

Supremacy 1771

Chapter 1771 The Indomitable Will of A Mountain.

'Demeter, no one is coming to save you.' Uranus uttered coldly, 'You better put your heart and soul into this fight.'

Upon hearing this, Demeter felt her heart sink to the bottom of her stomach, almost messing with her defenses.

Cling!!

With another close confrontation, she pulled away from Felix and yelled in her mind, 'Eris! What does he mean!'

'The only way to save you is for us to reach the clockwork tower and get rid of our chains. Then, return to the library and modify the portal to the destination registered and connected to it.' Eris replied honestly, 'All of this will take a decent amount of time. Time, I don't think you have since you need to stay alive so I can use my wisp as a connection point to open up the portal.'

If Demeter was thrown on a different floor with a single portal in it, Eris would need only the location's details and she could modify any portal to reach her.

But, in a void, where not a single ounce of spatial disturbance appeared, it was way more complicated.

Even if she knew about the void's location and had a portal near her, if there was nothing inside the void that could link up with the portal, it wouldn't work.

That's why she needed her wisp to remain alive as with her chaos laws, she could turn it into a portal, bypassing the tower's rules.

After all, she was turning herself into a spatial portal instead of opening one. It was the same as teleportation and phasing abilities being allowed in the tower, but no portaling abilities.

'It can't be...'

When Demeter came to this realization, all she could do was bite her lips hard, knowing that Eris had no reason to wish for her death. Thus, if she uttered this was the only way, she truly meant it.

This made Demeter understand that she could no longer put her faith in Eris and Uranus to save her.

'I need to save myself.' Demeter's gaze got colder, 'I am the mighty Goddess of Earth, the unyielding ruler of mountains. The existence of all life depends on me, how can I succumb in this unknown piece of void!'

"I REFUSE IT!"

With one desperate bellow and eyes ablaze with determination, Demeter doubled down on her attacks, throwing everything in her possession at Felix!

'What the hell?'

Felix was caught slightly off guard by Demeter's sudden change in attitude. Just earlier, she was seeking to slow down the fight and buy time for herself.

In the blink of an eye, she became a glorious goddess wielding her divine lance to its absolute limitation, giving Felix a hellish time, avoiding and blocking her attacks!

Thud!! Thud!! Thud!!...

'Has she gone mad?' Thor commentated with widened eyes in confusion.

'I also don't know.' Fenrir frowned, 'She might be putting Felix into a difficult time, but he can survive it. In the end, she will waste everything she has and give him the chance to devour her core quite easily.'

The rest agreed with his assessment as they watched Demeter go absolutely barbaric on Felix, trading blow after another, creating a rare epic and impactful battle scene between two unigins!

'Something changed.' Felix remarked while ducking his head to avoid Demeter's arm that turned into a green sand chain.

'For her to act like this, it's clear that her partners have given up on her and made her understand it.' Felix narrowed his eyes, 'In other words, they failed to find a way to enter the void.'

'Sh*t, this means she will...'

Before Felix finished his thought, Demeter's voice rang out, resonating through the void, "By the laws of earth and stone, I command you to petrify!"

'Damn it!'

Felix's expression turned for the worse after noticing his dragonic armored feet starting to petrify into stone!

He swiftly released his evil energy on it, desiring to corrupt and slow down the petrification. Alas, his evil energy was way too inefficient, making him understand that he would be turned into a statue entirely if he didn't change his approach!

"Celestial Black Flames! Devour it!"

The tattoos on his chest glowed fiercely, igniting with black celestial flames before bursting forth and covering his entire body.

The flames surged forth, dancing across his body, fighting back against the creeping stone.

"Argh..."

Meanwhile, Demeter felt a sudden surge of pain ripple through her extended arm. Glancing down, she saw a celestial golden chain appear out of nowhere and coil around her wrist, its links biting into her flesh!

Gritting her teeth, she turned her attention back to Felix, focusing her willpower on the petrification command.

But more chains appeared, slithering from the darkness like serpents, wrapping around Demeter's arms, legs, and torso!

'ARRRRRRRGHH!! I AIN'T LETTING GO!'

Each link dug into her skin, sparks of pain shooting through her body, but she refused to relent!

She wasn't too surprised by the chains' quick emergence as her attack was geared to petrify a unigin's existence into a stone!

This was her final and most powerful attack that could take down any unigin if they weren't equipped with enough celestial energy to block it.

Since she was literally abusing her laws to get rid of a peer, the universe would not stay silent.

Meanwhile, Felix was still struggling to stop the petrification with his black flames. While it proved useful opposing it, it merely slowed it down.

Demeter's command was an order to the laws of the universe, an order that could be stopped by only the universe or those sharing equal authority with it. In this case, it was Demeter herself as the goddess of earth and stone!

Even when her body was wracked with pain, her energy waning rapidly, her breath coming in as ragged grasps due to the chains tightening around her, she still refused to stop the petrification.

"I will...not...let you...prevail...I...will...be..saved...if...I..fell...in..slumber...I..will...b

e...saved!" She growled, her voice tinged with desperation.

The only thing keeping her sane was the sight of Felix's body continuing to get encased in stone even with his celestial black flames roaring furiously to consume it.

She knew that if she fell into slumber while Felix was petrified, Eris' wisp would remain alive and she could carry with her help regardless of how much time it needed...It was her last desperate Hail Mary.

Right now, Felix's vision was narrowing as his head was half encased, leaving behind only his right eye and the upper top!

Felix gave up on the rest of his body and summoned whatever he had of celestial black flames on the upper side, making it burn the edges of the stoning process around it furiously.

As he gazed murderously and with a bit of dread at Demeter, who was shackled by more than eighteen chains now, he couldn't help but roar telepathically, 'Demeter!!!'

Demeter's consciousness was already on the verge of slipping away, his scream sounded akin to a faint sea wave over the distance...

'I...can...do..it...'

Cling! Cling! Cling!!

More chains were added, some even pierced right through her, seemingly telling her that the universe was getting angrier at her resistance!

'Cough...I can...do..it..'

Cling! Cling!...Psss! Psss!!!

As more chains kept piercing through her body, her grip on the petrification command slipped, and she felt the weight of exhaustion pulling her down.

With the divine light of the chains around her, she managed to see Felix's condition even with a blurry vision.

What came into her vision was Felix's unyielding bloodshot eye, burning with a pillar of black flames, reaching hundreds of meters above him.

It was the last thing not encased in stone.

'I...'

Pssss!!!

With a final chain piercing through her chest, Demeter's body went limp, the chains pulling her down and tightening their grasp.

Her eyes fluttered shut, her consciousness slumping into the darkness as the universe's will forced her into a deep slumber.

She wasn't fighting opposing Felix's will but against the will of the universe...

Meanwhile, Felix was still encased in stone, his burning eye was the only thing keeping him alive.

As he gazed at Demeter's floating chained-up body, he couldn't help but feel dread and a bit of awe at the number of chains shackling her.

'Twenty-Eight Celestial Chains...How can someone have such a strong will to fight off opposing the pain of this many chains.' Candace murmured in awe, not forgetting how Felix almost got ended by twelve chains.

While both situations were vastly different, she still took double the number while awake!

'That is the indomitable will of a mountain.' Lilith remarked calmly, 'Gaze at it, revere it, for none of you can fathom what she has just gone through.'

Chapter 1772 The Clockwork Tower.

'The Indomitable will of a mountain...' Felix murmured as he floated slowly towards Demeter.

He was still petrified in stone, but he no longer needed to keep wasting his black flames on his eye after the process ended.

Understanding that Uranus and Eris must have left wisps within Demeter's mind made him prioritize getting rid of them.

When he reached Demeter's chained-up body, he gave her one last look and immediately commanded Asna's core to start the devouring process!

'Paragon! Hold it right there!' Uranus shouted telepathically with a heated tone.

To see one of his companions get devoured right before his eyes was a reflection of his own failure. It didn't sit well with him at all.

Alas, Felix had no reason to care about his emotions.

'Make me.'

Felix mocked him with a faint snicker as he watched Asna's core merge with Demeter's core. Before Uranus or Eris could say anything, the process was instantly finalized!

Without a unigin to resist Asna's core, unigins cores seemed more welcoming to the consideration of becoming one with it.

