to let her go is because he loved that Sofia

The Sofia he knew.

The one that got away. And did he stay because of her? Or did he stay because of his promise? Because of some sense of responsibility and pity?

And because he couldn't let go, she also could not let go. Because who would willingly want to let go the person they love?

But, if by staying you know that you would be hurt in the end, would you still stay?

If you know that you are only a chapter in a person story and not the main story, would you still stay?

The world might be different from the world before the Fall. But what is happening between him and her is the same story she had experienced before.

Before, his boyfriend is a rich young man and she was a young poor abused girl.

Their status in life is different and they were so many obstacles that they just weren't strong enough to overcome.

But.... now it is still the same story

Only the characters and role changed a bit. She might be the Divine Archer, famous for her godlike archery that could overwhelm an entire army. To some people she is godlike.,

But compared to the strongest person in the world, what is her status? To some, she is merely the woman of Death Monarch, a bait, a target to aim to hurt him.

It is still the same story. Only this time it is the strongest man in the world and an archer who could only shoots arrows.

But none of that matter, if she could trust this. If she could trust this love

That the love they had is a love that is so strong that no one could come between it. But...she is not confident that is the love she has with him.

Call it cowardice. Call it fear. She just couldn't take the pain.... if its him. If its him, she knew she could not take the pain.

Azief confessed to her in the past that he is quite a cowardly man. At least when it is about his feelings.

Because to a man accustomed hiding his heart, to bare it all, is the bravest thing he could do. And the bravest thing anyone could do is always when one faces their own greatest fear

And even then, even with her, there is always a part of him that is always remain hidden from her.

That darkness in his heart is something that he would never share with her. But she wanted to know.

Wanted to understand.

She did not mind sharing everything with him because she loves him.

She would share the sunshine and the rainy days and as long as they were together, they could overcome it

And even if they could not, they would still have each other. If they failed, they should fail together.

When they were together, Sofia remembers all the good stuff.

She remembers she would smile and flick his nose. Like he always did to her every time they woke up beside each other.

That is the way he teases her.

But she is also like him.

More than he thinks.

She is not a woman that always gives her heart unreservedly. Because she knows when she gives her heart away, she gives the most important part of herself.

Even a scratch is painful. And because she knew how it felt like to have her heart broken into thousands of pieces, she knew how painful it would be.

And she has never loved someone the way she loved him. And she has never loved someone like him.

She has always chosen the wrong guy.

Maybe it is because she is like some kind of magnet attracting trouble.

Maybe it is because she grew up in an abusive household. Maybe, it is because she trusted too much Maybe....it is just fate.

But with him....with him...she felt right. Like everything is right in the world

Azief is not the ideal boyfriend one would find in a romance novel. He is not always there for her. He could be petty and his jealousy sometimes do anger her.

When it is about her, he always gets a little bit crazy. They drive each other crazy at times but when they love, they love so passionately that they felt it would burn them.

When they do fight, they fight like crazy. At times, their beliefs and their values clashed. Honestly, it is not easy for them to keep it together.

But there is care in his words. There is certain kind of gentleness when he looks at her.

It is these small things that she remembers. And it is because of this, that sooner or later, they would find their way back toward each other

He is one of the few good things in her life.

And years had passed. And if there is any doubt whether what she is feeling is love or not, it has long been addressed.

What she is feeling is not some kind of dependence. When Azief first leave she was here on Earth.

She sorts her feelings back then. But even then, she made sure that she did not love him for the wrong reason.

Because that is the worse way to start a relationship. She wanted it to be right. She chuckles.

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And now, here she is. Trying to formulate a plan to say farewell. Because.... she is now afraid.

Azief is not the only one that is afraid of love. She fears it too. Tears are streaming down her eyes. tears that nobody would see.

The wind blows gently on the outside of the tent. The sun shines bright, the birds chirps and the leaves sways hypnotically.

'Am I making the right decision?' she thought to herself.

Chapter 1086: The two monarchs

At the same time while she was contemplating all of this in her tent, near the hill, another portal suddenly opens up.

Jean who had never moved since he focus all of his energy toward the portal in the hill suddenly opens his eyes.

