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Chapter 2331: Back To The Surface

Rean couldn't help but ask through a Divine Sense Message. 'Soul Gem, what is happening here?'

However, much to Rean's surprise, the one to answer was not Soul Gem but Hyeonmu. "What is happening, you ask? You know very well what happened."

Rean and the others were taken aback! Hyeonmu could hear Divine Sense messages intended for someone else!

Soul Gem glared at Rean, his meaning obvious. Rean and the rest of his group should stay put and do nothing! Soul Gem then returned his attention to Hyeonmu. "Senior, please don't blame those juniors of mine. As senior well know, the Universe has been divided into two parts, and it won't last forever like this. These juniors of mine are the forces I gathered to solve this problem. I hope you can give them a chance."

Hyeonmu looked at Rean and Roan's group, feeling it hard to believe. "They? A bunch of babies at the punny Elemental Space Realm Peak Stage? Soul Gem Brat, it is not that I don't believe you, but how do you expect to achieve such a thing with such a small and weak group?"

"Senior has no need to worry. Believe it or not, this group, especially the twins, was born less than a thousand years ago. Their talent is immense<" Soul Gem explained.

"Less than a thousand years ago?" Hyeonmu had to admit that was impressive. "If that is truly the case, then perhaps they might be of some help. However, were you able to formulate a plan to fix this issue? I thought you were dead after the Extinction Sphere event."

"I have," Soul Gem nodded respectfully. "I just hope senior Hyeonmu can give them a chance and forgive them for the crime of touching your Divine Shell. It's for the sake of the Universe as a whole. I'll make sure to give them a proper reprimand."

Hyeonmu kept silent for a moment before finally agreeing. "Very well... Taking into account your services for this Universe, I will let bygones be bygones. Regardless of the result, it is at least good to see that someone is still trying to find a solution. You can all go."

Soul Gem sighed in relief. "Thank you very much, senior Hyeonmu."

However, much to Soul Gem's surprise, Roan decided to ask Hyeonmu a question. "Senior, do you know where we could find fragments of the Universe Foundation?"

Soul Gem's expression warped. 'What the hell is he doing? Does he even know how bad is this thing's temperament?! It is already good enough that he simply let us go!' Yet, there was nothing else he could do anymore.

Hyeonmu's voice immediately turned grave. "You do not have the right to talk to me, brat. I will not help anyone. If you know what is good for you, leave immediately."

Roan was unafraid, though. If they couldn't find the location of the other fragments, then the Universe would be destroyed, and they would die with it. So, why should he care? "You say that, but it is also to your benefit that we find those Fragments of the Universe Foundation. If the Universe is destroyed, we are all going down together. Whether you wipe us out now or we die later makes no difference. However, if we are able to gather all the fragments, there is still a chance of repairing it. I refuse to believe an existence of your level doesn't know more about it."

Soul Gem's expression turned bitter. 'It's over. We are all dead for sure...' he thought.

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Sure enough, Divine Energy once again began to suffocate their group. If things continued like this, they would indeed be killed. However, Roan's expression was cold and determined. He held no regret to his decision of inquiring more to this giant eye.

The pressure increased, and just as it was about to break their bodies and soul, it stopped. Hyeonmu looked at Roan, who obviously held no fear on his face. One must know that even the Divinity Realm

experts would prostrate themselves in front of him, so it was quite impressive his resolve. "There are seven fragments in your hands as far as I can see. One is in the hands of your father."

Everyone was surprised that Hyeonmu truly decided to answer Roan's question. Of course, none would stop him since they needed that information. Even the fact he knew the twins had seven fragments didn't surprise them due to this entity's power.

"I can only talk to you about the fragments in the Realm of Gods... or, to be more precise, in the realm on the back of my shell. Take this information as me paying an ancient favor. There are another two fragments in the Realm of Gods. You will find one of them in a Dimensional Realm located in the Hustis Continent. It's the smallest fragment, so the changes it caused made everyone overlook it."

"The second fragment is in the hands of a member of the Essence Race hiding somewhere in the old Essence Race Territory. As for who it is and where he can be found, that's up to you to discover," Hyeonmu concluded.

Roan got more than he expected. Yet, he couldn't lose this opportunity and prepared to continue asking more questions. Unfortunately, Hyeonmu didn't give him the chance. Before he could say anything, Spatial Powers once again gathered around their group.

\*Zush!\*

With a flash of silver light, Roan and everyone else disappeared. Hyeonmu's eyes then closed, pretending that nothing had happened. Whether his words would be of any use or not, he said all he could. Due to some circumstances, he wasn't allowed to speak much, but no one knew why.

\*Zush!\*

Somewhere on the surface of the Realm of Gods, a flash of Silver Light appeared and disappeared, revealing a group of people and a Demon Bird.

As they looked around, they couldn't help but sigh in relief. "We are back to the surface..."

Soul Gem, who was still awakened, looked at Roan with a surprised expression. "I don't know how you made that guy answer you, but good job."

Roan was more interested in what had just happened, though. "Just... what was that thing?"

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Chapter 2332: Information About Hyeonmu and the Fragments

Soul Gem already expected that question. "That's Hyeonmu. He is by far the strongest existence in this Universe. Even Divinity Realm experts are nothing but ants in his eyes. He is also the being that holds the Realm of Gods on the back of his shell."

"Holds the Realm of Gods?!" Everyone felt amazed by those worlds. Just how big was the Realm of Gods? To think that a living being was big enough to hold it on its back. "How can such a thing even exist?!"

Soul Gem shook his head. "The only one who could probably answer this question is Sister Orb. Hyeonmu is an existence older than any other living being in this Universe."

Sister Orb immediately spoke. [Don't even try it. As I mentioned, my memories are sealed. It was as shocking for me as it was for all of you when I saw that monster. In my vision at the moment, it was like it was the first time I saw it. Of course, I agree that my sealed memories probably know about that thing's origin since nothing in this Universe is older than myself.]

No one was surprised by Sister Orb's words since they knew about her memories already.

"What do you know about it?" Roan asked Soul Gem.

