

BloodLine 1031

Chapter 1031: Returned Silently

From MC's Perspective:

On the way, I unexpectedly came across a few monsters, which helped me complete the mission.

Then I returned to the stronghold.

But it was more crowded than before.

I started walking through the crowd towards the Teleportation Platform.

"Hey, it's him!"

"Zack Lockwood!"

"He is among us."

"He is going back."

A few people in the crowd shouted.

The next second, I felt many piercing gazes on me, as if everyone was waiting for me.

For a second, I was confused.

I didn't know what was going on.

“Zack Lockwood, stay there!”

“I want to challenge you!”

“No, let me challenge him first.”

“We are faction warriors; others step aside.”

The warriors started to yell.

They didn’t want to let Zack Lockwood go back to the university.

On the other hand, I understood completely.

Somehow, my whereabouts had leaked, and people started coming after me.

I think that the Iron Brothers and Blazing Fire Faction Warriors came after hearing the news.

My eyes flashed coldly.

I was already in a bad mood because of the Outer Hall Forest Area.

Now, these guys were pissing me off.

Thunder!

I channeled purple lightning into my palms.

Seeing that, everyone around me stepped away, allowing me to walk forward.

The warriors felt danger upon seeing the purple lightning.

Everyone's expression was solemn.

Those who were not part of factions were even more scared.

Most of them came out of enthusiasm, but few of them had the skill to fight against Zack Lockwood.

Those who came with such intentions had already entered the forest.

On the other hand, I saw none of them causing any trouble, so I started walking towards the Teleportation Platform.

On the way, I noticed the shocked and surprised expressions of the warriors.

When I left the place, the commotion occurred again.

"He is gone!"

"Damn, what was that purple lightning?"

"It scared the sh!t out of me."

"I was standing close; I felt my body hair burning."

"It's good that we didn't anger him."

The warriors who were close started to discuss.

Many of them came to see Zack Lockwood and began posting pictures online.

Warriors had come here to challenge and defeat Zack Lockwood, yet nothing like that had happened, so they were disappointed.

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They could only vent their frustration online right now.

On the other hand, I arrived at the Teleportation Platform and asked the guard to send me back.

After stepping inside the platform, they activated it.

Swoosh!

The next second, I vanished from the spot and appeared back at the University.

The place was lively as usual when I stepped out of the platform.

I saw the guard's expression filled with disbelief, as if he were surprised to see me in one piece.

"What?" I asked.

"There are many warriors who entered the place to find you," the guard said.

"They will be disappointed," I uttered before leaving.

The guard still couldn't believe it.

He knew that not only Small and Is Sized Faction Warriors went looking for Zack Lockwood; there were also some teams from the top 10 factions who had entered.

A few minutes later,

I walked into the mission building to submit the mission.

Gasp!

As usual, the reaction was the same here.

Some female warriors gasped in surprise.

Even the staff working behind the desk couldn't hide his shock.

"I have completed the mission." After saying that, I handed over the monster core.

The staff quietly counted the monster cores before saying, "You will get your rewards at your residence shortly."

Hearing that, I nodded before leaving.

My back was prickling like needles.

These people were giving me a headache.

After returning to the residence, I should check the online news.

The people inside the mission building started sharing the news already.

Zack Lockwood was back, but people were wasting time in the outer hall area.

So their faction members were urging them to come back.

Some of their teams were already searching inside the forest.

About 10 minutes later,

I returned to the residence.

After entering the room, I went to take a bath.

The bath lasted for 15 minutes.

After coming out of the bath, I put on comfortable clothes.

Then I went to the sofa to sit.

There was commotion happening because of me, and I wanted to know why.

Sitting leisurely, I activated the digital device.

A virtual screen appeared before me, showing the social media site.

I clicked on the trending topics.

When the page appeared, my eyes widened in surprise.

The topics were all about me.

“What the f@ck?” I uttered.

I clicked one of the posts to read.

It said I had entered the outer hall area forest to plunder the resources of others.

My eyes flashed with seriousness.

Then I selected another post to read.

After reading it, my expression worsened.

I decided to read a couple of articles to understand what was really going on.

About one hour later,

I touched my forehead in frustration.

I had gone there to complete the mission, not to plunder anything.

Especially since that forest didn't have anything to plunder to begin with.

I didn't know who started this malicious rumor.

More than rumors, it appeared to be a targeted campaign.

Some people didn't like me using the facilities of the Outer Hall.

I had seen it before when I used their training facilities.

Now the mission activity must have pissed them off.

A wry smile appeared on my face.

I wanted to stay low-key, but some others were working hard to keep me in the limelight.

I didn't know what to say to them.

I calmed my restless heart.

I decided to take a rest to cool off my head.

I started sleeping on the sofa itself.

Meanwhile,

Inside the Golden Lightning Palace, Austin received the news.

"That kid is back," he uttered.

"He has caused quite a stir in the Outer Hall.

Everyone is looking for him while he has returned silently," he added.

Austin was not stupid.

He could see that his disciple was being targeted.

It was just an Outer Hall Mission.

What was there to plunder?

He decided to dig up the person behind these rumors.

Chapter 1032: Serious condition (Brody and his team)

From MC's Perspective:

The following day,

I woke up pretty late, but I felt refreshed.

There was no tiredness whatsoever.

After getting out of bed, I started my morning routine.

Meanwhile,

Ed Conrad is spending time with his friends.

One of them just informed him that Zack Lockwood returned safe and sound yesterday.

Hearing that, Ed's smile disappeared.

He thought his junior brother was seeking death by going to the Outer Hall Area.

To think that he would return silently.

He didn't know what to say for a moment.

He was aware that many warriors went after him yesterday, so it was normal to think that Zack had encountered more than one team.

Zack Lockwood's safe return surprised many people.

"I doubt anyone would have challenged him."

"I think that kid would have asked for forgiveness."

"Otherwise, I don't think anyone would have let him go."

The warriors spoke their minds.

Ed Conrad's eyes flickered.

Nobody knows that Master Austin has accepted Zack Lockwood as his sixth disciple.

If these people were to know, their attitude would change for sure.

Suddenly, a bad, sinister idea came to his mind.

There is a reason why Zack Lockwood's identity was hidden.

So far, seeing his junior brother's performance, he could tell that his junior brother was a rising talent.

Maybe the master wanted to protect him from hidden arrows.

What if others learned about his junior brother's identity?

An evil glint flashed in Ed Conrad's eyes.

To be honest, he always thought he would be the last disciple.

But the appearance of the sixth disciple brought out his rotten side.

