

Strongest 911

Chapter 911: A New Kind Of Thrill

Several hours passed, and the group was once again reunited at lunch time.

Paula stared hatefully at William because of the discomfort she had felt after riding the rollercoaster.

Hana had mostly recovered, and was able to enjoy the food that she had ordered.

Meanwhile, Belle looked like a flower in full bloom, which made the guys in the cafe stare at her with great interest.

After her besties had left, William took her to the haunted house, and the two stayed there for a while.

The black-haired beauty felt a kind of thrill that she had never felt before as she and William kissed, while hiding from the monsters (staff) that were roaming inside the haunted house.

This was also William's first time doing such a thing, but with the powers he possessed, it was quite easy for him to hide himself and Belle in the darkness, surrounded by people and monsters alike.

Several of the students from Belle's academy were inside the amusement park, so it was hard for the two of them to do intimate things in public. Although Belle didn't mind, William did.

As much as possible, he didn't want Belle to have a bad reputation in the university. Although he had kissed her on the cheeks in front of everyone, that was only on the cheeks.

The impact of being seen, while sharing a passionate french kiss was vastly different from a mere peck on the cheeks.

Paula and Hana knew that something was off, but they didn't have the energy to make a fuss. For the time being, they just focused on eating their food, while watching Belle and William hand feed each other.

After eating lunch, the four decided to take the easy rides like the Grand Carousel, Journey to the Center of the World, Jungle Log Bang, and Jurassic Prank.

When the sun was starting to set in the horizons, William decided to take Belle to the Grand Ferris Wheel.

This particular Ferris Wheel takes exactly thirty minutes for a full rotation, and William had made certain preparations in order to make this last ride memorable for his beloved, who was looking at the Ferris Wheel with an excited gaze.

"Paula, Hana, please, take a different passenger car," William said with a serious expression.

This was the first time that William had asked the two girls for a favor, which surprised both of them.

"Okay," Paula replied.

Hana also nodded her head in understanding.

"Thank you." William smiled as he and Belle entered the capsule together.

After spending some time with William, they had gotten to know how William cared for Belle's happiness.

Although they had been together with Belle for a very long time, this was the first time they had seen her looking so happy. She was practically blooming, and it made her charm increase by many folds.

As the ferris wheel started to turn, Belle rested her head on William's shoulder.

"Did you have fun?" William asked before planting a kiss on her head.

"Yes," Belle replied. "I had loads of fun. How about you?"

"I enjoyed it too. Especially our little expedition in the Haunted House."

"Mmm."

Both of their hands intertwined with each other, as they casually chatted about the rides that they had visited during the day.

The sun had mostly set and the sky was starting to turn dark. When their capsule was about to reach the highest part of the ride, a beautiful flower illuminated the sky.

What followed next was a dazzling array of fireworks that made Belle's eyes sparkle with delight. However, the happiness inside her eyes suddenly faded when she remembered the festival in the countryside.

It was one of the saddest memories of her life because it was also the day when she parted with William for the second time.

Belle's free hand subconsciously held onto William's arm, as if to prevent him from going away.

The red-headed teenager somehow understood Belle's fears and cursed himself for being unreasonable. He didn't consider that Belle might have gotten a trauma after their parting.

He only thought of making their final ride memorable. Earlier, he left Belle and her two besties in the cafe, while he went to look for the staff that was in charge of the firework display for the theme park.

Naturally, he gave the man an offer he couldn't refuse, so the schedule of the fireworks display was changed according to William's preference. After sending a text message to the man, the fireworks display immediately started and he had timed it perfectly.

However, his plan backfired because Belle's memories of their parting resurfaced.

"Belle, I'm sorry," William said as he held his beloved. "I didn't mean to make you sad."

Belle wrapped her arms around William as she nodded her head. "I know. It's just, the thought of losing you makes my heart ache."

"Don't worry. I will find a way for us to be together. I promise." William lightly patted Belle's back to give her some assurance.

Belle just immersed herself in William's warmth, and love, until the fear in her heart subsided. She understood that William would once again return to his world sooner or later, and she couldn't do anything about it.

This was why she was also doing her best to prepare herself for their inevitable parting. Her only wish was that this time around, they would part with smiles on their faces, instead of tears in their eyes.

Fortunately, Belle had regained her composure when the ride ended, William lovingly wiped the tear stains from her face, and promised himself that he would make it up to her once they returned to the hotel they were staying at.

"Will, I love you," Belle declared as she stared straight into his eyes. "Let this be the last time we will part from each other. Please, find a way so that we can be together, forever."

"I will, you have my word," William replied. "I love you too, Belle."

The two of them smiled at each other before leaving their passenger car.

Although William's plan didn't get the result he wanted, the time they spent together was still precious.

William raised his head to look at the sky. It was very difficult to see the stars in the city, but it posed no problem to him.

High above the heavens, amongst the countless stars in the sky.

The Constellation of Capricorn shone brightly. It was as if it was observing the Half-Elf from afar, and making sure that he was safe from harm.

Somewhere in the world of Hestia, an otherworldly beauty with light-blue hair sighed with her eyes closed.

She was currently riding a passenger ship headed towards the Central Continent to reunite with the Half-Elf, whom she had raised ever since he was a baby.

"Love doesn't need to be perfect, it just needs to be true," Ella said softly. "Just like the feelings he has for me, and for you."

The blue-haired lady then opened her eyes to look beyond the horizon. Her gaze was tender and filled with affection.

"Some naughty children managed to sneak past the walls between worlds." Ella smiled. "Oh, Will, what am I to do with you?"

Chapter 912: I Have A Bad Feeling About This

After returning to the hotel, Belle stayed in the room she shared with Paula and Hana.

She told William that she needed some time alone to think, and the Half-Elf respected her decision.

Paula and Hana didn't know what transpired inside the Ferris Wheel. All they knew was that Belle seemed to look a little sad after they returned to the hotel.

"Belle, did you and William break up?" Paula asked as she sat on the bed. "Don't worry. I will lend you a shoulder to cry on. I can also help you beat up William if you want."

Belle giggled after hearing her best friend's concerned words.

"No, we didn't break up," Belle replied. "Also, I doubt that you can even scratch him. Have you forgotten the way he slapped those men in black suits as if they were flies? Do you think you can do better than them?"

Paula stuck out her tongue at Belle's witty comeback. A part of her was relieved that her best friend and Will hadn't broken up. However, a part of her was also disappointed.

Hana, who was listening to the conversation between her two best friends, only smiled as she dried her hair. She had just come out of the shower, so her hair was still wet.

She wasn't too worried about Belle because although she looked sad, it was not the kind of sadness that came from an argument or a breakup.

"What happened then?" Paula asked. "You were all smiles when you entered the Ferris Wheel and looked sad when you left. Did William try to force you to do something you didn't want to do?"

"No." Belle shook her head. "Nothing of the sort happened. I just remembered a sad memory, that's all."