Soul Gem nodded and began to speak. "As I mentioned, it holds the Realm of Gods on its back. To be honest, I'm quite surprised you haven't found out about it already. Most of the Divinity Realm experts of the Realm of Gods know about him."

He continued. "Do you remember when I said that everyone wants to find the secret to surpass the Divinity Realm? How could they know if there is a higher realm than Divinity without proof? You could

say that Hyeonmu is one of the reasons why everyone believes it is possible. It is not the only one, but you understand what I mean."

"What is your relationship with it?" Rean asked as well. "It seemed to know you."

"It does," Soul Gem answered. "Back then, I tried to request senior Hyeonmu's help to stop the Extinction Sphere. However, he refused. Even the threat of his own death was not enough to make him move. However, it didn't mean he wanted to die. When I visited him one last time before putting my other plan in action, he said he wasn't going to help but that he was looking forward to me achieving success."

"From the looks of it, there has been some kind of ancient agreement that impedes him from intervening in anything in the Universe. Don't ask me what kind of agreement this is. He had never spoken about it," Soul Gem concluded.

Soul Gem then looked at Roan. "Still, I don't understand how he answered your questions, especially after you asked it without a hint of respect. Senior Hyeonmu is known for his extremely short temperament. Of course, since he did, things have become a lot easier for all of you."

"Is he the one responsible for the COntinental Barriers?" Kentucky asked.

"Yes," Soul Gem nodded once again. "The Continental Barrier isn't exactly something senior Hyeonmu keeps up on purpose. It seems like it wasn't any secret, so he explained to me in the past. His own core had way too much energy, so he had to constantly release it so that his body wouldn't be harmed. This is the origin of the Continental Barriers. His Energy Release is basically a natural process to him."

Everyone felt even more shocked about that monster. "Then... why did he stop?"

Roan immediately remembered something. "From what we know, it stopped right before the three powers of the Realm of Gods invaded the Devil's Territories. Could it be..."

Soul Gem understood where Roan was coming from. "Most likely. Only senior Hyeonmu could stop his own release of energy. For him to have done that, the Divinity Realm experts of the Realm of Gods definitely reached some other kind of agreement with him. However, it will eventually return, although I

believe a being of his power should have no issues in keeping the energy at bay for a few hundred years."

"I can't even imagine how terrifying the price was to convince that thing to stop the Continental Barrier," Rean wondered. Was there anything in this Universe that Hyeonmu would need others to acquire? He doesn't know.

"Alright then, that's where we part. I need to go to sleep before my soul gets too damaged. If nothing too urgent happens, don't wake me up," he said as his projection disappeared inside the Soul Gem Orb.

This was a journey filled with danger. However, the harvest was definitely not bad.

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"Ah!" Suddenly, Rean felt something. He looked at his hands as it was pulsating nonstop. He was still holding the piece of Hyeonmu's shell! "How come that thing didn't take it back?"

Everyone noticed that the shell wasn't completely black anymore. Instead, it released vibrant colored light of all colors. The power behind the shell was overwhelming. However, it was also very stable, completely different from the Continental Barrier everyone remembers. "What's the meaning of this?"

Rean shook his head. "I don't know. However, I'm sure this will have some incredible uses. I'll take a look at it another time." Rean then threw it into the Soul Gem Dimensional Realm. He refused to believe Hyeonmu simply forgot that, especially considering the shell's change.

"So, there are another two fragment locations. How many do we have information about?" Rean immediately changed the topic to the most important issue.

"Thirteen," Roan answered. "Seven in the Soul Gem Dimensional Realm. One in our Father's hand in the Temporal Path. That leaves another six Fragments we haven't acquired yet."

Sister Orb agreed with him. [Indeed. Gabriel has one. Another one is in the Azum Dimensional Realm, which is also in the Heavens Realm. One is inside the Underworld Relic. Now we know there are still two in the Realm of Gods.]

The question now was about where to find the last one.

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Chapter 2333: Next Steps

Even an existence like Hyeonmu didn't know about it, so how would they discover it? In the end, Roan simply shook his head and put that matter to the back of his head. "Forget it. Just the fact that we know where another five of them are is good enough."

"So... We have the Hustis Continent here in the Realm of Gods. It's just that we have no idea where Hustis is located. We will need to go after some information," said Rean. "On the other hand, we have this member of the Essence Race..."

They knew about the Essence Race. Back when the Devil Race still hadn't conquered the Northeast side of the Realm of Gods, the Essence Race was the power that lived there. However, during the war between the Essence Race and the Devil, they were pretty much wiped out.

From what they knew, the Essence Race was already an extremely rare race, just like Divine Demon Beasts. However, in the Demon Beast Territories, you still had countless numbers of normal Demon Beasts. Besides, there wasn't just a single Divine Demon Beast Race, but several of them.

The Essence Race was different. There was no such thing as normal or divine ones. There was only the Essence Race, and that was about it. Their numbers before the invasion of the Devils were around a few million of them. It might look like a huge number. However, considering that you could literally find quadrillions of Demon Beats, Humanoids, and Spirits in the Realm of Gods, that number was pitifully low.

The other races that also lived in the Northeast were demon beasts, humanoids, and spirits. However, everyone there knew that the dominant power of that side was the Essence Race. In the same way that they were extremely rare, they were also extremely strong. There was no such thing as low-talented individuals. Every single member of the Essence Race had a talent that stood above any other race in the Realm of Gods.

That's why it came as a shock when everyone discovered that they had lost to the Devils and had been wiped out. No one knew if there were still any members of the Essence Race alive, as no one had seen them anymore after the war. Many believed that not a single one remained.

Of course, with the information received from Hyeonmu, it was pretty obvious that there was still an Essence Race member alive, at the very least. They also heard from Hyeonmu that this member of the Essence Race lived in the old territory of his race, which meant the Devils' Territory in the Realm of Gods.

"Even though we know about it, how will we even start looking for this guy?" Rean couldn't help but ask. "Fine, the Essence Race only lived on the Northeast side of the Realm of Gods and close to the center of the Realm of Gods at that. However, that is still an area ridiculously enormous."