Ed knows if the Dark Variant Faction learns about this, then they would take immediate action.

He wouldn't be surprised if they sent a Black Mark Warrior to assassinate Zack.

He decides to reveal the news to others without alerting the Master.

He knows Master Austin is dissatisfied with him.

If the news leaked right now, then he would be exposed directly.

So he decides to reveal the news at an appropriate time.

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Blazing Fire Faction:

“Where is Brody and his team?” An elder, wearing the red emblem of the Blazing Fire Faction, started questioning the faction warriors.

Hearing that, the warriors got confused.

Brody’s team is one of the popular monster hunting squads in their faction as well.

So they were surprised to hear his name.

The old man swept his gaze across everyone.

Seeing that everyone was genuinely confused, he didn’t know what to do.

“If you know anything, you can tell me,” the old man said.

Suddenly, among them, a tall warrior stepped forward.

“Elder, I saw them going to the Outer Hall Monster Area yesterday,” he said.

Gasp!

A small commotion occurred because a huge drama took place yesterday, because of a warrior from the Thunderflame Faction.

Everyone went after Zack Lockwood to challenge him.

“Why did they go?” the old man asked with a frown.

He had heard of the incident as well.

His face did not look good.

“Elder, I don’t know.

Maybe they went for a mission,” the tall warrior said.

“Mission?” the old man sneered.

He knew there was nothing useful in the Outer Hall Monster Area.

So he thought they went after that kid to challenge him.

But he found something amiss.

Whatever their reason was, shouldn’t they have returned by now?

The old man thought something must have happened.

“Has anyone contacted them?” he asked.

The warrior shook his head.

The old man’s eyes flickered.

“If anyone has their contacts, call them right now,” the old man said.

He had come here in search of them to assign an important mission.

But they were not here.

On the other hand, the warriors who knew Brody and his team started calling them.

But none of them were picking up the call.

Buzz!

Suddenly, one of the warriors received a call from the medic clinic.

Brody and his teammates had suffered extreme burn injuries.

Now their condition was serious.

After hearing that, he immediately told the elder.

Not only the elder heard it, but the surrounding warriors did as well.

They immediately thought of Zack Lockwood, the Thunderflame Faction Warrior.

The expression of the elder changed drastically.

He had come here to issue a mission but did not expect them to get defeated.

There was no need to guess.

Everyone could tell that their serious condition had something to do with Zack Lockwood.

“Don’t spread rumors,” After saying that, the old man left for the medic clinic.

He wanted to hear it from their mouths.

Everyone was pointing at the Thunderflame Faction kid.

Even he thought that it might be the case.

But before jumping to conclusions, he thought it best to verify it.

Shortly afterwards,

He arrived at the Outer Hall Medic Clinic.

He immediately walked into the building and inquired with the staff.

The staff told him the room number.

The old man came to the room.

After entering, he saw warriors taking a solution bath inside the closed chamber.

Their red flesh was visible on the surface.

Some of them had suffered burns on their faces as well.

The old man's pupils shrank.

He couldn't believe what he was seeing.

“Hey, elder.

You are here!”

An enthusiastic voice was heard behind him.

An old man wearing a white coat walked in.

His gaze fixed on the solution chamber as well.

“Five of them were close to death.

If someone hadn’t found them last night, they would have died in the forest,” he said.

Hearing that, the elder felt a chill.

He didn’t know what to say.

He knew the character of Brody and his team.

“They must have teamed up to fight Zack Lockwood,” the elder thought.

But it was not important anymore.

They were beaten badly.

This should be something the main elders were informed about as well.

Their Blazing Fire Faction is one of the top ten factions.

If the news leaked, their reputation would be damaged.

He then made a quick decision and left the place.

The news had been heard by the warriors before.

It would only be a matter of time before it spread.

So he decided to inform the main elders right away.

Chapter 1033: Faction Leader Elmer Maddox (Blazing Fire Faction)

Blazing Fire Faction:

The elder returns to request a meeting with the main elders.

The main elders are the real pillars of each of the top 10 factions.

It's the same for the Blazing Fire faction.

Inside the meeting hall, a tall, burly man is sitting in the main chair of the faction leader.

His name is Elmer Maddox, a half-step red mark warrior.

Right now, he is speaking to the other main elders on another topic.

But the sudden request of one of their elders caught his attention.

"He is the one who works in the Mission Hall," Elmer thought.

Then he allowed him to enter.

The other main elders in the hall were surprised.

Shortly afterwards, the old man walks into the hall.

He found everyone's gaze on him.

Rarely do other hall elders get a chance to enter the main hall like this.

The old man suppressed his uneasiness in his heart.

"What's your name?" Elmer asked.

The old man raised his head and answered, "Faction Leader, my name is Carmelo."

"Why did you want to request a meeting with us?" Elmer asked.

Old man Carmelo mustered up his courage to explain what happened with Brody and his team.

When he started speaking, the expressions of everyone in the hall changed.

The expression of the faction elder was particularly serious.

He knows some secrets that others do not; he was aware that there is an ongoing faction fight between the Thunderflame faction and the Dark Variant Faction.

About 20 minutes later,

Gasp!

Shock and disbelief were written on everyone's faces, followed by anger and rage.

They didn't expect someone from the Thunderflame faction to beat some of their warriors like this.

Elmer closed his eyes for a couple of seconds.

He could see that their warriors went after Zack Lockwood first.

One person against an entire team, it can be seen that something is wrong with the intentions of their warriors.

"Faction Leader, should you raise the issue with the Dean?"

"The Thunderflame faction is crossing the line; they are giving free rein to their warriors."

"Maybe we should send our finest warrior to challenge that kid.

Once someone puts him in his place, then his arrogance will be gone."

"Yeah, we can only put them in their place by fighting them."

The main elders vented out their dissatisfaction one by one.

They have long been dissatisfied with the influence and power shown by the Thunderflame faction in the University.

Because of it, they turned a blind eye to the wrongdoings of Brody and his team.

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It's their fault in the first place for going after Zack Lockwood; not only were they defeated, they were beaten brutally.

"Faction Leader, why don't we kill that kid?"

One of the main elders raised the question.

Quiet!

The hall went silent the next second.

Old man Carmelo was speechless.

He wasn't expecting this strong of a reaction from everyone.

Apart from the faction leader, everyone else in the hall was pissed off.

They were clearly showing support to target the Thunderflame faction.

The faction leader Elmer opened his eyes and swept his gaze across everyone.

Those who were voicing out injustice lowered their heads in fear.

They knew that it was up to the leader whether he wanted to take action or not.

Even if the majority of the main elders decided to target the Thunderflame faction, they had to convince the faction leader first.