Paula still looked unconvinced, but since she felt like Belle didn't want to talk about it, she didn't force the issue and changed the topic.

"Did you see the fireworks?" Paula said dreamily. "It was so beautiful, and romantic at the same time. If only I had a boyfriend to ride the ferris wheel with me at the time, it would have been perfect!"

"Well, sorry for not being your boyfriend," Hana, who had started to use the hairdryer to dry her hair, commented from the side. "Why don't you ask William if he has a brother? Who knows? He might be the prince charming you are looking for."

Paula smirked as she stood up from Belle's bed and tickled the pretty lady who was teasing her.

Belle smiled as she watched her two friend's antics. Although she originally planned to stay in William's room tonight, she decided to stay in her own room for the time being. She still hasn't fully recovered from what had happened on the Ferris Wheel.

She was afraid that if she were to be embraced by William tonight, the last strand of reasoning in her head would break, and they would cross that line that they weren't supposed to cross. Although she knew that this was what both of them wanted, she didn't want to spend their first time together with these anxious feelings bubbling inside her heart.

William left the hotel and strolled the city with his bike.

Belle said that she wanted some time alone, so he decided to give her some space. For the time being, he decided to confirm for the last time if his suspicions were right.

This was the only way he would be able to stop the nagging feeling inside his head that had made him feel uneasy ever since he stepped foot in K-City.

After a quarter of an hour, he finally reached his destination.

"Orion Grand Stadium," William read the big, bold letters that hung on the entrance of the stadium in front of him.

It was where he had experienced many unexpected things. A place where he shared wonderful memories with a red-haired beauty, an Amazon Princess, and a mysterious lady who was nowhere to be seen.

"Glory Shelter," William muttered. "Without a doubt, this is indeed Glory Shelter."

William then stared at the theme park where he and Belle had just left a few hours ago. It was none other than the Mimameidr Shelter that Avril had ruled back in the Deadlands.

'So K-City and the Deadlands were one and the same,' William thought. 'I have a bad feeling about this.'

The Half-Elf knew that he might just be overthinking things, but after his hunch had been confirmed, he started to feel a little worried.

He still didn't know why he had appeared on Earth, but he knew that there were no coincidences in the world.

After visiting a few more places, William returned to the hotel to rest. Even if K-City was indeed the Deadlands in his memories, what could he do about it?

Right now, the city was vibrant and filled with life, which was the complete opposite of the dilapidated city that was infested with skeletons and zombies.

William shuddered when a thought came to his mind. The Half-Elf then used both hands to rub his face in order to chase away the nightmarish possibility that had popped up inside his head.

'No good.' William sighed. 'I can't remove this thought inside my head.'

In order to regain his calm, the red-headed teenager returned to the hotel to rest. He would rather wish that he was just overthinking things than to entertain the possibilities of the worst case scenario happening.

That night, William tossed and turned on the bed. No matter what he did, he couldn't fall asleep.

It was only when the sun was starting to rise did sleep come to him. Two hours later, the door of his room opened and a black-haired beauty walked towards the bed to check on her beloved.

William would usually be awake by this time, but after seeing his troubled sleeping face, Belle decided to not wake him up.

"Sleep well, My Love," Belle whispered in William's ears before kissing his cheek.

She then left the room to have breakfast with her two besties. Today, they were going to the museum as part of their university's itinerary.

Although she felt a little disappointed that William wouldn't be able to accompany her, she didn't take it to heart.

Belle knew that there was still plenty of time for the two of them to be together, so she allowed the Half-Elf to get some much needed rest.

She promised herself that when she returned, she would pamper her beloved and make sure to let him know that she had managed to get over her trauma, and wanted to spend the night with him while they held each other in a firm embrace.

Chapter 913: A Looming Disaster Right Above Their Heads [Part 1]

Parker Residence...

Adele sighed as she looked at the garden of their residence. As someone who appreciated the appeal of flowers, Belle's mother made sure that their garden would be well taken off, year-round.

Right now, she was thinking about what to do next. After William's unbelievable revelation, she no longer had the heart to prevent her daughter from deepening her relationship with the red-headed teenager.

Her only concern was "What will happen once William returns to Hestia?".

The Half-Elf had admitted that he didn't know how to cross between worlds, and his meetings with Belle were always an unexpected event. This was why when her husband, Raymond, said that he was willing to give William five years, for him to find a way to travel between worlds, she didn't say anything and gave her silent approval.

'I might be too old for this,' Adele thought as she massaged her forehead.

Adele had given birth to three children, with Belle being the youngest. Her eldest son was currently abroad and studying under the guidance of a long-time friend whose company had branches all over the world.

Her second born, Belle's older sister, was currently traveling around the country, looking for places where she could build a resort to start her own business.

Belle, the youngest of the three, was everyone's treasure. No one in their family would want to see her cry, or fall into depression.

The way Adele saw it, she had no problems with William marrying Belle, on the condition that he could stay by her side on a regular basis.

However, if Belle's mother and father knew that William was already married to four wives, with a fifth just around the corner, they would probably go ballistic and strangle the Half-Elf until he croaked.

"You're still thinking about the boy?" Raymond asked as he casually walked towards his wife who was seated on her favorite bench, with a dazed look on her face.

"Yes," Adele replied. "I'm worried about the future. I'm worried about our daughter's happiness. Dear, are we really doing the right thing?"

Raymond didn't answer and simply held his wife's hand, giving her a form of assurance that everything was going to be well.

"We can reach K-City in two hours if we use our helicopter," Raymond proposed. "Didn't you say that you wanted to inspect our company branch over there? I'm free right now. Why don't we go together?"

Adele smiled before nodding her head.

She was the kind of person that felt uncomfortable if she didn't face a problem head-on. A week had already passed since their meeting with William and a heavy atmosphere had fallen inside the residence since then.

"Let's go," Adele said as she stood up from the bench while holding her husband's hand. "Let's have a short vacation with Belle in K-City."

Paula kept on yawning as they visited one exhibit after the other. She was someone who didn't really have an eye for art, and preferred looking at fashionable clothes, as well as handsome models in magazines.

Belle and Hana, on the other hand, weren't that knowledgeable when it came to art, but they were able to appreciate such things, making Paula feel like she was the oddball in their group.

Naturally, they were surprised when they didn't see William in the museum. They thought that the Half-Elf would be waiting for them at the entrance, just as he had been at the amusement park yesterday.

When they asked Belle what happened, she just smiled and told them that he was still asleep.

Belle had slept in the same room with them, so they immediately ruled out the possibility that William had been exhausted due to "physical exercise".

The boys of Belle's class also noticed this, but they just thought that the red-headed teenager was just not interested in works of art.

Ever since William's amazing showcase of strength, none of the boys who had a crush on Belle made any further moves on her. They all decided to back away and forget about her completely, looking for other beautiful fishes in the open sea.

Near the end of their tour in the museum, one of Belle's professor's approached her. Her intention was to remind her about their next stop in today's itinerary.

