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Chapter 271: Awakening

ZAP!

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After Jane was pulled into the door, the door closed and disappeared into thin air, leaving Rudy dumbfounded in the middle of nowhere.

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Rudy's body was undergoing a strange phenomenon. With every heartbeat, his body was emitting lightning sparks that changed colors every second. From black to white and red to blue.

Not only that, his hair color was changing back and forth from white to black. It was as though his powers were leaking through his body. The magic spell cast on the area could no longer hold off his powers. It was struggling, and so were Rudy's powers.

Rudy wasn't aware of the changes occurring in his body as he was dazed by what had just happened.

The floor he was standing on had started cracking, and the cracks were spreading all across the area.

'Calm down, Rudy. You need to stay calm and use your mind.'

Rudy recalled how similar things had happened when he saved Angelica from the tunnel, where he passed out and woke up later in the hospital.

He didn't want the same thing to happen again. After all, he hadn't saved Jane yet. If his emotions went wild and his powers went berserk, that would do him more bad than good.

However, even after trying to calm himself down, he couldn't stay calm.

His powers were already out of control, and if it wasn't for the magic spell, everything around him would have been razed already. Even the clothes he was wearing had begun shredding slowly.

FWIP! PWIP!

With a sharp gushing noise, the passage was lit up by a blue fire torch on both sides. One by one, all the torches lit up and revealed a long yet narrow tunnel-like path in front of Rudy.

"I hate three things..."

Rudy slowly started walking forward with the unbearable pain he was feeling throughout his body. He still had super strength, but he had lost his healing ability. Now that his powers were leaking, they were ripping apart every cell of his body from the inside.

His body was able to endure the overload, but it was a matter of time before his powers broke through the barriers. Still, his powers that were leaking were also a limited and weakened version of what had happened in the abandoned tunnel. As Rudy walked, the ground and the surroundings were breaking apart with every step. But the blue fire from the torches remained still.

"First, When I get blamed for something I haven't done."

ZAP! ZAP!

"Second, When I try my best at something and still fail miserably."

ZAP! ZAP!

"Third, when I am forced to go against my morals and ideals."

ZI-ZAP!

Rudy's powers had overwhelmed the magic spell, and more of his powers were leaking out. The lightning sparks emitting from his body increased, and his hair stayed white longer than before.

Everything around him was getting razed, almost as though he was a walking forcefield pushing everything away from his way.

Even the blue fire from the torches had now started swaying erratically.

After walking through the passage— while bearing the intense pain of his cells ripping apart from the inside— he met a dead end.

Since the torches kept lighting up as he walked, he assumed it was leading him to Jane or somewhere that could give him clues to reach Jane. But he shouldn't have expected that.

He stood there in silence with a dazed expression on his face. He cleared his head from all the thoughts and thought about only one thing; rage.

Since his emotions amplified his powers, why was he trying to hold them back? Why was he trying to calm down? Wouldn't it have been better if he let himself be consumed by rage and let his powers do everything for him?

Why walk when you can run? Why run when you can fly? Why fly when you can teleport? Why worry about solving a problem when he can wipe it out of existence? Why was he trying so hard if he could just 'wish' to get out of there?

All those questions were arising in Rudy's mind.

ZAP!

The lightning sparks that were emitting from Rudy's body suddenly stopped, and so did his hair color change.

His upper body drooped and hung by the support of his spine. His eyes were open, but they looked lifeless, dead.

The blue fire from the torches started flickering crazily as they constantly tried to stay still. But with a sharp zapping noise cursed through the passage, making it sound like a howl that douted the entire passage dark.

It was pitch black, almost resembling the void.

ZAP!

Once again, the lightning sparks began emitting from Rudy's body, but they were unlike before. His hair turned white and even grew in length that stopped by his waist. His eyes had no colors, and his eye sockets had turned dark as an abyss.

His clothes had been shredded into pieces, but they still covered his body. The lightning sparks eventually began to raze everything around him and rendered a long dragon-like shape.

"Vamoose," he uttered.

Everything around him shattered. No, it wasn't his surroundings, but the very fabric of reality, or one would call it dimension. It didn't matter. Nothing mattered.

CRACK! CRACK!

The cracks caused a shattering sound just like glass would, and they started overlapping with each other. The world was trying to fix itself from the anomaly, but it was breaking a lot faster than that.

With a loud clunk noise, everything around him shattered, and he found himself standing on top of a massive circular pedestal that was hovering in the middle of nowhere.

He glanced around and saw numerous colossal statues standing surrounding the pedestal, and they all were wearing cloaks with a weapon in their hand. Some were carrying a scythe, some staff, some spears, some wands, some swords, some arrows, some chains, and shackles. But out of them, one was wearing a crown on its head.

Furthermore, their bodies were skeletons under the cloak, and the skull was visible under the hood. But they seemed inanimate with no sign of life in them.

However, Rudy wasn't buying that. He spread his arms in the air and uttered "Begone!" as everything around him turned into ashes.

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Chapter 272: Your Highness

While Rudy was walking through the passage lit by the blue fire torches, on the other hand, Jane was standing in front of the cloaked figure.

Her body had frozen in fear, and words were stuck in her throat. She knew that running away from it won't do anything as it could effortlessly chase her in the vast desert. So she decided to confront it.

She might be scared of the figure, but she was still one of the strongest vampires. She wasn't going to let anything overwhelm her.

Even though Jane was standing right in front of the figure, she couldn't see anything other than its eyes. The figure stared into Jane's eyes with its blue eyes but didn't say anything.

"W-What are you?" Jane asked. "What do you want from me?"

The figure continued staring at Jane but slowly moved its staff and pointed it to the side.

Jane looked to the side and saw a massive tree in the middle of the desert, which clearly wasn't there before.

"What is... that...?" Jane looked back at the figure, only to see it kneeling in front of her.

"..."

