

Unlimited Power - The Arcane Path (COMPLETED)

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'Leon grinned from ear to ear while the information of the skills he obtained was getting absorbed by his brain. After almost eight hundred years of non-stop experiments

the replicas finally developed the skill that Leon wished for... the skill to become a real dragon.'

"It looks like they had to divide the experiments into several phases because even with the memory energy

it wasn't possible for us to become real dragons

" Leon said. "Regardless

we finally obtained that power."

'Ilyana and Tyrselle opened their eyes widely when they received those notifications. It was insane... not only Leon managed to develop a system that was very similar to the assimilation system using memory energy

but he also managed to create a skill that changes their DNA. The name was fit for the skill. Using it

they would become real dragons

and they would benefit from all the dragons' natural talents. As if that wasn't enough

the skill had no real cost since the memory energy wouldn't leave their bodies

and to make matters even more insane

they could return to their previous forms without any issues.'

"I see now..." Ilyana said. "No wonder you said that Tyrselle would be the main responsible for this skill. You used all the knowledge she had about

dragons to develop this. This skill is absolutely perfect... there are no weaknesses."

'It was only obvious that such a skill would be perfect. That was what Leon wanted from the very beginning. Regardless

it wasn't time to feel impressed by it. Everyone already was at their wit's end thanks to the situation

so

without wasting any more time

Leon passed the knowledge of that skill to everyone. The panic gave room to surprise. They couldn't believe the information they obtained. However

the surprise disappeared the very moment Tyrselle used the new skill. The red aura formed by the memory energy began to expand at a fearsome speed

and in the blink of an eye

Tyrselle disappeared

and a fifty-meter-long red dragon appeared where she once was. The red dragon scales weren't that sharp

but those looked sturdy as hell

sturdier than anything Leon or everyone else had seen before.'

"GYYYYYYYYYYYYYAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAHHHHHHHHHHHHHHH!
"

'The red dragon screamed in rage... Leon began to think that the skill probably wasn't perfect. The rage he could feel coming from Tyrselle wasn't anything like he felt before. It was powerful enough to make him sweat cold. However

it seemed that he was just overthinking as usual. After her hoar

Tyrselle looked at Leon with her new red eyes and then nodded. She did the same thing to Syllas and her followers that were still alive behind them. After that

she began to fly toward where the system's creator was supposed to be at a fearsome speed. Tyrselle was fast enough to make the space around her distort.'

"Let's go!" Sylas roared. "We can't let our master face that monster alone!"

'Without a hint of hesitation

Sylas transformed into a fifty meters long silver dragon. His eyes were also silver

but his scales

instead of sturdy

they were razor sharp. Unlike Tyrselle

Sylas didn't let the dragon's blood that he had now control its emotions

but Leon already could feel the crazy torrent of feelings inside him about to explode. However

Sylas managed to contain those and let them explode once he reached the last boss. Sylas began to fly toward Tyrselle

and so did all her followers.'

"Wow..." Hector said

astonished. "I didn't think they could become even more powerful

but they are much more powerful than before. To be honest

I'm quite scared of this sudden power-up. Unlike you guys

I built my strength so far steadily."

"You don't have to worry

" Leon said. "If someone as bloodthirsty as Tyrselle still is capable of keeping her sanity

then you should be fine. By the look of things

the dragon's blood enhances all our basic status immensely

but we also have to become a bit more savage

just like real dragons. I don't think we will be able to use our language in that form

so use Telepathy."

'Even Leon didn't know everything about his new skill because the very moment his replica learned that

it passed the knowledge to him. However

despite by that

one by one

his allies began to transform into dragons. They noticed that the effects of the destruction of the physical realm decreased a little when Tyrselle and her followers used the skill. Not only that

in their new form

they didn't look bothered by the destruction of reality. At least not directly.'

'When everyone transformed

they felt those heavy sensations decreasing. Their lives still were in danger

but the agony disappeared. However

they didn't charge forward. They were waiting for their respective leaders to take command as usual. Upon noticing that

Leon's friends lost all their hesitation. Hector and Ren transformed into red dragons

Yuki and Gisela turned into wind dragons. Strangely enough

Amanda and Maya transformed into water dragons... and so on

until Leon and Ilyana had been left behind.'

"It looks like we did it

Leon

" Ilyana hugged Leon and then buried her face on his chest before taking a deep breath.'