Roan shook his head. "That's another thing we can only go and try to gather information."

"What about the Hustis Continent," Luan asked as well. "This one should be a lot easier to find."

However, Roan shook his head. "There is no need to go there now. You heard from Hyeonmu. Everyone overlooked the existence of this Fragment because the power it carried was much lower compared to the other Fragments. Its power is too low because of its size, being the smallest Fragment between all fourteen. How many years have already passed? Since no one found it yet, no one will find it anytime soon. This is a safe Fragment we don't need to care about for now."

Rean understood what Roan meant. "You are afraid that the war against the Devil Race might force that Essence Race member out and then the Fragment he carries could be lost to others."

"Yes," Roan didn't deny it. "We might as well join the forces attacking the Devil Races and try to gather information while we are at it."

"But if we do that, we might be discovered," Kentucky was concerned. "We have been trying to avoid this war exactly because the top experts of the Realm of Gods are there. All of them want to put their hands on us since we know about how to build the Communication System. At this moment, this is not a secret that the humanoids and demon beasts want to let escape. It is the main advantage of the forces conquering the Devil Race Territory."



Communication had always been paramount in a war, and the communication system put the Realm of Gods' experts heads and shoulders above the Devils. Before the Devils were eliminated, no one wanted the system to be disclosed. That's why the two places where the core of the communication system was located were heavily guarded by Divinity Realm experts.

"There is also our leap in cultivation," Roan added. "If we are found out, and they see how much our cultivation advanced, they will definitely try everything to discover how we did it."

"I'm confident my body transformation skill can fool even Divinity Realm experts," Rean remarked. "Would that be enough?"

"The problem is our power," Roan answered. "We might be able to hide our cultivation from those with similar cultivation realms, but it is impossible against Divinity Realm experts. Besides, we aren't sure if Eagon disclosed our secret or not. If he did, then everyone would keep an eye out for experts at our level, especially unknown ones."

"Oh, that I'm sure he hasn't," Rean immediately discarded that possibility. "If Eagon had said anything, there was bound to have some information in the communication system. With my privileges, I would have found out. Eagon is definitely doing his best to stay hidden while he cultivates with Cryan's help. He probably won't appear again for a very, very long time."

Roan's eyes lit up. "In that case... joining the war efforts won't attract too much attention. Let's set our eyes on the war against the Devils then."

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Chapter 2334: Prepared

However, before they departed, Roan looked at Luan. "I have a different mission for you."

Luan was surprised to hear that. He had been following the twins' group for many years already. Nonetheless, Luan immediately steeled his resolve. "Yes, father. Your child will do anything in his power to help you."

Roan nodded and passed a Spatial Ring to Luan. "I need you to go to the Spirit Races' Territory. There is a special type of pill I wish to concoct. Unfortunately, it needs an extremely rare herb called Juniry Flower. From the information I got, it can only be found deep within the Spirit Races, and I believe it is probably related to one specific race there."

Roan continued. "Unfortunately, that's all I know. With the things I have to do at the moment, I can't go there myself, so I need you to find it for me. Inside the Spatial Ring, you will find enough Rank Seven Divine Stones to buy for your teleportation. There are lower rank ones for you to buy anything you need during this journey."

Luan immediately nodded and took the Spatial Ring. Inside was a jade slip with an image of what the Juniry Flower should look like. It had a strange form, with thorns on the dark petals themselves, while its stem was also dark but semi-transparent. "Leave it to me, father. I will definitely find it."

The Spatial Ring then disappeared. Luan sent it inside his own Pocket Dimensional Realm. Right after, he chose a random direction and flew away. At his level, even an ordinary Initial Stage Elemental Space Realm would not be a problem.

Seeing that Luan disappeared, Rean couldn't help but ask. "Did you send him away afraid of this next search to be too dangerous?"

Roan snorted in response. "More dangerous than our little trip to the bottom of the Continental Barrier Cracks? Besides, why would I send him away while we have everyone else in the Dimensional Realm?"

"Well... that's true." Rean had to admit Roan made sense. "Then, what is this kind of pill you want to concoct?" The twins didn't really need pills. Their cultivation technique was perfect, after all. The only pills they used were the pills that could increase the cultivation speed or that could stabilize the foundation faster after a breakthrough.

However, Roan shook his head. "Our cultivations are perfect, but we have already reached the Peak Stage of the Elemental Space Realm. The next step is the Space-Time Realm. As you know, we now can use a little Time Power. That is the main difference of the Space-Time Realm, and we can do it even before that. However, have you already checked why we need Time Power to progress in the Space-Time Realm?"

"This..." Rean had to admit he hadn't. Not only him but Kentucky and Celis haven't checked it either.

Sister Orb then began to speak from the Soul Gem Dimensional Realm. [I will answer that question. The reason is that you need control over both Space and Time to be able to learn the Laws of the Universe. As you progress through the Space-Time Realm, your control over Time and Space gets higher, and so does your comprehension of the laws.]

"Laws?" Rean got a little confused. "I've heard comments about laws, but I always thought that we were talking about it in an ethereal way. Like, for example, the laws of fire are to burn things, generate heat, the combustion of elements, bla, bla, bla..."

Roan shook his head. "No. These are just basic knowledge that even a kid can comprehend. Instead, what you need to grasp are the true laws. Not only that, this is the one thing we simply can't jump realms to have a head start. It will only make itself available to us once we enter the Space-Time Realm."

So far, the twins were able to use powers from a realm above before reaching it, like bending space, fusing elements with space, or controlling time power. However, the comprehension of laws could not be done regardless of how impressive one's cultivation technique is or how talented a cultivator might be. That was a door that only opened in the Space-Time Realm.

[Also, this is also a requirement to break through into the Divinity Realm. Only when you have completely grasped a specific major law will the door to the Divinity Realm open. You could say that that's the reason for one's lifespan to become infinite at the Space-Time Realm. After all, comprehending the laws is many times more difficult than simply accumulating Divine Origin Energy.]