After the process finished, Felix was given the authority to shut down her consciousness for eternity. Instead, he brought his eye closer to Demeter's face until it was the only thing shown in her consciousness space's sky.

Just like an ominous blood moon cast above their heads, Eris and Uranus bathed under the crimson light of Felix's eye.

'Don't leave the tower...' Felix declared with an emotionless tone, 'You're next in line.'

His threatening deep voice resounded once in the Demeter's consciousness space before everything came crashing down on Eris and Uranus.

Rumble Rumble!!

The consciousness ocean went rogue while the soul barrier cracked and started falling apart above their heads.

Yet, none of them moved an inch...They kept staring at Felix's retreating massive crimson eye, each having multiple thoughts coursing their minds.

'I will do everything in my power to kill you, even if it's the last thing I do in this existence...Enjoy your peace while it lasts, Paragon.' Uranus said, narrowing his bloodshot eyes.

'Time and time again, you prove that I have made the right decision.'Meanwhile, Eris cracked a faint smile for a moment before her expression turned carefree again, 'Maybe, maybe, you are the one to find the truth out of the univ...'

Before she could finish her sentence, the soul barrier collapsed at once, causing the consciousness ocean to wash them away.

Demeter had died for the first and the last time...

One Month Later...

The Echoing Tower was engulfed in a sea of serenity at last after the last surviving squad had made out in one piece.

It was none other than the squad of Chronowalkers...The Chaosians managed to escape as none of them were caught up in the unigin drama, which allowed them to jump inside the first exit point in sight.

The Chronowalkers' leader Tempus Vey turned his head to glance at the tower one last time.

'Map or no map, I am never stepping here again...Never!'

He gulped a mouthful and flew into the distance with his squad behind him, seemingly running from the worst possible experience in their lives.

Luckily for them, the curse of darkness wasn't permanent...Otherwise, they would have been turned blind for eternity as there was no one capable of removing it besides its owner.

Meanwhile, the rest of the squads either ended up perishing on a lower floor or got caught by Eris and Uranus.

The 70th floor was a place of sacrifice, which had only one condition to pass it...Each wanderer needed to Sacrifice one intelligent life form to continue his descent.

Thus, they kidnapped two natives with them and used them as a sacrifice to pass the 70th floor.

From then on, it was a smooth journey to the 20th floor...They chose this floor for the same reason Felix was gunning for it, helping them speed up their punishment.

Since Uranus had three chains and Eris two, it implied that he had three million years to serve while she had two million...A relatively short duration for unigins.

Right now, they were entering a massive clockwork tower that resembled the Big Ben in London.

The clock on the tower had peculiar hands. Usually, there was an hour hand, a minute hand, and a second hand for a standard clock...But here, there were nine hands!

"What a mysterious place."

Eris expressed intrigue as she roamed inside the clockwork tower. There was nothing in it but cogs, and small rooms with miniature clocks on the doors.

"If the map's details are correct, then, we can take a room each and speed up the time to our decided target," Uranus replied calmly.

"It's too risky, don't forget about the clockwork's engineer." Eris shook her head, "We can't get caught inside the rooms at the same time. Otherwise, he will disrupt with the chosen period and we will have no idea about it."

The Clockwork Tower wasn't without any dangers.

On this floor, everyone could enter and leave the Clockwork Tower without limitations or conditions...They were also allowed to manipulate time to their advantage in one of those rooms.

The only problem was the Clockwork Tower's Engineer. No one knew about the time of his maintenance shifts and the map didn't mention it either.

If he clocked in his shift, he would go through room by room and either reset the miniature clocks on the rooms' doors or change the time of the massive clock.

In both case scenarios, if Eris and Uranus were caught in the temporal shift, they wouldn't even feel it inside their rooms.

There was no need to explain why that would suck for them.

"Even if one of us stayed behind, we can't do anything to stop him." Uranus responded calmly, "He isn't just immune to all laws, he is also moving through the fabric of time alone, making it near impossible to catch him."

With laws' immunity and movement through the fabric of time, even Eris would be hopeless against him...Especially, now that her powers were sealed.

"Still, I prefer if one of us guarded the door." Eris replied, "We can alert each other and leave before we get caught in a temporal whirlpool."

"I guess that works." Uranus wasn't in the mood for needless arguments and agreed at once.

Ever since their failure to capture Felix on the silent library floor, his mood was always in the gutter.

While they had eliminated Apollo and had his ex-wife thrown into the unknown, he didn't feel victorious at all.

He already knew that light Apollo had no core in him, which was the reason that pushed him to abuse his laws in the first place.

If he had his core and was genuinely gunning to kill him through Matter Execution, the universe wouldn't have been too lenient with its punishment.

He would have gotten twenty chains+ just like Demeter.

As for his ex-wife? She was nothing but a bug that needed to be crushed to teach her a lesson for standing up against him.

Felix, only Felix mattered in his eyes, and his failure to catch him multiple times would never set well in his heart.

"After you regain your power, is there any way to catch him in the void?" Uranus inquired with a sinister tone, "In his current form, he will be akin to a lamb to the slaughter."

"Unfortunately, no." Eris shook her head before gazing through a glass window, "The only way for him to leave the void is to wait patiently for twelve million years until his chains are cut off."

"Twelve million years in the tower's void with Lilith's core, Hephastus's core, Zeus' core, Poseidon's core, and Demeter's core." Uranus snickered, "With such conflicting laws within him, we might not need to do anything."

"He will go insane before he gets freed from his chains."

Chapter 1773 Some Peace at Last.

Uranus knew more about this subject than anyone else. His personality was utterly crap because of the laws he commanded not mixing well. This made him have countless emotional outbursts.

If he was commanding just one law, his personality would be more in tune with one emotion or two at most, which was easily controllable, like Artemis or Demeter.

But, when a bunch of laws were mixed in, that's when hell broke loose.

Apollo and Lilith were another example.

Apollo separated his lighthearted personality and pessimistic dark personality into two characters.

Lilith had separated her personality into seven characters, switching between them, wherever she liked.

Even she, couldn't maintain a balance between such conflicting personalities related to the sin laws.

Felix's situation was worse than theirs.

"He will figure it out, he always does," Eris remarked calmly.

"Huh, you have quite a bit of faith in him." Uranus sneered.

"It's not faith. It's absolute confidence." Eris responded without bothering to turn her head, "You should start thinking in the same frequency as me. You have lost twice to him already. It's best not to act smug unless you defeat him."

Uranus got irritated but refrained from talking back...He knew that it wasn't befitting to talk sh*t anymore about Felix unless he delivered.

"Also, it's not guaranteed that he will stay in the tower." Eris noted casually, "If he broke the chains, there is a good chance he will use a wish to leave the tower by sacrificing Demeter's core."

"So, that's why he said she was his ticket out of the void? Will he dare?" Uranus raised an eyebrow in surprise.

He believed Felix would ascend with Demeter's core instead of wasting it on another option. It was simply unimaginable to use a unigin's core as a price for a wish.

"It's the only viable alternative to secure his escape. With his intelligence, he will easily figure out that we will put our eyes across the entire tower." Eris clarified, "In other words, if he decided to abuse his laws and wish to teleport to any floor, he wouldn't make it far with the new punishment."

"Indeed, he could wish to teleport to the 20th floor and use its advantages to get rid of the new chains easily." Uranus frowned, "But, he will know we are camping on the 20th floor. If he has chosen another floor, he has more or less signed his death."

This analysis made Uranus understand that there was a high chance of Felix fooling them about remaining in the tower to waste their time.

While in reality, he wouldn't hesitate to sacrifice Demeter's core and leave the tower's premises.

With no more chains to hold him back, he could go meet up with Apollo's darkside or ditch him completely and hide within his void domain.

They were already struggling to catch him, he didn't dare to imagine what would happen to them if they dared to step inside his domain with his peak strength.

"Then, aren't we f*cked?" Uranus clenched his fist in anger, his emotions turning chaotic again.

In his eyes, if he was in Felix's place, he wouldn't hesitate to ditch Apollo and return to the matter universe.

"It's not conclusive yet." Eris grinned as she turned the door's clock hands clockwise.

"What do you mean?"

"Knowing his ambitious goal, his story in the Echoing Tower is far from over."

Without any clarifications given, Eris stepped inside the dark room, leaving behind one last remark, "Knock on the door when the engineer arrives."