"You just raised the biggest death flag ever..." Leon frowned. "Well

I'm quite a bit confident that we will win as well. No... we will win

and then we take it back our lives."

'After saying that

Leon kissed Ilyana's forehead. For a normal life where both of them

his children

his friends

his allies

and everyone else can be happy

they will defeat the creator of the system. Ilyana nodded

and then their bodies began to shine until they also transformed into real dragons.'

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'When Tyrsele finally saw the massive beast

she didn't think twice about attacking it. The creator of the system frowned when it saw an unknown dragon approached. Since the creature was too busy preparing the biggest spell that he had ever use

it didn't notice what Leon and the others were up to. Using magic to stop the dragon would only slow down the spell

so the creature only moved several of its arms to stop the dragon. The monster succeeded in blocking the attack

but not at nullifying the power behind the dragon's charge. The arms that had been used to stop the dragon exploded in several pieces. Not only that

the creature was sent flying backward for who knows how many light-years. Several of its eyes also exploded

and that damaged many of its nervous systems.'

"What? Who... Tyrselle?"

'The massive beast recognized those eyes full of hatred

the tone of the eyes changed

but the creator of the system would never forget those eyes of the woman who caused the destruction of so many sapient races. Tyrselle was the creature that the system's creator had admired the most since she rarely hesitated in doing what was necessary to achieve her goals. However

the current Tyrselle was different from the one she knew. Her goal was right in front of her. All that she had to do was to let loose and defeat the monster in front of her.'

'The system's creator analyzed the figure in front of itself and then understood what Leon

Ilyana

and Tyrselle had done. They developed a technique that granted them the power of the dragons

temporarily. They decided to become monsters

but they didn't abandon their previous selves. It was exactly because of that; they took so long to retaliate. However

the surprises didn't end there. Several other dragons appeared

and they followed Tyrselle's lead and attacked the massive beast. Those weren't as powerful as her

but they still managed to damage them and make the whole body of the beast tremble.'

"This is... this is..."

'For the first time

the creator of the system felt its life at risk. Those puny creatures were cutting
piercing

and destroying massive chunks of its flesh faster than the creature could
regenerate. Even with all the mana's power in the universe

the creature couldn't recover naturally faster than they could damage it. Still

that was just the first wave of attack

the humans joined the fray

and the beast's damage increased once again.'

"My life is... in danger?"

'The monster joined several of his hands together and clapped them. Causing
a massive shockwave of mana that made all the dragons

with the sole exception of Tyrselle to fly backward. As if that wasn't crazy
enough

all the wounds disappeared from its body. Tyrselle clicked her tongue in
annoyance and attacked again. With a single swing of her claws

a huge chunk of flesh in the size of a mountain was cut off from the monster's
body. However

in the next moment

the wound disappeared.'

'Tyrselle clicked her tongue in annoyance

but she didn't stop and resumed her attacks. Despite being a bit surprised that
the monster could recover instantly

all the others didn't lose the will to fight.'

"Don't stop!" Hector shouted. "Keep attacking! This creature won't be able to
destroy the universe faster if it is busy healing itself!"

"I wonder about that."

'Although Tyrselle and everyone's attacks decreased the pressure

they felt before. The same pressure returned much more powerful than before. The monster joined all of its hands for a reason

and that was to raise its focus. Thousands of warriors were attacking at the same time

but the wounds were vanishing instantly. Not only that

for the first time

since everyone revived

they could feel that same sensation that they felt in the void—the feeling of inexistence and weakness. Small distortions appeared around them... it was clear what would happen if any of those get too close to it... they would return to the void. However

the tension only made everyone fight even more fiercely. Every time Tyrselle attacked

the monster was sent flying backward quite a bit

and its focus would decrease

but it wasn't enough. They needed some extra power...'

'Suddenly

the creator of the system and everyone else felt some presence approaching. Before they could think of who's those presences belonged to

two massive rays of light hit the massive beast. The impact had been so powerful that the monster lost control over its spells for several seconds. Not only that

all of the eyes of the creature exploded. It was quite a gruesome sight

but Leon's allies didn't have to look at that for long. The monster was sent flying backward and quickly disappeared in the distance. After that

everyone saw two dragons

a black and a white one. The white dragon seemed like a sculpture that had come to life. Despite being a dragon

the creature didn't make those who looked at it feel fear. The eyes of the white dragon had a glint of resolution but also gentleness. The scales weren't razor sharp like others

and the surface of its body was quite even

but they emitted so much light that anyone could see and feel how powerful the creature was.'