Roan nodded as he had revised the entire thing related to the Space-Time Realm. "We have enough Divine Origin Energy Cores to bring us all the way to the Divinity Realm, so part of the problem is solved. We need now to deal with our Laws Comprehension. That's why I had Luan go after the Juniry Flower."

He continued. "With that, I'll be able to concoct a Darkness Mind Pill. It will greatly increase my interaction with the Laws of Darkness. After all, there is no better Law for me to use to advance into the Divinity Realm."

Celis, who was hearing everything from inside the Dimensional Realm, immediately remembered something. 'Oh, so that's what you spent all your time researching in the Alchemy Workshop.'

There had been many times when they could not cultivate or had other things to do. Roan had used part of these free moments to research the pills necessary for the Space-Time Realm. Celis had seen Roan coming and going from the Herb Garden he took care of countless times during the hundreds of years they spent cultivating in the Soul Gem Dimensional Realm.

However, Rean quickly found a problem. "But that will be of no help. If Kentucky, Celis, and I can't keep up with you, our cultivation connection will not allow you to have the breakthroughs."

Obviously, Roan knew that. "You don't need to remind me of such an obvious problem. The Darkness Mind Pill is just one of the pills I came up with. Other than that, there is also the Light Clearance Pill and the Life of Earth Pill. They will have the same effect for your light element and Celis's wood element."

Roan was always prepared for everything.

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Chapter 2335: Market

"You came up with all these pills by yourself?" Rean was truly impressed. The Light and Dark Pills could obviously be used by Kentucky, so there was no need to create one for him. Still, Roan also worked on a pill for Celis and his Wood Elemental Affinity.

"Hmph!" Roan understood what Rean was thinking. "It wasn't that easy. It was because I had access to a lot of concoction recipes and access to your communication system that I reached these pills. Back then, before we left the Dragon Race, I used the communication system to negotiate a lot of pill concoction recipes and alchemy methods with the Alchemist Guild. But even so, it took those hundreds of years in the Dimensional Realm to reach this stage."

Rean had nothing to complain about. "Well... thanks, I guess. So, you sent Luan out to look for the Juniry Flower. Does that mean you already have the items for the Wood and Light Element Pills? What was it? Light Clearance Pill and Life of Earth Pill, right?"

Roan shook his head, though. "No. For the Light Clearance Pill, I will need a Snow Cidreira Herb. Unfortunately, that thing doesn't exist here in the Realm of Gods. We will need to get it in the Heavens Realm. Weremis should be able to help with that once we go back there."

"As for the Life of Earth Pill... this one is a little tricky," Roan narrowed his eyes.

Celis immediately asked from the Dimensional Realm. "What is it? I can go out myself and look for it."

Roan shook his head. "That's not the issue. The problem was that I couldn't find a proper Wood Element Material that I could use as the main ingredient for your Life of Earth Pill. Just having Wood Element in it is not enough. Do you know what the Juniry Flower and the Snow Cidreira Herb have in common?"

Sister Orb could. [They most likely have absorbed some of the Darkness and Light Laws into themselves. Am I correct?]

Roan nodded. "Yes. However, I couldn't find a single Wood Element Material that contained Wood Element Laws in them. It doesn't necessarily need to be some plant. However, it must have at least a hint of Wood Element Laws in it."

"I'm already surprised you found information about plants for Light and Darkness Element," Rean couldn't help but comment. "After all, these are much rarer elements in the experts of the Realm of Gods."

Roan shook his head. "They are rarer in the Realm of Gods but not in the Underworld and Heavens. That's why there was more information regarding these two. You have the entire underworld to care about Dark Element Laws, while you have the entire Heavens to care about Light Element Laws. Yet, you don't have an entire Realm of gods to care about Wood Element Laws. That's why it is harder to find a fitting target."

Rean then had an idea. "In that case, how about posting a search note in the Communication System. After many years, the Communication System has acquired many new features, and an online market is one of them. Have you checked already?"

Roan looked at Rean and shook his head. "I didn't know that. It is worth a try."

Rean smiled in response. "It's not like we are in a hurry anyway. It will definitely take quite some time to acquire the Juniry Flower and Snow Cidreira Herb. Besides, these things can enhance our

comprehension, but it doesn't mean we can't comprehend laws without them, right? We can simply progress the normal way while we don't get everything we need for the pills."

[That would take quite a few thousands of years, and that's because you don't need to care about Divine Origin Energy,] Sister Orb warned.

"It's better than nothing." Celis didn't complain, though. "Please put the request in the system for me, Rean."

"Very well." Rean quickly took his communication badge and checked if there was a signal in this place. Sure enough, Hyeonmu still teleported the twins' group to the central area of the Realm of Gods. Rean immediately picked up a signal from one of the many communication towers here.

Even Roan used the communication badge to check the online market Rean talked about. After all, perhaps everything he needed could be found there. Unfortunately, there wasn't any material available with Light, Dark, or Wood Element Laws. Instead, Roan was met with countless requests for Law Containing Materials from other Space-Time Realm experts and those who were getting close to the Space-Time Realm. "As expected... Everyone wants these kinds of things, but no one wants to sell them."

Rean quickly set up a request for Wood Element Laws material, saying that any price was negotiable. He also added that the vendor didn't need to have the material himself. As long as the vendor had a piece of reliable information, that could also be negotiable. Well, similar requests were everywhere in the online market anyway. "In any case, this is already one way to acquire what we need. For now, we should focus on going to the Devils' Territory."

Sister Orb had a better idea, though. [You probably forgot already, but the system has already finished its upgrades of its processing power. The Reward List can be accessed again. You have 1533215 Destiny Points available for use. Aren't you going to buy anything?]

That was the reward from the last fragment they acquired. Indeed, they had already given more than enough time for the system to come back online. Well, it has already been back online for several months...

"Oh! In that case, let's take a look," said Rean. It wouldn't make much of a difference if they delayed their departure in a few hours.

They quickly returned to the Soul Gem Dimensional Realm before touching the Soul Gem Orb. Soon, the entire reward list appeared in their eyes. Yet, it was at this moment that they noticed a new option available.