His eyes look toward that portal; his face is ferocious.

He is ready to attack.

With the device of the World Government, he could at least maintain the portal without his personal touch for a few minutes.

But then as a person comes out from the portal, Jean was shocked. He was shocked to see that the person coming out from the portal is Death Monarch

It is not that he was shocked that Death Monarch could create a portal. Even he could do that. Hikigaya could also do that.

But the reason he was shocked is because he did not recognize the fluctuation of the energy of Death Monarch

He should have recognized it because he had met Death Monarch before. He had even fought him to stop him from going to the future.

It was like there is now some fundamental difference about him that made him unable to recognize his energy.

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Jean is a Divine Comprehension leveler. As such his sensitivity toward one certain frequency, vibration or energy trace is very sensitive.

A person trace of energy is like some kind of fingerprint identification.

It is why when one sense certain energy, if they have sense that kind of energy before, they could easily know who it is.

But now, Death Monarch in front of him, felt completely new.

If Azief knew what he was thinking he would surely relate this to the fact that he had cut the Shadow Lord will from him.

Azief look at Jean and the portal.

Then he walks toward Jean as the portal behind him slowly fizzles out before disappearing completely.

The only trace that the portal was ever there is the distortion of space around it that look like a wave rippling that would disappears after a few seconds

Azief appears like a human with no powers as all of his powerful energy seems to be contained in his body completely without leaking out.

If he is walking around with his aura unleashed all the time, then how could any space on Earth able to contain him.

The surrounding laws and particles around him would change if he travels the world in such a manner

And when particles collide, especially magical particle that no one knew how it would act when colliding against each other.....that is a terrifying thought to some people

Azief keep walking toward Jean. Jean was puzzled. Then in a few second he was already there near Jean

Jean was about to say something when Azief suddenly stretch out his hand toward the portal and Jean eyes widened.

'What are you doing?!'

Jean shouted but as Azief hand had already hold the edges of the portal.

One might think that the portal is in the same space and time as Earth Prime but that is not the case.

There is like some kind of small thin barrier in all of the dimension of the portal. To be more accurate the portal is in-between Earth Prime and the Seresian world.

But Jean had close the portal on his side. It is like a door. He locked it from the inside. This present and advantage to the people of Earth Prime.

The Seresian demon could not use this portal and as Jean had converged all the space and time of Earth Prime to this area, the connection between Earth and Seresian world is then locked to this portal

This did not mean that the other barriers separating Earth and other multiverses is locked into this portal. Only the Seresian world.

And after the dire war of the Multiversal Convergence, nobody is going to touch multiverses research and expedition for quite some time.

Only after the sentiment of the people cool down than the great powers might once again started back their research for the Multiverses and the infinite universes that is out there.

But in front of Jean eyes, he saw Azief simply seems to causes the thin membrane around the portal, the thin membrane that could be sensed but not seen seems to retreat.

Opening a passage for his hand to touch the upper part of the portal edges. He holds it like he is holding a hula hoop floating in the air.

Then Jean saw Death Monarch eyes glows blue.

And suddenly the portal seems to deepen its connection with Earth Prime, and the time dilation seems to be stabilized.

This requires a large amount of energy and also deep understanding of this particular magic. Jean was surprised.

Then he could sense that the membrane is about to merge again and Azief quickly move his hand away from the floating portal.

All of this happened in one second but in that one second, all kinds of things that had been shown to him had shocked him

Azief look at Jean and he just nodded at him. Then he said

'Thank you'

Jean release his control over the portal for a while as he left a Time Avatar to guard it.

The moment he wanted to create a Time Avatar he made a pulling motion to the space in front of him using his hand.

And coming out from that portal is him who immediately knows what to do as his true original body slowly floated down to the ground

He had sense that the moment Azief did that, the portal would have no problem for one day. So, he brought out a Time Avatar to just look at the portal as he could free himself and talk with Death Monarch

Azief then added

'I'm sorry that I could only extend it to one day. My understanding of Time....is not the same as you. Forcing more.... I fear it would induce instability to the core space and time of the portal.'

Jean nodded and Azief said

'I owe you one. Someday...I'll pay this debt'

Jean then chuckles

'I'm counting on it' Azief only smiles.