They were scheduled to visit the Orion Grand Stadium to watch a baseball match, after they had all eaten lunch at a fancy restaurant that their school had reserved for them.

Belle's role was to ensure that no one would play truant, and go to other places, aside from what was written on their schedule.

All offenders would be punished after they returned to the university, and the black-haired beauty was there to remind them that they wouldn't be able to get off scot free if they broke the rules.

She was always the one chosen to play this role because all the students listened to her, especially the boys who liked to create trouble. It is very hard to say no when a beautiful lady was telling them to behave, especially when that lady's fiancé could easily clap their cheeks, and send them flying several meters in the air.

After the tour of the museum, everyone returned to the parking lot where their buses were waiting for them.

After making sure that everyone in the Business Management Classes were all accounted for, the buses left the scene and headed to their next destination.

Belle stared outside the window thinking about her beloved who might still be sleeping inside the hotel. She hoped that when she returned, William would be there to meet her, so that they could have dinner together.

While this was happening, a black orb of darkness, the size of a basketball appeared in the clear blue sky.

It was slowly expanding, and getting bigger in size with each passing minute. Unfortunately, everyone in K-City was so busy living their day to day lives that they didn't even have time to look up at the sky, to see the looming disaster that was slowly forming above their heads.

Chapter 914: A Looming Disaster Right Above Their Heads [Part 2]

James, who was currently exploring the Void, stumbled across two little girls, who seemed no older than ten, walking hand in hand.

Both girls were looking in their surroundings teary-eyed, looking so helpless and lost.

A single glance was enough to tell James that they were twins because they looked exactly alike.

What made the old coot frown was the fact that they were in the void. A place where space and time flowed erratically. One single mistake and you would find yourself trapped in an unknown world, or sent back to the past, or to the future.

When one of the girls spotted James, she immediately pointed at him, which alerted her other twin.

""Great Grandpa!""

Both girls cried out at the same time as they ran towards James crying like... well, the little lost girls that they were.

Although James had his doubts, he still dismounted from Sleipnir and knelt down to receive the two adorable, pink-haired girls that had called him Great Grandpa.

For James, the words Great Grandpa were music to his ears. Besides, he had a hunch that he knew who these twin girls belonged to.

"Wuwuwuwu, Great Grandpa, I'm scared," one of the pink-haired girls buried her head on James' chest as she cried her heart out. "Maple is scared, Great Grandpa."

"Wuwuwuwu, Great Grandpa, I'm scared," the other pink-haired girl also buried her head on James' chest as she cried her heart out like her twin. "Cinnamon is scared, Great Grandpa."

James lovingly patted the heads of the two adorable girls.

"There there, Great Grandpa is here," James coaxed the twins so that they would stop crying. "Where are your parents? What are you doing in this place?"

"Wuwuwu, Big Sister took us out to play," Maple replied. "But we got separated after a strong wind blew us away."

"Wuwuwu, Great Grandpa, help us find our Big Sisters," Cinnamon pleaded. "They might be here somewhere."

James nodded as she lifted the two girls to ride Sleipnir.

The moment sat on top of James' eight-legged horse, the two pink-haired girls stopped crying and started patting its neck.

Sleipnir had the ability to ensure that the riders he had recognized wouldn't fall off his back no matter how fast he ran.

Since James personally made the two girls mount his back, Sleipnir had also recognized them as his riders. Even if James didn't secure them in place, they wouldn't fall off even if he ran at full speed.

The twins were already shouting things like "Giddyap!" or "Run horsey run!", which made James smile.

The image of the pink-haired girl that always stayed beside William appeared in his mind, and it made James want to go back to Hestia, just to give his grandson a good smacking, for being an irresponsible father.

"You said you got separated from your Big Sisters," James said. "How many Big Sisters accompanied you to this place?"

Cinnamon started to count with her fingers, while Maple tugged on James' arm.

"We came with three Big Sisters with us," Maple said while showing four fingers.

"That's four." James chuckled as he put down one of Maple's fingers. "This is three."

Maple, seeing her mistake, happily raised her three fingers again and showed it to James. "Three Big Sisters!"

"Okay." James nodded. "Let's look for your three Big Sisters. Sleipnir, run around the surrounding area. If you find any traces of living people, head in their direction right away."

Sleipnir neighed as he ran at a speed that wasn't too fast, or too slow, which made the two adorable girls cheer and laugh on his back, which made the old bandit's heart melt at the heartwarming scene.

Back at K-City...

The black orb of darkness had already expanded to be the size of a car.

A minute later, a mirror flew from its dark depths and flew towards the North of the city.

Two minutes later, another mirror appeared. This time, it flew towards the South.

As time passed, more and more mirrors appeared and flew in different directions. After an hour, exactly nine mirrors hovered at the skies above the borders of the city. On their surface, a bright pulsing light could be seen, which was slowly, but surely, expanding on the entire surface of the mirror.

It was at this moment when the buses of the University were headed towards Orion Grand Stadium to watch the baseball match, on which their University's Baseball Team was competing. Currently, the buses were not moving because the traffic light was still red.

It was at this moment when they heard a loud cracking sound that reverberated in the entire city.

A Black Tower suddenly appeared in the sky, and with its appearance. All the power in the city went out. Even the battery of the bus that Belle and the others were currently riding was drained of its energy, making its functions cease to exist.

"What is going on?" the professor who was seated near the driver asked in confusion.

However, before the Bus Driver could give a reply, a gigantic black foot suddenly stomped down on the road in front of them, making the ground tremble, and the bus shake uncontrollably.

"Manually open the door now!" Belle ordered as she stood from her seat. "Open the door! We are in danger!"

As someone who had seen the unbelievable scenes in William's memories, Belle understood that what was happening was not normal.

Fortunately, the Bus Driver was already a step ahead of her, and was already attempting to open the door manually.

Half a minute later, the door of the bus opened and everyone started to leave the bus in a disorderly manner.

When Belle finally made her way out, her eyes widened at the unbelievable scene in front of her.

A Golem made out of Darkness was slowly materializing right in front of her.

"Are they shooting some kind of movie?" One of the boys looked around, hoping to see a movie camera to assert his claim.

"Damn! Are they shooting the sequel for Avengers End Game?"

"Where's Thor? I want to see Thor!"

"Spidey, where are you?!"

"I'm a big fan of Captain America. Do you think I can get an autograph?!"

All around Belle, people were pointing at the Giant Black Golem with shocked expressions on their faces.

Some of them were recording the scene, while others were busy taking pictures with their cellphones. In minutes, the appearance of the Black Golem had spread across several social media platforms, making K-City the focus of everyone in the country.

Instead of panicking, the people in the area found the whole thing interesting. Because the Golem wasn't moving and simply standing in place. They even thought that it was part of a movie scene, and they were lucky enough to be included in the production of such a film.

However, Belle knew that this wasn't a movie or a T.V shoot. She knew with absolute certainty that sooner or later, the Giant Black Golem would start to move, and that was when their nightmare would begin.