[Welcome, your highness,] the figure said in an ethereal voice. The voice sounded as though multiple voices were speaking at once, and it was echoing on the inside. It was impossible for Jane to figure out whether the voice belonged to a male or a female.

"....!"

Even when the figure was kneeling down, it was still taller than Jane.

[We have been waiting for you ever since your birth. The time has come for you to render your true powers. The power of the blue moon that shall bring an end to everything.]

Jane stepped back after hearing that and made some distance between herself and the figure.

'I knew it! This was all related to the blue moon!'

"What are you talking about? I don't want to end anything. I have left everything behind and accepted that I am a cursed child. Even so, I am happy with what I am today."

[You mustn't, your highness. It is not a curse but a blessing. You are the chosen one.]

"What does that mean?"

The figure stood up and began walking towards the tree that was a few meters away from them.

[Follow me. You shall manifest your true form and harness the power that belongs to you. You shall be awakened!]

Jane reluctantly followed the figure as she also wanted the answer about being a blue moon child and why the vampires called it a curse.

What were they afraid of? What could have driven them as far as to kill an innocent child? Why were they treated in such a cruel way? What was the reason, and what exactly did the blue moon represent?

Jane couldn't remember how many times she had asked herself the same question, but she never got an answer.

The sole reason why she always entered the restricted areas and read the books was to find an answer. But she never found it. Throughout her entire life, she yearned for the answer, and now she was finally going to learn the truth.

Jane and the figure reached the tree, but Jane kept her distance from both the tree and the figure.

Just because she followed the figure didn't mean she trusted it. She followed it because she was curious.

She looked up at the tree and noticed how unique the leaves were. It was unlike any tree she had seen.

[Are you ready?] the figure asked.

"I am not. First, tell me what this all is about. And why are you calling me your highness? What's the truth behind the blue moon? And most importantly, who are you?"

The figure raised the staff, and it turned into a blue dagger that shined brightly. Then, it moved its hand from under the cloak and tried to touch Jane, but she jumped back.

"What are you doing?!" She yelled. But that wasn't the reason why she jumped back.

Her eyes widened after seeing the skeletal hand of the figure, which also had cracks on it.

The figure stretched its hand even more and grabbed Jane's hand. It made a cut on Jane's palm with the dagger and closed a fist before squeezing it.

Jane's blood fell to the sand and got absorbed. After a few drops, the blood traveled to the tree and entered its root.

A few seconds later, the stem of the tree let out a weird, subtle noise, and the leaves changed their shape. Tiny buds emerged out of nowhere, and they blossomed into the beautiful blue flowers, which began glittering as soon as they sprouted.

And a few more seconds later, they slowly turned into blue fruits that resembled the shame of the apple, which was also similar to the blood moon fruits.

The figure plucked one blue fruit from the tree and bowed down before handing it to Jane.

[Eat this, and you shall receive vast knowledge that surpasses all. You will also acquire prowess that is second to none. Nobody will ever dare to block your path again. Not even the despicable Lord be able to match your existence.]

""

The dagger turned back to the staff that shined even brighter than before.

[Worry not; I mean no harm to you. I am but a humble servant of yours who has been waiting for your return for millennia, only so you could be once again awakened and return the world to its former glory. To show them who is the superior of all races and the true form of power.]

[You have suffered enough, your highness. It is time to rise and shine as the Celestian Queen, to protect the worlds from the evil like the Lords and bring justice to them by any means possible!]

The figure plunged the staff into the sand and asserted, [Eat it! Eat the fruit and become the almighty—!]

"Begone!"

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Chapter 273: Begone!

Everything around Rudy turned into dust that withered away into nothing.

The concrete circular pedestal he was standing on slowly turned soft from sand to a cotton-like feeling. The sand fell like a waterfall, and Rudy found himself hovering in the air on top of the desert.

The sand mixed with the sand of the desert with a soft gushing sound.

Rudy looked down and saw a massive tree with blue fruits on it. He looked at the moon behind him, and it was indeed blue.

He also found Jane standing under the tree, but she was alone. He still couldn't see the cloaked figure.

His eye sockets were still black, and there was no light coming from them. So he decided to take advantage of it and absorbed all the colors from the surroundings.

Everything lost its color except the blue, which somehow managed to dominate all the colors.

Now, Rudy could see the cloaked figure that was the same as what he saw from the pedestal.

Rudy landed between Jane and the figure and snatched the blue fruit of the figure's hand.

[How did you manage to break through the dark dimension! Who are you—!]

Rudy squished the blue fruit in his hand and threw it on the ground. Then, he placed his hand on the blue moon tree and turned it. However, unlike the trees that would turn into ashes upon burning, the blue moon tree melted like rubber and submerged into the sand.

Rudy glared into the figure's pearl-like blue eyes and absorbed their color.

The figure let go of the staff and tried to run away, but that was futile. Everything was futile.

Rudy grabbed the staff, and it turned the blue orb on it turned black, which further absorbed all the colors, but it soon shattered and exploded.

The figure ran fast with its long nails, thinking it was safe from Rudy. But Rudy moved his hand in the air, and a colossal hand emerged from the sand that grabbed the figure with zero effort.

Rudy simply used his telekinesis and formed a hand shape with the hand. He brought the figure in front of him and crushed it.

"Who are you?" Rudy asked with a furious look on his face.

[What are you? How could you have such unfathomable powers?! It's almost as though you are the—]

Before the figure could finish speaking, its body began to burn with blue fire. And the next moment, everything, including the cloak and the skeleton inside it, was incinerated and turned into ashes.

The colossal hand of sand Rudy made turned into the pure transparent glass, and the blue moonlight illuminated on top of it, spreading the azure shade in the vast desert.

Rudy raised his brows with a confused look on his face and stared at the ashes of the figure.

"Why did you burn it?" Jane asked in a calm voice. "I wanted to know who it was and what it was after. There were so many things I wanted to know!"