'On the other hand

the black dragon looked like a fearsome creature. The creature had sharp scales everywhere. Not only that

but the teeth of the dragon were so big that they couldn't fit inside its mouth. The red eyes of the creature showed to everyone only two things

madness

and savagery. Needlessly to say

those were Leon and Ilyana.'

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"What are you guys looking at?" Leon asked via telepathy. "I didn't make my body become like this to scare everyone. It just became like this when I activated the skill. You guys think I look scary

but I think this form is pretty cool."

'Everyone sighed in relief when they heard Leon's voice. He hadn't become a demon lord

even though he looked like one. Even in Tyrsele's eyes

Leon looked quite fearsome... and that was the opinion of someone who created millions of dragons. Perhaps she wasn't the best person to give her opinion about it since all her dragons' forms and shapes were pretty generic.'

"We can do this

everyone

" Ilyana said. "That monster is trying to take everything away from us

but that monster isn't immortal. We can defeat it!"

'After hearing Ilyana's words

everyone roared. It was insane

but the roar of dragons even in outer space could make the space around them vibrate

just like the monster's ultimate attack. Although that was a first since Ilyana only fought by Leon's side until now

her speech raised all warriors' morale. They could do it; they could defeat the beast.'

"We need some plan

" Tyrsele said while she was watching the beast recovering from Leon and Ilyana's attack. "The power of everyone increased

but it is not enough. We have to finish this in just a couple of minutes."

'Leon nodded at her. He could feel the void growing larger and larger around them. Unfortunately

there wasn't much they could do instead of keeping attack. However

after a while

Leon smiled

thinking of the best way of using everyone's strength.'

"Stand in line!" Leon shouted via Telepathy. "For a single line and stand side by side! We will attack at the same time."

'It was a straightforward plan

but it was the best. The enemy was just a single massive beast

while on his side

Leon could count on the courage and the power of the best warriors of the entire universe. There was no need for a complicated plan. Instead of that

everyone would solve that by using their strengths together.'

"I feel a bit silly doing this

" Hector said. "However

it isn't a bad way to end this once and for all."

"Another death flash..." Leon sighed. "Shall we give our hands and raise this death flag even more?"

"We better not

" Amanda smiled despite her answer. "Honestly

I'm not a person who believes in that kind of thing

but since the stakes are so high right now

I won't take any chances. Let's just do our best

and that will be plenty.'

'The creature was just a tiny point in the distance

but Leon could tell that the monster was trying to speed up the process of destroying reality. Somehow

Leon could tell that they only had sixty or so seconds. The cold of the void was already penetrating even his thick dark scales

so the chances of him being wrong were quite small.'

"This is it

everyone

" Leon said. "This is the moment where all of you should use all of the feelings you cultivated since the monsters appeared in your worlds as fuel. We have to

do that because it is the only way to achieve victory and because we will need to get rid of all the dark feelings that we all have inside of us... we need to get rid of them for a fresh new start. Attack with everything you got. Attack with all your might. Attack as if your future depends on it because it depends."

'Everyone nodded. Now it was the time to let loose all the feelings that they kept stored inside themselves. Everyone who survived until now did everything they could to survive and wait for a peaceful future

a future where they wouldn't have to fear losing everything they held precious. Now was the time to give shape that future instead of letting it happen.'

"Concentrate... and let the energy inside of you explode..." Leon said and then took a long and deep breath. "CHARGE!"

'Although the speed and power of that army of dragons varied

strangely enough

everyone moved toward the beast at the same speed. All of them had thought the same thing. They would fly at the same speed

and then when they were about to crash against the massive creature

they would make their memory energy explode... all at once to cause massive damage.'

'The creator of the assimilation system

for the first time

felt shivers when it felt what would happen if it is attacked by so many of those dragons. The result would be disastrous

and perhaps

the creature wouldn't even have time to heal itself. Recognizing the threat

the beast clenched its massive mouth before opening widely. In the blink of an eye

several small suns and dark holes had been shot by its mouth. The creature knew that wouldn't be enough to kill a single one of them

but the creature needed to buy time

just a few more seconds

and then it would succeed in destroying the universe. However

all of its attacks got repelled by the army of dragons... their energy began to flow in unison as if it was forming a single being.'