Meanwhile, in the empty stretch of the void, Felix's petrified form drifted peacefully. His body was still encased in thick, stone-like layers, his limbs and torso rendered immobile.

However, a crimson mist hovered around his statue-like figure, seemingly chipping away at the damage done by the petrification slowly, but surely.

Felix had his sole unpetrified eye closed, putting his body into a deep slumber while he was hanging around with the tenants inside his consciousness space.

He had already gotten accustomed to the idea of spending twelve million years in the void weeks ago...Though it was quite easy to accept it when he had a town of people inside his mind.

Felix was actually experiencing the first moment of peace ever since he had entered the quantum realm, knowing that in this void, he was unreachable, untouchable, and completely safe.

Though, he was still indecisive about his next move.

Right now, he was seated at the central table with the majority of the tenants, even Khaos decided to come out of his hiding and join the discussion.

While they were giving their own input on the current situation, they were playing a game of poker to pass the time.

"I suggest you leave at the first opportunity." Elder Kraken said as he folded his cards, "You can always return to the quantum realm and meet with Apollo. Plus, you still have his wisp dormant. You can wake him up and come up with a better meeting point."

Most of the tenants nodded in approval.

"You have no more reason to entertain the unigins' chase and should return to the void realm." Thor added, "Also, you have to check on Asna quickly before she wakes up."

"Indeed, spending twelve million years in this void might have a decent time difference, but it is still better to carry on with your original plan as fast as possible." J?rmungandr nodded in agreement.

"Asna..." Felix's expression softened a bit after their conversation returned to the love of his life.

He never forgot his original goal of saving Asna, and he had yet to complete what he started.

At the moment, he was certain that barely an hour or even half of it had passed in the matter universe ever since he stepped into the quantum realm.

Although many life-changing experiences happened to him in the span of one person seated in the toilet with his phone, he was still worried that Asna might wake up at any instant.

If she did, his entire plan and efforts would go down the gutter.

"Asna won't be waking up anytime soon, she suffered from a heavy backlash." Lady Sphinx mentioned, "Unless the three rulers woke her up, but, they have no benefits in doing so."

"Even so, it's better to leave the tower."

"Agreed."

"With this much time in Eris' and Uranus' hands, it will be near impossible to escape from the tower without using a wish."

"Plus, Demeter's core has been sealed by twenty-eight chains. This means if you decide to risk it and ascend with it, you will be inheriting her punishment." Thor noted with a solemn tone.

Twenty-eight chains was equal to twenty-eight million years. Felix had barely accepted the notion of spending twelve million years in solitude, he refused to think about Demeter's punishment.

"If Asna's chances of waking up are slim after you finish your punishment, they will be guaranteed if you decide to add Demeter's punishment."

Felix went silent, gazing into his cards absent-mindedly...He was holding into a considerable crappy hand for a while now and he had yet to fold.

'The majority are favoring ditching the tower and returning to the matter universe. It's for a good reason.' Felix tapped his finger on the table thoughtfully.

Everything that was brought out in the conversation had painted the departure option as the most logical one...However, deep down, Felix felt like something was missing.

He was uncomfortable making this decision. His guts told him this was one of the unredeemable mistakes he would never forgive himself if he made it.

He knew exactly why.

Chapter 1774 Twelve Million Years Later...

'The stone of reality, a treasure like no other, a treasure desired by even the three rulers, a treasure that eluded the strongest unigins.' Felix narrowed his eyes, 'How could I turn my back on such a treasure? How could I defeat the three rulers and save Asna with my current level of improvement? How could I reach that level when I am contemplating running away from two unigins?'

'To deal with monsters, you have to be a monster too.' Felix continued gazing at his sh*tty hand, 'Monsters are not born in peaceful times or by making the safest decisions. They are born out of desperation and the pits of despair.'

Felix's gaze turned colder and more menacing.

'Only the people who crawl out of those pits have the right to fear none, and face all.'

'This void, this punishment, this tower, and this damn chase...Those are my pits and I will crawl out of them and stand before the three rulers again.'

'This time, I won't yield.'

Before anyone could react to the sudden shift in Felix's aura, he pushed all of his coins in and uttered with a tint of madness in his tone, "I am all in."

While most of the tenants were left puzzled, a faint knowing smirk emerged on Lilith's glossy lips.

She was sunbathing near the pool as always with sunglasses on and a bewitching two-piece suit.

'I wonder if he can handle the truth, his truth when he makes contact with the stone of reality. If he can't, will another cy...' She soon broke into a light chuckle while lowering her sunglasses back, 'I am getting ahead of myself...He might not even be shown the full picture.'

'I just have to wait for the curtains to fall, I guess.'

Twelve million years later, more or less...

In the void of time, where seconds stretched into millennia and the emptiness of space flowed like an unending river, Felix and his tenants rested in a state of deep slumber.

Having company was great and all, but still, neither Felix nor the tenants had any plans to stay awake for twelve million years, doing nothing but playing games.

While the tenants wouldn't really mind it much, it was fatal for Felix.

Spending that much time unfocused on one's goal and in complete leisure would extinguish his hunger for improvement and the flames of revenge in his heart.

A deep slumber was a must to act as a reset between now and the future. Plus, he needed it to reduce the effects on his personality by his multiple laws.

If there was one thing Felix dreaded from this slumber, was waking up to find himself a completely different person.

Alas, he could do nothing but wish for the best...

Thus, after Felix spent a couple of decades at most hanging around and planning ahead for his future, he turned off the light.

Since the heart of the consciousness space was Felix, the moment he decided to sleep, the majority joined him in his decision.

To keep an eye on Lilith while he was asleep, he left his wisp awake, but in a deep meditation, which made it impossible to sense the passage of time.

After all, he still didn't trust Lilith even though she fed him all sorts of knowledge she had about the first floor and the stone of reality.

'It's about time.' Lilith yawned lazily as she glanced at the sky, noticing the emergence of a golden light in the void.

The golden light released from the celestial chains that had bound Felix for twelve million years!

The moment it emerged, it tightened around his body, constricting his limbs and torso until the links dug into his flesh, their celestial glow intensifying.

This jolt of pressure sent a shockwave through Felix's consciousness, tearing him from his deep sleep.

His eyes snapped open, crimson irises blazing in the darkness, his vision was sharp and alert.

As the embodiment of sloth sin, he was the one deciding whether to wake up muddled or as sharp as a needle.

"Wake up!" Felix's voice rang out through the consciousness space where his tenants rested.

Unlike him, the primogenitors felt like their minds were filled with sludge after waking up.

One by one, they gathered in the town's plaza, some were wearing comfortable pajamas, some were half nude, and some had chosen to sleep in their bestial appearance.

Without needing to ask Felix anything, the golden light cast from the heavens above caught their attention.

"The chains...They are going away!"

Candace clapped her hands excitedly while wearing cute kitten pajamas, seemingly retiring from her days of being a sexy succubus.

Indeed, the chains began to crack and shatter, their links breaking apart into brightness particles without Felix needing to do anything.

"At least the universe is punctual." Thor yawned while scratching his ass.

"I can feel it, the strength, the control over the laws... it's back."

As the chains vanished, Felix felt a surge of power flood through him. Because of force being standardized across the realm, he couldn't really feel his peak strength.

Still, he lifted his hand, his crimson eyes narrowing as he gazed at his clenched fist, sensing that he could dominate the universe again with a mere fist.

It seemed like his seven dragonic tails agreed with him as the tattoos on his arms and chest glowed vividly, the markings of the seven deadly animals roaring in ink!

"Congratulations, little paragon." Lilith chuckled, "You have successfully survived your first universal punishment."

With all the sh*t Felix had gone through after his powers were sealed, sh*t, calling him a survivor was letting him down gently.

"Survive, huh? It's a fitting term." Felix's gaze turned more frigid, "But, no more, I refuse to label myself as a survivor anymore."

"Then it's time to reclaim what's yours," Lord Shiva uttered.

"Shut it, don't tell me what to do." Felix retorted with an authoritative voice during cracking his stiff neck back and forth.

"..."

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Lord Shiva and the tenants were left stunned by such a disrespectful remark, gazing at Felix's expressionless face with a hint of disbelief.

They had seen Felix do many things, but he had never disrespected any of them once even when he had reached his current godly level.