Jean felt like he is seeing a new man.

It is not only the fact that he no longer felt that killing intent that he is accustomed to, or that darkness feeling he always felt when he saw Death Monarch, it is also the fact that Death Monarch no longer wears the dark hood that always mask the expression of the strongest man in the world

That hood always made him unapproachable. Because no one knows what he is thinking about.

But seeing him now, with no hood, and with a new attire, what he felt was something else.

Like some kind of grandness, a feeling that he encompasses everything. There is this feeling that he exudes feeling like everything seems to be converging towards him.

This feeling did not induce fear.

But instead it induces awe at something so mystical.

Is it because of the connection between him and the Heaven? But before, he did not exude this kind of feeling.

Jean had some thoughts but this is not the time to think about this.

Jean knows that Azief is not in Pandemonium.

As a fellow Divine Comprehension leveler, he saw many things. And it was not like Azief was hiding it from them.

Something must have happened when he went out to space.

But from the small fluctuation of energy just then, it did not appear that Death Monarch had broken through to Essence Creation

Yet, at the same time, there is this subtle feeling that Azief is only one step away and all he needs is some opportunity.

But even without the hood, it is still hard to know what he is thinking about.

Jean then ask him

'It seems that you have improved again. Something happened up there?'

Azief only smiles mysteriously and said

'Something happened' that is his answer and Jean only chuckles. Jean then takes a deep breath and then he said.

'Because of my action to suppress the portal I require a large amount of energy. And that is why the island did not change that much. Even so, the island is still bigger than from when I first landed on it. This portal is already unstable to the point that I would not be surprised if it breaks down from the other side.'

Then he continues saying

'If that were to happen, I would have no choice than to restore back the time. Right now, the differences of time are not that far from each other. But time in that world and ours is quite different. You have been gone for four days. And I have done my best to make sure that only four hours had passed in that world'

'At least, if you use this portal, the differences in time would be small. But even I could not do this all the time. The longer we take time in this, the more that the chance of Katarina-'

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Jean could not finish his word because Azief suddenly said

'Balfor would not kill her. At least not until I am there'

Jean frowns a bit

'I know it is not my business.....but have you met that Demon King before?'

chapter 1087: the reason he came

'I know it is not my business.....but have you met that Demon King before?' he asks

If this is anyone else, Azief would have simply said "mind your own business" but this is Jean

And he quite respects this man. Not to mention him doing this for him. So, he could never say it like that.

He nodded and said

'I used to wander in the Seresian world. He wanted something from me. And that is why he took Katarina. And that is why I have to get her back'

Jean nodded but then he shakes his head

'Are you sure that it is just because of that?' Azief understood what Jean is trying to say but he could only sigh at this question.

He did not answer the question and Jean did not push the matter. It's complicated. That is Jean impression of this matter.

It is quite funny that the whole world is curious about the heart of the strongest man in the world.

If this was anyone else, how could the world powers and the organization of the world cares that much who he loves and hate?

It is precisely because he is the strongest person in the world that his choice, his heart is something that even the world power has to pay attention to.

Not only because of his reputation and ability it is also because the women that he loved who is not ordinary

The not ordinary one and the one with the strong background is of course Katarina. And the one who do not have such a high background is Sofia.

The matters of gods and deities. That is the thought of every world powers when they even had to care about who Death Monarch love or do not love.

Silence envelops both man for a while. Then Jean said, changing the subject

'What you did.... I don't know if it's good or bad. What I do know is that after this, humanity would surely be filled with many more powerful people. Disk Formation leveler would fill the world. What you did was you pour the energy of tens of thousands of worlds that connected to the Multiversal convergence to our world. It might be unintentional but that is what happens. In the short term, this has created a problem. In the long term, this would make humanity strong'

Azief did not say anything. But he does make a determination in his heart. That he would no longer try to mess with Time ever again.

The most precious thing he got from his time traveling to the future is the fact that he knew that the world will end and he knew who will end it

It is him.

But it is also not him. At least not yet.

A future him that is not yet born. He refuses to believe that he could not change his fate.

What would cause him to be so out of character? Did something happen? Is that something could be prevented? Whatever it is, Azief would not give up.