'That surprised the beast

but it didn't make it give up. The creator of the system changed its plan. If attacking wasn't enough

then making time move backward would do the trick. The creature tried that

but given that Leon and everyone else had little mana inside of them

its actions were futile.'

""Are they no longer bond by my mana? Did their newfound energy occupies more space inside them than mana?""

'For the first time

the creator of the system begun to doubt if winning was still possible. The creature just needed a few seconds

but the dragons wouldn't die by a half-assed attack. Yet

the creature couldn't stop the destruction of the universe from trying anything else. The creature... didn't do know what to do.'

""AAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAARRRRRRRRRRRRRRRRRRGGGGGGGGGGGGGGGGHHHHHHHHHHHHH!""

'The creator of the system roared. It was the first time since it created the system that such a creature didn't know what to do. To think that its own actions would make such puny creatures grow and even create their own source of energy... one source of energy that would give them the chance to win against itself...'

""I won't accept this!""

'The monster decided to buy some time by charging toward the dragons. By doing so

the creature imagined that it would decrease its power without losing its focus... However

that wasn't the only thing the monster planned. All the remaining mana inside its body begun to concentrate in the center. Leon felt that and soon concluded that the mana there was the equivalent of several Big Bangs. Was it a suicide attack? Leon doubted that the monster would do such a thing. If anything

the monster knew it could survive anything caused by mana. However

Leon paid no mind to it. Now that he had access to another kind of energy

he could tell the difference between them. He won't lose... together with his allies

Leon won't lose.'

"HAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAHHHHHHHHHHHHHHHHHH!"

'When the massive monster entered their range of attack

everyone roared and let their energy explode. The system's creator did the same

and the two massive waves of red and blue energy collided against each other.'

758 Epilogue

'Pacific Ocean

Present day.'

'Leon suddenly woke up amidst the fly when he heard the announcement of the landing. Although he wasn't a nervous flyer

he couldn't help but wake up like that whenever he took a nap while flying. Resting on his right shoulder

there was an astonishing beautiful redhead... it was Ilyana

and she also was sleeping. Leon scratched his left cheek and then showed an embarrassed smile while looking at Ilyana's belly. She was pregnant and

in a few weeks

she would give birth. It was a strange feeling for Leon

to feel so happy and not even a single bit worried about the future. Feeling like that

Leon couldn't help but wonder if that final battle hadn't been just a weird and crazy dream

but it wasn't... because in Ilyana's belly

Leon could feel Serena's presence.'

'Just as Leon had expected

when he and his allies attacked the system's creator

the monster tried to take all of them at the same time. However

the power of their energy was much more intense than the monster's attack. Thanks to that

they endured and survived its last trump card. When the monster got hit

several parts of its body exploded

and many others got dismembered. However

things didn't end there. The army of dragons

Leon

and his ally continue to push the monster and cause damage while charging forward at an astonishing speed. Since their energy was affecting everyone

their power became one

and their speed also became equal.'

'The monster lost control over all its mana

and little by little

the creature shrunk in size. However

before the creature could actually die

they hit the boundaries of the universe than had shrunk in size thanks to the monster. When that happened

the monster's presence begun to disappear

but before that happened

Leon felt a bit of the monster's mana suddenly disappearing from the universe and moving to somewhere. It wasn't much... but it wasn't enough to save the conscience of the monster. Tyrsele tried to take chase

but Leon and Syllas stopped her. They could feel the mana moving to somewhere

probably to another universe

but they couldn't feel what was that that could separate the universes. Fortunately

Tyrsele stopped when she realized that the monster's body was completely destroyed and now was releasing all the mana under its control.'

'Everything with the sole exception of Leon and his allies had been destroyed

the universe was practically dead

but with so much mana at their disposal

they managed to restore things the way they should be. In fact

they even managed to change a few things. For example

Ilyana forced Leon to reset the time until the day he was born and made her be born on the same day and even become her neighbor... Leon already knew that

but Ilyana was an unrivaled stalker. Twenty-two years have passed since then

and now Leon was on a trip to visit Makoto. No

he was going to visit Ren and Yuki because they are going to marry.'

"Why do you look so serious?" Ilyana said in a low voice very close to Leon's right ear in a sweet manner.'