Because he is the strongest among them all.

He is a half-step red mark warrior.

“Carmelo, you can leave right now,” Elmer said.

Old man Carmelo shuddered, feeling the deep gaze from the leader.

He left the main hall right away.

When he was gone from the place, Elmer’s gaze turned toward the others.

“We can’t target the Thunderflame faction, especially the kid, Zack Lockwood,” he said in a serious tone.

Quiet!

The atmosphere became even denser.

Everyone felt the pressure because the faction leader’s words didn’t seem to be nonsense.

“Not only that, if we go against the Thunderflame faction, then Dean Jerome will be dissatisfied with us,” he added.

“Dean!”

This time, all of them were truly shocked.

Who is the Dean?

He is the real powerhouse above the top 10 factions.

Dean Jerome is a Red Mark Warrior.

Everyone's faces were filled with shock and confusion.

They wanted to know the reason behind it, but none of them could meet the direct gaze of Elmer.

Elmer Maddox decided to tell the reason so that they wouldn't have any second thoughts.

He said, "The Thunderflame faction has done a great job by contributing important resources in the secret land recently.

The one who found that was none other than that kid Zack Lockwood."

Gasp!

Everyone couldn't hold back their reactions.

Now, they understood the reasons behind the recent limelight on the Thunderflame faction.

If their warriors had done something serious to Zack Lockwood, then they would be the ones who would suffer.

After realizing this, the main elders looked at their leader with gratitude.

Their minds had been occupied with anger earlier.

Now that their confusions were gone, they could see the clear picture.

Especially the kid Zack Lockwood; if nothing goes wrong in his growth, then he will be supported by the Dean.

Thinking about the future, everyone felt a chill.

Because even if someone wants to do something, it is impossible to hide all their traces.

Things can't be hidden from the eyes of the Red Mark Warrior.

"Now that you are aware, pay attention to your disciples.

If they want to challenge Zack Lockwood, that's okay.

But they don't dare to have other ideas," Elmer said in a serious tone.

The main elders agreed.

Brody and others were so close to destruction.

Some of them started getting angry at the idiotic warriors who went after Zack Lockwood to challenge him.

If Zack Lockwood forgets about the incident, then it's fine.

If not, they have to remind their disciples.

The faction leader Elmer sighed inwardly.

He didn't want to get on the bad side of the dean, especially when the internal fights between the factions were going on.

He didn't want his faction to be dragged into the fights.

Chapter 1034: Master Ann's disappointment

Somewhere in the Tier-4 Region, the former leader of the Blood Shadow Force, Rupert, is hiding in a small town close to a big city under the jurisdiction of the Dark Shadow University.

His current state is miserable.

He was injured by a core disciple of the Dark Shadow University.

The core disciple was a Gold Mark Warrior.

At that time, he was out looking for Zack Lockwood to appease the university elders.

But he unintentionally bumped into the core disciple.

The Dark Shadow University warriors have irritating personalities.

It's easy for a fight to take place.

In order not to offend the other party, he had to take the beating.

After some thrashing, the other party left, but the little thrashing has left serious injuries on his body.

He has been facing misfortune ever since he came out of the Inner Post Region.

He can't go back.

His post is revoked.

His mood worsens thinking about it.

Alas!

"I have to find a way to get out of this?" he thought.

First, he has to recover from his injuries.

Next, he needs to find a way to reach Star University.

He knew that Star University was the main city under the Star University.

You can find a lot of information once you get into the place.

He hopes that he could find information about Zack Lockwood as well.

"Maybe in one or two weeks, I can get back to my normal self," Rupert mutters to himself.

Rupert doesn't know about Zack Lockwood's current status.

If he did, then he would give up his foolish dream right away.

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From MC's Perspective:

After getting ready, I left the residence and headed towards the Healing Palace.

I have been spending most of my time in Golden Lightning Palace recently.

I don't want Master Ann to get angry at me because of this.

While walking, I noticed other warriors as well.

Everyone is going about their business.

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After taking a walk for a few minutes, I arrived in front of the Healing Palace.

Creak!

The door opened automatically.

I walked into the place.

Right after, I could hear the laughter of female warriors.

My appearance caused a commotion.

Only a few of them had seen me come here to meet Master Ann, while others were unfamiliar.

“Who is he?”

“Is he a healer?”

“His face looks familiar.”

“Hey, I have seen his pictures online.”

The female warriors discussed each other in a low tone.

They were really curious about the person’s identity.

“Zack Lockwood, what are you doing here?”

A female voice reached my ears.

When I turned around, I saw a familiar person.

She was one of the warriors who participated in the secret land mission last time.

She was brought there by Master Ann.

“Hi, senior sister.

I have come here to see Elder,” I said to her.

“Hmmm,” she hummed.

Then I glanced at her before walking toward Master Ann's residence.

Shortly afterwards,

"He is Zack Lockwood!"

"The famous lightning warrior in our faction."

"His presence has caused drama in the Outer Hall."

"Yeah, I heard it from others."

"I wonder what he is doing here."

The female warriors couldn't stop talking, especially after learning the identity of the warrior.

If they learned that Zack Lockwood is an official disciple of Master Ann, they would be shocked to the core.

On the other hand, I reached her residence.

Master Ann seemed to know of my arrival.

She opened the door.

"Master," I greeted her.

"Well, I thought you forgot about your healing element."

Come inside,” Ann said.

Hearing that, I nodded to her and entered the place.

She sat on the sofa.

I sat opposite her.

Elder Ann was obviously angry.

Her disciple was getting a lot of attention lately.

Looking at him, she could tell that he had neglected the practice of the ancient healing method for some time.

“I thought that sending him to the Virtual Duel Training Lab would speed up his practice.

But his progress was slow,” she thought.

“Zack, be honest with me.

Did you stop practicing it?” she asked.

Hearing that, I’m stunned.

The next second, I realized I couldn’t hide it from her.

I did neglect the cultivation of the ancient healing method.

"I'm sorry," I uttered in a helpless tone.

Elder Ann didn't say anything for a moment.

She could tell that her disciple was facing pressure as well.

She had heard that a lot of warriors went after him to challenge.

"You are getting more attention.

Sooner or later, you will face the challenges of many warriors.

If you get better at practicing the ancient healing method, it will be good for you."

"As I told you before, if you could master it, then the benefits will be more.

You need not be worried about getting serious injuries then," she said in a serious tone.

"I will pay more attention hereafter," I replied.

This time I have disappointed her.

So far, I hadn't faced any serious threat.

I had even defeated Commander Rank Warriors using the abnormal purple lightning element.