Being overly stronger than them never made Felix treat them like sh*t or that they were below them. He was still respecting their opinions and teachings, considering them as his masters and elders.

That was his character and one of the reasons why he came this far. Yet, he didn't appear to realize what he said.

"What's the matter?" Felix switched to his wisp and gazed at them with a regal aura that demanded respect.

Most people remained silent, fearing Felix's harsh response if anyone spoke up.

This feeling didn't affect his masters.

"Felix, how do you feel?" Lady Sphinx questioned with a deep frown during walking around him, seemingly studying him.

"Can you stop?" Felix narrowed at her irritatedly, "I don't like your gaze, I am not your lab rat."

"Felix!" J?rmungandr gave him a stern look, "Aren't you hearing yourself?"

"Hearing what?" Felix narrowed his eyes in confusion, "What's wrong with everyone?"

"You really don't see your character change? Marvelous..."

Lady Sphinx wasn't bothered by Felix's disrespect. As a veteran researcher, such emotions had no place in her heart.

"Don't waste your time with him."

Lilith appeared suddenly on the plaza, sitting on the fountain's edge with an apple in hand, and a see-through robe, hiding almost nothing out of her swimsuit.

Her appearance caused two conflicting emotions to rise and overwhelm Felix's emotional state...Lust/Wrath.

He lusted after her, but at the same time, he couldn't forget what she had done to him, just the thought of it caused his blood to boil!

"Easy there, little cutie." Lilith winked at him seductively, "We can play later."

"Can you handle me?" Felix's eyes turned pink for a moment before becoming red again, "B*tch, what are you performing to me?!"

This time, Felix felt the peculiar changes within him and how it was extremely difficult to control them.

"Haha, how fun, seeing someone else go through it." Lilith giggled with an unbothered expression.

When she saw that no one was laughing with her and was giving her icy glares, she clicked her tongue in criticism.

"One can't have fun anymore."

She waved her hand, switching her outfit to a modest one, knowing that Felix was in a sensitive state now.

If he felt like his lust was taking control over him, this might trigger his wrath and pride, which in turn, could result in him attacking Lilith!

She had no interest in turning matters physical.

"If it was possible to see through our behavior and figure out what's wrong with it, most unigins wouldn't have struggled with our personalities and emotions," Lilith said casually during biting her apple.

Lilith waved her finger and a spiritual mirror appeared before Felix, showing how he was behaving now and before to put it in perspective.

The moment Felix saw how he treated his master, Lord Shiva, and even Lilith compared to how he was twelve million years ago, a chill coursed down his spine.

"That's me...It can't be..." He murmured, his pupils widened in shock and dread, feeling like he was watching a skinwalker.

Chapter 1775 A Chaotic Persona!

Felix already anticipated some changes to his persona after he woke up, but he always believed that he would at least be able to notice the changes.

To see himself insulting his master Lady Sphinx after everything they had gone through together was something he never imagined.

"Master, I am sor..."

"You don't have to." Lady Sphinx uninterrupted his apology, "I have heard worse."

"It's clear that it wasn't you." Thor nodded, "You should prioritize finding a way to contain those changes."

Felix's eyes shone gold as he opened his mouth, hinting at putting Thor in his place.

However, Felix closed his mouth with great difficulty and started thinking of things that relaxed him. Immediately after, a wave of peacefulness washed over him, making him feel like he was meditating under a waterfall.

The golden light in his eyes was replaced with a hazy blue light.

"Oho? Did you tap into your water laws to tune down your pride?" Lilith chuckled, "Not bad, you are a quick learner."

Hearing her condescending tone made a vein pop in Felix's neck, but he kept thinking of a happy and relaxing place, allowing his water/ice law embodiment to chill him down.

A moment later, he opened his eyes again and sighed in relief with a chilling air coming out of his nose and lips.

"Luckily, I have water/ice laws to cancel out the outbursts."

He referred to them as outbursts since he almost had no control over them. He felt like it didn't matter who stood before him, if he dared to give him advice or tell him what to do, his pride embodiment would lash out instantly.

After all, he was one of the strongest beings in the universe and the embodiment of pride sin, how could his persona allow him to listen to those below him?

"It's useful now, but with more time passes, you won't be able to cancel out the outbursts." Lilith remarked casually, "This is nothing, you are just touching upon the changes. If you lived for billions of years like us, the only way forward is to separate and categorize your personality."

The tenants nodded with solemn expressions, feeling like it would get tougher and tougher to live with Felix if nothing was done.

After all, he was the paragon of sins, the worst possible kind of feelings one could have for his persona.

They weren't referred to as sins for no reason. They do more harm than good for anyone. To be their embodiment, Felix would turn more evil with time until nothing matters in his life, but himself.

What kind of life was that?

"I have seven dragonic tails, can I separate those feelings to each one?" Felix wondered with a serious tone.

Lilith was able to separate her persona into seven characters without having the seven tails. In his eyes, it should be easier for him.

He was correct.

"You can, but there is a downside." Lilith remarked, "If you want to utilize your seven sins, you have to do it through your dragonic heads now."

"Just like when I bring out my perfect clones?" Felix raised an eyebrow.

"Exactly."

"It's not so bad." Felix wasn't too bothered, "It's a fair price to pay for my sanity."

While this would force Felix to always have his dragonic tails active on duty since he needed to order them to activate the abilities he desired, he would take it any day over the new chaotic persona.

Also, this was a mere temporary solution.

"This means you will be left with lightning, void, water, and fire-based laws." Candace said, "Fortunately, the void law has no severe emotional change since it represents nothingness," Candace said.

"Lightning influences both wrath and pride mildly, so even if you placed your wrath/pride laws on the sidelines, you will still be affected by them." Thor added.

"Though, your water/ice laws will cancel out the strong personality effects of fire/magma laws." Lady Sphinx noted, "You will at least not turn into Hephaestus."

Indeed, if Felix sealed out the disturbance caused by his seven sins embodiment in his tails, he could handle the rest of the laws.

"This is nothing but a bandage." Felix frowned, "What am I going to do if I added more laws? How am I supposed to behave when my actions will be dominated by the soup of laws within me?"

While the solution was good, it didn't satisfy Felix fully. He understood that it would be impossible for him to take on the three rulers when he could not even control his own actions.

"There is an easy solution for this," Lilith said with a faded grin.

When Felix noticed her grin, he knew he wouldn't like it.

"What is it?" He asked, narrowing his eyes.

"It's simple really." Lilith stretched her arms behind her back as she disclosed, "All you have to do is ascend with Eris' core."

"..."

"..."

"..."

Although he expected an insane answer, he was still left stunned. The rest of the tenants shared the same reaction as him.

"Hmmm, interesting." Lord Marduk interjected, "With Felix's laws mismatched, it gives birth to chaos within him. If he had the law of order, he could balance the chaos within him quite easily with a thought."

"Is that true?" Candace raised an eyebrow in surprise.

"Why do you think Eris is always calm and unbothered?" Lilith said with a hint of envy in her voice, "That four-eyed witch has always been enjoying her peace unlike us due to her laws."

While the tenants nodded in understanding, Felix's eyes flashed with a green light, representing his greed taking hold of him.

'Eris' core...It's the solution to all my problems. I need it, no, I must have it at all cost!' He thought, his eyes reflecting an unhealthy level of greed.

Before it could do more damage and force him to make a move at Eris right this instant, Felix swiftly tapped into his water/ice laws again.

"So annoying, I can't work like this." Felix tightened his fists in irritation, feeling like he was forced to babysit his own mind.

Thus, before he could carry on with the discussion, he decided to start the process of separation.

It was impossible to come up with a logical plan when he was being pulled around by his emotions.

Before he could ask her, Lilith helped him with the method.

"Just visualize the aspects of your personality affected by your sin laws, then make a wish to detach from them." She added, "Don't forget to link them with your seven dragonic tails."

In her case, she had to create seven wisps and link each one with her law embodiment through a wish...But, since Felix's seven dragonic tails had their own souls, his situation was more straightforward.

"Easy enough." Felix nodded.

One by one, Felix began to visualize the aspects of his personality related to Wrath, Pride, Envy, Greed, Lust, Gluttony, and Sloth until the tenants appeared before him alone.