'Leon opened his eyes widely because of the sudden stimulus. He had some sensitive ears

and Ilyana liked to tease him quite a bit that way. Although that itself wasn't a problem

Leon was quite troubled because he felt like making another kid when Serena wasn't even born.'

"I told you to stop that while you are pregnant

" Leon sighed to calm down. "Sorry if I woke you up."

"Still thinking of where the creator of the system went?" Ilyana asked

this time showing a serious expression.'

"I'm wondering if that thing managed to escape or if something scavenged the remaining's of its soul

" Leon replied. "Even that thing had a soul

but just like it said before

it couldn't escape this universe with a low amount of mana."

"You should relax

" Ilyana said. "Several years passed since then

and we didn't notice anything weird happening. We are safe."

"I know that we are safe. We can defeat whoever tries to mess with us

" Leon said. "But what about life in the other universes? The soul of the creator of the system was scavenged for a reason

and I don't feel like relaxing knowing that something similar that happened to us might happen somewhere else

even somewhere very far away."

Ilyana nodded. That idea was unpleasant to everyone who still has memories of the things that happened before. However

they earned their lives back

and they deserved a break. They have been fighting for dozens of thousands of years

after all.'

"Don't worry

I'm not planning to go anywhere

" Leon said. "If the people in the other universes are in danger

they should be the ones to protect themselves and protect their reality. I'm just thinking of giving them a hand indirectly."

"If that is the case

then you can count on me

" Ilyana said and then kissed Leon's right cheek. "Until Serena and the other eight is with us

I don't want to go anywhere."

'It looked like Ilyana didn't discard the idea of looking for possible threats outside the limits of the universe

but Leon did it. However

Ilyana was someone cautious and didn't like to leave possible enemies alone

and maybe she would eventually hunt them. Looking at their wedding rings

Leon decided that he would go with her and clean the other universes if the time comes. Just like she promised to him that she would never leave him anymore

he promised the same to her.'

'When the airplane landed in Tokyo

Leon began to think that not many things had changed despite the fact that mana was still available to be used. The reason for that was simple. People feared that the use of mana would create an existence like the creator of the system. When Leon and the others restored the universe

they made sure to pass the memories of the last battle to every single sapient beings in the universe. Thanks to that

things have been really peaceful as of late

but here and there

a dumbass appears thinking that they can obtain amazing powers and rule the world

but here and there

Leon also disappears for a couple of minutes and then solves the problem. At least

he only solves that kind of problem on Earth. He didn't want to become a galactic police officer

after all.'

"Hey

Leon. Can you hear me?" Darya asked via Telepathy. "You can hear me

right? Aha! I did it! I'm finally strong enough to communicate with you even though we are so far away!"

'Leon smiled. While some people were afraid of mana

given that all the universe was almost destroyed

others were still playing with it. However

given that Darya was one of the leaders of her world

it was natural for her to become even stronger. Regardless

Leon communicated with her quite frequently

but this was the first time Darya was the one who started the conversation.'

"Well done

" Leon said. "It seems you have been training a lot. Despite that you still are in high spirits. How are you and is everything fine on Miebos?"

"The same as usual

" Darya replied. "Some idiots appear now and then

but they are all small fries. I'm quite bored these days

that is why I have been training Telepathy nonstop. I guess I will train Teleport now. It must be awesome to cross entire galaxies instantly."

'Although Leon and the others still had their powers

they didn't feel much the need to use them. It sounded like a waste of time to use airplanes when he could just use Teleport

but then

Leon wouldn't be able to enjoy comfy moments with Ilyana as he had before. Besides

showing off wasn't something he liked to do. That was why the dragons' identity who defeated the creator of the system still was kept a secret. Only a few individuals knew about them.'

"How is Donan?" Leon asked.'

"The same as usual

" Darya replied. "He still can't believe that everyone is back. He also can't believe that you defeated so many monsters. Whenever I bring you up

he looks as pale as a ghost. Still

you don't have to worry. It isn't an excuse

but he became what he became due to the circumstances. You don't have to worry about him."

"That wasn't my intention

but... whatever

" Leon shrugged. "Sorry

I need to grab my things. I will talk to you later."

"Still using the old-fashioned methods to move around

huh

" Darya said. "You are so weird."

'It was weird

but Darya changed quite a bit. It was almost like she was a teenager again

even though she lived for sixty years previously. Then again

it was the right way to take things in order to live a fuller life.'