Because of that, he doesn't think that his trip to the future is meaningless.

Even if he could find one clue to stop what will happen in that vision of a future, that alone is worth all of this

After all, he could not change what has already happened. He does blame himself. He went to the future because he thought that Sofia would betray him in the future.

This is something that he would never admit to anyone. But as Sofia could never ever endure betrayal from Azief, it is the same for him.

Anyone could betray him. But not her.

Not her. Because of that, he went to the future.

And then, all of this happens. He fucked up.

That's what happened. He fucked up.... bad.

And while he blames himself, he had to keep on going

Because he knows that if he did not do anything, if he wallows in self-pity then nothing could be done

What had happened, happened. Now, the one thing he could do is to help the world rebuild. For the first time since the Fall, Azief cares for the people of the world.

But he also knows that it is not like he is some kind of philanthropic person. He is not like Sina.

It is guilt.

When you could see everything, hear everything and you see a father crying because they lost their child, seeing a mother screaming in anger, a son mourning the death of their parents, feeling all of this grief, resentment, and feeling all of their emotions, and knowing that you had a part in their suffering and in their pain, unless you are an unfeeling bastard, you would feel for them

It is easy to ignore them when you high up in the sky and you only look down on them. But when you see them and hear them and felt their emotions, it is a different feeling

Azief had the Will of the Heaven.

And the Will of the Heaven is affected by the Will of the World. And what is the Will of the World if not the Will of the people living in that world?

He felt the resentment of living beings, feel their sadness, their pain, their suffering and it was hard.

It was hard to extricate himself from that feeling and still remains himself.

Each time he merged with the World, it was like he could feel all of their emotions. In a world of magic, emotions hold great power

It could even affect the world.

And it is because of that Azief felt guilt.

In life, you would experience all kinds of feeling. But some of the stronger emotions that one would feel drives most of the choices we made.

There is hatred.

There is love.

And then there is guilt. Hatred is hard to erase but sometimes times and understanding could dissolve hatred.

Love...is simple....and at the same time hard. It is hard to forget love once you have been inflicted by it, yet time heals even the deepest scars

But guilt?

Guilt is a prison. And it is not a prison that the enemy created for you. It is a prison that you created for yourself and you are the warden and you are the prisoner.

It is like you are in a prison and there is the key of the prison in front of you. But even though, there is the key and you could walk out from that prison anytime, once guilt is there in one heart, even with all of this, you could not walk out from that prison.

Because your feet won't move, paralyzed by the feeling of guilt.

A prison of the heart

So, you began doing things. Things you think would alleviate that guilty. Azief don't know whether it would work or not

But he would try.

Jean notices Azief silence so he then asks him the question

'I don't think you came here only for me, right? After all, you still have two days left. My ability could maintain it at least for two more days. And now that you came to give me one day, there is something that I need to do for a while in the Republic'

Azief close his eyes for a moment before opening it back up and said

'Sofia is here' Jean smiles bitterly.

He had expected that answer.

He doesn't know the full story but the tangled relationship of Death Monarch with the Divine Archer and the Ice Queen is famous in the world.

Nobody gossips about them that much simply because the people involved are all influential and powerful people.

This is not like the world before the Fall where you could just run your mouth off. Death Monarch controls the Heavens.

One wrong sentence that incur his wrath, who knows? Maybe, a sword would descend down from the sky or the world might thunder with red thunderbolts.

And the Ice Queen, well, she had once washed away the city of Moscow with the blood of criminals. Those who had seen that scenery would still tell the story with a feeling of dread.

And while the Divine Archer could be considered the normal ones among those two, when she is angered, her arrow could reach halfway across the world.

They do gossip about them but it is always spoken in whispers.

Of course, if Azief knows this, he would not even care.

It is not that he has time to monitor the people of the world talking about him.

But his decision had always been the concern of the great powers. To the other great powers, it is best if Death Monarch remains with Sofia.

Because a love affair with the Ice Queen would mean the alliance between Pandemonium and the Republic.

Regardless, this is not his problem, Jean thought to himself.