Rudy glanced at Jane and noticed she didn't seem angry, but she looked sad and disappointed.

"That wasn't me. I was also looking for answers."

"Oh..."

"Yeah."

Jane hugged Rudy and muttered, "A part of me wanted to eat that fruit and know all the answers. But I was afraid of losing everything, losing myself. I didn't want to become someone else."

Rudy hugged Jane back but didn't say anything. He was more conflicted than Jane herself.

"I would have eaten the fruit if you hadn't arrived at the right time. I had to choose between the two; you or me. Then I realized you were more important to me than the answers I was looking for my entire life."

"That's a sacrifice..." Rudy placed his forehead on Jane's forehead and muttered, "That's love."

He kissed Jane on the lips before saying, "I promise to you that whatever happens, I will always be with you. I will stay with you and never leave you behind."

"I know."

"It's not just empty words. You sacrificed the most important thing in your life for me, so I will make an equivalent exchange."

"You saved me. You came back for me." Jane held Rudy's head in her hands and said with a gentle smile on her face: "You already did your part. You fulfilled your promise."

Rudy's eyes turned back to normal after hearing that.

Jane continued caressing Rudy's face as she said, "Do you want to know why I fell in love with you?"

"Why?"

"Because you defeated me. Because you are stronger than me, and I am sure as hell that you can protect me from things I can't protect myself from. But that's not it."

She kissed him on the lips and continued, "I fell in love with you for the same reason Rias fell in love with you."

"And... I still don't know that reason..." he sighed with a soft chuckle.

"Why don't you ask her when she wakes up?"

"That would be like asking for a suicide," he sighed again. "I already frustrated her by not accepting her love confession, and when I did... I didn't get a chance to do anything for her. Now, if I asked her what made her fall in love with me, she would eat me alive."

He scoffed softly before adding, "And just saying, I do not blame anyone for what happened back then. I was angry at you because my anger was directed to Virgil and then to the Lord. However, after knowing

the reason why the Lord made a rule like that, I can't help but agree with that. Honestly, if I was the Lord, I probably would have done the same thing."

"I want to tell you the reason, but it would be for the best if you find it out yourself. You will learn it sooner than you think," she reassured before moving her hands from his face to wrapping them around his neck.

She kissed him a few times before jumping on top of him and wrapping her legs around his waist. She kept kissing him passionately as though she wanted to eat his lips and suck everything from his mouth.

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Chapter 274: Reality Wrap

"I was so scared..." she muttered.

"I should have realized everything."

"Hmm?"

"This place, or rather this dimension, is an illusion. It's not like the labyrinth we went to. Everything here is fake."

"So, how did we get here? How was the illusion triggered if this is not a real place?" Jane asked with a curious and confused look on her face.

"No. This place itself is real, but it's created by a strong illusion. There is a thin line separating reality and illusion, and this place is that thin line," he explained calmly.

"How do you... know that ...?"

"Well... to be honest, I am not sure. But I feel like that."

"Can I ask why?"

"First of all, my powers were weakened, which won't happen in normal circumstances. Even with a magic spell cast upon this place, it was highly unbelievable.

Second, you were acting strange or somewhat scared. You said you could see a figure and also gave hints as though someone had been watching us. But I couldn't see or feel any of that, which would never happen.

My powers allow me to overwhelm any and every sort of power. I even had my supersense on, so I should have been able to sense even the minutest change in my surroundings, but I never sensed any shift.

This and a few other things led me to believe that whatever was happening was not because of magic but an illusion. An illusion is not a reality, and it has no cognition of logic. The illusion caster is a god in the illusion created by them. No one can do anything. No one can interfere.

But I did. My powers were already interfering with it from the moment we landed here. They were weakened, but they were overwhelmed by the illusion. So I just had to break the illusion and find the caster."

He asserted in a solemn voice.

"So that figure was the illusion caster?" Jane was kissing Rudy once in a while whenever he stopped speaking.

"I don't think so. That figure was just a pawn."

Jane glanced around the desert and asked, "Are we still in the illusion?"

"I have no idea how to distinguish that. And my powers are out of control right now, so I am not sure."

"Let's get out of here."

"Yeah."

Rudy hugged Jane tightly and teleported back to Jane's room.

The blue moon in the desert changed to white, and a small bud emerged from the spot where the blue moon tree was standing.

The bud sprouted and became a five clover leaf.

Meanwhile, in Jane's room.

Jane had started kissing Rudy more aggressively. She even bit his lips by mistake and drank the blood while kissing.

Rudy, on the other hand, was enjoying everything. He walked to the bed and sat atop it as Jane continued kissing him.

Jane still had her arms and legs wrapped around Rudy, and she had no intention of telling him to go.

A few minutes later, Jane finally stopped and squeezed Rudy's body tightly.

She played with his long white hair and asked, "Are you not going to explain what happened to your hair?"

"This happens when my powers exceed my body limit. They should change back to black as my body heals itself. But I am not sure why it increased in length. It could just be my body's healing mechanism that boosted their growth exponentially."

"Are you in pain?" she asked with an anxious and concerned look on her face.

"Very," he replied. "That's why keep kissing me to subdue the pain."

Jane grabbed a few of her hair and mixed it with Rudy's hair.

"We match," she said with a grin on her face.

"Indeed."

After mixing a few strands of their hair together, Jane made a pointy tail and tickled Rudy with it.

"You know, I always hated my hair color. They were white, unlike any royal vampires. Not only that, no vampire ever had white hair. I wanted to be just like the others." She smiled wryly and continued, "There were times when I thought about shaving my head. But Rias always stopped me."

"Don't say that. White is a beautiful color, and it suits you. You look perfect with white hair, and I don't think you would look as beautiful if you had any other hair color."

Jane squinted her eyes in suspicion and asked, "Okay, so, whose hair do you like the most? White or Red?"

"You have to fill the context first. By red hair color, are you referring to Rias? Well, you obviously are, but I want to make sure."