Each law of his psyche manifested as a mist with distinct colors and auras. Then, he summoned his dragonic tails.

Next, Felix approached the first dragon head, representing Wrath. He touched his forehead to the dragon's snout, and with a whispered wish, he transferred the core of wrath into the creature.

He repeated this process with each dragonic head until Felix was completely detached from his seven sins laws.

The price wasn't too bad since Felix wasn't asking for anything outrageous.

"I don't feel much difference," Felix murmured as Felix closed and opened his palm.

"Obviously, you didn't remove those emotions completely. As I said, you just moved the representation of the laws to your dragonic heads, which meant, the tenants are the ones who would feel the full brunt of your actions," Lilith explained.

"I see." Felix nodded in understanding.

With all things considered, this wasn't a bad solution and if Felix wanted to get rid of it completely, Felix was already given the key.

"Now, where have we been?" Felix narrowed his eyes coldly, "Eris, right?"

Chapter 1776 Severed Communications.

"Chaos and Order laws are extremely powerful." Thor mentioned, "Till now, I still believe that Eris hasn't shown her full strength. So, if you are going to aim for her, you need to be prepared like no other time."

Felix's initial plan was to aim for the stone of reality and leave the tower immediately after obtaining it. However, if he sought after Eris' core, he had to change his plans.

There was a huge difference between fighting unigins and seeking to harvest their cores.

Eris alone would go all out, making sure to foil his attempts. With Uranus at her side, it would be harder than ever...Especially, when his options got limited after Asna's core started the devouring process.

"Eris is too shrewd." Lady Sphinx added with a solemn tone, "If I was in her place, I would have predicted your next move to be gunning after the stone of reality. Thus, they will be also prepared for your arrival."

If it was someone else, they would have assumed that Felix would use Demeter's core as a price to escape the tower...But, Eris wasn't any random person.

She would predict Felix using Demeter's core as a price to get himself teleported straight to the first floor!

This was exactly what Felix planned on doing initially. He didn't even bother to consider wishing to obtain the stone of reality straightaway.

He was certain it wouldn't work.

Lilith had told him that the three rulers planned to sacrifice whatever celestial energy was required as a price to obtain the stone of reality.

Unfortunately, they were forced to scrap the idea after the universe didn't respond to Lilith's calls.

This meant the wish could not be fulfilled regardless of the price, just like wishing for the death of the three rulers, the unigins, and such farfetched wishes.

"Indeed, this changes everything." Felix nodded calmly, "I can't focus on the stone of reality if I seek Eris' core...I have to deal with them first."

"How do you suggest doing that?" Candace wondered, "If you devoured one core, you will be left susceptible to attacks from the other. Will you try to devour both their cores simultaneously like you did with Zeus and Poseidon?"

"It's doubtful if it will work against them." Felix shook his head.

Eris and Uranus weren't the same as Zeus and Poseidon...In both strength and intelligence. But, most importantly, Felix wasn't in his dreamrealm, where he could act as a god in it.

In fact, he might get caught in her dimensional prisons if he got too close to Eris. This time, she wouldn't allow him to escape no matter what.

That's just Eris, how could he bring even Uranus near Asna's core too, and commence the process?

This was without mentioning that both unigins wouldn't hesitate to abuse their laws to the limit the moment they felt an ounce of danger for their lives.

All past unigins slain under Felix were taken down before they could manage to still their will and abuse their laws.

If Asna's core had already kicked off its devouring process, then, it wouldn't matter anymore.

Only Demeter was brave and had the necessary will to abuse her laws to take down Felix...While she failed, she was very close to saving herself.

On the other hand, Uranus was done screwing around. He had already planned on using Matter Execution the instant he faced Felix regardless of the price he had to pay.

Felix knew this, so he had to act very, very smart about his next move.

"The only way forward is to fight them separately." Felix held his chin thoughtfully, "But, how am I supposed to separate them?"

"You probably don't need to." Lady Sphinx mentioned, "I believe they will separate themselves to camp on the first level and the 20th floor."

"Hmm? Make sense." Felix nodded in realization.

While Eris was capable of predicting his next move, she wouldn't commit to it 100%. It was foolish to leave the 20th floor unguarded when it was considered a free ticket for the unigins to abuse their laws.

Thus, one of them had to remain there.

"Will it make any difference?" Candace tilted her head in confusion, "I believe they will be able to support each other almost instantly with their kind of abilities."

While Candace wasn't too knowledgeable about the full range of Eris' abilities, she had enough common sense to assume such a possibility.

"True, they wouldn't separate unless they had countermeasures to assist each other in an instant." Felix said coldly, "But, I have my powers now. I can come up with something to deal with it."

Felix managed to survive a chase from three unigins and even take one down while his strength was sealed by 99%. He pulled it off without using a single sin law-based ability.

With his unique seven sin laws symbols and sin-symbolic techniques back, anything was possible...Especially, in the quantum realm.

Noticing his confidence, Candace couldn't help but ask with an eager tone, "What do you have in mind?"

"Nothing for now, it's yet too fuzzy." Felix coughed.

"..." Candace was left speechless at his empty confidence.

"There is no need to rush." Lady Sphinx advised, "With your abilities returned, you can create more sin-symbolic techniques fit for your battle."

"I was planning to." Felix nodded, "My contemplating wisp has come up with some brilliant new sin-symbolic techniques that require Zeus' and Poseidion's laws."

His wisp was awake for twelve million years and Felix wasn't stupid to waste this kind of time on mindless meditation.

He put him on duty to come up with new symbols and sin-symbolic techniques, knowing that he had barely scratched the surface.

With the new laws involved, it opened a new vault of techniques...Techniques that no one could prepare against.

"But first, how much time has gone by in the matter universe?" Felix asked with a solemn tone.

If too much time had passed, he wouldn't feel comfortable with taking his sweet time training...His thought would be consumed with the thought of Asna waking up at any moment.

"Close to a millennia has gone by in the matter universe." Lady Sphinx answered.

"A millennia? So, a close ratio of an hour to a year?" Felix mumbled, "It's not so bad...Asna shouldn't be up."

With the heavy backlash, Asna went through after breaking her seal, a millennia of recovery was nothing unless the three rulers intervened.

Her core being at the furthest possible distance made it even harder to recover faster...Especially, when she would be locked up in the dimensional pocket next to the universe's heart.

"Why don't you establish a connection with her right now?" Candace wondered in confusion, "Your abilities have been restored. I doubt distance is the issue?"

"You think I haven't thought it? Distance isn't an issue, but the tower is." Felix shook his head, "I can't even feel my mark inside her dream world, making it impossible to communicate with it."

"Indeed, it must be it." Lady Sphinx nodded in support, "The tower cuts off all sorts of communication with the outside world."

"It would have been different if I had my wisp in her dreamworld, but alas." Felix sighed bitterly.

Communication between wisps inside and outside the tower was only possible because the person could freely switch focus between their main consciousness and wisp.

In this case, Felix had a mark, a brand, in Asna's dreamworld, and the only way to activate it was by leaving the tower's domain.

This meant Felix could reach out to Asna any moment he desired as long as he decided to use Demeter's core to leave the tower.

While he missed her dearly and wanted nothing more but to hold her in his embrace again, he knew it wasn't the right time.

Especially when he knew it wouldn't save Asna completely...After all, the mark was nothing but a mere attempt to establish communication through her dream world.

Chapter 1777 The Moment of Truth is Nigh...

While Felix started experimenting with the new symbols and sin-symbolic techniques theories, the news about the chase had already reached the eternal kingdom.

Right now, in the heart of Artemis' domain, where a spectrum of ancient forests and rich undergrowth, Artemis was hosting Athena and Aeolus.

They were settled around a table within a lush peaceful jungle...Artemis poured a creamy, amber nectar into carved wooden cups, handing them out.

Athena raised her cup in a silent toast, her eyes thoughtful. "Both the quantum realm and the eternal kingdom have seen upheaval unlike any before. Demeter's fall is a loss that will be felt deeply."

Aeolus nodded, stirring the drink in his cup, watching the liquid spin like the winds he commanded.

"I still can't believe it...Not only did they fail to catch him, but they ended up losing Demeter for good and even gave him the chance to break his celestial chains... It's unsettling. He has regained his full strength and who knows what his next move will be."