Instead of talking about this sensitive issue, Jean told him

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Chapter 1088: Turbulence all over the world

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'The world powers install a lot of their surveillances device around here.'

Then he looks at his right and left and then added

'Though, I doubt that they could capture the images in this island as clearly as before the Multiversal Convergence. They are limited by the technology. They first need to upgrade some of their technology considering the magic particles that is filling the entire world right now. But still.... you know some of them might take some lucky shot. If you want, I could easily make all of them malfunction for a while'

Azief shakes his head and said

'It is fine. I could do it'

Then he asks Jean

Who else is in the island? Of course Jean knows the underlying menacing of that question.

Death Monarch already knew Sofia is here. If not, he would not have come.

He is simply asking whether they were anyone else.

Jean did not mind answering it

'There is a few people of the World Government and the Republic on the edges of the island. They seem to be protecting the coast from the monsters and beats of the deep sea that sometimes wanted to occupy the island. They rarely came toward the center of the island. They could not withstand the changes of time fluctuation around the center of the island. The Republic and the World Government could not afford to send their elite members to this island while trying to maintain order in their dominion.

Azief frowned and said

'I understand the presence of the Republic operatives. But why does the World government also participate. I know Hirate would have to follow our lead because he is part of the Triumvirate but he does not need to be this enthusiastic. We would understand his position and we would not expect more'

Jean smiles and said

'Hirate had always been interested in Otherworlds. And now, there is a portal that connects this world to another. Azief still do not understand

They have the World Gate.

But it is not something that they could use right now. Not with the whole world is condemning any action relating to the research of the Multiverse.

'So?'

'So, they are very interested in the calculation of the energy of Seresian world portal. I do not know all of the details as I am not researching the Multiverse but I think they probably have their reason to be interested in the portal. And, Hirate probably needs to show his attitude to us for a different reason other than the portal'

Azief frowned and ask

'What do you mean?'

Jean then gaze toward the north turning his back.

His eyes seem to see past through all the mist and the obstacles that laid before his eyes to focus on one floating island

The island is larger than before but it is still the Island of Peace. Azief also follow Jean gaze and look toward the North. He could see the Island of Peace floating high from the ocean water

But then he clicks his tongue. There is a deep gash on the island. It almost seems like the island was split into two and reconnected again.

Azief retract his gaze and look at Jean, hoping for an explanation

Jean understood and simply said

'In the four days you are gone, not many people made drastic moves.

'Even now, as we are speaking most of the great power is trying to locate their people and stabilize the area under their control while trying to establish communication with their officials and form back their sphere of influence. But...Hikigaya made a move'

Azief eyebrows raised up

If Hikigaya made a move, there is hardly anyone that could stop him. Azief was in outer space. And jean was here.

Hikigaya had a free reign.

Jean then said

'I could not interfere because I was here. And it is after all the internal matter of the World Government. There is no need for me to meddle in their matters. But a weak World Government must not be allowed if the current balance and status quo were to be maintained.

Azief nodded and simply ask

'What happened?'

'Japan has seceded from the World government'

Azief close his eyes and nodded.

It seems Hikigaya and Hirate differences could not be reconciled after all.

Azief had thought such a thing would have happened. This conflict between Hikigaya and Hirate had long been a thorn for both men

The only reason why they never break out in conflict before is because Hikigaya still have the faint hope that Hirate would listen.

There is also the reason that Hikigaya alone could not protect the island nation with all the great powers that would surely take advantage of them if he did not sit under the shade of the powerful

But the moment Hikigaya break through to Divine Comprehension, he probably knew that he now had the ability to protect the island nation without fearing the other great powers

And Hikigaya knows that Azief would not attack him without any reason and the Republic would also have to respect him.

Even though they have Jean as their representative of greatest personal power in the Republic, Jean had always act according to his own personal belief

It is hard to move him. As such, under all of this condition, Hikigaya inanely made the choice

Azief could see the thought patterns of Hikigaya easily. Strong people does not like being under the thumb of others. And Hikigaya patience was wearing thin even before he breakthrough to Divine Comprehension.

But at least Hikigaya kept his promise.