"Yes..."

"Then Rias' red hair."

"I knew it. I would never win against Rias."

"If Rias had white hair or you had red hair, I would be conflicted. Red suits Rias and white suits you. Even though you are identical twins, you..." He paused and sighed, "I don't know how to put it in words. But I hope you understand what I am trying to say."

Jane grinned and said, "Relex. I am just teasing you."

"What about my hair? Do you like the white or my normal black?" he asked curiously.

"Ummm..." Jane pondered for a few seconds before replying, "White. Because we match."

"What about you?" she asked him.

"I don't have any taste, to be honest. But I guess I like the black ones better as they are more natural and I was born with them. They are a part of me."

Rudy lay down on the bed with Jane still on top of him.

"Hmm? Are you going to sleep?" she asked.

"Yeah. My head is going crazy, and my body feels like it's going to explode. " He closed his eyes and uttered in a fading voice, "Let me rest for a few hours."

"I, for some reason, don't feel tired at all. Instead, I feel energetic, and I was looking forward to having some 'fun' with you..." Jane said with a gloomy face.

"..."

"And you should know how hard it is to sleep or focus on anything when you are horny," she added with a knowing look on her face.

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Chapter 275: Merits of Having a Vampire Wife

Rudy's body was strained beyond comprehension, so he wanted to sleep and let his body heal itself. However, the horny vampire wanted to have some fun.

That wasn't an abnormal occurrence for Rudy as he was used to such things. Angelica always did that, and sometimes even without his permission.

He let out a weary sigh and said, "You can have fun while I am sleeping. Mister Dick is always awake."

"You wouldn't mind or get angry if I use Mister Dick?"

"The old me would have been angry, but now I am used to it. Angelica rides me all the time whenever I am sleeping, so I don't see any problem," he replied with his eyes closed. "And besides, I will feel pleasure even in my sleep. It might even be the best sleep therapy.

"Okay!" she said cheerfully. "I will have 'fun' for a few hours and sleep."

Jane immediately stripped herself and pulled down Rudy's shredded pants with a blissful smile on her face.

Rudy waited to feel a wet warm feeling around his snake, but that never happened. Confused and curious, he opened his eyes to see Jane grinning at him with a haughty look on her face.

"..." Rudy was lost for words.

Haughty Jane would never risk teasing Rudy, and meek Jane would never even think of that. But cheeky Jane could do everything.

Rudy shook his head in disbelief and uttered, "It seems you need some spanks."

Jane climbed down and grabbed Rudy's snake in her hand. She opened her mouth and licked it from the sides before swallowing it whole in one ago.

She did all that without breaking her eye contact with Rudy. And she continued sucking him.

"It suits in your mouth. At least it will keep your mouth shut for a while..." he said in a low voice.

Jane bit the head of his snake in a playful manner without saying anything.

"I will sleep now. Don't wake me up, or I will tie you up and have sex with Niti or Nyxia in front of you," he stated.

What he said was a simple sentence, but it contained heavy weight. Rudy knew that she wouldn't mess with him if he gave her a warning which also worked as a threat.

After saying that, he closed his eyes and fell into a deep slumber with no sense of his surroundings or any flow of time. However, he kept one thing working, and that was the pleasure.

After sucking Rudy's snake for a few minutes and drinking his milk, Jane cleaned it thoroughly with her mouth and stroked it for a few seconds. Then, she stood up and sat on Rudy's crotch.

She moved her body back and forth and rubbed his snake against the slit of her cave. But when she was close to orgasm, she stopped and penetrated herself with his snake.

"Amnh~!" she moaned with a satisfied look on her face as he orgasmed. She licked her lips and said, "Now, I am ready for a long night."

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Rudy opened his eyes as his blurry vision became clear. He glanced to his sides and noticed Jane wasn't there.

'Did she leave for the function she talked about?' he wondered. He sat up on the bed and held his head in his hands.

He glanced around the room to see Niti cleaning the room as always, but she was standing near the bed for some reason. Not only that but his body or even his lower half wasn't covered with the blanket like always, and he was butt naked.

"What time is it, and how long have I been asleep? Angelica didn't pull my consciousness into her domain last night. Maybe because I was exhausted."

He smiled slightly and muttered, "Thanks, Angelica. Also, you don't have to wait for the night. If you want to talk to me, you can always take control of my body and talk with me. But of course, I do that when I am not doing anything. Otherwise, things could get messy."

Angelica didn't waste any time and took control of Rudy's body.

"I actually tried to pull you into my domain last night after you fell asleep," she said using Rudy's mouth.

"You did?"

"Yeah. Of course, I only wanted to touch you. And maybe... kiss you. But your powers didn't let me do it."

"Hmm? That is new. Did my powers automatically create a defense mechanism or something?" he wondered in a low voice.

"How are you feeling now?" she asked calmly.

"I feel refreshed, but as expected, using my powers to overload my body does leave a hefty impact on me. My powers will be out of control for a few hours. So I best not use them."

"Good to know you are doing okay. I saw everything last night, and it was terrifying. Don't go to a place like that again!" she scolded.

"Hey, hey. I didn't go there on purpose, and I never knew what was going to happen. And besides, I don't think that was where we were supposed to go. I only wanted to find out the truth behind the secret passages and the dimensions connecting to them."

"So, in short, you are planning to use the secret passage again?" she asked in an angry tone.

"We will see. I am free today, and tomorrow is the day when Rias wakes up. Virgil also promised to take me to the rendezvous point where the throne of the Lord lies. Actually, I don't know why I even asked him to take me there."

"Hmm."

"Did you sleep well? You sound kind of... less energetic than usual..."

"Yes, I got a nice sleep. But I am bored. It's not like I don't like being stuck inside your body, but it... annoying. I feel like I am locked in a prison."