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Chapter 2336: Unbalance Domain

[Yin Yang Cultivation Unbalance Domain - 5000000 Destiny Points]

"Hum?" Rean and Roan needed clarification. "Sister Orb, what is this Bane of Cultivation."

[There was supposed to be an explanation there, no?] Sister Orb asked back.

The twins quickly selected the option, and sure enough, an explanation was given for the ability.

[Yin Yang Cultivation Unbalance Domain]

[Requirements: 1- This ability requires 1000 points of Destiny Point to be used every second. 2- This ability requires both hosts to be within the Domain's range. 3- The targets of the Domain must not be more than one entire realm above the hosts' cultivation.]

[Effects: Nothing in this Universe can escape the Laws of Yin and Yang; cultivation is no exception. This ability will cause the Yin and Yang Laws of Cultivation in the opponents' Cores and Dantians to lose balance, ultimately affecting their overall strength. By interacting with the Yin Yang Cultivation Unbalance Domain, as long as the requirements have been fulfilled, those inside the Domain will suffer a drop of half a cultivation realm.]

Rean and Roan took a deep breath. "Such an overpowered skill!"

However, Roan immediately focused on the price. "Five Million Destiny Points... Only the next level of the Soul Gem Dimensional Realm Upgrade is more expensive than this."

The Sixth Level of the Soul Gem Dimensional Realm costs Ten Million Destiny Points!

"That's not all," Rean added. "It literally costs 1000 Destiny Points to keep activated every second! Ten seconds, 10000. A minute? 60000! This is ridiculous! It is the true meaning of great risks, great rewards."

There weren't that many things Rean and Roan wanted to buy at the moment, to be honest. One of them was the next level of the Universal Cultivation Enhancement, which could increase all types of absorption and conversions of energy at once. Still, the next level cost a total of Two Million Destiny Points. With what they have at the moment, it would be possible to buy anyway.

The other things they had were their Workshop Upgrades. Yet, these ones were now in a quite gray area. Sure, their upgrade would most likely help the twins. But then again, their abilities with what they have acquired are already more than enough for what they need. Roan could concoct his pills, and Rean could forge his weapons. The workshops' abilities helped a lot, so any more upgrades weren't that necessary.

Even the Circuitry Formations Repository wasn't much of a necessity. It wasn't that Rean didn't want to improve his Circuitry Formation proficiency but that he now had an army working on it. Qia and Havek's temas worked day and night on the Circuitry Formations. Besides, with the Formations Masters from Zafins' Planet, they were sure to advance even more. Unless Rean had some specific reason to do some research, it was better to leave the Circuitry Formations for them to develop.

To put it simply, after checking the options available, the twins quickly understood that the only things they could buy were not things they wanted. No, to be more specific, they wanted them, but they were not priorities.

Rean couldn't help but sigh. "Is this what they call so close yet so far?" The upgrade in cultivation speed and the cultivation drop domain were right there, but they couldn't obtain any of those.

Roan pondered a bit. "There is no doubt that it will be many times better to wait and accumulate more Destiny Points. The only doubt is whether we should increase our cultivation speed or get this Domain. Both of them are extremely useful to the point even I can't make a choice."



"If both had the same price, then I would definitely go for the cultivation drop domain," Rean said. "Yet, it is Three Million Destiny Points more expensive than the next Universal Cultivation Enhancement level. I understand why it is hard to decide since we might take way too long to get Five Million Destiny Points. It might be better to simply spend Two Million and increase our cultivation speed."

They will have to work on their laws once they reach the Space-Time Realm. Yet, it didn't mean they wouldn't need to absorb Stellar Energy or Divine Origin Energy anymore. Of those, Divine Origin Energy was still necessary to realize the breakthroughs. If they could accumulate the necessary energy faster and then focus solely on the laws, it would obviously increase their cultivation speed.

Roan then shook his head and took his hand away from the Soul Gem Orb. The list of rewards quickly closed in his mind. "We can only go with the flow. If the next Destiny Points Reward is big, we might be able to wait for the necessary points for the cultivation drop domain. If it isn't anything that impressive and we think it will take too long, we should buy the Universal Cultivation Enhancement next level instead."

Rean nodded, not finding a better option at the moment. "Nonetheless, it is good to see that we have something where to spend the points. After so long with the system, our options have become quite limited. Could it mean the system is reaching the limit of what it can help us with?"

Sister Orb immediately denied it. [That's impossible. If it hasn't given you anything else, it is because you are not ready for it yet, or the system hasn't reached a high level enough. Its possibilities are pretty much limitless.]

"If you say so..." Rean didn't try to argue since there was no way to prove either theory.

It was then that Rean remembered something. "Oh, by the way, Sister Orb. The system didn't tell us what the range of the Yin Yang Cultivation Unbalance Domain is."

[That's because it depends on your own powers. There is an easy way to determine it. Simply put, the range of your normal domains is the range of the system's Domain.]

Rean and Roan nodded. That made things a lot easier indeed since they know very well how far their Domains can go. "Alright, then it is decided. Let's go to the Devils' Territory."

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Chapter 2337: Serene Gold Filament

It didn't take long for Rean to find the nearest city. Since Hyeonmu sent them back to the central area of the Realm of Gods and the humanoid side, cities were plenty. Of course, that is considering the Realm of Gods.

Oliran City!

It couldn't be said to be a big city in the Realm of Gods, but it wasn't small either. The most important thing was that it had Long-Distance Teleport Formations, so Rean didn't need anything else. However, there was one more thing Rean wanted to do here.

Recruitment Center!

Ever since the war against the Devils started, the Realm of Gods had been gathering more and more forces to suppress any possible Devil resurgence. This happened in the Humanoids, Demon Beasts, and Spirits Territories. On the Humanoid Races side, especially, there was even a set of rewards based on one's contribution.