And Jean is right. This is the internal matter of the World Government. There is no need for them to interfere in it too deeply

Jean continues his word

And they do not join the Lotus Order or any of the other Great Powers. They are now free force'

Jean sighed a bit and said

'Well, considering that Hikigaya is probably only below you and me, he had the qualification to remain independent from the World powers' Azief eyebrows raised as he looks at Jean and said

'You think you are stronger than Hikigaya?'

Jean smiles confidently and nodded

Azief only chuckles a bit and simply said

'Do not underestimate the abilities of that man. Illusion and reality subverted, this is a terrifying ability'

Jean shakes his head and said

'Well, I am not so bad either. At least I did not need you to breakthrough' Azief understood Jean meaning. He helped Hikigaya cross that last hurdle.

In terms of understanding and foundation, between Jean and Hikigaya, Azief do not deny that Jean had the advantage

But it is not entirely dependent on only this. The laws that Hikigaya comprehended is high tier laws that touch upon the concept of reality itself.

Azief laugh while nodding

'Well, you are not wrong'

Jean then said

'The faction of both Hikigaya and Oreki had also retreated from the World Government and the Emperor of Japan stripped the title of Shogun from Hirate. While that would not affect Hirate much, it doe snow affect his standing in Japan. I guess it would not be long before Hirate would be a persona non grata in Japan'

'And as far as I know, Japan is now ruled by the forces of Hikigaya, Oreki and the Emperor forces. But I do not know the full details'

Azief sighed and said

'It is a time of chaos. But soon, I hope all the people would calm down. I.....don't want to make a move'

He added

'That would add even more chaos to this already disorderly world.' Then he looks at Jean and said

'Advise Hikigaya. Not to go too far. The world need unity right now.'

'You don't know him the way I do. He is a man that values effectiveness.'

Azief went silence for a few second and then sighing he said

'Just remind him not to go too far. The World Government collapse would not bring any good to him either. A vacuum of power would lead to great changes to the world. And I think Earth had enough change for a while. It is not good to bite more than you could chew.'

Jean nodded and said

'I think I could make him compromise. I know that he does not like Hirate. But I don't think he hates him enough'

Azief shake his head

'You and I both know this is not a matter of like or dislike. This is a matter of power and influence. Like and dislike had nothing to do with it. Even if Hikigaya likes Hirate, if he had enough benefit to destroy the World Government, then who is to say that he would not do it?'

Then Azief ask a weird question

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Chapter 1089: Shocking proposition (1)

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'Not to my knowledge. Most of the time he is in his cave'

Azief snorted

'See? He had been planning this for a long time. Though, I could not blame him. Hirate had noble aspiration but not everybody would agree with his way. A World Government. A government that governs the world. He wanted the world to be orderly. But to do that, he needs to centralize all power. And not everybody is going to just roll down'

Then he smiles and added

'And I'm here. How could he then rule the world?' Jean on the other hand still thinking about that question Death Monarch had just asked him

Hikigaya did not say the oath.

The reason why Azief ask that question is because Jean knew that when one reaches Disk Formation, one could sense a bit of the intangible force that exist in this world

Promises are one of these intangible forces.

No one knew why. Maybe, if he became stronger in the future, he would know why promises is included in the laws of reality itself.

Oaths are even more powerful version of a promise.

The fact that Hikigaya had never taken such oath after reaching Disk Formation already shows that he had reluctance and hesitation toward the World Government.

Of course, this intangible force is hard to sense and the weaker the promise, the lesser the effect

and without the presence of a witness, the effect of breaking this promise might not be as terrible as one would thought

But, Hikigaya is a cautious man.

Jean knows this old friend of his and he might not have wanted to be burdened by oaths or promises when he would try to breakthrough

Jean could only shake his head

the only thing he could do after this is to persuade Hikigaya not to go too far. Azief intention is the same as Jean intention

The world had suffered so much this week. Even though on most part of the world is recovering right now, humanity once again suffers a great calamity.

The numbers of the population of humans had just increased a few years ago.

Most of the Disk Formation levelers had died not to mention countless of Seed Forming and Energy Disperse Stage leveler that also had died

Then there is the Pillar Forming stage leveler who if unlucky would have died during the crossfires between the Otherworlders and Earthlings.