For Angelica, staying inside Rudy's body was not something new. She had been doing that ever since she met him, but what she didn't like was to be unable to come out of his body to touch him. Not only that, but unlike before, when she could come out of Rudy's body when he was sleeping, now she couldn't. She couldn't even see or hear through Rudy's eyes and ears as he was asleep.

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Chapter 276: Niti's Strange Behavior

"Are you sure you would be able to stay sane for two weeks? If you truly want to come out of my body, I will try to do something. I will read all the books of this world and even consult Nyxia again. I am sure there is a way."

"Don't worry too much about me. But yeah, I would like you to look into it. We can meet at night anyway, so I am not sad."

"Oh, okay. Let me know if you feel bored."

"I will give the control back to you. Bye. I love you~"

"I love you too~"

Rudy took a deep breath and tried to get up from the bed, but he felt dizzy for a moment, so he sat back.

'This is the side-effect of letting Angelica control my body. I will sit here for a few minutes. But damn, I am starving.'

Rudy raised his brow at Niti and thought, 'What is she doing? She had been standing like that ever since I woke up.'

Rudy didn't even care to cover his body with a blanket and shamelessly sat on the bed.

"Are you okay?" Rudy asked calmly.

Niti jolted before slowly turning to Rudy with an awkward smile on her face.

"Is something troubling you?" he asked.

Niti pointed her gaze at Rudy's erect snake but didn't say anything.

"Oh! My bad." Rudy covered his legs with the blankets and said with a soft chuckle: "This has been pretty common for me, and you never seemed to mind me staying like this, so I didn't think of covering myself."

"It's fine. It doesn't really bother me."

"Hmm?" Rudy noticed something on Niti's lower lip and chin. He touched his chin and said, "There is something on your chin."

After hearing that, Niti immediately covered her mouth and licked the substance from her lip and chin.

"What was that?"

"It was just milk!" She averted her gaze and said, "I ate breakfast in a hurry, so I must not have noticed it!"

"Oh, I see."

" ..."

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They both stared at each other without saying anything. But a few moments later, Niti broke the silence by saying:

"Can you uhh..." Niti shot a glance at Rudy's snake, which was standing tall like a tower under the blanket, and asked, "Can you get off the bed? I need to fix the sheets."

"Of course." Rudy got off the bed while saying, "You should have told me earlier. Is that why you were standing near the bed?"

"Y-yes..."

Rudy stepped away from the bed and watched Niti fix the bedsheet. She got on the bed on her four and moved from one edge to another. He stared at her backyard with an alluring gaze. But that wasn't his fault. He was eager to let out his load because his balls had started aching.

"..." Rudy shook his head and averted his gaze. 'Don't forget that Angelica is watching you, and she sees what I see. Seriously, teenage hormones are crazy!'

After a minute or two, Niti fixed the bedsheet and got off the bed.

"Can I sit on the bed again? It's hard to stand with a blanket."

Even though Rudy said that, the real reason he wanted to sit was his snake which was about to pierce through the blanket.

'What's with my morning wood today?! Why isn't it calming down?! It usually goes limp in a few minutes...'

Rudy sat on the bed and cleaned his mind from all the thoughts.

"Rudy glanced at the rest of the room and noticed it was already cleaned. But then again, Niti had cleaned the room yesterday, and it wasn't dirty, so it was hard to know if Niti cleaned it today as well or not.

"Uhh... Niti..."

"Yes?" She stared at Rudy with an earnest look on her face.

"Can you arrange clothes for me? The last one you gave..." Rudy glanced at the floor where his shredded clothes were lying.

"Sure. Please wait for a few minutes. I will be right back." After saying that, Niti left the room and made sure to close the door.

SIGH!

Rudy removed the blanket and gave some air to his snake that was suffocating. He looked at his erect snake and raised his brow with an amused look on his face.

'I might be wrong, but when I woke up, I could feel it was wet for some reason. It may just be my imagination, but...' Rudy then recalled the strange substance on Niti's lips and her peculiar behavior.

"It can't be... right? Why would she do that? Yeah, my mind became corrupted after too much sex, but I can't help it. It feels good."

Rudy once again glanced at his snake and muttered, "I don't think it's going to calm down..."

He grabbed it and started stroking it up and down. But when he was close to cumming, the door opened, and Niti walked in with a pair of new clothes in her hand. So he immediately covered his lower body with a blanket.

'Dammit! Now it's worse than before!' he cursed inwardly.

Niti walked to the bed and handed the clothes to Rudy.

"Here."

"Thank you."

"..."

"..."

Rudy was waiting for Niti to leave the room so he could finish his business and wear his clothes, as wearing them in his current condition would be a painful snake. However, Niti didn't leave the room and kept staring at him with an earnest look on her face.

"Oh! By the way, what color is my hair right now?" Rudy asked curiously.

"They are black."

Rudy let out a sigh in relief and asked, "And what's their size. I mean, the length."

Niti peeked left and right before saying, "I can't see them, and I didn't notice them when you stood up earlier. Can you get up again?"

Rudy got up from the bed and turned around to show his hair to Niti.

They were coming to my waist last night. What about now?" he asked calmly.

"They are still reaching your waist," Niti responded.

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Chapter 277: The Maids' Lives

Rudy turned around with a conflicted look on his face and let out a deep sigh.

'I can cut my hair anytime, so it's not a big deal, to be honest,' he uttered inwardly. 'But I am genuinely curious. I never knew my powers could change my body physically. Hair is okay, but what if something else changes too? Like my skin becomes scales, or I grow a tail. I don't want that.'

Rudy glanced between his legs and muttered, "What if it changes to. Well, as long as it increases, I don't care. But what if it grows so big that it can't even fit in my pants. Argh! What am I imagining!'

While Rudy was contemplating the changes in his body after the breakthrough of his powers last night, Niti was focused on something else.

Rudy noticed her gaze but stayed silent as he didn't want to make the situation awkward.

Niti made eye contact with Rudy but soon averted her gaze and muttered, "I can help you out if you want me to..."