Rean wasn't very interested in the rewards, though. Those things were more useful for cultivators at the Void Tempering Realm and below, which were the vast majority of the armies. For experts at his level, at the Peak of the Elemental Space Realm, little there could catch his attention. Besides, he wouldn't gain any points if he went on a killing spree of weaker devils. He would only gain points if he killed Devils at most one realm below his cultivation level.

Going past the several posters regarding the advantages of joining the army, Rean entered the recruitment center, going straight for the counter. He wasn't alone; Kentucky followed right behind. Obviously, both of them had different appearances once again. One could only tell that Rean was part of the Humanoid Races while Kentucky was a Demon Beast due to his aura.

"How can I help you, sir?" The worker behind the counter immediately asked when Rean and Kentucky approached. He was only in the Nascent Soul Realm, so he obviously couldn't see Rean and Kentucky's cultivation.

"Hi, my Demon Beast and I have been in seclusion for quite a few thousands of years. To our surprise, when we came out, we found out that the three powers decided to take the Essence Race Territory back. Is that true?" Rean asked, pretending to be new.

The man's expression immediately changed. For Rean to say thousands of years, that obviously meant their cultivation was several times higher than his. "O-Of course! Sir might not be aware, but the three powers have achieved a major victory against the Devils. We have regained control over our own Temporal Path Entrance, which made it impossible for Devils to come and go anymore."

The worker quickly talked about everything that happened during the war. Of course, Rean and Kentucky already knew everything from the communication system. Nonetheless, they were not supposed to have communication badges if they had been gone for thousands of years, so they pretended to be shocked by the man's words. "To think we would actually have the upper hand in this battle..."

Rean then looked at Kentucky, and they got quiet. In the worker's view, he thought Rean and Kentucky were probably discussing the situation through Divine Sense Messages. After a minute or so, Rean looked back at the worker. "Can I take a look at the reward list for the war? After such a long time of seclusion, my Demon Beast and I are running out of high-level Divine Stones, so it might be a good opportunity for us."

"Definitely!" The man immediately got excited as he passed a jade Slip over. If he succeeded in recruiting such high-level cultivators for the war effort, he definitely would be rewarded as well.

Rean took a glance inside just for the sake of doing so. However, as he browsed the content, he truly stumbled on something that caught his attention, which he didn't believe to be possible at first. "This..."

-Serene Gold Filament: 1000 Merit Points - 100 Grams.-

Rean's eyes lit up as he got excited. There was one thing that Rean had to stop his work due to the lack of necessary materials. To be more specific, it was the lack of this Serene Gold Filament. Back then, Rean had worked on that new type of armor that attached itself to one's body. It was based on his knowledge of the Circuitry Formations and the Technology he found in the Ruins of the Stars.

The results were also fantastic. He gave it to Roan to test, and it truly not only made it easier to use Divine Origin Energy, but it also increased their defense by a huge margin. Unfortunately, Rean only had enough of this Serene Gold Filament to make half an arm's worth of this new technology. He still remembers how Roan complained of the armor's name and had him give up on it.

The problem with this new Circuitry Formation Equipment was that it was too unstable in its incomplete form. Rean then tried several times to find more of the Serene Gold Filament, which was a crucial component of the armor. Yet, that was a kind of material that others couldn't buy just because they had the Divine Stones.

After that, Rean's group got into many other situations, and Rean had never had the chance to go look for more of this Filament. Yet, right in this Jade Slip, there was information about it being available for purchase by Merit Points. 'Great! I need at least a kilogram of this Filament, so it will be just perfect. I was planning to join the war just to be able to travel around and find that member of the Essence Race, but now my plans changed. I guess I'll have to hunt some Devils as well.'

Rean looked back at the worker and nodded. "It indeed has exactly what I need. It will also help me get used to my newly acquired power. How do I sign to join the war efforts?"

The man quickly took a form out. "Here, sir. You just need to put your information, and I'll take care of the rest."

"Very well," Rean nodded before he and Kentucky began to put their fake information.

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Chapter 2338: Requests

When the worker got the documents back, he was even more shocked. "Elemental Space Realm Peak Stage!"

Even though Rean and Kentucky could hide their appearances and even change their auras, they couldn't hide their cultivations. As long as a Space-Time Realm expert got to examine them, they would be found. That said, they simply decided to show it from the start.

The worker couldn't help but wonder what could possibly attract the attention of experts of this level in the Merit Point Reward List. Nonetheless, he definitely wasn't going to ask since he didn't want Rean and Kentucky to give up. "Ahem... Sorry for my outburst, sirs. It's just that although we are in the Central Area of the Realm of Gods, our Orlian City isn't exactly that big. It is very rare for experts of your level to appear here, let alone use this place to sign up for the army."

Rean got curious. "Is there any difference depending on the place we sign up for this?"

The worker quickly shook his head. "No, that's not it. The signing is the same for everyone. However, bigger cities have more experts at higher levels. That obviously attracts even more of such experts where they can meet others."

The worker quickly used the communication system, which also had an online section for the registered soldiers, to include Rean and Kentucky. It seemed like no one really cared about Rean and Kentucky's identity. All that mattered was that they could definitely help suppress the Devils. Well, that was fine for Rean and Kentucky, too.

The worker quickly left after exchanging a few more words with Rean. A few minutes later, he came back with two new communication badges. "Please, take it."

Rean looked at it and pretended to be confused. "I was thinking about asking. Just what are these things? They didn't exist when my friend and I went in seclusion all these years ago."

The worker wasn't surprised and quickly began to give a rundown on the functionalities of the communication badge of the Freedom Sect. Well, here in the Realm of Gods, the name used was actually System Sect. It's just that in the humanoid races' territory, it didn't carry any of those names since the System Sect was located in the Dragon Race Territory.

Rean showed an expression of surprise. "It can do all of that? Unlimited long-distance communication at no cost? Incredible!"

The worker smiled as he nodded. "Indeed. Even I can't live without it anymore. It is so convenient that talks about expanding the communication network into the faraway territories of all races have already appeared. Well, that will probably only go forward once the Devils are purged, of course."

Rean nodded, still with a delighted expression on his face. "Very well. I'll make sure to do my part. So, where should we go from here?"