If not for the fact that Death Monarch is adamant in going to the Seresian world, Jean would like to persuade him to stay and brokered an agreement between the great powers like the way he did before where he prohibited war for a year.

The authority of Pandemonium as the strongest world power is still there. No one would want to cross Death Monarch and those below him.

What Pandemonium lacks in quantity, they make up with quality.

Then Death Monarch sighed

'And who knows if I would even return. I just fear that the chaos would spread'

Jean then said

'I'll make sure that they won't be that crazy'

Azief then said

'Look closely at the League of Freedom and Order of Thinkers' Then he said

'I know you and I we are not of the same faction. But I think what you want right now is the same with what I want. We both want the world to be steady for now. Order of Thinkers is conducting human experiment. I do not have enough time to deal with them.

Jean sighed. This is hard argument to win. Most of the great powers engaged in human experiment. But most of these are voluntary.

Thus, the problem with the Order of Thinkers.

If the human experiment program is voluntary, why hide it?

No one had ever known that the Order of Thinkers even have cybernetic programs before the Multiversal Convergence.

There is also the fact that they have built a massive energy weapons that could have blasted an entire mountain range if they wanted to.

And there is also the League of Freedom who had developed weapons in the Moon.

Death Monarch is not one that cares that much about the development of technology of weaponry of the other great powers.

But when that weapon had the power to destroy the very Earth that he is living in, that is when he began paying attention

Of course the size of Earth right now and the dense energy all over the Earth right now would render those weapon probably unable to even destroy a mountain let alone the world

But things still had to be clarified.

Azief then said

'I know I can't order you around. So, think of it as a request. Not to mention this request would not harm the interest of the Republic.'

Jena nodded and said

'Don't worry. I am also keen to know what they were hiding. The League of Freedom in particular is very mysterious and I still don't know why the leader of the league of Freedom have such hatred toward the people of the World Government'

Azief eyebrows raised for a while and he ask

'Can't you use precognition or something along that line to see the past of that leader'

Jean answer with one word

'Warp'

Azief nodded like he understands what Jean was saying. Then they stopped talking.

For a moment there is silence between them. Azief is known to not speak to much. A quiet and private man.

But today he spoke quite a lot. But in the end, the things he spoke off is business things. It is not a conversation between friends.

And Jean only spoke in boisterous manner with people he is close with.

And while Azief and Jean has been connected and fought against each other, and fought alongside each other, it is not quite accurate to say that they are friends

Jean knows that Azief would not say anything unnecessary to him so he simply said

'I'm going back to the Republic for a while. I left my avatar here to guard the portal but the power in my Avatar would not be enough if there is something wrong with the portals.

Azief nodded.

'I'll be here for a while. I'll take care of it' Jean smiles

'Go.'

Jean nodded and then taking a step forward it was like he is walking toward another world as there is white thin vertical line in front of him that appears all of a sudden.

Unlike a portal it is just a line floating a few inches from the ground, the height is only three feet.

But as Jean walk toward that white line, he disappears a second later.

Azief only watch this sight and then he sighed. His eyes look toward another direction of the island and he sighed again.

He was about to teleport himself to the front of the tent but suddenly he halted.

'I forgot one thing' he said.

Then he looks toward the sky and a second later he is in space. It was like his body accelerated so fast that even light warps and bends around him

And almost a second later, he is in the starry skies again

Chapter 1090: Shocking proposition (2)

This is the difference of lifeforms between Divine Comprehension leveler and Disk Formation.

A Disk Formation leveler right now would take a few hours before they could pass the sky and went out from Earth because the distance between Heaven and Earth had become even higher than before

It is like the ceiling of the world is raised even higher and the ground is pushed further and further down

He looks down from his position and in the distant he could see Earth, no a gigantic blue planet.

His eyes could see the large sea, some of them were so vast that if all the ocean of that one region were poured down to Earth before its expansion, it would drown the entire world

He saw tall mountains that could be seen even from space, so clearly that he did not even have to use his eyes to zoom in on it

And he looks at the solar system, seeing the large Jupiter which is already large enough before the expansion of the world but now is even larger.

Energy seems to swirls around it and the same could be said for the other planets. He could feel the heat of the sun, and its radiation trying to enter his body.