She said in a low voice.

"...!" Rudy was astonished to hear that, but he kept his cool and asked, "Are you sure?"

Niti nodded and muttered, "Please sit on the bed."

Rudy quietly sat on the bed and removed the blanket. While Niti gulped nervously and got on the bed behind Rudy.

"...?" Confused, Rudy raised his brow and wondered, 'Why did she get behind me?'

She sat on her knees comfortably behind Rudy and placed her hand on his hand.

'Uhh....'

Then, she began stroking his hair as though she was combing them. When Rudy turned around to see what she was doing, she was actually combing his hair.

SIGH!

'So that's what she meant when she said she can help me out. I should get my mind out of the gutter.

Why would Niti even say something like that? She knows Jane better than anyone, and she would never try to make moves on me. What's more is that I was expecting something like that! What's wrong with me? It seems even my mighty powers can't win against my teenage hormones.

I mean, I surely wouldn't have minded if Niti actually meant to calm my libido. And obviously, I wouldn't have stopped her. I am not the type of man who would turn down a girl who is giving me a helping hand.

I made Jane do it, so why would I stop the others?

It was different with Nyxia. She had no intention of helping me. She only wanted to get it on with me. And... a part of me wanted to go along with that. But that would have been a one-time thing, and I hate that.

Sure, if we both were looking for a one-night stand, it would have been different, but I wasn't. I want to be in a mutual love relationship. That's why I was afraid when I made moves on Jane. I didn't want it to be a one-time thing, and I am glad she agreed to join my harem.

Even if I do it with Nyxia, I don't think she would agree to join my harem. She never mentioned that, and she didn't give off that kind of vibe either. She is obviously a strong woman who has seen good and bad times.

Honestly, I respect her regardless of her naughty personality. I only had a little chat with her, but I learned many things. Not to mention, she has suffered too. I am curious about her, not going to lie.

Well, I shouldn't haste too much. I am staying here for two more weeks, so I am sure some events will happen and who knows, we might become close.

And...'

Rudy recalled last night's event and wondered, 'Should I tell her about it? Jane told me everything and said how the figure wanted her to eat the blue fruit.

The figure called her 'your highness' and 'celestial queen'. And it called the Lord despicable. I thought the Lord was like a God to all the races.

There are so many mysteries regarding this and the other worlds. I genuinely don't want to get too deep into this or involve myself in all this. It doesn't concern me in any way.

However, Jane is already involved in this. And that alone is enough for me to break all the shackles binding this mystery. I will rest that case for now as I have already taken care of it. And I am going to take Jane and Rias with me after two weeks.

But if something like that happens again, I need to find the Lord and ask everything.'

When Rudy was lost in his thoughts, Niti was almost done braiding his hair. Not only that, but his snake had also calmed down.

'I guess I now know the trick. I simply have to think of something serious whenever something like this happens again. But that's not going to help me sate my super libido.'

Niti had been staring at Rudy's neck ever since she got behind him, and once in a while, she was shooting glances at his snake and was shocked to see it had gone limp.

She licked her lips and opened her mouth, revealing her fangs. But she gulped down and controlled herself.

She was thirsty for Rudy's blood as his smell made her feel excited. However, she was used to such situations as the lower rank vampires like her. Especially the maids were not fed much and only got to eat the leftovers. So whenever there were no leftovers, they had to strave.

However, they weren't stupid. They always made more food, so there would always be leftovers for them to eat. And they had feats on the days when there was too much food left.

No one ever questioned them for making too much food as they never cared about anything other than their fame and status among the mid and low-rank vampires.

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Chapter 278: Niti

"Can I ask you something?" Niti asked calmly from close to Rudy's ears.

Rudy's ear twitched after the cold sensation on them, but he managed to stay calm and nodded without saying a word.

"Do you... do you love princess Jane?" she asked.

"Of course, I do. What type of question is that?" he replied instantly.

"My apologies. That's not what I wanted to ask. I wanted to know 'if' you loved princess Jane before you entered this world," Niti rephrased herself.

"Oh. No... actually. I will be honest and say I hated Jane before. But not the kind of hate you are thinking, oh. I was... angry at her. But everything changed after I found out the truth," he replied awkwardly.

"So, what made you fall for her?"

"Her beauty, of course. And her haughty personality. I wanted to dominate her. I wanted to make her meek. I wanted to... make her mine. It was lust. But falling in love with her was inevitable. And she turned out to be more meek and interesting than I thought."

"..."

After sensing Niti's silence, Rudy added, "Please don't tell her I said this. She already knows this since I told her myself. But I sugarcoated it a lot, so she doesn't get angry."

Niti smiled and said, "Don't worry. I have no intention of doing something like that."

"..."

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Everything was awkward between Rudy and Niti. It was the first time they had an actual conversation, and it was Niti who started it.

Niti was still braiding Rudy's hair, so he couldn't leave the room either.

'Think of something to talk about!'

"Why... did you ask me such a question?" Rudy asked curiously.

Niti smiled slightly and said, "Princess Jane is... like my daughter. I raised her and took care of her every need, and I still do. So I wanted to know how you feel about her. I knew that you held her dearly, but I just wanted to make sure. Think of it as a mother's worry for her daughter."

"Oh... that's right!" Rudy exclaimed in amusement and muttered, "And that day you found us naked, and after that, you walked on us having sex. That must be awkward for you, but not as much as Virgil, I guess."

"No wonder Jane was so flustered after seeing you," he added with a soft scoff.

"I was astonished to see that. Princess Jane was always so uptight and never let her guard down in front of anyone other than princess Rias. And to see her in such a meek state with you left me baffled. But I now know why she chose you to be her partner," she said with a gentle smile on her face, which Rudy couldn't see.

"What do you mean?" he asked with a confused face.

"You are so kind and caring. And every girl likes such a man since they know that he would treat them dearly for their entire life and love her for eternity. It's... not something every girl gets to experience."