'Weirdly enough

when Leon and Ilyana left the airport

they met all their friends. Makoto

Yuki

Ren

Hector

Amanda

Betty

Sasha. Even Tom

Gisela

Lennart

and Sarah were there. Although they fought as allies and enemies in the past just like Leon asked them

they get rid of those feelings during the last battle. That being said

there still was a feeling of competition between Gisela and Yuki

but nothing too serious. Regardless

unlike Leon

those people had no worries about entering other countries by using Teleport

even though that was illegal.'

"Took you long enough

" Hector said. "Well

given the speed you lived your previous life

I guess it is only natural that you want to take things slowly."

"It has been a while

right

Leon?" Makoto said and then smiled. "You two look great."

"Only a few months

you also look great

Makoto. For someone is about to become a grandpa." Leon said and then smiled. "By the way

if I remember correctly

you said that your future son-in-law would have to save the world seven times. I'm pretty sure saving the universe a single time must be enough to receive your blessings."

"Don't bring that again

Leon

" Ren said after dropping shoulders.'

"Don't worry

Ren

" Makoto smiled and then touched. "You may not have saved the world seven times

but you stayed at my daughter's side for centuries. You two certainly have my blessing."

"Can you two please stop as if I weren't here?" Yuki looked away

a bit embarrassed.'

'After laughing for a while

Leon and the others headed to the imperial palace. Makoto was one of the few who didn't participate in the last battle but knew everything that happened. So

he invited Leon and the others pretty much constantly. In current Japan

his family didn't have much political influence

so he had a lot of time in his hand. Aside from training his sword skills

he spent most of his time talking with his old friends.'

'Leon wasn't very good with stiff rules

so he spent most of his time worried that he might make some sort of mistake during the ceremony on the next day. The Japanese style ceremony was a bit different from the one he had

but fortunately

everything proceeded well

and Leon didn't mess up

even though he was just a guest. At the end of the party

everyone decided to let loose. Leon frowned since a traditional ceremony just happened

but it looked like he wasn't the only one who felt overwhelmed by the previous atmosphere. Although Yuki really looked like a refined princess during the ceremony

at that moment

she and Gisela were making everyone laugh while they were competing to see who can eat more rice balls in five minutes. Leon thought Makoto would feel embarrassed by his daughter's behavior

but he was actually the one who was laughing more.'

"Hello

are you busy

Leon?" Crik asked via Telepathy.'

"Well

it depends on your notion what it is to be busy

" Leon said. "If watching two grown-up women acting like kids isn't be busy

then I am pretty much free. How are you

Crik? How are things on your side?"

"I'm fine. I just want to inform you that the number of individuals who are using mana to start wars is increasing

" Crik replied. "Things on my planet are as well as they could be

but so many planets on this side of the universe are starting to wage war against each other. However

some individuals are starting to develop spells that grant them the power to move over long distances and thus arrive on other planets. It is only a matter of time before someone troublesome appears."

"Can't you handle them?" Leon asked.'

"I can

but I was wondering if kill them would be the right thing to do after all that trouble of restoring everything and everyone

" Crik replied. "I was thought of using Mana Link and that other spell on them and at the same time

make them unable to use mana ever again."

"I guess turn them into living batteries is better than killing them

" Leon said. "If you think that will be enough

then do it."

'Leon imagined that something like that would happen sooner or later

the world... no

the universe didn't lack fools who want to wage war for the sake of conquest. With that in mind

Leon gave people like Crik the knowledge of how to use Mana Link in many ways. One of the ways Crik created was to constantly suck the mana of those connected to him by Mana Link

that way

those would lose their powers forever.'

"Understood

" Crik said. "If something happens

I will inform you."

'The job of a galactic police officer fell on Crik like a glove. Now that he and his people recovered their bodies

they felt alive never before

even more so considering that they were back on their planet. In any case

Leon just wanted that Crik could relax a little and not treat him as his boss. They were comrades who fought for the sake of the future

and just that was enough.'

'The festivities related to Ren and Yuki's marriage lasted for an entire week. At the end of it

Makoto couldn't help but cry like a little kid. He was the type of father who always dreamt of seeing his daughter married. Makoto wanted him to stay for another week there just relaxing

but Leon had to refuse. Although he could

he decided not to use his powers to earn money. Besides

he couldn't spend more than one week without working. That didn't surprise anyone

but Leon ended up becoming a teacher... not a magic teacher

just a regular one. Despite the fact that he felt more satisfied in teaching magic

Leon felt strangely proud of becoming a middle school teacher.'

