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Chapter 255: Mysterious Door

Rewinding back to the event...

It had been only a couple of minutes since the flash of blue light which brought him and the others into this place. While he had been a bit worried at the start, Lucas wasn't nervous and was carefully exploring this area in a bid to find his way back.

Lucas was currently inside of a building. The floors were made with blue tiles and the walls were painted white. Even though it was indoors, the ceiling of the building was inlaid with white crystals that gave off a bright glow, making the place lit. Apart from these, there were no decorations in the building's corridors. It had been this way for the last thirteen minutes Lucas had spent walking here.

Since his communicators were done and there was no way to tell north from south, Lucas occasionally asked the system how close he was to the core region. By using this information, he was able to figure out the direction of the core region and walked opposite to it.

Over thirty minutes had gone by, but Lucas had yet to find any of the other four to five hundred tourists. This made him wonder whether he was the only one teleported to this region, after all, the majority of tourists back then were closer to the stele. On the other hand, since he had begun charging away from the stele, Lucas had ended up just a few metres away from the gate, making him the furthest away from the stele.

Regardless, Lucas wasn't really keen on meeting anybody here as it could potentially make matters more complicated for him.

'Hmm?'

At this point, Lucas finally noticed a pair of doors up ahead. It was the first structure he had seen since he mysteriously ended up within this building.

The doors were seven metres tall, giving off a metallic sheen and an awe-inspiring pressure. Similar to the tiles on the floor, the doors were also blue but of a different shade; the floor tiles were azure blue, whereas the doors were cobalt blue.

On each of the blue metallic doors, there were carvings of strange creatures facing against the other. One of these creatures was a four-legged monster with the body of a deer but a head that looked like a dragon. It also had two pairs of human-like arms extending out from its body. On the other door was the creature that faced off against this abomination. It was also another horrendous looking being with the head and wings of a bat, together with the body and legs of a spider.

Apart from these two strange creatures, there were also carvings of some others on the two doors, with a few looking less terrifying. For instance, there was the carving of a monster that looked like pangolin but had horns and a pair of juttled fangs. There was even a large insect-type creature the size of a lion. It looked like a butterfly, but the head was that of a terrifying lemur. Some of them had appearances unfamiliar to Lucas, as he suspected that they were native species of Erete.

All in all, the creatures carved into the surface were terrifying to say the least.

Lucas didn't understand why they were carved of what value these creatures held to the Sunil civilisation. They could have been real creatures, gods or even monsters they worshipped. They could also be creatures from legends from the Sunil civilisation. Anything was possible, but at the moment, none of that was Lucas' concern.

Based on his calculation, this door was facing the direction opposite of the core region. Chances were that it would lead to a dead end, but at the moment, Lucas didn't have much of an option. There was no other path here, and the closest was to go back where he was ten minutes ago. Since he was already here, Lucas has to advance forward. But he didn't move yet.

As it stood, Lucas had no attacking power. All he had on were defence equipment that could protect him from the attacks of a second, and maybe third, level Apertures Opening stage attack. The reason for this was because the equipment were not vestiges. If he was to use a vestige here, the stellar energy could possibly trigger off alarms. This irked Lucas, so he decided that once he got out of here, he would spend some time to produce stealthy vestiges. However, that was for later.

Although he could take out his offensive vestiges, it would take a second or so. Under an intense attack, one second could be very risky, especially since Lucas' current equipment only offered protection to his body and not his head.

Lucas wanted to ask the system for help, but recalled what it had told him when he was asked for the way out a couple of minutes ago. The system didn't plan on interfering. At best, it could inform Lucas how far he was from the core region, and using this information, Lucas had managed to move in the opposite direction of the core region.

But as for more detailed information like the way out, the system didn't offer any help. Chances were that it would be the same response if he asked what was behind the door.

Sometimes, Lucas wondered what type of system he got and he would sigh at the question. It was much too different from what all those light novel main characters had. Whereas those lucky fellows had a system that offered them stats, skills and so on, the system simply provided him with basic information and missions that only aided itself and not him.

If it wasn't because of an instinctual feeling of his, Lucas would have suspected that the system was an old demon who was trying to use his body to resurrect itself.

"That would have been nice, but unfortunately, the system is only just a system." The system's voice sounded in his mind.

The system could read Lucas' thoughts, so it wasn't surprising that it responded to them.

Flinging the question of what the system really was to the back of his mind, Lucas faced the door.

As of now, he had a plan. Even if the room behind the door held some risk, all Lucas had to do was ensure that he could survive for two seconds and not get fatally injured. To achieve this, Lucas took out the craftsman gloves from his inventory and raised his hands up towards the side of his head to offer protection.

While this was a clearly awkward stance, Lucas wasn't one to think about his appearance in a matter of life and death.

Now somewhat prepared, Lucas approached the door and pushed it open.