Niti's voice sounded sad when she said that.

"That's the same for us men. But you know, something like that doesn't exist. I don't think one can satisfy all the needs of their partner. No one is perfect to that extent, and I say that's not a bad thing. Perfect is boring."

After a brief pause, Rudy suddenly asked, "You said you have a daughter who is around 69 years old and also Rias' personal maid, am I right?"

"Indeed. Her name is Vriti. I think you haven't met her yet since she is with princess Rias all the time," Niti responded.

"Umm, you don't have to answer my next question if you don't want to, but can I ask who your husband is?"

"...." Niti stayed silent.

Rudy had a faint guess, but he wanted it to be false.

"I... don't have one..." she answered in a low voice.

"Did he pass away?"

"No. I never had a husband. I was... back then, I was the personal maid for the leader of the royal family. And he... he used my body to pleasure himself every night..."

"What's his name?" Rudy asked in an emotionless voice.

"It was normal for the masters to use their maids for such tasks. It was part of our duties. Consent didn't matter as being a maid of a royal family was a voluntary act that included everything," she added.

"What's his name?" Rudy asked again in the same emotionless voice.

"Vesier..." Niti answered. "He is the son of Vampire's Monarch's blood-related brother."

"So is Vriti his daughter?"

"Yes..."

"I see."

"When he found out I was pregnant with his child, he wanted me to get rid of it, and when I refused, he tried to kill me."

"...!"

"Vampire Monarch was someone else at that time, but the current Vampire monarch saved me. If he hadn't, I would be dead."

Rudy bit his lips and asked, "Did he try to kill you even after that?"

"Yes. He sent his soldiers to assassinate me, but I got lucky, I guess. When Vriti was born, he wanted to take her away from me. He said he would raise her and make her his personal maid later.

I knew he was planning to do the same thing he did with me and the other maids, so I ran to the current vampire Monarch and asked for his protection. And he helped me by making me his personal, even though all the other royal and noble family members were against me and wanted me dead."

"And that stopped them?" Rudy asked reluctantly.

"Yes. There is a strict rule about the personal maids. And no one is allowed to order or touch someone else's personal maid. And if they did, that would be considered a serious offense," she responded.

"What was the punishment for breaking that rule?"

"They would lose their status and fortune as a royal and be removed from the family name."

"And that's the only thing that makes them so arrogant, so they would never risk losing their title.

Someone just made a to-kill list.

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Chapter 279: Interrogating Niti

"Did uhh... Virgil ever did something to you?"

"Never. He has always been a kind person, unlike any vampire you would ever meet. And sadly, he got bashed a lot for that, but he never cared.

I am deeply indebted to the Vampire Monarch. He also raised Vriti as his own daughter. And a few years later, he brought a human wife from your world, which caused a lot of controversies. The previous Vampire Monarch and the rest of the royal and noble family members wanted to exile him for committing the biggest crime.

However, Queen Nyxia was around at that time, and he brushed everyone off. No one could ever dare to go against her as she was the strongest vampire at that time."

"Everything was going well until the sudden disappearance of his wife," she added in a disdainful tone. "He became bitter and started spending time alone."

"Do you know anything about his wife? Since you were close to him, naturally, you should know about his wife too," Rudy asked calmly. He didn't want to sound forceful or demanding, especially when Niti was feeling sad after he reminded her of her past.

"Sadly, I don't. No one knows about anything. But the rumors say that she died while giving birth to their child, Princess Veronica," she responded.

"Yeah, that's what I was thinking too. But if that was the case, why is Virgil hiding it? If I remember correctly, her body was never found, right?"

"Yes. But after Princess Veronica was born, the Vampire Monarch made me her personal maid. I raised her just like how I raised her daughter, princess Jane." After a brief pause, she continued:

"But... the Vampire Monarch had changed. He never came to check up on princess Veronica, nor did he give her any fatherly love. Perhaps he blamed her for the death of his wife and didn't want to see her. But he did love her dearly and fulfill her needs.

I remember once she got sick, and the Vampire monarch had turned everything upside down to find the cure for her illness. In the end, it turned out that it was just flu which was common in humans. We vampires rarely ever get sick, so he was worried.

However, as she grew up and began showing more emotions towards the humans rather than the vampire, she wanted to go to the human world, but the Vampire Monarch never let her.

One thing led to another, and the royals and nobles once again began plotting against the Vampire Monarch. They wanted to get rid of both him and his daughter. But the Vampire Monarch had enough.

He challenged all the royals and nobles in a fight and won against them. He then challenged the Vampire Monarch and became the next king of this kingdom. After that, no one dared to defy him, although the royals and nobles never stopped berating him.

Time passed by, and princess Veronica became an adult. And she went to the human world and never returned."

"Virgil never tried to bring her back?" Rudy asked curiously.

"He wanted to, but he thought it would be for the best to leave her alone. He couldn't give her a better life in this world, so he wanted her to live a happy life in the human world."

"Makes sense," Rudy nodded.

"Then, one day, he called Vriti and me and handed us Jane and Rias. I knew at first glance that they were princess Veronica's daughters," she said with a smile on her face. "And you know the rest of the story."

"Yeah..."

Since Niti was lost in the conversation with Rudy, she didn't pay attention to Rudy's hair and ended up braiding them just like how she had been doing it for Jane when she was a kid.

"Uhh..." Niti swallowed nervously and said, "I will need to fix your hair."

"Don't worry. You can take as much time as you want. I am free all day... or until Jane returns," he said with a sigh. "By the way, can I ask when you entered this room?"

Rudy wanted to confirm his suspicion about his wet snake when he woke up.

"I... I came when princess Jane was still in this room..." Niti replied awkwardly.

"And when was that?"

"About 10 minutes before you woke up."

'Hmm. 10 minutes is a perfect time for a... no, I shouldn't jump to the conclusion.' Rudy took a deep breath and curiously asked:

"What was Jane doing when you entered this room?"