"Everyone, leave this place, now!" Belle ordered. "This is not some kind of movie! That's a real Golem. Everyone run!"

As if waiting for that cue, the Black Golem roared, making everyone in its surroundings unable to move their bodies.

The Black Golem looked down and stared at Belle. After looking at her for a few seconds, it extended its hands towards her, wanting to capture the strong-willed young lady, who had recognized it for what it was.

Chapter 915: Worst Fears Coming To Life

Half an hour before the Golem appeared in K-City...

William had just stepped out of the shower room, while drying his hair with a hand towel.

It was already lunch time, and he only had a few hours of sleep. Even so, he didn't have any problems with it.

His only concern was that he was unable to accompany Belle to the Museum and tour the exhibits with her.

After wearing a matching pair of pants, shirt, and blazer, the Half-Elf left his room to go to the restaurant inside the hotel to eat.

The moment he entered, he received playful winks from the staff that were tasked to assist their guests in the buffet style restaurant that William chose to eat lunch.

Feeling mischievous, the Half-Elf returned their playful winks with winks of his own, making the ladies blush in embarrassment.

After choosing a few dishes that caught his eyes, William sat on the table near a 60 inch T.V that was currently showing a noon-time K-Drama.

William had just finished taking a bite of a fried chicken when the program came to an abrupt halt and the face of an anxious news anchor suddenly appeared.

At the bottom of the screen, bold letters in red could be seen which read "Live Emergency Report".

"We interrupt your daily program to bring you this emergency broadcast," the news anchor reported with a serious expression on his face. "A large, unidentified object, which looks like a Black Tower, has appeared in the skies above the city."

Suddenly, something emerged from the Black tower and descended on the city.

It was a giant black orb that made William immediately bolt out of the restaurant as he ran towards the exit of the hotel.

Everyone was so preoccupied with what was happening, that they didn't notice that the red-headed teenager had left in haste after seeing the news on T.V.

It was at that moment when the giant black orb started to transform. A pair of legs appeared and stepped on the street with a loud crash, creating a mini shockwave that sent nearby cars flying several meters in the air.

The guests of the restaurants gasped in shock as they listened to what the news anchor had to say next.

"This just came in from the Mayor of the City," the News Anchor announced as he read the words that were appearing on the computer in front of him. "A State of Emergency has been declared in K-City. Everyone near the center of the city are advised to evacuate as quickly as possible.

The police force has already been mobilized to head to the scene in order to help people evacuate. Please, cooperate with the authorities to ensure your safety and wait for further instructions."

"Roads are expected to receive heavy congestion. Do not hesitate to travel on foot in order to reach a safe location. Everyone, please, proceed with caution!"

William flew a few meters aboveground , traveling over the streets towards the center of the city.

When the people saw him fly past them, all of them looked in his direction and started snapping pictures.

"Wow! Is that Superman?!"

"He must be one of the Avengers! Where is the camera?! I want to join the movie!"

"Did you get a picture? Mine is blurry. I knew I should have pressed the record button instead!"

As William neared the center of the city, he could see a lot of people running away in panic, while looking behind them.

The Black Golem had mostly materialized itself, and was currently standing still, motionless. According to William's estimates, the Black Golem was around a hundred meters tall (328 ft)

Suddenly, the Black Golem roared, which made the people near it paralyzed in fear and shock.

As if seeing something interesting, the Black Golem looked down and reached out to grab something from the ground.

William's heart almost stopped beating when he saw where the hand was headed.

Immediately, his entire body was covered by lightning, as he shot towards the hand that was about to grab his Beloved.

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Belle could only stare helplessly at the giant hand that was about to grab her.

Just like her classmates, she was standing rooted in place, unable to move even the fingers on her hands.

Just as the hand was about to grab her, a flash of light suddenly appeared, and knocked the giant's hand away, making the giant scream in pain.

"Bastard, how dare you covet my fiance?" a red-headed teenager shouted as he stood between Belle and the Black Golem who had attempted to grab her earlier.

The Half-Elf raised his hand and snapped his finger, which caused everyone in the surroundings to regain control of their body.

"Belle, take everyone away and leave this place," William said as he turned his head to look at Belle whose face was filled with anxiety. "This is not my first time dealing with Giants. I can handle this, now go."

William flew to the air and summoned Ruyi Jingu Bang.

Right now, he needed to buy time and ensure that the Giant Black Golem wouldn't be able to hurt the civilians.

For that to happen, he needed to block all of the Giant Golem's attacks.

William's brows were furrowed because no matter how much he, and the System, tried to appraise their enemy, they couldn't tell its rank, or any information about it.

The red-headed teenager briefly glanced at the ground, just in time to see the university students, and the other people running away towards the South of the city.

His and Belle's gaze met, and the latter gave him a firm nod to tell him that she understood. He was quite thankful that Paula and Hana were there to pull Belle away because the latter kept on looking behind her.

After seeing that they had run a safe distance away from him, the Half-Elf shifted his attention to the Giant Black Golem whose eyes glowed crimson red.

'This might get messy,' William thought as the giant swung his arm to give him a punch.

The Half-Elf didn't panic and activated his Heroic Avatar. Right now, he needed to ensure that everyone would be able to evacuate safely. The giant hand, and Ruyi Jingu Bang met, creating a metallic ring that spread across the center of the city.

It marked the start of a battle that would bring William's worst fears to life.

Chapter 916: Even Heroes Have The Right To Bleed [Part 1]

"Isn't that boy Belle's fiance?" one of the teenage boys that had just snapped out of his paralyzed state pointed at William.

"Yes," his friend answered. "I can't possibly forget that red hair of his. Even now, I'm still in awe of how he slapped those gangsters. Turns out that he's not an ordinary person."

"Damn! Did you see how he knocked that giant's hand away?! That was wicked!"

"I knew our University's Belle would not choose an ordinary person as a fiance. That boy was a freaking superhero!"

"Is he perhaps one of the Revengers? Will his superhero friends make an appearance too?!"

Everyone watched as the red-headed teenager floated between Belle and the Giant Black Golem who was roaring in anger.

"Belle, take everyone away and leave this place," William said as he turned his head to look at Belle whose face was filled with anxiety. "This is not my first time dealing with Giants. I can handle this, now go."

As William flew towards the Giant Black Golem, Belle ordered for everyone to run towards the South, away from the battle.

The Professors who accompanied the students on their trip snapped out of their daze and hurriedly repeated Belle's orders. Those who didn't want to budge were reprimanded heavily. The professors even threatened that they would be suspended, and their parents called to the university.

The threat of the teachers worked, and the students obeyed. But, some of them weren't able to stop themselves from taking out their cellphones and started to take pictures of the William and the Giant Golem.

Some of them even attempted to record the scene, but stopped after getting smacked by their professors in the head, forcing them to evacuate the place with bitter expressions on their faces.

Paula and Hana ran behind Belle, but both of them were still in shock and in disbelief. They never thought that the red-headed teenager that they casually talked to was actually someone with super powers.