Athena leaned forward, her gaze sharp and calculated, "It took me by surprise too, I didn't expect this from Eris and Uranus. Such a setback, it's bound to bite them later in the ass."

"Ahhh, I feel like we are dropping by like flies." Artemis smiled bitterly, "Not even Lilith has put us through this much terror."

"I also never thought a mortal would make Lilith seem like a nicer paragon." Aeolus gazed at his peers and the infinite sky above them, "It's just us left. It feels too eerie...I don't know why, but I am starting to believe that Eris and Uranus will be next to die. Then, it will be us..."

How could Aeolus not feel a bit anxious about their future? Felix had proved to be unstoppable even while chained up by the universe.

He had already cleared up the kingdom of most unigins and he felt that when he returned here, he wouldn't show them mercy.

Whether they sit this one out or not, if he ever came to attack the eternal kingdom, they would be forced to defend it with the three rulers again unless they decided to exile themselves.

"Honestly, if he managed to deal with Eris and Uranus, I won't wait for him to return." Artemis said softly, "I will exile myself and live in isolation somewhere random in the universe until this war ends."

"You guys are being too pessimistic." Athena remarked with a serious tone, "There is still Ares, who has yet to make his move. I am sure that the three rulers must have contacted him and told him to be more active."

The moment Ares' name was brought up, Artemis' and Aeolus' concerns seemed to die out in relief...Their reaction was understandable.

If Felix was the Boogymen, then Ares, was the hitman sent to kill him...He was that terrifying and powerful.

"But, even if he wanted to join the fun, it's too late now." Aeolus frowned, "They are in the tower and I doubt he can access it. His laws might be too wicked, but the tower's authority is absolute."

"True, but still, this is Ares." Athena narrowed her eyes, "If he wanted, I am certain he will find a way."

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Speaking of Boogymen's assassin, Ares could be seen still sitting in a meditation posture amidst a colorful nothingness in the realm of infinity and finality.

The realm where all matter starts and ends.

A realm where life/matter could not fundamentally exist.

A realm where even unicorns could not step inside without getting disintegrated and joining the colorful mess.

The third level and the bottom level of the quantum realm.

Yet, Ares was chilling in it like he was in his home.

'What an interesting little lad, I thought Eris was enough to deal with him in his current weakened state. I guess I have underestimated him plenty.' Ares chuckled to himself, his eyes reflecting peculiar scenes occurring within the tower.

It was like he was watching a live stream...This was simply impossible on so many levels when considering that the tower was a sealed-shut edifice!

'So be it, this will make it more worthwhile.' Ares closed his eyes again and returned to his isolation.

While Athena believed that the three rulers must have contacted Ares and pressured him to make his move, in reality, they left him to his own devices.

They knew Ares would never gang up on a target regardless of his power or danger. In other words, he planned to wait until either side won.

As for fearing Felix growing stronger than ever after wiping out Eris and Uranus? Such a thought never bothered him.

In fact, as the God of War, he welcomed it with open arms.

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Meanwhile, back on the 20th floor, Uranus was sitting at the highest point of the clockwork tower.

His hair was fluttering by the wind as he leaned his head against his divine bronze scythe, gazing into the distance with an unconcerned expression.

'Twelve million years should have already passed more or less in the void.' He thought, 'Now, it's the moment of the truth. Will he appear on the first floor as predicted by Eris or will he run away?'

Uranus wasn't too pleased with this development. He was left behind to guard the 20th floor while Eris was sent to camp on the 1st floor.

She was chosen because he refused to come close to the stone of reality ever again after he almost lost his life in their previous attempt. It worked out in their favor too due to the environment on the 1st floor being more fit for Eris.

However, none of this preparation would matter if Felix determined to leave the tower altogether.

Since there was no way for them to find out whether Felix determined to stay or leave, all they could do was wait patiently for his next move.

This was a horrible plan, but he couldn't complain as they had already lost many great chances to end Felix once and for all.

'Have some faith, he will show up, sooner or later.' Eris pacified his irritation through a wisp she planted in his mind.

'Faith? I hate being in the passive role.' Uranus growled.

'If he decides to leave the tower, I have put one of my clones near the rift location.' Eris added, 'If he shows up for Apollo's sake, we would know.'

While this wasn't perfect, it did make Uranus feel somewhat relieved. What he feared the most was Felix leaving the tower while they stayed waiting for him forever akin to idiots.

'If he shows up, just remember, this is it, there won't be any more chances.' Eris alerted calmly, 'Either we win or we die, there is no other alternative.'

'Die? The universe's heart will break open alone before I drop dead.' Uranus sneered coldly, 'The moment the f*cker appears before me, I will erase him off the face of the universe.'

'We will see about that.'

Eris closed her eyes and switched her focus back to her main consciousness. The moment she opened her eyes, she glanced above her and murmured, 'The moment of truth is nigh.'

As she was closing her eyelids, a fading reflection was caught on her pupil, a reflection of a massive gray stone in the shape of a heart.

Ka-thumb! Ka-thumb! Ka-thumb!

With each powerful and thunderous heartbeat, cracks appeared on it, releasing a peculiar misty miasma.

Eris seemed to distance herself from that miasma at all costs...Why? Only those who stepped into the first floor knew.

Chapter 1778 Challenging The Universe's Authority!

Many years later...

In a void, where the absence of light prevailed, Felix was seen surrounded by close to a hundred symbols and sin-symbolic techniques, creating a colorful show in this desolate graveyard.

Suddenly, he snapped his eyes open, and the symbols disappeared at once, reflecting at the back of his demonic crimson eyes.

"It's time." He declared calmly as he stood up slowly.

The tenants all shared solemn expressions as they observed him stretch his limbs. None of them questioned his readiness or doubted his chances to win.

They had followed his preparation journey from A to Z and knew that he left no stone unturned.

If it was up to them, they would undoubtedly proclaim that the current Felix was at his strongest form if physical strength wasn't taken into consideration due to the quantum realm.

"Give them hell." Thor gave him a head nod in approval.

"You know it."

With a cold smile, Felix summoned out the green dragonic tail with the head of a fox and wished out loud for all to hear, "I wish to be conveyed directly to the 20th floor, the Clockwork Tower,"

The moment the Equal Trade symbol was invoked, it manifested before him in all of its glory and terrifying appetite for sacrifices.

"I offer the core of Demeter as the price for this passage." He declared.

The Equal Trade symbol flickered, its edges blurring as it processed the gravity of the transaction.

The fabric of reality itself seemed to hold its breath as the symbol considered such an insane price.

"I can't believe he really went for it...A core, a unigin core will be sacrificed...Crazy!" Lord Loki mumbled in shock, not expecting Felix's lack of hesitation.

While Unigins couldn't really be killed since the universe's heart could create new cores after a period, still, it didn't take away from the craziness of the situation!

"The kid has really come a long way, from being stingy with supremacy coins to sacrificing unigin's cores." J?rmungandr chuckled, reminiscing on the old good times, as he watched the symbol accepting the payment.

It glowed brighter, its light intensifying to a blinding radiance as it began to break the core apart and devour its energy.

Cling! Cling! Cling!

The twenty-eight celestial chains materialized around the core, rattling noisily, but the fox couldn't care less.

It opened its mouth wide and devoured the core with its chains!

"There goes an ascension." Felix chuckled in derision.

He might not have hesitated, but it didn't mean that the decision hadn't done damage to him.

"Sacrificing one for two isn't too bad either."

He narrowed his eyes as he prepared himself to get teleported and commence his assault.

However, just as the universe was about to fulfill his wish, the Echoing Tower intervened!

From the very depths, the stone of reality summoned its own energy, creating a counterforce against Felix's wish, generating a defensive barrier of temporal and spatial distortions designed to deny Felix's departure!!

It was like the tower refused to accept the universe's intervention in its ironclad rules and authority within its domain!

But, the universe's word was final and must not be challenged.

This created a clash of these two colossal primordial forces, rupturing the stability of the surrounding void!

Stunned and a bit scared, Felix kept gazing around him with widened eyes at the emerging cracks in spacetime, creating a spider-web around him!

"What the f*ck?! What the f*ck?! The tower can go against the universe's authority even while it is being active?!"

Felix and the tenants were already having trouble accepting the stone of reality sharing an equal authority to the universe while it was dormant.