But I knew that the real danger had yet to come.

Senior Brother Ed Conrad's appearance brought me a sense of crisis.

He was not fond of me.

If this person were to attack me, then I don't know what to do.

"What are you thinking?" Ann asked.

"Nothing, Master.

I'm going back to practice in my room," I said.

"You can use the facilities here," she said.

"If not, you can use the main facility in our faction.

I'll give you specific permission.

You can use it for 2 hours daily," Ann said.

A quick gleam flashed in my eyes.

I really wanted a quiet place to cultivate.

I didn't want to bump into Senior Brother Ed Conrad at the Golden Lightning Palace.

This person has a lot of tricks.

After gaining some clarity, I accepted Master Ann's suggestion.

Shortly afterwards,

I left the Healing Palace and headed straight toward the Training Facility Area of our Thunderflame Faction.

Since my joining, I have hardly visited there.

So, I'm eager to find a quiet place.

Chapter 1035: Callum and Filip

From MC's Perspective:

Shortly afterwards,

I arrived at the central area of the Thunderflame Faction.

I noticed that warriors were coming and going.

I guessed it was my second or third time here, recalling the route in my mind.

Soon, I reached the essence chamber facility.

There was a staff member monitoring the area.

Upon seeing me, he looked surprised.

At this point in time, almost everyone was familiar with my image.

Seeing that he recognized me, I walked up to him and inquired about the availability of the essence chamber.

The staff member was taken aback.

He didn't expect me to come here, but he quickly recovered his expression before leading me to one of the essence chambers.

The essence chambers here are not the same as those in the palace, but it's still better than practicing in the residence.

After arriving at the essence chamber, the staff member asked me about the points.

There were still points left after the Star City Mission, so he deducted my points before allowing me to enter.

Creak!

The door opened automatically.

After entering, the door behind me closed itself.

I started looking around the chamber.

The chamber was less spacious than the chambers in the palace.

The walls were made of special materials.

After checking, I walked up to the console and activated the chamber.

Buzz!

With a buzzing sound, the world energy started coming in from the inlet.

After a couple of minutes, the whole room was covered with rich world energy.

I stepped onto the platform and sat cross-legged.

Then I closed my eyes and began to run the ancient healing method.

Slowly, a small tree rune in my consciousness started to flicker.

Several green energy streams began entering my body from outside.

Then I started guiding the energy according to the ancient healing method.

Outside,

Austin was in his residence.

He thought Zack Lockwood would come to see him, but he learned from Elder Ann that Zack Lockwood had delayed practicing the ancient healing method.

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“Three elements.

It’s not easy to allocate time,” Austin thought.

Sigh!

A sigh escaped from his mouth.

He knew that Zack hadn't neglected that ancient healing method, but that kid didn't have time.

He knew that the kid was more diligent than anyone.

Other than training, he hadn't seen Zack spending time on other things.

Austin didn't know whether it was a good approach to focus on training all the time, but it was up to his disciple's decision.

On the other hand, Ed Conrad was paying attention to Zack Lockwood's whereabouts as well.

After learning that Zack had gone to the central area of the faction to train, his expression grew strange.

The members of the Golden Lightning Palace didn't have to use the facilities there.

Then he suddenly thought of something.

"Was it because of me?" He cracked a smile.

The next second, his smile disappeared.

He narrowed his eyes.

He thought his junior disciple wouldn't find anything wrong, but Zack Lockwood's behavior showed that the other party didn't want to see him.

“Should I send someone to test my junior brother?” Ed thought.

His eyes flashed with a glint.

He knew that Master Austin would find it easily if he used someone from the Golden Lightning Palace.

But it was different if warriors from the Ice and Fire Palace and Black Flame Palace were causing the problem.

Master Austin wouldn't trouble Elder Cathy and Elder Leola for a fight between faction members.

After hatching his evil plan, he immediately acted on it.

About one hour later,

Two warriors from the Black Flame Palace appeared in the central area.

Both of them were General Rank.

The next step was to gain qualification for the inheritance.

Instead of focusing on that, they had come here to cause trouble at someone's request.

These two warriors were wearing uniforms with the Thunderflame Faction crest.

One of them had short black hair and dark eyes.

His name was Filip.

His element was Red Flame with a little dark attribute.

The other one was similar but a little taller; his name was Callum.

He had the black flame element as well.

They were Black Flame Palace members but not disciples of Elder Leola.

“Brother Callum, do you know where he is?” Filip asked.

Filip frowned.

If it weren’t for the direct disciple of the Main Elder’s request, they wouldn’t have bothered to come here.

The Main Elder’s palace was equipped with advanced training facilities.

Callum swept his gaze everywhere.

He was looking for the staff member in charge here.

Finally, he saw someone walking in the corridor.

“Hey, you there!” Callum shouted.

This immediately attracted the staff member’s attention.

Upon seeing their strength, his pupils shrank.

Not many General Rank warriors came here during the daytime.

The staff member was confused.

Then he walked up to meet them.

“Do you know where Zack Lockwood is?” Callum asked.

“Zack Lockwood,” the staff member uttered in surprise.

There was no need to remind him.

He realized trouble had come looking for Zack.

He was aware of the drama that had happened recently as well.

So the staff member immediately pointed his finger towards the essence chamber facility.

“Okay, you can go now,” Callum said.

Hearing that, the staff member quickly left the place.

“Brother, I heard that kid is a member of the Golden Lightning Palace.

So why is he practicing here?” Filip asked.

Callum’s eyes flickered.

Then he realized something.

“It must be because of Ed Conrad,” Callum replied.

Filip raised his eyebrows in surprise.

“Brother, if that kid was aware, then he would realize we were targeting him,” Filip said.

“Don’t worry; we are members of the Black Flame Palace.

He can’t do anything unless he is a direct disciple like Ed Conrad,” Callum said confidently.

But he didn’t know that Ed Conrad had overlooked an important detail.

“Okay, then.

What should we do?” Filip asked.

Callum smiled and said, “Just teach him a lesson.

This kid has been in the limelight recently.

Others won’t be suspicious of us.”

“Good idea,” Filip replied with a grin.

Then they both looked at each other and smiled.

Chapter 1036: Close escape

From MC's Perspective:

Callum and Filip are waiting patiently for Zack Lockwood to appear.

As they stand there, the warriors who are coming and going notice the two General Rank Warriors.

It doesn't take much time for the others to know what's happening here.

Some of the warriors are standing far away and watching them.

Filip said, "Brother, others are looking at us."

"If we keep standing here, others in our palace might notice us," he added.