"Belle, is William really a superhero?" Paula asked as she ran beside her best friend.

Belle gave her best friend a side-long glance before turning her head to look at her Beloved who was busy blocking the Giant Golem's repeated attacks.

"No," Belle answered. "But right now, he has no choice to be one."

Although Belle knew that her Beloved was strong, there was an unexplainable anxiety inside her heart that she couldn't explain.

The mirrors that were floating around the borders of K-City started to glow brightly.

Suddenly, a beam of light shot out from one of the mirrors, and flew towards the nearest mirror that was located on its right side.

When the beam of light landed on the surface of the second mirror, it bounced off and traveled to the next mirror on its right.

As the beam of light traveled around the borders of the city, a magic circle started to form in the skies.

When the beam of light hit the surface of the last mirror, a barrier appeared along the border of the city preventing anyone from coming in and going out of the city.

However, before the barrier completely covered the city, a helicopter managed to enter it at the last minute.

This was the helicopter that belonged to the Parker Corporation, which was managed by Belle's Mother, Adele.

"What in the world is going on?" Adele frowned as she looked at the Black Tower, and the Giant Black Golem that could be seen at the center of the city. "Just what is happening?!"

Raymond also didn't understand what was currently happening in K-City because they had just arrived at the scene.

"Contact Belle," Raymond said. "We will pick her up and get out of this place."

Adele nodded. The reason why they came to this place was to see Belle. Now that an unknown threat had appeared in the city, it was best to take their daughter to safety.

Fortunately, Belle picked up after her phone rang twice, which reduced the anxiety in Adele's heart.

"Belle, where are you right now? Your father and I are here in K-City and riding a helicopter" Adele asked as soon as the call connected. "Are you safe?"

"Yes," Belle answered. There was a trace of worry in her voice after hearing that her parents were also in K-City. "Ma, why are you and Papa here? The city is not safe! You should turn back now!"

"No. We will not leave without you," Adele replied in a firm voice. "Where is William? Ask him to accompany you to a safe place and we will pick both of you up. Are Paula and Hana with you? We can take them with us as well."

There was a brief moment of silence before Belle answered her mother's question.

"Paula and Hana are with me," Belle stated. "However, William is not here. He is currently fighting against the Giant Golem, in an attempt to buy time for the people in the surrounding area to evacuate."

"What?! William is fighting against that thing?!" Adele gasped in shock as she gazed at the Giant Black Golem in the distance.

The Giant Golem was currently swinging its arms to attack something, but it was too far for Adele to see who it was fighting against.

Adele was shocked enough that she was grateful to be using the helicopter's headset instead of her cell phone since she would have most definitely dropped her phone when she heard Belle's words—that the one that was fighting against the Giant Golem was the same boy who had asked for her daughter's hand in marriage.

Raymond, who had just been listening to his wife's and daughter's conversation, flipped the comm switch so he could talk to Belle.

"Where are you right now?" Raymond asked. "Let's meet up first. We can talk about what to do next when you and your friends are safe and sound."

Belle knew that time was crucial, so she immediately told her parents the nearest landmark near her location.

Raymond flipped the comm switch again so he could talk to the pilot of the helicopter.

"Sir, we can only stay airborne for one more hour," the pilot stated before pointing at the light barrier that surrounded the city. "Also, I'm not sure if we can get past that light anomaly that looks like a barrier from a movie. I suggest that after we pick up the young miss, we refuel at our company's helipad."

Raymond nodded in understanding. "Very well. Let's pick up my daughter first. We can worry about refueling and getting out of this place later."

The pilot nodded as he steered the helicopter towards the center of the city. Although he didn't want to be near the Giant Golem, his employers' daughter was currently in the danger zone, so he gritted his teeth, while praying to the Gods for their safety.

William who was currently doing his best to minimize the damage in his surroundings was getting pushed back little by little.

Right now, he couldn't actively hit the Giant Golem because he was afraid that the Golem would knock down the skyscrapers around them, causing massive casualties.

Due to his heightened senses, he was able to see that there were still many people inside the buildings. Some of them were even recording the battle in real time, which almost made the Half-Elf vomit blood in anger.

"Motherf*ckers, do you think this is some kind of movie stunt!?" William shouted with all of his might. "If you don't want to die then evacuate the buildings now!"

The Half-Elf waved his hand and shot a barrage of stone bullets at the windows of the nearby skyscrapers to make the fools who were recording his battle realize that they were in great danger.

The sounds of windows shattering, and screams of people echoed in the surroundings. William made sure that only the windows of the buildings would be destroyed, and the people behind them would be unharmed.

Fortunately, the destroyed windows had the intended effect that he wanted. All the people in the buildings started to evacuate for real this time, which made the Half-Elf sigh in relief.

However, after seeing his display of concern to the surroundings, the Giant Golem suddenly changed its strategy.

Instead of attacking the red-headed teenager in front of it, the Giant Golem swung its arm towards the nearest building with the intention of destroying it completely!

Chapter 917: Even Heroes Have The Right To Bleed [Part 2]

"Sh*t!" William cursed out loud as he swung Ruyi Jingu Bang upwards. The golden staff extended, and slapped the Giant Black Golem's hand upwards, preventing it from hitting its target.

However, as if it expected that to happen, another arm grew out from the right side of its body to deliver another strike to the building that William had just prevented it from hitting.

Before the attack connected, William delivered his own punch to deflect the attack, while his entire body was clad in lightningbolt.

A resounding crack was heard, but it was not the golem's hand that broke, but William's.

The Half-Elf had a pained expression on his face, as he landed on the ground.

The knuckle of his right arm was bleeding, and the bone could be seen from his injury. He didn't expect that the Golem was incredibly hard, that his full forced attack wasn't able to destroy its intended target.

The thing that surprised him the most was that Sun Wukong's body was nearly invincible. Right now, he was in his Heroic Avatar form, so very few things could withstand his might even if William fought barehanded.

The fact that the one that got heavily injured was him, and not the golem, only meant one thing. The Golem far surpassed the threshold of the Ranks of Demigods.

William immediately changed his job class to Life Wizard and cast a powerful regeneration spell on his arm. He also drank a Rejuvenation Potion to speed up the process because he couldn't afford to wait for it to recover completely.

He and Optimus couldn't gauge the strength of their opponent, which further strengthened his guess that he was at least fighting something at the Pseudo-God rank and above.

However, there was one thing that confused William, those with that kind of power had to pay a price for descending into the mortal realm. Since the Giant Golem dared to do so, it only meant that it was not afraid of the repercussions of its actions.

'This Golem is simply a puppet,' William thought as he glanced at the Black Tower floating in the sky. 'The Mastermind must be inside the Black Tower. If I can break past its defenses, I might be able to stop this Golem's attacks.'

William's plan was good, but there was one problem. He couldn't leave the Giant Black Golem alone because if he did, it might start a rampage that could kill many innocent people.

'Dammit!' William cursed internally.