To see the universe failing to reinforce its authority actively was a different kind of insanity!

This was like a hyena being equal in strength to a slumbering lion. Realistically, the moment it woke up, the hyena should have absolutely no chance against it.

The scene before them told a different story!

Crack! Crack! Crack!

The very core of the void threatened to shatter like glass under the strain of these conflicting cosmic authorities!

Felix, caught in the epicenter of this cataclysmic battle, shielded himself with barriers while moving all over the place, attempting to avoid the shards of reality.

'Holy sh*t, holy sh*t, did I get scammed out of a core?! Don't tell me I am going to die like this?!'

Scared sh*tless, Felix kept moving all over the place, knowing that the moment he got caught in a spatial crack, it would be game over for him.

He had no idea where he would get thrown and he didn't want to find out.

Fortunately, it didn't seem like the universe had taken this kind of disrespect lightly.

With a deafening roar that echoed through the void, the true universal forces intervened, tipping the balance in favor of the transaction!

The Equal Trade symbol, now fully doused with the power of Demeter's core, outshone the resistance mounted by the Echoing Tower!

Before Felix or the tenants could react, he felt a sudden familiar shift, making him realize that the symbol was about to grant his wish.

Thus, although this situation challenged the very concept of the universe being the ultimate authority, Felix threw everything at the back of his mind and focused on his main goal.

With a cold focused gaze, Felix vanished from his original position, conveyed directly into the heart of the 20th floor, the Clockwork Tower!

He emerged at the center of the grand entrance, surrounded by walls adorned with intricate gears and swaying pendulums.

Without wasting a single nanosecond or bothering to look for his enemies, he brought forth the equal trade symbol and made another wish, "I wish for the Clockwork Tower, to be locked against any and all forms of spatial teleportation and manipulation!"

The price used for the wish? It was none other than the void creatures born under the leadership of Nimo and the void nation in the past millennia.

As Felix was never alone in his struggles.

Right this moment, in the boundless expanse of the void realm, Nimo and the Void Nation had their eyes captured by an unexpected phenomenon.

The new army of void creatures started to radiate with an unnatural green light and then broke apart, dissolving into streams of green particles.

As the light intensified, it turned into a mirroring Equal Trade symbol, floating ominously above them.

The fox started devouring the void creatures akin to a hungry hippo under everyone's stunned eyes.

Instinctively, they dropped to their knees, their faces lifted in awe and reverence. They knew that Nimo would never use Felix's resources for a wish, which meant, this was the doing of their god!

Thus, a wave of recognition and devotion swept through the crowd as they started cheering zealously.

"For the Paragon, our god!!"..."For the Paragon, our god!!"..."For the Paragon, our god!!"

As the cheers echoed around him, a smile broke on Nimo's youthful face.

He no longer was a child, becoming a fine young adult, who was almost identical to his father...If the raccoon ears and the tail weren't taken into consideration.

'Father, the only news we get is from Aunt Candace, but I can already tell that you are kicking ass down there.' He uttered, his heart filled with pride at the notion of aiding his father in his quest to save his mother.

Suddenly, Arthur came from nowhere and bowed his head, "My prince, it seems like our lord has restored his powers, this means he will require more and more void creatures. At this pace, we might run out before him."

"That's unacceptable." Nimo's tone turned sinister, "Make more void creatures, I don't care if you consume galaxies to make it happen, just do it."

"That's what I wanted to hear." Arthur took off with a pleased cold look.

Chapter 1779 Two Seconds!

Unlike Felix, Nimo had absolutely no connection to the universe or the races living in it. All he cared about was his father's and mother's safety.

They were his entire world ever since he was born and if he had to sacrifice the entire universe to help them achieve their agendas, so be it.

As for empathy, mercy, and such good-natured emotions? He had none for the strangers...For he was a miniature version of the paragon of sins!

Candace, who was always by Nimo's side, heard his cold-blooded order and tried to intervene, knowing that it would not sit right with Felix's soul.

"Nim..."

"Aunty, don't bother." Nimo replied indifferently.

"I am just trying to tell you that you should target deserted galaxies or at least places outside of the SGAlliance's territory." Candace sighed, "I also couldn't care less about their lives, but the alliance is our lord's legacy. If we invaded and started slaughtering them, it would undo all the work he has done."

"..." Nimo went silent for a moment, realizing that she was right.

While he couldn't understand his father's care for those mortals, he would never do anything to taint his legacy.

"Fine, tell them to target deserted galaxies. There is plenty to farm in them." He ordered while gazing at the symbol still hard at work.

"Good call." Candace smiled and went to deliver the new order.

Unlike Nimo, she understood that while Felix's heart could be said to have turned cold and uncaring about mortals, he would still not strike them down just because.

It was for a simple reason...He had never forgotten his origins.

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Back to Clockwork Tower, Felix's wish had worked even though the time difference was too big between the realms!

It was normal when considering that the judge was the universe and time would not put a limitation on it.

The wish had made the tower to be on total lockdown from any spatial-related abilities or techniques, regardless of their nature!

In other words, even if Eris tried to use her chaos voodoo magic to get in here, she would fail hard!

It was only logical since Chaos laws tapped on other laws to achieve her agendas instead of creating answers out of thin air.

Even in chaos, there was order and logic.

Unbeknownst to this, Uranus' face contorted with a mixture of shock and anger the moment Felix had entered the floor.

He had waited many years in the same spot after Felix completed the twelve million years of punishment.

This made him start to doubt whether Felix would even show up and that he must be somewhere in the quantum realm, laughing at them.

Thus, when he appeared, he couldn't help but feel like he was dreaming. However, Felix brought him back to reality after pulling off the spatial lockdown wish, making him understand that he was the real deal.

"PARAGON!!!" Uranus bellowed, his voice reverberating hatefully from the top of the tower.

He kept his word to Eris and wasted absolutely no time in his attack.

He raised his hand, palm facing toward Felix, and then hissed through his clenched teeth "Matter Execution!"

With a forceful thrust of his arm, Uranus directed the invisible vibrational waves towards Felix!

The attack moved with brutal speed, a silent deadly force, racing across the distance between them!

It was an unforgiving strike, intended to disintegrate Felix instantly, leaving nothing but a void where he once stood.

Yet, Felix neither moved nor bothered to conjure up a barrier.

He remained standing in his place with one hand resting on his neck, eating the attack directly with a nonchalant expression.

Upon contact, the anticipated disintegration at the string-based level hadn't occurred. Instead, a mere wave of wind washed over Felix, fluttering his wavy long crimson hair for a moment before resting back in its place...

Under Uranus' stunned expression, Felix remarked indifferently, "I only have two seconds of immunities against your laws, but it's more than enough for the likes of you."

Before Uranus could react, Felix invoked the Wrathful Separation symbol and separated himself into seven entities, each with a different hair and eye color!

All of them had the seven dragonic tails summoned up behind them.

He wasn't done, all seven clones activated a new sin-symbolic technique called, Prideful Storm Surge!

A technique that encapsulated the essence of Gluttony by consuming energy from its surroundings, and turning it into electrical quantum-based energy!

When it came to energies, gluttony law was at the very top, and not even quantum energy would elude it.

Pride by feeding off Felix's self-belief to be the fastest being around, and lastly, the ferocious speed of and striking power of lightning!

This technique elevated Felix's speed to unparalleled levels but also imbued him with an overwhelming sense of superiority and an insatiable desire to outpace all others, literally and metaphorically consuming any competition around him!

Without hesitation, all seven Felixes charged at Uranus, their bodies engulfed in wild electricity!

Since each had a different color scheme, the electrical discharges matched it and made them resemble a rainbow ark as they landed right next to Uranus.

"It's time to pay your debt."

One of the clones uttered coldly as he unleashed another technique called Wrathful Lightning Storm.

He summoned a fierce tempest of crimson lightning that crackled violently towards Uranus.

Simultaneously, another clone invoked Pride's Arcs generating spectacular golden arcs of electricity that crowned their heads.

These arcs lashed out like royal scepters, seeking to not only strike Uranus but also to impose psychological dominance!

'Damn it! Damn it! Damn it!'

As Uranus countered these assaults with waves of his own vibrational energy, trying to break the attacks back to their quantum energy and create openings for counterstrikes, the third clone employed Gluttony's Swallowing Whirl!