Callum frowned.

He noticed the problem as well.

He had thought of thrashing Zack Lockwood and returning to their own place within an hour.

"Do you know his residence?" Callum asked.

Filip shakes his head before saying, "I will go and ask around."

The next moment, he walks away from the place.

Meanwhile,

Inside the essence chamber, the healing energy is coursing through my veins, making them warmer.

I don't know how long it would take for the effects to show.

I decided to practice for two more hours before leaving.

After pushing down these thoughts, I resumed the practice.

Outside,

Filip didn't take much time to gather information.

With his identity as a Black Flame Palace member, he was able to get information from people quickly.

He even went to Zack Lockwood's residence to make sure.

When he returned to the side of Callum, he saw the crowd had gathered more.

"Brother, let's go.

I found his residence," Filip said.

Callum nodded before they both started going to Zack Lockwood's residence.

On the other hand, Ed Conrad learned the information as well.

Seeing that the two Black Flame Palace members were taking time, he decided to wait in frustration.

He was ready to watch his junior brother's miserable state.

Two hours later,

I walked out of the essence chamber.

After practicing the ancient healing method, my inner organs were covered with a thin layer of healing energy.

The veins were also covered with healing energy as well.

I think today's practice was successful.

Just as I was contemplating, I noticed that the warriors around here were discussing something serious.

A hint of curiosity flashed in my eyes.

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Then I decided to leave.

If I go and ask them, they will recognize me.

It might cause further commotion.

So I shook my head and started leaving.

Just as I started leaving the area silently...

"Zack Lockwood!"

I heard someone call me from behind.

The voice seemed familiar.

When I turned around, I saw the person who was calling me was none other than the staff.

“Do you need something?” I asked.

The staff hesitated for a second.

He didn’t know whether it was okay to say it or not.

Those two warriors from the Black Flame Palace might come back at any time.

Seeing that, the staff’s face was pale.

I felt something was wrong.

“What happened?” I asked.

“Zack Lockwood, two General Rank Warriors from the Black Flame Palace have come here asking for you,” the staff replied.

“Asking for me?” My eyes gleamed with interest.

“Why?” I asked.

The staff hesitated before saying, “I don’t know, but I think they are targeting you.”

“I hope you don’t forget my help.” After saying that, the staff left the place.

I stood in the same spot.

I had avoided going to the Golden Lightning Palace, thinking no one would target me.

Was this related to Ed Conrad?

A cold gleam flashed in my eyes.

I turned around and started walking towards my residence.

Shortly afterward,

When I got closer to the residence, I saw two unknown people standing in front of it.

I hoped they were not here to trouble me.

As I walked towards the residence, the two warriors turned towards me.

“Zack Lockwood,” Filip uttered in surprise.

Callum smiled as well.

They had been waiting for so long.

Finally, they were going to teach him a lesson.

“Zack Lockwood, I heard you attacked senior members of our faction.

Do you really think no one would say anything?" Callum asked.

"Ha...

Ha...

Ha...

brother, you are right!"

"I think we should teach a lesson to this junior," Filip said from the side.

These two had a tactical understanding of targeting Zack Lockwood.

On the other hand, I realized these people were purposely targeting me.

To think they were doing it in front of my residence.

An idea came to mind.

I shifted my attention to the sci-fi watch and pretended to make a call.

Callum raised his eyebrows.

"What are you doing?" he asked.

"I'm calling Elder Austin," I replied.

Callum's eyes turned cold.

He looked at Filip and signaled him to attack.

Filip nodded to him before turning towards me.

He raised his fist to throw a punch.

He was not going to use an element; if he did, it could inflict severe damage.

On the other hand, I felt a sense of crisis.

I turned around and saw one of the warriors raising his fist to attack.

The next moment, I activated my perception ability.

His movements became crystal clear.

I sidestepped enough to avoid the fist.

The next second, I leaped backwards to create distance.

"What are you doing?"

"Should I inform Elder Austin about your actions?"

"It's forbidden to attack faction members," I said to him.

Filip was startled.

He didn't expect Zack Lockwood to evade his attack.

Callum's face turned ugly.

By this time, the commotion had attracted attention.

Warriors were coming out of their residences to see.

Others who were walking along the path stopped in their tracks to look back.

Callum's face turned darker.

He didn't want to do this in front of everyone.

"Filip, let's go," Callum shouted.

"But brother," Filip tried to refute, then he saw the crowd gathering.

He gritted his teeth in anger before turning towards me.

"You are lucky." After saying that, he joined Callum.

Both left the spot with dissatisfied looks on their faces.

When they were gone from the place, I sighed inwardly.

But I felt something was wrong upon seeing their sudden appearance.

Why would warriors of the Black Flame Palace care about the seniors in the Golden Lightning Palace?

“Something fishy,” I said to myself.

Chapter 1037: Tight schedule

“Brother, are we going to leave like that?” Filip asked.

His expression was ugly.

They were from the Black Flame Palace.

This was supposed to be easy.

They just had to teach a lesson to that kid.

Now they were almost threatened by that kid.

Callum’s eyes turned cold.

He said, “This kid is not ordinary.

We should attack him at the right time.”

Then they returned to the Black Flame Palace.

Meanwhile,

Ed Conrad got the news.

He was immediately dissatisfied.

After learning the ins and outs, he realized that the Black Flame Palace duo were cowards.

“What a mess!”

“They couldn’t do a single thing?” Ed Conrad spat out.

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From MC’s Perspective:

The next few days went just like that.

I made a daily schedule of going to the central facility to train.

Not only was the ancient healing method, but both body and essence cultivation were going well.

Yet, I was aware of the fact that people were targeting me.

From time to time, I spotted unfamiliar warriors stalking me.

Everyone knew that I was from the Golden Lightning Palace.

Despite that, I was facing such situations.

This only showed that the mastermind behind this was not ordinary.

He was likely my senior brother Ed Conrad.

I didn't know what made him take action against me.

But deep in my heart, I thought he was not pleased with my junior brother status.

I could have spoken to Master Austin.

But somewhere I felt it wasn't the right time to do it.

Meanwhile,

Somewhere, a medium-sized aircraft was moving towards Star University.

Inside the aircraft, two women were sitting and talking in their cabin while the pilots operated the aircraft.

"Senior sister, can you tell me about your mission?"

"What's the famous secret land like?"

"How strong were the monsters inside?"

A black-haired woman was asking back-to-back questions to her senior sister, who was sitting opposite her.

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The black-haired woman was none other than the 4th Disciple of Main Elder Austin, Thunderflame Faction.

Her name was Lola Garvin, a Black Mark Warrior.