"Well

take care

" Leon said to Makoto

Yuki

and Ren. "When Serena is born

I will bring her over for you guys to see her."

"It is a promise

" Makoto nodded.'

'This time

for some reason

everyone felt like returning home by airplane. Strangely enough

everyone decided to stop at Leon and Ilyana's house before returning to their respective homes. That included Gisela and Lennart. Leon felt thankful for it because with them nearby

Ilyana wouldn't try to mess with him. Her voice was too sweet

after all.'

'Although many of the other passengers looked unsatisfied by it

Leon's friends didn't stop making noise the whole trip. Sharing recent stories

telling jokes. They had a pretty fun time during those hours. However

that had to stop because Leon heard the voice of someone unexpected in his head. It was Tyrselle.'

"Hey

can we talk?" Tyrselle asked via Telepathy.'

"I'm listening

" Leon said while he was seeing Ilyana frowning. "I hope you don't mind if Ilyana can hear us. It is not like I can stop her

after all. Besides

it will prevent her from getting weird ideas."

"I don't mind

" Tyrselle said. "This message is also for her

but I don't think I can say this directly to her."

'Leon frowned when he heard that because Ilyana heard directly anyway. Regardless

Leon and the others hadn't seen or talked with Tyrselle since the end of the battle. Mostly because they didn't have a reason to talk or see each other. For a long time

they had been enemies

so it was understandable. Besides

even though it wasn't something she did indirectly

she caused the death of many who were dear to Leon and his friends. Even though those were things of a distant past and all those events had been erased

it didn't change the fact that it happened.'

"It has been twenty-two years

right?" Tyrsele asked. "Things have been a bit complicated here

so I have been busy. However

in the last few years

I have been thinking about what I should do and say to all of you."

"I see..." Leon said.'

"However

no matter how much I think

I can't find a way or actions that show you how much I'm sorry for my actions

" Tyrsele said. "Because there is nothing I can do or say that will be enough to compensate for the things I did."

"You are completely right

" Leon nodded.'

"So

I will say this only once: I'm sorry for everything

" Tyrsele said. "This is all that I can do right now. However

it doesn't mean that I will forget what happened. It won't change the past since the past can't be changed

but I will do my very best to make the future even better

even though I don't know if that is possible."

"Well... intentions are important. Results can come later

" Leon said.'

"In the future

if you need a hand

you can call me

" Tyrsele said. "It doesn't matter if you need help with something big or small. You can count on me."

"Got it

I won't forget this

Leon said. "Is Syllas with you?"

"Yes

do you want to talk with him?" Tyrsele asked.'

"No

just look after him

" Leon said.'

"All right... see you later

" Tyrsele said.'

'Before the 'call' could even end

Ilyana was already pinching Leon's side. She was a jealous woman

so it was only obvious that she would feel that way when Leon was treating Tyrsele so nicely.'

"Don't feel that way

" Leon said. "None of us can bring ourselves to forgive what she did

but even though it isn't an excuse

she also is a victim of the situation like us. Besides

killing her wouldn't change anything. In this scenario

we got rid of an enemy and obtained an ally. Isn't it the best-case scenario?"

"I suppose so..." Ilyana frowned. "Just don't try to talk to her too much

or else..."

"All right

all right

" Leon shrugged. "I will only talk to her whenever you whisper on my ears when you shouldn't."

'Ilyana didn't like all that much to negotiate in that situation

but she decided to compromise in the end. A few hours later

everyone was back at Phoenix

and Leon called his parents

saying that they would visit them. It was Sunday afternoon

and give them the next day he would have to work. Leon decided that it was time to visit them. Besides

only a couple of things were better than having lunch with his parents at their home on Sundays.'

'The weather was perfect for a barbecue

Leon thought

and weirdly enough

his parents thought the same thing. Leon and the others found several tables in the backyard and the smell of meat being toasted.'

"Welcome home

son

" Leon's father said.'

"Oh

dear

you brought everyone

" Leon's mother said. "Thank goodness your father prepared quite a bit."

'Upon finding his gray-haired and well-built father preparing the food while his bit plumply and gentle mother organizing the table

Leon felt a sense of accomplishment like never before. He felt that way many times since the last battle

but the feeling was as strong as ever.'