"She was... on top of you."

"Was she still riding me?"

"Yes."

"Holy shit! Even though she said she would sleep after a few rounds, she continued until the morning. I should have expected that. But thanks to her, I had a nice pleasurable sleep."

Niti averted her gaze and hesitantly asked, "Did you... have a dream or something?"

"Hmm? No. Why would that happen?"

"You were talking with yourself, so I assumed you..."

"Oh! No, I was awake at that time. I was talking to someone I hold dear."

Niti's face turned pale after hearing that. She swallowed nervously and opened her mouth to ask, "Since.. how long have you been awake?"

Rudy raised his brow with a curious look on his face and thought, 'Judging by her voice and how she was acting, it makes me closer to my suspicion. Should I ask her directly? I am not embarrassed or scared to ask her, but I am afraid of being wrong. That would be hella embarrassing for both her and me, and she would think that I have been having such thoughts about her."

That was why Rudy wanted to confirm before asking her, but Niti was replying so vaguely that he couldn't make a conclusion. It was almost as though Niti knew what Rudy was asking, and she was purposely trying to avoid answering.

"What happened after that?" he asked.

"Apparently, Princess Jane had no sense of time, and I had to tell her that it was morning and the function was about to start soon. So she went to the bathhouse and ordered me to bring her new clothes, and she went directly to the hall," Niti responded calmly, thinking she was safe from Rudy's interrogation.

"Okay. I apologize if I am wrong, and I don't mean anything by it, but did you do something to me when I was sleeping?"

Rate Rudy's interrogation skill on a scale of 1 to 10, but after reading the .

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Chapter 280: Personal Maids

"What did you do after you returned to this room?"

"I cleaned the room, of course."

Rudy tilted his head slightly to the side and looked at Niti from the corner of his eyes to ask:

"Did you clean something else as well?"

Niti gulped down anxiously and averted her gaze before answering: "No. You were on the bed, so I waited for you to wake up. I didn't know when you fell asleep, so I thought it would be improper to wake you up. Of course, if you hadn't woken up in an hour, I was going to leave the room and come back later."

'Judging by her reaction, it's pretty obvious that she did suck me off when I was sleeping. But she is trying so hard to deny it, so let's not push it further,' he uttered inwardly.

The only reason Rudy interrogated her was to find out the answer, not to pass any judgment on her or punish her for doing that. He had no complaints. He just wanted to know why she did that.

Niti undid Rudy's hair and began braiding them in a different hairstyle. She was feeling so anxious that she was afraid of Rudy asking her any more questions regarding that.

"Say..." Rudy lowered his gaze and uttered, "You said that the other royal members can't order other's personal maids. But what if someone asks for a glass of water or, let's say, blood?"

"There are certain rules regarding that. If whoever ordered doesn't have their personal maid around or if it's an emergency situation, then they are allowed to order the other maid. Not to mention that one person is allowed to have a maximum of three personal maids. But of course, it depends on the maid. If the maid chooses not to obey the order, she is free to do so, and she won't be punished for it."

"Sounds fair..." he muttered.

"Yes. There are more merits than demerits of being a personal maid of the royal family, but it also depends on their master."

"Does this job pay you?"

"Yes. And we have a royal decree. You might find it hard to believe, but there are thousands of low-rank vampires who are dying to become a personal maids. Consider it like the best job they can get," Niti asserted cheerfully, seemingly excited to have a normal conversation with Rudy again about her favorite profession.

"Well, if you put it like that. I can see why it is a voluntary profession," Rudy chuckled. "All this time, I was thinking that being a maid or a butler is the same as being someone's slave. But I guess that's just a fancy word."

"There are also exams we need to pass to qualify to be a personal maid. Not only that, but once we become a maid, we receive special protection from the Vampire Monarch himself. We are respected among everyone, and we get what we deserve."

Niti smiled wryly and added, "But again, everything depends on what type of master they have."

"Can I ask a stupid question?" Without waiting for Niti's approval, Rudy asked, "Can maids not select who they want to serve? And once they become someone's personal maid, can they stop being a maid or serve someone else. In short, can you guit that job?"

Niti pulled Rudy's hair slightly and formed a knot before replying:

"When we become maids, we sign a contract where every rule and regulation is written. And if we break any of them, we will be punished. We can select the master we want to serve, and we are allowed to quit our job too. However, the current Vampire Monarch added this rule, making this job much safer for all of us."

Rudy smiled as he thought, 'The more I learned about Virgil, the more respect he gets. Only if everyone in the world was like him, but that's a hollow dream. Even I don't consider myself a saint, and I am not ashamed to admit it.'

Rudy suddenly frowned his face and uttered, "I had my suspicions before, but now I am sure of it."

"Hmm?" Niti's face suddenly turned pale after hearing that. 'Did he figure out that I...'

"Last night, when we ate dinner, you said you had to wash the dishes and all; I found it strange. There are so many maids and personal maids in this palace, so why did you have to do all that? And since you said the other royals can't order someone else's personal maids, that means that the other maids ordered you to do their job, am I right?"

"Is... is that why you asked me all those questions before? To confirm your suspicion?" Niti asked with a dejected look on her face.

"Not entirely. Now, can you answer my question?"

"Yes. That happens more often than you think," Niti answered honestly.

"And here I was feeling sorry for them last night," he muttered and asked, "Does Jane know about it? Judging by her reaction last night, it seems that she does."

"She does..."

"And she never tried to help you or stop them?" he asked curiously

"She can't do anything. I am bullied because I am her personal maid. She finds herself responsible for all that, and she even tried to cancel the contract and free me from my duty, so I don't get bullied.

However, I didn't let her. She can't even braid her hair without my help, so how was she supposed to live without me? I told her that I would rather be bullied all my life than let her suffer. My suffering doesn't matter and can't be compared to what she has suffered.