Unlike the scenario in the Deadlands, William was able to wield his powers on Earth without any repercussions.

The only problem was that he couldn't summon his King's Legion from his domain, because the laws of the world didn't allow it.

While William was staring daggers at the Giant Golem that towers above him. The giant raised its head to roar at the sky as if telling the owner of the Black Tower to give it permission to unleash its powers.

A few seconds later, several arms jutted out of its body, which made William's face turn grim.

"F*ck!" The Half-Elf wasn't able to stop the F word from escaping his lips after the Giant Golem grew six menacing arms that gleamed in the sunlight.

William then stared at his injured arm and the frown on his face deepened.

For some reason, his regeneration powers weren't working properly. Although the injury to his right hand was regenerating, it was healing at a much slower rate.

Unfortunately for him, the giant didn't intend to wait for him to fully recover. It once again attacked the building beside it with a fervor that made the hairs at the back of William's neck stand on end.

The Half-Elf knew that the Giant Golem knew that he didn't have a choice. If he didn't block its attack, the building would collapse, killing the people inside it.

William gritted his teeth as he turned into a lightning bolt. He knew that it was a futile endeavor, but he still did it. If he could only buy the people some time to evacuate, even if it was just a few seconds, perhaps some of them would be able to survive.

Raising his left hand, he blocked the first attack, and blocked the second one as well. However the third, sent him smashing towards the building, breaking the skyscraper in half.

The Half-Elf's body flew hundreds of meters away from the building before crashing on the hard stone pavement.

Blood streamed down the side of his lips, as he glared hatefully at the Giant Golem who was looking down at him with ridicule.

Although the Giant Golem didn't say anything, its eyes seemed to tell William that whatever he was doing was meaningless.

William's body was aching, but he still forced himself to stand up.

It was at that moment when he realized that the place where he crashed down was a place where people had gathered to escape the center of the city.

Once again, William changed his Job Class and used a powerful healing spell on his entire body. Although he seemed fine on the surface, the Giant Golem's attacks had caused him some internal injuries.

'Now I'm sure of it,' William thought as he grimaced in pain. 'That Golem is a Divine Creature of some sort.'

Blood was also coming out from his nose and ears, which made him look like a sorry sight.

After chugging another bottle of rejuvenation potion, William was about to fly and confront the Giant Golem once again a little girl approached him to offer the Half-Elf her handkerchief.

"Big Brother, are you a superhero?" the girl asked with an anxious expression on her face. "Can you beat that monster?"

William smiled as he accepted the handkerchief, to wipe the bloodstains on his lips and nose.

However, before he could even answer, a teenage boy stepped forward to drag the little girl away from William. The Half-Elf assumed that he was the girl's older brother, so he just continued to wipe his face with the handkerchief given to him.

"He's no superhero," the boy said as he stared at the disheveled red-headed teenager who was holding the golden staff in his hand. "How can a superhero get beaten up? Look. He's bleeding all over."

The people around the two children nodded their heads. They didn't see William fighting against the Giant Black Golem, and only thought him as a lucky person who managed to survive the golem's attack.

"You're right. I am not a superhero," William answered as he used his magic to clean the handkerchief in his hand. "But right now, I have no choice but to be one. Also, I think you have a misunderstanding about heroes"

William returned the little girl's handkerchief before his body hovered above the ground.

Lightning bolts snaked around his body, making the air around him tremble. Stormcaller and Soleil hovered above him as William decided to bring out his big guns to fight by his side.

"Even heroes have the right to bleed," William said softly as he flew towards the Giant Black Golem with a determined look on his face.

The people who didn't think much of William earlier all gasped in shock as they saw him transform into a lightning bolt, and streaked towards the Giant Golem that had started to destroy the buildings around it like it was having fun.

Chapter 918: Sit Down, Son!

William was feeling frustrated. His injuries were healing at a slow rate while the Giant Golem in front of him was wreaking havoc like a little child throwing a temper tantrum.

In short, the situation was very tricky, and his mind was working at full capacity in order to think of a way to deal with his current dilemma.

It was not as if he couldn't beat the crap out of the Giant Black Golem, but the problem was that the entirety of K-City was filled with people.

Fighting against the Giant Golem would require him to devastate the surrounding area, which would lead to thousands of people dying. This was something that the Half-Elf couldn't do, so his hands were tied.

The Giant Golem, on the other hand, didn't have this problem. It was a creature that was born to destroy, and take the lives of others.

It had noticed that William was only resorting to defending against its attacks, so it decided to just destroy the surroundings, and force the puny insect to meet his attacks head-on, causing the latter's injuries.

Its initial plan worked, and it successfully dealt a great blow to William. After realizing that its strategy was working, it focused on destroying everything in its path, killing thousands of people within minutes.

K-City had a population of three million people, which made it very difficult for William to go all out, especially since a barrier had erected itself along the borders of the city, preventing people from coming in or going out.

The red-headed teenager's heart ached after seeing the bodies of the people that had been crushed by the collapsed building in their surroundings.

A good number of them had been trampled by the Giant Black Golem, who seemed to think that destroying buildings and killing people were fun. This infuriated William as he smashed Ruyi Jingu Bang on top of its head making it cry out in pain.

Stormcaller, and Soleil took that opportunity to fire lightning bolts, and fireballs at its eyes, intensifying the damage it was accumulating.

William flew towards the Giant Golem's head as he summoned one of the weapons in his possession. This was the first time that he was personally going to use the weapon, but he was confident that he would be able to give the Giant Golem in front of him a very painful experience.

"You think killing people is fun, right? Since that is the case, I'll make you feel what dying feels like!" William roared as he pulled back his arm in preparation to throw the weapon in his hand.

"Lightning God War Art Thirteenth Form...", William's eyes were filled with killing intent as the weapon in his hand turned crimson red. "Go for the kill... Gae Bolg!"

The famous spear that was known to cause mortal pain and death to whoever it pierced, flew towards the Giant Golem's right eye, leaving a trail of crimson light behind it.

The Black Giant Golem wanted to swat it down, but Stormcaller and Soleil fired their long range attacks at its head, making the Giant Golem miss its target

Gae Bolg Pierced through its eyes, and firmly embedded itself inside its head, making the Giant howl in pain.

However, the deadly spear was far from finished from its onslaught. Two-meter long jagged spikes jutted out of the spear's blade in every direction, making it look like a porcupine, causing immense pain to the giant.

A minute later, several red lines appeared on the giant's head, and started to spread across its entire body like giant bulging blood vessels that were writhing out of control.

Legend had it that once Gae Bolg had pierced its target, it would make them suffer insufferable hell, making them wish they were dead.

Right now, the Giant Golem was feeling that pain and it was driving it crazy.

It no longer attacked its surroundings, but solely focused its attention on William, wanting to have its revenge on the pesky fly that dared to antagonize it.

However, William had already thought of a way to deal with the Giant without endangering the populace.

William held Ruyi Jingu Bang with both hands as he rose above the giant's head. He then swung the Golden Staff as it grew in size, becoming as long and thick as the Giant Golem In front of him.