Whoosh! Whoosh!

This clone spun at the center of the fray, creating a vortex that attempted to suck in anything nearby!

The whirl was ferocious, growing in intensity with each second, drawing in debris, energy, and any stray attacks, using them to fuel its own destructive power.

Uranus grunted under the weight of the relentless attacks.

He parried a lightning bolt, deflected a golden arc, ate a flaming fist, and narrowly escaped the pull of the swallowing whirl.

There was a literal myriad of elemental attacks assaulting like there was no tomorrow, making it extremely difficult to predict their next moves.

While the scene was chaotic, he was the only one who realized that Felix's clones had insane coordination, leaving him little room for recovery!

Overwhelmed and damaged, Uranus did something he had absolutely not done before in his life before a unigin.

'Phase out!!'

He broke into vibrations and escaped from Felix's onslaught!

When his form was reconstructed again, he was on the other side of the Clocktower, wounded and bleeding from many areas of his body.

He gazed at Felix and his clones with rage burning down his chest as he wiped the blood out of his nose, tainting his gray beard.

"Not bad, but you have merely squandered your resources on those temporary immunities." He sneered, "All I have to do is buy time until it expires, two seconds? Two minutes? It doesn't matter to me."

"You are truly unwise if you assumed that this is the full scope of my preparation."

The seven clones spoke at once, their eyes gleaming with seven different colors, but they all shared one thing...Absolute confidence!

The Wrath clone raised his hand calmly and uttered, "Avaricious Maelstrom of Corruption. Reclaim The Clocktower."

Chapter 1780 Freeze.

With a sudden, explosive gesture, Felix slammed his palms together, releasing the Avaricious Maelstrom at the Clockwork tower!

A massiveswirling vortex of crimson energy erupted, spiraling outwards with ferocious speed and intensity, threatening to devour anything in sight!

Whoosh! Whoosh!

The maelstrom was a terrifying sight to behold, having a center with a deep shade of blood red that seemed to throb with hunger.

Meanwhile, the outer edges were tainted with darker hues of evil energy. As the vortex expanded, the symbols of Wrath and Greed fueled it, causing its corruptive power to intensify with each rotation!

This was Felix's first sin-symbolic technique that had evil energy added to the mix. He had created it while he was in the eternal kingdom amongst the original twenty techniques.

He never found a great time to use it since evil energy was quite useless against unigins. But, in the quantum realm?

It was the ultimate weapon!

In mere milliseconds, the maelstrom engulfed the Clockwork Tower, seeping into its intricate gears and polished metal surfaces, corroding and tainting it!

The tower's very structure seemed to groan under the weight of corruption, causing Uranus' expression to turn ugly at the sight.

'Bastard! He is trying to gain ownership of the tower!!'

The understanding had struck him akin to a chilling dagger piercing his heart. He understood that if Felix succeeded, he would be able to manipulate time in the clockwork tower!

This would affect him too and there wasn't much he could do about it since the tower's authority was absolute!

'Eris! Get in here quickly!' Uranus called for support in agitation.

'I can't, he has locked down the floor.' Eris responded calmly, 'Even if I want to turn my wisp into a portal, it won't work. All you can do is buy time until the temporary spatial lockdown expires.'

'Argh, so f*cking useless!'

Furious, he pulled out his divine scythe, deciding to take matters into his own hands.

He released his radiant/resplendent divinities to the limit and phased back into the mayhem. He swung his scythe widely, releasing a powerful vibration wave at the crimson storm!

Alas, Felix was prepared to defend it with his life.

"Absolute Zero Chill!"

The seven clones waved their hands simultaneously, releasing chilling mist from their palms at the invisible vibrations, targeting them solely!

The vibrations halted in their place immediately while the crimson mist kept doing its business!

'What?!'

This sight startled Uranus, making him turn his widened eyes to Felix, seemingly wondering how he pulled it off.

His reaction was comprehensible as not even Poseidon was able to freeze his vibrations in time!

"I may not be as good as you at controlling vibrations, but my understanding is deep enough to intercept your attacks."

Felix and his clones utilized their insane speed to appear right next to him from all directions and start another round of bombardment...At the same time, he was giving him a lecture.

"As long as I can read your vibrations' frequency, they are nothing but useless soundless noises."

BOOOOOM!!!

The moment that sentence resounded in Uranus' ears, one of the clones covered his fist in transferred purified quantum-based void energy, and smashed Uranus right in the back!

Uranus had used his peak defensive technique this time, which protected him easily by breaking the void energy into its original form.

This happened to all of Felix's strikes regardless of their nature, whether he used elemental energy or quantum energy as its source.

But, Felix didn't care...His goal had been achieved.

The Clockwork Tower had been corrupted successfully and there was nothing Uranus could do about it anymore.

'Devour him.' Felix ordered coldly as he remained close to Uranus, who was defending himself from the attack of seven unigins!

At this moment, anyone would wish to go against seven individual unigins than seven perfect clones of Felix.

Clones that could use all available sin-symbolic strategies due to the seven dragonic tails being cloned all together for each!

What's worse? Felix was also capable of commanding vibrations, which allowed him to mess up with Uranus' attempt to escape either through phasing out or breaking into vibrations!

Phasing out or such abilities required perfect control over frequencies since it allowed them to hop from one parallel plane to another.

Felix constantly disturbed those frequencies, making it impossible for Uranus to match his entire existence into one!

Each time his form turned illusionary, it crashed out, and he received another beating from seven sides.

This kept happening while Asna's core was pulling his core out of his body against his will, seeking to feast on it.

'Sh*t, sh*t, sh*t!'

Uranus kept getting disturbed and a bit afraid of the current development, feeling like he had absolutely no control over the battle's momentum.

Now, even his core was about to get merged with Asna's? He understood that the moment they got merged, his life would be over.

Thus, he knew only a drastic countermeasure could save his ass. Since Felix still possessed the temporary immunities, even if he targeted him, nothing would work.

Thus, he decided to abuse his laws and leave the floor altogether by destroying and reconstructing his form somewhere else!

It was like being born from literal scratch, following the exact compounding frequencies that brought him into existence.

It was an ultimatum survival skill and he didn't want to use it unless nothing else was left. After all, he would be chained up again after his form was reconstructed.

But still, it would be better than having his core devoured.

Alas, he was a tad too late...

'Strings Collap...'

"Freeze."

With a single order from Felix, the massive clock's nine hands, which had been ticking for eternity, screeched to a sudden halt. As the hands froze in place, so too did everything within the tower.

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An eerie stillness shrouded the floor.

Uranus was caught mid-motion, becoming a statue of defiance and desperation, his divine weapon engulfed in resplendent divinity froze too.

Even his radiant divinity, which was supposed to defend him from any type of law, wasn't spared.

This alone was shocking, and logic-defying, just like the tower standing up to the universe's order before.

Felix and his clones, scattered around Uranus, stopped as if turned to stone, their faces locked with various expressions.

Not even he was spared from the freezing effect!

Meanwhile, the elemental attacks, techniques, corrupted gears, and even the smallest particles of dust hanging in the air, were all caught in the temporal lock that Felix had imposed.

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Yet, the most shocking part was the tenants fell under the same freezing spell, leaving them gazing at the sky with widened pupils, not a single thought in their minds...Lilith and Eris were included too.

This was enough to showcase that it wasn't a normal time-freezing ability.

Any ability that could bypass the absoluteness of divinities or celestial flames was considered at the level of the universe's authority!

In other words, this was the Stone of Reality putting down its foot on this floor's ironclad rules!

However, in the heart of this frozen tableau, a single entity remained unaffected.

An entity with an authority above celestial energy or divinities.

An entity with perfect immunities to all laws and elements.

An entity that was believed to be the lost consciousness of the universe.

It was none other than Asna's core!

With the world around it paused, and everyone's minds halted in place, the core continued its work!!!

Unhindered by the temporal freeze, it kept devouring Uranus' exposed frozen core right before his widened lifeless eyes.

The process was silent but intense, yet no one was watching it...Their eyes were on it, but it meant nothing.

While this strange plan seemed to have worked perfectly, leaving Uranus with zero counter since nothing besides Asna's core could stand against the tower's authority, it posed a good question.

How the f*ck would Felix unfreeze himself again when his thoughts and actions had been paused too?!