The worker pointed at the communication badge in Rean and Kentucky's hands. "That's another great thing. We don't need to give you any orders from here. Your information has already been introduced into the military system, seniors Kenny and Goku."

Rean beamed when he heard the worker calling his name. "Yes, I'm definitely Goku. Hahahaha!"

Roan's mouth twitched inside the Soul Gem Dimensional Realm. 'What an idiot.'

Not understanding Rean's actions, the worker simply continued to explain. "Ahem... so, senior Goku, as I was saying, your information is already inside the military system. The various armies of the war against the Devils will definitely look into it and reach out to you. In fact, considering your cultivation level, I wouldn't be surprised if you received a pile of requests since you are set as an unaffiliated soldier to any army at the moment. Just use a drop of your blood on the communication badge, and it will be bound to you. Then your badge will start working straight away."

Rean and Kentucky nodded and quickly used a drop of their blood to bind the badge. The badge shined as the circuitry formation inside activated. As soon as the binding finished, the activated badge began to receive tens of messages at once, just like the worker in the recruitment office mentioned. "Oh, so that's what you were talking about."

Checking the information inside, Rean and Kentucky... errr... Kenny and 'Goku' received many messages from the management personnel in the humanoid race armies. There were even a few from the Demon Beast and Spirit Armies, showing that people at their level were truly highly regarded. From the looks of it, Rean and Kentucky could even select to which army and location they would like to be deployed.

Seeing the information inside, Rean communicated with everyone else. 'So, where do you guys think it would be best for us to go?'

Roan looked at the options through his shared memories with Rean and pondered a bit. 'Even though the Realm of Gods holds the absolute advantage in this war, it seems like they are extremely far from winning it. Look at how many different continents and regions inside them are available. All these years under the Devils' control truly helped the Devils to build a gigantic presence in the area.'

Roan continued. 'As for where we should go, there isn't really a target at the moment. All we know is that the Essence Race member is somewhere inside the Devils' Territories. Any place seemed to be as good as any.'

Kentucky looked at Rean. 'You want that Serene Gold Filament, don't you? We might as well select a place with many Devils so that we can accumulate points. From what I can see in the Merit Reward Rules, there is no problem with exchanging Merit Points between soldiers. I'll help you get the points, and then you can buy those filaments of yours.'

The armor Rean wants to build will increase their group's strength, so it is good for everyone, even though only Rean and Roan will use it. 'Well, perhaps I'll make one for Luan as well,' Rean thought for a moment.

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Chapter 2339: Luina Too

Rean quickly looked through the list of possibilities and found one that pleased him. 'Got it. Let's go to the Tormalek Continent. This is one of the continents where the Devils' Resistance is most fierce, so there are many Space Bending Realm and above Devils there for us to get rid of. Besides, it is more or less located near the center of their territory, so perhaps that will be of some use in our search for that Essence Race member.'

Roan had no complaints. 'Very well. I'll continue to stay in the Soul Gem Dimensional Realm to work on my pills. Although I'm confident I can concoct them, it won't be a bad thing to get more proficient before the time comes. Don't bother me unless you need my help to save your ass.'

'Can't you put it in a more friendly way?' Rean couldn't help but ask.

Too bad, though. Roan had already cut his connection with Rean and entered the alchemist workshop there.

Suddenly, Rean heard Sister Orb calling. [Rean, not that I want to intervene on your choice, but weren't you supposed to go see your sister so that your mother can meet her?]

'Ah!' Only now, Rean remembered that. 'Yes, that's correct. I know Mother said she isn't in a hurry, but I'm sure she can barely contain herself by now.'

Kentucky shrugged his shoulders. 'I don't really mind. It's like Roan said. It has been so long since this Essence Race member has been in the Devil's Territory. I don't believe he will be found just in the time we went to see your sister.'

Rean smiled after hearing that. 'Alright, before we select one of the options, we will go pay Rana a visit.'

Rean then returned his attention to the worker. "I'm very satisfied with the several options available. You were right. I got many messages from armies requesting me and my friend to join. However, I still have something to do, which might take a few days. Would that be a problem if I don't leave for the war straight away?"

The worker pondered a bit before explaining. "That will depend on how long your business will take. From the moment you enlisted, you have to attend one of the armies in a time frame of three months at most. If you don't do that, you will be excluded from the Merit Reward List. At that time, if you want to join again, you will have to pay a fee based on your cultivation level."

'From the looks of it, the Reward List had a lot of power in the war efforts for them to use such methods,' Rean thought. "Then that's fine. Even if things take longer than I think, it should still not take more than a few weeks for me to come back."

"Then everything is fine," the worker said with relief. For a moment, he thought Rean would retire from the army before he even fought. "Just look at your requests in the communication badge when the time comes. Then, you can use any of the already-prepared long-distance teleport formations in any of the medium and big cities of the Central Area of the Realm of Gods."

"Very convenient," Rean nodded. "By the way, I just happen to need to go somewhere quite far away. Can I use the military teleport formations? Of course, I'll pay for the teleport."

"Well, if you are paying, it shouldn't be a problem." The worker could only say that. In fact, it would be a problem, but experts at Rean and Kentucky's levels obviously had some extra perks, and the utilization of such teleport formations was one of them.



Rean had to first teleport to another bigger city. From there, he finally teleported to another continent he had been to in the past: the Jamai Sect. That was the sect that had a teleport formation to the Jhiod Continent. One must not forget that the Huring Continent didn't have a Long-Distance Teleport Formation of its own, even the Huring Sacred Land.

The continent with a Long-Distance Teleport Formation closest to Huring was the Jhiod Continent. Nonetheless, it wasn't a problem. With Rean's ability to open Spatial Gates, what first had taken the twins several years to of journey could now be covered in at most a few days. However, after reaching the Jamai Sect, Rean didn't take the next teleport formation straight away.

Instead, he spread his Divine Sense and quickly found someone. It was Ramona. Or, to be more specific, Luina's reincarnation from Sunkan Planet. She was the Lagan Sect Master's daughter. Since the Lagan Sect was one of the six main powers Rean and Roan brought inside the Dimensional Realm, her parents were obviously there too.