"Fore!" William shouted as he hit the Giant Black Golem like a golf ball, sending it flying towards the sea.

Ruyi Jingu Bang was also a Divine Weapon, so it didn't have a problem when fighting against objects of the same tier.

The moment the Giant Golem landed on the sea, it made a huge splash, sending waves flying in every direction.

William immediately turned into a lightning bolt to go towards the Golem and prevent it from coming back to the city.

The Giant Black Golem was furious after receiving William's attack, so the moment it was able to, it stood up from the sea and roared towards the sky.

However, that was a mistake because the infuriated Half-Elf was a hundred meters above its head.

"Sit down, Son!" William ordered as he slammed Ruyi Jingu Bang into the Giant Golem's head.

Currently, the thickness of the golden staff was that of a castle, which forced the Golem to sink down into the sea like a nail being hit by a hammer.

The size of the Ruyi Jingu Bang further increased as the Half-Elf smashed down for the second time, pinning the bastard golem in place.

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"That's William?!" Adele gasped in shock as she stared at the unbelievable battle that was happening in the sea.

"Yes," Belle replied with a trace of pride in her voice. "That's him."

Belle's parents had managed to pick up their daughter at the place they had agreed upon. Since there were plenty of seats in the helicopter, they also took Paula and Hana with them.

The two girls had been Belle's best friends for several years, and Raymond and Adele were very fond of them.

Paula, who used to be at odds with William, was rendered speechless after seeing how the red-headed teenager was single-handedly fighting against a giant that was almost as tall as a skyscraper.

"A-Amazing," Paula muttered. "Belle, your fiance is amazing."

Belle nodded. After seeing the battles that William had fought in his memories, she was sure that the Half-Elf was capable of dealing against the Giant Black Golem.

However, for some reason, there was a nagging feeling at the back of her head that seemed to tell her that this was just the beginning of something more sinister.

As if waiting for that cue, the Black Tower that was floating in the sky glowed three times. Half a minute later, two Giant Black Golems descended upon the city, sending a new wave of screams and panic through the people who were caught in the two Golem's landing sites.

William, who was about to smash his golden staff to the struggling Golem that he had pinned down on the sea, froze in shock.

He was already having a hard time pinning a single Giant Golem down, and two more had just appeared.

Images of the Deadlands flashed inside his head, which made him grit his teeth in frustration.

Although the Half-Elf had faced many difficult situations in the past, he had to admit that the current situation was making him feel a sense of helplessness.

Chapter 919: A Price That He Didn't Want To Pay

It was not only William who felt helpless with the current situation that they were in.

Raymond, Adele, Belle, Paula, and Hana, who were inside the helicopter, had a birds eye view of what was currently happening in the city.

People running through the streets, screaming and crying for help.

Cars crashed against each other as they tried to get as far away from the Golems as possible.

People along the borders of the city were banging on the barrier with whatever they could smash at it, in the hopes that they would be able to create an opening and get through it.

The Policemen tried to assure the people that everything was going to be fine, but were unable to quell the fear and anxiety that was taking hold of everyone's senses.

If there were two words that could be used to describe the current circumstances of K-City they would be none other than Complete Pandemonium.

Suddenly, loud noises came from the sky as several fighter jets appeared over the horizon. All of them fired their missiles towards the barrier, while aiming at the two giant Golems.

Unfortunately, their missiles weren't able to destroy the barrier. Not even a crack appeared on its surface.

Even so, they didn't give up. They fired all of the missiles they were carrying hoping that a concentrated attack would create a miracle.

After a series of loud explosions, the hope of everyone crumbled. The barrier remained strong, and the aerial reinforcements of the country couldn't break it.

The appearance of the Fighter Jets gave William an idea. He aimed the over-sized Ruyi Jingu Bang on the barrier and fired a railgun to break it.

A deafening sound reverberated in the surroundings as William's attack collided with the barrier. Unlike what happened to the missiles, William's attack had caused a small crack on its surface.

However, before the Half-Elf could even rejoice, the crack regenerated instantly forcing William to try something daring.

"Quick Shot War Art Fusion Form..." William aimed at the barrier for the second time. "Blitzer Railgun!"

William fused with Ruyi Jingu Bang as it smashed towards the barrier with great tenacity.

Several cracks started to appear on the barrier, which gave everyone hope. But, before they could fully celebrate, the Earth under their feet shook.

Just as William finally created a hole through the barrier, something unexpected happened.

The entirety of K-City rose up a hundred meters to the air, making William's plan to allow the people to escape by breaking the barrier useless.

The hole that he had also made a while ago, regenerated in less than five seconds, preventing the Fighter Jets from entering the city's air space to provide military support.

William knew that creating another crack on the barrier was a futile idea. Even if the Jet Fighters were able to get past the barrier, so what?

Their current weapons were ineffective against the Giant Golems, and their entry might just make the entire situation take a turn for the worse.

Just as the Half-Elf was about to think that things couldn't get any worse, the Black Tower once again glowed brightly.

This time, the people that had died during the Golems' rampage, started to stir from their deathly slumber.

"Gods, please, don't do this," William muttered with dejection as the dead people propped themselves up and stood on their feet.

Their body parts that had been crushed earlier reformed and re-attached themselves to their owner's body, making them complete.

The once lively city had now taken a step to become a full blown, apocalypse movie, in real life. Just as William was thinking of what to do next, the sole helicopter flying in the sky caught his eyes.

Due to his heightened senses, he was able to tell that Belle, her parents, and her best friends were inside the helicopter.

It was that moment when William resolved himself that no matter what happens, he would do his best to allow the helicopter to leave K-City in one piece.

Although it was a bit selfish of him to prioritize saving the life of his Beloved, this was something that William had decided.

Even if many people died, as long as Belle was alive, he would be able to fight against the Giants without holding back.

After making his decision, he flew towards the helicopter in order to tell them about his plan.

But, before he could even get near it, a red beam of light shot out from the Black Tower and destroyed the helicopter's rotors, making it free-fall towards the ground.

"Nooooo!" William shouted as he turned into a lightning bolt to catch the falling helicopter.

Due to his speed, he managed to catch the helicopter and dodge the Black Tower's second beam attack which was aimed at the body of the helicopter.

William carried the Helicopter near the border of the city, away from the Giant Golems and the zombies that were now starting to hunt for those who were still alive to feast on.

After finding a good place to land, the Half-Elf slowly placed the helicopter on the ground.

He then tore open the door to check if everyone was safe.

"Belle!" William glanced at his Beloved, who seemed to have lost consciousness while strapped to her seat with a safety harness.

Raymond and the pilot were the only one conscious, while all the girls had fainted when the helicopter started its freefall.

After a quick diagnostic, William breathed a sigh of relief after finding out that the ladies were fine, and had just passed out from fright.

Just to be on the safe side, he cast a healing spell on all of them, which allowed them to regain consciousness after the spell ended.