The woman sitting opposite her was the 2nd Disciple of Main Elder Austin.

Her name was Leah Downing.

She had white silky hair and eyes.

She was a Gold Mark Warrior.

Right now, Leah appears to be cold and solemn.

She didn't want to talk about her mission.

More importantly, she didn't think it was the right time to tell her.

"Lola, master will tell you at the right time," Leah replied.

After saying that, she closed her eyes.

Hearing that, Lola was disappointed.

She was interested in knowing about her senior sister's mission.

But she was not dumb.

She thought it was much more serious than a normal mission.

She decided to ask Master Austin directly later.

She then thought of something that could lighten their mood.

“Senior Sister, do you know that the Master has accepted a 6th disciple?” Lola asked.

Leah Downing opened her eyes, and a flicker of surprise appeared in her eyes.

She had heard about this directly from the Master.

When Main Elder Austin accepted Zack Lockwood as his 6th and last disciple, he had informed the other disciples as well because the others were outside doing missions.

None of them could return right away at that time.

Leah asked, “Do you know anything about this junior brother?”

Lola shook her head before replying, “No, master wanted us to return and meet him ourselves.”

Since the mood had turned brighter, they both started talking about other topics.

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The following day,

After getting ready, I walked out of the residence to go to the central training facility.

Buzz!

I received a sudden call from Master Austin.

After answering, he told me to come to the Golden Lightning Palace right away.

Hearing that, I immediately agreed.

After ending the call, I turned around and started heading towards the Golden Lightning Palace.

For the past couple of days, I had been training in the central facility.

Even Master Austin hadn't asked me why.

But today he wanted me to return.

I wondered what was going on.

Shortly afterwards,

I arrived at the Golden Lightning Palace.

Creak!

The door opened automatically upon sensing my presence.

I walked inside casually and spotted other members going about their business.

Some of them noticed my presence and spoke to each other in low tones.

"They must be wondering why I was training in the central facility," I thought to myself.

I shook my head before heading towards the Master's residence.

I arrived at the doorstep and found that the door was unlocked.

I opened it and walked inside.

Then I turned around and saw Master Austin and Ed Conrad sitting on the sofa chatting.

"Zack, you are here," Austin said.

Ed Conrad's expression turned solemn, but he smiled as well.

On the other hand, I ignored Ed Conrad and turned to Master Austin.

"Master, what happened?" I asked.

"Come and sit first," Austin said.

Hearing that, I sat in the chair closest to me.

"Your 4th and 2nd Senior Sisters are returning from their mission.

They are close to Star City.

So I wanted you to meet them," Austin said.

I was surprised.

I had long wanted to meet my other senior brothers and sisters as well.

Yet one of them turned out to be hostile.

I hoped that the others were not like that.

“I’m quite eager to meet them,” I replied.

Austin then asked, “How is your training going?”

I raised my eyebrows in surprise before replying, “It’s going well.

I’m hoping to achieve my next breakthrough soon.”

“Junior brother, why don’t you use the facility here?”

“You can achieve your breakthrough faster,” Ed Conrad asked with a smile.

Obviously, he didn’t have good intentions.

Austin’s eyes flickered, but he didn’t say anything.

“Don’t worry, brother.

I have my own plans,” I replied to him with a smile as well.

Quiet!

The atmosphere quieted down.

Austin, looking at his two disciples, couldn't help but sigh inwardly.

He could see that something was going on between his two disciples.

Chapter 1038: Meeting the Senior Sisters

From MC's Perspective:

I'm looking at my senior brother.

I can feel he is hiding his real intentions.

I don't know what will happen in the future.

If he wants to kill me, then I won't have any other choice but to retaliate as well.

Ed Conrad shows a neutral expression on the outside.

But inside, he is angry because he has realized right now that his junior brother has found out his true face.

It would be difficult to take any action in the future.

Thinking about it, Ed Conrad's mood worsens.

Surely he can't take action by himself because of Master Austin.

He thinks that Master Austin would find out easily as long as there is a small clue.

Ed Conrad has decided to target Zack Lockwood hereafter.

Even if he wants to do anything, he would seek outside help, like the Black Flame Palace members.

The duo then retreated without attacking Zack Lockwood.

Till today, they are waiting for Zack Lockwood to leave the Thunderflame Faction territory.

Then they will have plenty of chances to attack.

But Ed Conrad sees them as a failure.

Meanwhile,

The aircraft enters Star University.

After finding the landing area, the aircraft lands on the ground.

Creak!

When the door opens, the 4th Disciple, Lola Garvin, steps out, followed by the 2nd Disciple, Leah Downing.

“Let’s go,” Leah said.

“Yes, Senior Sister,” Lola replied.

Then they both started heading back to the Thunderflame Faction.

Shortly afterward,

They arrive at the Thunderflame Faction and head straight toward the Golden Lightning Palace.

Inside the Golden Lightning Palace, the members are training hard.

Some others are discussing Zack Lockwood's return among themselves.

A few minutes later,

The appearance of Leah Downing and Lola Garvin is noticed by a passing member.

He immediately goes to inform others.

"Hey, the 2nd and 4th Senior Sisters are back!" the person suddenly breaks the news.

Gasp!

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A collective gasp sounded.

Everyone was shocked.

The 5th Disciple of Main Elder Austin appeared some time ago.

Now, 2 more disciples are back.

Then they seem to realize something.

It must be time for all other disciples of the Main Elder to return.

Usually, whenever they appear, it's time for drama and fun.

The faction's infighting will soar.

Not only are the disciples of the Thunderflame Faction's Main Elders returning, but the disciples of the other factions' Main Elders must be returning as well.

So these warriors are excited for the coming days.

Leah Downing and Lola Garvin go directly to their Master's residence.

Creak!

When they get there, they find the door is unlocked.

Lola opens the door and walks in, followed by Leah Downing.

Both of them walked inside the room.

"Leah!"

"Lola, you guys are back," Austin says with a smile.

"Master!"

Both of them greet him at the same time.

Ed Conrad's expression turns serious.

He has just recently become a Black Mark Warrior, but his Senior Sisters are stronger than him.

One of them is a Black Mark Warrior and is almost at the next level, which is a Silver Mark Warrior.

The other one is a strong warrior in the Gold Mark Warrior rank.

He can't even have opposing thoughts right now.

On the other hand, I see my evil senior brother is almost sweating.

I didn't expect he was scared of seniors.

When I turn to look at the senior sisters,

I feel unfathomable power coming from them.

They are certainly not at the Black Mark Warrior rank.

These 2 must be above that.