'Hey there, girl! You seem to be working pretty hard,' Rean suddenly said to a young lady several kilometers away from his location.

Luina was in her courtyard cultivating when that voice suddenly appeared in her mind. 'Rean!'

Luina was especially surprised that a Divine Sense could reach this place since there were formations to prevent such a thing from happening. Well, with the Soul Gem System's last processing power upgrade, the formations of a sect like Jamai were far from enough to resist Sister Orb for long. Sister Orb hacked into them in just a few minutes, allowing Rean's Divine Sense message to reach Ramona/Luina.

She quickly got up and charged out of the courtyard. Before long, she arrived at a room prepared by the sect for Rean and Kentucky. They didn't know Rean and Kentucky's real identity, but they definitely understood how strong their cultivations were, so they acted very politely even though Rean was only passing by.

Luina simply gave an excuse that, as the daughter of the elder, she had to pay her respects to the seniors in that room before Rean gave permission. She then entered the room and closed the door behind her. Yet, she felt like she was struck by lightning when she saw the people waiting for her in the living room. "Mom! Dad!"

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Chapter 2340: Back to Jhiod

Luina's parents also looked at her and were at a loss. "Is it you, Luina? You look so... different."

Luina quickly hugged them, though, not minding their comments at all. "Yes, it's me! It's me!"

Rean smiled and then walked out of the room. This moment was not his, so he would simply let them have their time. Luina knew what happened. She couldn't explain everything and how she was now someone else's child instead. Her soul was definitely Luina, but her blood wasn't anymore.

Later that day, Rean returned to see how things were going. Surprisingly, Luina and her parents from Sunkan weren't the only ones there. He also found Luina's new parents as they were all talking. From the looks of it, Luina didn't want to hide things from her parents in this reincarnation.

Rean ended up also explaining what he could, obviously hiding anything related to the system. He also requested that his presence not be disclosed since there were many powers after him. Finally, at the end of it all, Rean asked Luina's parents, one of them being the old Lagan Sect Sect Master, Kamuo. "So, what do you plan to do? If you want, I can simply leave you two here with her. It doesn't seem like Luina and her new parents will mind it."

However, they immediately shook their heads. "Luina is doing fine for herself, and we know where to find her. What matters now is that our Lagan Sect members still live in your Dimensional Realm. The Lagan Sect doesn't exist anymore. All the six powers have joined together in the Freedom Sect... No, you mentioned that here in the Realm of Gods, they are now called System Sect, right? Anyway, even though we are all a single entity, we still have our differences. Our old Lagan Sect members still need us in this transition time."

Rean nodded as he turned to Luina. "Are you fine with it?"

Luina nodded. "Yes. They have made their decision already, so I will support it. In any case, thank you, Rean. I truly didn't expect to ever see them, so this is a great relief on my mind."

"That wasn't a problem at all. I was passing by anyway," said Rean with a smile.

He then turned to Kamuo and his wife. "Well, I stayed as long as I could. I still have things to do, so I'll be leaving now. Are you ready?"

The two nodded, and they bid their farewell to Luina. Right after, Rean sent them back into the Soul Gem Dimensional Realm. He was brought to the teleport formations once again after that. Finally, he paid the Divine Stones and teleported away.

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Jhiod Sect in the Jhiod Continent has acquired many benefits over the past hundreds of years. After all, they were the ones responsible for revealing Rean and Roan.

Back then, thanks to the twins, the Jamai Sect and its continent won the competition for the free continent in the central area of the Realm of Gods. The Jamai Sect has been steadily moving its power over there as well as its population.

To reward the Jhiod Sect, it even created a rule where every recruitment of the Jamai Sect would always have one hundred slots for the Jhiod Sect alone. Regardless of whether they were strong or talented enough, they would definitely be accepted.

For a Sect of Jamai's size, it wasn't much, but for Jhiod in this faraway continent, such a reward was unprecedented. After all, they could totally negotiate with other continents around and sell some of those slots. The thought of being taken back to the Central Area of the Realm of Gods to train was something impossible to happen in the past. That said, one can imagine just how much resources and cultivation materials, as well as other benefits, were paid to the Jhiod Sect for each of these slots.

Above all else, the Jhiod Sect was also now known to be a close ally to the Jamai Sect of the Central Area of the Realm of Gods. Any possible thought of ever invading the Jhiod Sect and conquering it was completely out of the table. As long as the Jamai Sect existed, no one in the Jhiod Sect Region would dare to cause trouble to them.

Jhiod Sect wasn't slow with it, either. They followed a different trend and didn't take this opportunity to attack anyone. Instead, they used that influence to increase the overall power of the continental regions and establish themselves as the absolute leader of this alliance. Those who allied with them also received benefits, so they were more than happy to comply.

It was in this highly revitalized Jhiod Sect that a long-distance formation suddenly lit up. The disciples nearby were surprised to see that as this formation only activated during the selection times. They knew that it cost a lot of Rank Seven Divine Stones to be used, so the Jhiod Sect rarely ever activated it themselves.

\*Zush, zush!\*

A flash of silver light appeared before two figures appeared above it. Naturally, they were Rean and Kentucky, who had just teleported away from Jamai Sect. "Phew... we are finally back."

Kentucky spread his Divine Sense and couldn't help but comment. "Jhiod Sect changed a lot since the last time we have been here, don't you think?"

Rean nodded and was just about to leave when an old man came flying to meet them. "Hey, it's Gean!"

Rean and Kentucky remember him. He was the Jhiod Sect Clan Leader, someone who helped them quite a bit back then. It's just that Gean couldn't recognize Rean and Kentucky's changed appearances. "Sirs, our Jhiod Sect wasn't expecting a visit from Jamai Sect. Is there anything this Sect Master can help you with?" Gean could tell that those two's cultivation levels were much higher than his, so he was very respectful.

Rean faintly smiled before using a Divine Sense to talk to Gean. 'Sect Master, long time no see.'