"Listen," William said as he held Belle's hand. "The city is no longer safe, and I can't take you out of this place even if I wanted to. The best thing you can do is hide. I will do my best to prevent the Golems from coming to this location, but the zombies on the ground might pose a threat. Do your best to find a hiding place where they cannot see and reach you."

The red-headed teenager wished that he could summon his King's Legion to defend Belle, but it was not possible.

Suddenly, a small chirp reached his ears as a small portal, the size of a golf ball appeared beside him.

Aethon, William's little wren, forced itself out of the small portal, but it was stuck.

The Half-Elf hurriedly tried to widen the gap in order for the little guy to pass through. A few seconds later, the wren circled William's head before landing on Belle's shoulder.

"Chirp!"

"You will protect her?" William looked at the little bird with a dumbfounded expression.

"Chirp!"

The red-headed teenager didn't know if he should laugh or cry on Aethon's confident reply. He didn't know how the little Wren was able to get past the laws that prevented his other friends from coming over to help him, but he was still thankful that at least one of them answered his call.

"Okay, take care of her," William said with a serious expression. "If you fail, I will make sure to roast you later."

"Chirp!"

Aethon patted its chest with its wings as if telling William that he had nothing to worry about. Right now, the Half-Elf could only trust that his little Wren had something up its sleeves that gave it the confidence to tell its Master that everything was going to be fine.

"I'm going," William stated. "All of you, please be safe."

Just as William was about to fly away, a delicate hand grabbed onto his arm, stopping him in his tracks. The Half-Elf turned around to see Belle look at him with a worried look on her beautiful face.

"Be careful," Belle said before kissing William's right cheek. "That is for goodluck. Don't you dare die on me."

William smiled and nodded his head. How could he possibly die when he still hadn't kept his promise to Belle and his other wives? He had no intention of doing so. So many people were waiting for his return, and he couldn't allow himself to fall here.

"Understood," William replied. "Be safe, Belle."

The Half-Elf then flew in the direction of the nearest Giant Golem without looking back.

It was at that moment when William realized that if he wanted to turn this entire situation around, he must pay the price of it.

A price that he never wanted to pay unless he was left with no other choice.

Chapter 920: I'm Sorry, Will

"N-No! Don't come closer! Nooooo!" a man screamed in fear as a group of zombies managed to encircle him.

With no place to go, the man was helplessly pinned down and bitten by the Zombies while he screamed with all of his might. A minute later, the man stood up, and joined the ranks of the Zombie hoard, in search of other people to turn into one of their kind.

This scene was happening all over the city, and William couldn't do anything about it. Right now, his priority was to deal with the two Giant Black Golems. These behemoths could kill more people than all the Zombies combined, so it was a no-brainer for William to prioritize them over the other.

Just like he did with the first Golem, William sent the next Golem flying towards the sea, hitting the other Giant Golem that was just about to reach the shore.

Before the two could even recover their footing, another Golem smashed against them. However, the Half-Elf wasn't done with them just yet.

Ruyi Jingu Bang's thickness was now the size of the Glory Shelter.

With a single thrust, William smacked the three Giant Golems and sent them smashing towards the barrier.

Although he knew that the Golems would just regenerate the damage they received in less than a minute, it was the only thing he could do. William needed to buy himself enough time to deal with the root of all problems, which was the Black Tower floating in the sky.

After sending the pesky golems to the sea, William then smashed Ruyi Jingu Bang towards the Black Tower with one full-powered-strike that was strong enough to decimate an entire mountain.

Unfortunately, his plan didn't work because an invisible barrier stopped his attack in its tracks.

William was all too familiar with this phenomenon. He already had his suspicions, but after attacking the black tower, his suspicions were confirmed, which made him sigh internally.

"A law," William muttered. "I will need to find a way to break it."

The red-headed teenager didn't know how the Deadlands ended up between the boundaries of life and death. He didn't know many things, but one thing was for sure. The Black Tower in front of him was more powerful than the one in the Deadlands.

While the Half-Elf was trying to find a way to break through the Black Tower's defenses by repeatedly smashing it with his oversized golden staff, the Black Tower glowed brightly, as if enraged by William's actions.

Twelve more Giant Black Golems appeared in the city, landing on the more populated areas, but the Black Tower wasn't finished. Thousands of cloaked figures, the size of normal humans appeared, and they were all holding a deathscythe in their hands

They were like the Grim Reaper of Death that William had seen in the deadlands, albeit smaller. Even so, William didn't dare to underestimate these cloaked figures because he couldn't tell how strong they were.

Without waiting for the Giant Golem's to start a one-sided massacre, William plucked up several of his hairs and blew on them.

These hairs turned into a dozen clones, which dealt with one giant each.

The Half-Elf knew that summoning more clones would just hasten the speed of how long he could keep his Heroic Avatar active, but there was nothing he could do about it.

There was only so much that a single person could do in the face of twelve giants, plus three more that were currently making their way towards the land from the sea.

While the red-headed teenager was busy fighting against the Golems, the cloaked figures descended on the city and started killing people.

They were the Grim Reapers that ferried souls to the afterlife. Right now, their purpose was to take as many souls as they could, which would then be taken to the Black Tower to act as its power source.

With each slash of their death scythes, people collapsed on the ground and their souls were harvested from their bodies by the cloaked figures that represented death.

People collapsed on the ground in droves, making them prime targets for the Zombies who chased anything that had a semblance of life in them.

Just as Belle, her parents, and her besties were looking for a safe place to hide, a dozen Grim Reapers descended from the sky and flew towards them.

Adele screamed as she grabbed hold of Belle in a protective embrace, she was using her body to shield her from harm, while Raymond stood in front of his wife and daughter and took a fighting stance.

Although he knew that this act was futile, the only way he would allow these Grim Reapers to get close to his family was over his dead body!

When the Grim Reapers were only dozens of meters away from their designated targets, a small Wren flew in their direction.

Without warning, Aethon's body glowed and transformed into a giant bird with a wingspan of seven meters.

The little Wren had transformed into a Roc, which was a feared monster in the World of Hestia. An adult Roc, had a wingspan of twelve meters and preyed on anything that it could carry, including elephants.

Aethon bit on one of the grim reapers, while its two claws grabbed two others. It then spun its body around, creating several wind blades that sliced off four more grim reapers, making them turn into particles of light.

In that single exchange, Aethon dealt with seven cloaked figures on its own, but it was not enough, as the remaining five flew towards Belle's group with weapons raised high.

Aethon screeched as it tried to turn its body around in order to save Belle and the others. It had made a promise to William that it would protect the black-haired beauty with everything it had, but the enemy was just far too many.

The Grim Reapers encircled the entire group because it wanted to eliminate them in one fell swoop. Paula, and Hana screamed, while Adele hid Belle behind her. Raymond, on the other hand, had resolved himself to fight to the death in order to protect his family.

"I'm sorry, Will," Belle muttered as the grim reapers swung their death scythes towards their bodies without showing any mercy.