My heart is set off in storms.

Finally, I'm coming in contact with high powers, which was not possible back in the Inner Post region.

"Ed, how have you been?" Lola spots Ed Conrad and asks.

At the same time, she also notices her new junior brother.

She finds that he is handsome and tries to see through him.

Ed Conrad replies, "Sister, I returned from the mission not long ago."

Then he notices that Senior Sister Lola is looking at Zack Lockwood right now.

His expression turns ugly.

Leah Downing sees her junior brother as well.

Both Senior Sisters are trying to see through their junior brother.

But their perception is blocked by something.

Then they see a ring on their junior brother's hand, and they both immediately realize it must be a trick of their master.

Austin notices their expression as well.

"Ha...

Ha...

Ha..., he is my 6th disciple and your new junior brother.

His name is Zack Lockwood," Austin says with a laugh.

Hearing that, Leah and Lola come back to their senses.

Their behavior is almost rude right now.

“Hi, junior brother.

I’m Lola Garvin, your 4th Senior Sister,” Lola says with a smile.

“I’m Leah Downing, your 2nd Senior Sister,” Leah says without much expression on her face.

On the other hand, I instantly feel a prying sensation on me.

Fortunately, the storage ring has restrictions to block other senses.

Otherwise, they would easily find out about my three elements.

Senior Brother Ed Conrad is already showing hostility.

If he knows about my other 2 elements, then I wonder what would happen.

“My name is Zack Lockwood.

It’s nice to meet you, Senior Sisters,” I introduced myself.

Leah and Lola nod their heads.

The first impression is good.

“Alright, you guys take a seat first,” Austin says.

Hearing that, the two sisters find nearby chairs to sit.

Ed Conrad's face is ugly, as if he has eaten some kind of fly.

Both Senior Sisters are now ignoring him.

On the other hand, I sit back in my seat.

I wonder where the Senior Sisters are coming from.

I heard they were gone on a mission.

The mission must have been a dangerous one.

"Leah, how was the mission?" Austin asks.

Hearing that, a rare emotion appears in Leah's tired eyes.

"This mission was usual.

It was fraught with dangers," she replies in a plain tone.

It may sound simple to others.

But Austin is able to gather information from it.

His face tenses for a second before he remembers that other disciples are here as well.

Chapter 1039: Fan the flames

From MC's Perspective:

"Since you guys have returned, it's time for disciples of other Main Elders to come back as well," Austin said.

Lola thought of something before asking, "Master, I heard that the faction infighting has intensified.

I fought against three Black Mark Warriors not long ago."

"Two from the Dark Variant Faction.

The other one is from the Blazing Fire Faction," she said.

"Yes, it's true, but Dean Jerome is not reacting.

He is showing a wait-and-watch attitude," Austin replied.

Then he added further, "I can understand the Dark Variant Faction's intentions, but why did the Blazing Fire Faction's warriors go against you?"

"I felt something was wrong initially, but he told me he wanted to test my strength.

We fought for a long time before he gave up and fled," Lola said with a smirk.

"Looks like we have to keep an eye on them as well," Austin said in a solemn tone.

Leah Downing stood up and said, "Master, I'm going back to my residence."

Hearing that, Austin nodded and said, "Okay, Lola, you can leave as well."

Lola nodded.

Then both of them left the place.

Ed Conrad's mood was bad.

He thought his Senior Sisters would notice his current Black Mark Rank, but none of them spared him a glance.

He was showing a calm expression outside, but his heart boiled with anger.

Outside,

Lola and Leah left the Golden Lightning Palace.

They were going toward the same place, as both of their residences were next to each other.

"Sister, did you notice Ed's strength?" Lola asked, her eyes flashing with a gleam.

Leah was still carrying a cold face.

Upon hearing the question, she replied, "Yes, but his heart is not good.

I don't know why the Master accepted him as the 5th Disciple."

"Yeah, I thought he had changed.

But he still has a black heart.

The way he looks at the 6th Junior Brother was not good either," Lola said with concern.

Leah Downing's eyes flashed with a glint.

The 6th Junior Brother, Zack Lockwood, had impressed both of them.

They didn't see any insecurity or malice from him.

She only felt curiosity from his 6th Junior Brother's eyes.

She then said, "Lola, don't warn the 6th Junior Brother.

Let's see if he can figure out a solution.

If he can't solve this problem, then he will face something much worse in the future."

Hearing that, Lola nodded to her.

Meanwhile,

Austin turned to Zack and asked, "What's your plan?"

"Are you going to train in that central facility forever?"

Hearing that, I smiled and replied, "Master, there is no one to disturb me there."

Austin thought of the members training outside and let out a sigh.

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It was their fault.

They had yet to announce his acceptance of Zack Lockwood as the 6th Disciple.

Now that his disciples had returned, except for the 1st and 3rd, he decided to wait until those two returned as well.

When everyone was gathered, then he would disclose Zack Lockwood's status as his 6th disciple.

"Okay, you guys can leave," Austin said.

Hearing that, Ed Conrad and I left the place.

After coming out of the Golden Lightning Palace, Ed Conrad finally dropped his act.

"Junior Brother, you seem to have a problem with me," Ed Conrad confronted directly.

He had been ignored by two Senior Sisters directly.

He was pissed off right now.

On the other hand, I felt something was wrong with him.

"Senior Brother, I'm going to practice.

I'll see you later." After saying that, I started walking away.

Ed Conrad gritted his teeth.

“Good, since you are living well inside, I want to see how you would react to the news once I leak it,” Ed thought to himself.

He had made up his mind to leak Zack Lockwood’s disciple status outside, even before Master Austin could do something.

He had already decided whom to share this good news with.

Thinking about the person, he cracked a wide grin.

Then he left the place to meet him.

Not long after, he came to the Inner Hall.

It was the place of all the Black Mark Warriors.

Apart from the factions, most of the Black Mark Warriors spent time here.

The Inner Hall was often considered a meeting place among the different faction warriors.

Ed Conrad’s arrival was spotted by other Black Mark Warriors.

Ed Conrad’s identity was eye-catching.

Not only was he someone from the Top 10 Faction, but he was also a disciple of the Main Elder.

“Hey, look who we have here!”

A cynical voice sounded.

Hearing that, Ed Conrad stopped moving.

He frowned before turning toward the person.

The person was wearing the badge of the Blazing Fire Faction.

The next second, he recalled Senior Sister Lola's words earlier.

The Blazing Fire Faction people were acting strange.

Ed Conrad recognized the person.

He was also one of the famous Black Mark Warriors.

"David Leavy," Ed uttered.