He saw that there is a protective blue film covering the whole Earth. This blue film membrane is sparkling lights and unknown particles

At least in his eyes it is sparkling with energy. It is not easy to see it with your own eyes

It shielded Earth from all kinds of dark matters and he could see there is a few hundred meteors that is heading toward Earth but is destroyed even before it could reach Earth

'Heaven Will' he thought to himself.

He could see it in that brief moment when the asteroid is destroyed. A sword light cut down those asteroid into ashes and dust.

The Heaven Will imitates him. So, he is not surprised that the Heaven Will attack is the same as him.

Earth has always been hit by meteors and asteroid even in the past. But.... usually Jupiter the largest planet would shield Earth from these asteroids.

And it still is. But Earth had also become bigger. Which means, there is now more space to target.

Not to mention, there is now a change to the solar systems. The dark energy and dark matter that comprised around 95 percent of the mass of the universe seems to have changed a bit.

This dark energy could not be seen but only felt. But the presence of this energy could be confirmed and traced by the distorted behavior of the cosmic body

Dark matter and energy is the foundation of the observable Universe. And it is changing into an energy that is hard to understand.

But Earth also now has some kind of protective membrane around it that seems to attack any things that is foreign to Earth.

It is a membrane above the atmosphere. It could be seen but could be touch.

It is a lot like the portal on the hill.

Seen but could not be touched because of the difference of dimension frequency.

'Interesting' he thought to himself.

He does feel such presence before but he did not see it. He was busy trying to make sure that the Heaven Will could not push his Will from the domain of Heaven

He saw the largeness of the planets in the solar systems and marvel at it for a few second but it is not the planet that caught his attention.

It is a dead star a few hundred light years away from Earth. He took a step and he was in front of that dead star.

The space and time around him seems to bend and that causes even light around him seems to bend It is unlike Jean manipulation of space.

It is like tearing a part of space drilling some tunnel.

It took a few seconds before the space returns to normal though it is hard to determine time around Azief right now as the time around him seems to experience some kind of time dilation because of the pressure around its space.

It is a lot like a black hole effect.

'This would be too time consuming.' Then he shakes his head

'There is no need to be so exaggerated. She does not like too much exaggeration after all. A simple thing would be good' he thought to himself.

'The space dust and the asteroid matter is enough to create that' he thought again

He could have created it back on Earth. It is not that hard for him to find that thing on Earth. But he had to make it special. After all, he had made up his mind.

And since that is the case, he should be making it special.

He hoped that this would change his mind. His last gambit. He knows it might not work. But, he is going to try

He waves his hand and the ingredients to create that thing is all around his hand. A blast of energy exploded, the light is just shy away from the bright light of the Sun. In his hand, there is now that thing.,

It is something small and something special.

Then he looks back down at Earth and he was back at where he was standing before. All of this took only five minutes.

Sofia is still in her tent. The avatar of Jean is still in front of that portal. A travel that would take a few hundred years only took five minutes

Azief is now back on the hill and look at the thing in his hand.

'I don't know if this would work. But this is my sincere feelings.' Then he scoffed. He scoffs because for some reason, he knew that she might not accept it

Because to her, the pain is no longer bearable.

This is her stance. This is her reason. Like Sofia knew what he was thinking, he too knows what she is thinking.

And when she decides on something she could be stubborn.

But she was never as stubborn as him. And so, he hopes

He hopes that today, she would not be that stubborn.

For now, the intrigue of the world, the matters of the world, the battle that he is sure to fight, the future that he would have to face is all put in the backseat

Because right now, today, he is going to lose her. And he would try to do the best he could to try to make her stay

This is his story. This is her story. A story of contradiction. But he can't find a good excuse to hold on to her

Because he had hurt her so much. Azief remembers that conversation he had with her all of those years ago

And because of that he knows that Sofia is going to break up with him. Those words in the past keep coming back to him.

He sighed and then he looks at that thing and thought to himself

'I should make it more presentable.' Azief had also create a place where to put that thing. A case to hold that thing.

He slowly put the thing inside the case and close it and he holds that case, close his eyes and hope for the best.