"Wow, you found out," David said.

Ed Conrad glanced at him before turning around to leave.

"I heard a new faction member of yours is arrogant.

Not only did he plunder the resources of the Outer Hall, but he also attacked other faction members."

"Wait a second!"

“What’s his name?” David asked the members standing beside him.

“Zack Lockwood,” one of them said.

“Yeah, his name is Zack Lockwood,” David said.

Ed Conrad stopped in his tracks.

His mouth curved into an arc.

He was finding a way to cause trouble for his junior brother.

But he didn’t expect to come across a chance.

He turned around and looked at David Leavy.

“Yes, I know him.

He is our palace member.

What are you going to do?” Ed Conrad asked.

Hearing that, David Leavy got angry.

He saw the arrogance of Ed Conrad.

“You, how dare....”

“I want to see how long you can protect him.

It's true that we can't take action.

But your new palace member is not the strongest one among the Outer Hall," David said.

"Ha...Ha...Ha..."

"My junior said no one can beat him.

The Outer Hall Warriors are weak, especially the warriors from the Blazing Fire Faction," Ed Conrad said with a laugh.

"What?"

"He is so bold!"

The Blazing Fire Faction warriors were enraged.

Chapter 1040: David Leavy's plan

From MC's Perspective:

Time passed.

I had practiced the lightning method, blood element method, and ancient healing method before leaving the central essence chamber.

When I walked out, the familiar staff was standing in front of me.

"What happened?" I asked.

“Did you trash talk against the Blazing Fire Faction people?” the staff asked.

“Blazing Fire Faction,” I uttered in surprise.

Last time, I had dealt with the team at the outer hall forest area but not recently, so I shook my head.

“I have been cooped up inside the central essence chamber for some time.

I didn’t go anywhere,” I replied.

The staff’s eyes flashed with surprise.

“That’s strange,” the staff commented.

He felt Zack Lockwood’s words were true because he had been here the whole time.

He had seen Zack Lockwood entering the essence chamber.

There is no possibility for one person to appear in two places at same time.

I looked at him in confusion.

I felt something had happened, and this guy didn’t know how to explain it to me.

“Tell me,” I said.

The staff replied, “Someone is spreading rumors about you, that you had boasted that Blazing Fire Faction warriors are trash.

Especially those with your strength can't win against you."

Hearing that, I felt absurd.

"Wait a second!"

"I haven't said anything.

When was this?" I asked.

"I guess a few hours at least since the spread of rumors," the staff said.

"Okay, thank you for sharing the news with me.

I'm going." After saying that, I left the spot.

The staff sighed before leaving the place as well.

On the other hand, the image of Ed Conrad came to mind.

Looking at his reaction earlier, he was clearly pissed off.

At that time, I didn't even respond to him.

Maybe Ed Conrad had done something.

When this thought arose, I felt it was more credible.

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Now that things have come to this, I can only face the challenges ahead.

At this time, I have no plan of going on a mission outside.

Especially since I feel that I would reach the SSS-ELITE Peak Stage in Essence Cultivation soon.

Before that, I should better stay inside the Thunderflame Faction Territory.

After gaining clarity in my thoughts, I continued to stride toward my residence.

Meanwhile,

The Blazing Fire Faction was boiling.

Especially those who were below Black Mark Warrior Rank were enraged.

The one who spread the rumor was none other than their famous Black Mark Warrior, David Leavy.

He was pissed off by Ed Conrad's attitude.

His words further enraged him as well.

So, after coming to the Blazing Fire Faction Territory, David called upon the top warriors under Black Mark Warrior Rank and told them about Ed Conrad's statement.

After hearing that, these people were enraged.

They are among the top 10 factions as well, no less than the Thunderflame Faction.

So the news completely shook them.

Especially after hearing their warriors wouldn't be able to defeat the newcomer named Zack Lockwood.

When David Leavy was addressing them, he found some people discussing the name Zack Lockwood seriously.

Then he asked them directly in front of the group of warriors.

These warriors recounted something that happened not long ago, which was Brody and his team members' defeat.

David Leavy thought it was skirmishes among the warriors.

But when he learned it was Zack Lockwood who had beaten them gruesomely, he lost his cool.

"So you guys were thrashed by him earlier.

Which means Ed Conrad's words weren't just arrogant; those were true words," David said in an angry tone.

Hearing that, the faces of those who gathered here turned ugly.

This news had caused them shame earlier.

But people quickly forgot it because Zack Lockwood had never left the Thunderflame Faction Territory.

Now that David Leavy revealed the statement, they couldn't help but recall that earlier incident.

“We as Black Mark Warriors can’t touch Zack Lockwood.”

“The Inner Hall Warriors can’t fight against the Outer Hall Warriors.

It’s against the rule.

But what about you guys?”

“Are you guys weak?”

David Leavy’s voice sounded louder.

Everyone could hear him.

Suddenly, a few people among the crowd stepped forward.

They were in SSS-ELITE Rank, Commander Rank, and General Rank.

Seeing them, David Leavy smiled.

He wanted someone to fight against Zack Lockwood and defeat him so that they could get back their prestige.

No one had insulted the Blazing Fire Faction like this before.

“Good, if any of you defeat that arrogant kid, then I’ll reward you,” David Leavy said to them.

Hearing about the rewards, everyone’s faces changed drastically.

Especially those who stepped forward and showed bright smiles on their faces.

Whereas others felt regret.

Nobody knows the real strength of Zack Lockwood.

Brody and his team members are avoiding the limelight, so they aren't getting any credible news.

Most of them didn't want to jump in line first.

Seeing a few warriors who agreed to fight against Zack Lockwood, the rest of them showed envy.

David Leavy left after giving some encouraging speech.

It didn't take much time for Brody and others to learn about this news.

The first thing that came to their minds was that someone had taken advantage and wanted to use the Blazing Fire Faction to their benefit.

From their own confrontation, they came to know that Zack Lockwood was someone who minded his own business.

Now the news is coming out like this.

They think that Blazing Fire Faction warriors are going to get defeated by Zack Lockwood.

Then the real damage to their reputation would occur.

“It can’t be stopped.

Let them face the consequences,” Brody told his teammates.

Time passed.

The warriors who agreed to the challenge started spreading messages back.

They wanted to let Zack Lockwood know that they were interested in fighting against him.

Everyone had witnessed the arena duel between Zack Lockwood and Ronnie Seth before.

These warriors were expecting a similar duel to take place.

But Ronnie Seth was already famous before Zack Lockwood, so it had attracted a lot of people’s attention.

Here, they were facing difficulties.

No one was paying attention to them.