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Chapter 861: At the Castle

When Rudy was subjugating the labyrinthine facility, the beautiful girls of Rudy's harem gathered in the opulent meeting room of the castle, their voices echoing through the grand chamber.

It was a common hall which Lu Bela had designed for them to sit and enjoy quality time together with Rudy.

The girls had selected a room of their choice and described how they wanted the interior to look like. Lu Bela had personally taken notes, and she was in the process of bringing the rooms of their dreams to come true.

All the girls were present there, except Rias.

As soon as Rudy left, Rias approached Lu Bela and demanded her room to be the first one to be prepared. And so, her wish was granted and her room was perfected first.

Then, she closed herself in the room to get ready for her revenge plan against Jane, who was oblivious to everything and having a meeting with the girls.

"I feel sorry for Rias..." Maria muttered. "We can't discuss harem in her presence, but it feels like we are betraying her trust by doing things behind her back."

Of course, all the girls in Rudy's harem knew that Jane was the only one who was unaware that Rias already knew everything. Rias had somehow managed to get all the girls onboard for her revenge plan against Jane.

After hearing Maria's concern, Jane clenched her fists and said, "Isn't it her fault too?"

"Jane, how is it her fault?" Lilim asked with a mixture of curious and confused look on her face.

"If it was me in her stead, or in fact, any other girl, she would surely have gotten suspicious of Rudy. But no, Rias never confronted Rudy about how close we are to him. Neither did she ask us. Don't you think that's strange?"

"Isn't it because she trusts us that we wouldn't steal Rudy from her?" Angelica wondered, hiding her smirk behind her face.

"Or... she trusts Rudy that he would never fool around with other girls behind her back. I mean, we all are at fault here. We are partners in crime. All of us are equally guilty for misusing Rias' trust, even Rudy.

We all share an equal responsibility to let her know the truth. Remember, I am not the only one who is betraying her. And if she ever catches any of us, others will go down the same way."

Jane was right according to her since she didn't know that Rias already knew about everyone even before they told her. After the vampire gang moved to the mortal Realm, the girls had taken up to themselves to let Rias know about the harem.

However, Jane was the only girl who didn't do that. And that's what Rias was furious about.

Jane had so many chances to reveal the truth, but she didn't. If she hadn't caught Jane and Rudy in the secret chamber where Rias was supposedly in the slumber, Rias would have never found out.

Of course, Rudy would have told her as soon as he had gotten a perfect opportunity, but Jane wouldn't have otherwise.

Rias would have let it slide if it was any other girl, like she did with Niti. But Jane was her blood related twin sister who hated humans, separated her from Rudy on Virgil's order, and then fucked Rudy when she was in a slumber.

Rudy could easily solve the pro-longing matter in seconds, but Rias didn't want Rudy to intervene in her family matter. Still, Rudy wasn't sure if he should let Rias do what she wanted, but he eventually let her do it.

He wanted Jane and Rias to solve their matter for all at once, rather than them bringing it up again and again every other week or so.

The other girls in Rudy's harem shared the same concern.

"Say, Jane..." Niti spoke out, softly. "Rudy was already acquainted with the other girls before and after he met Rias, but it's different for you. These girls are strangers to Rias, but you aren't. Don't you think Rias would feel more hurt if she were to find out that you have been doing something so cruel to her?"

Niti was a mother figure to Jane, and she was the only person Jane would listen to.

"That's why it is tough for me to tell her. It could break our relationship or her relationship with Rudy. I don't want to destroy that, but I know I can't keep my relationship a secret forever." She let out a weary sigh and bit her lips.

"I should have let Rudy tell her when he was offering his help. But I acted high and mighty in front of him to look cool. And now I can't ask him to do the same. Otherwise, I will lose my self-respect."

"So when do you plan to tell Rias?" Lilim asked, glancing at Jane. "We moved to the castle today. I think it's a great time to let her know. This will be a new beginning for all of our lives."

"What about you girls? Are you not going to tell her?"

"We will, after you."

"I think that's a bad idea. I can guarantee she will be fuming once I tell her, and if any of you tell her about the same, she might take her anger out on all of you, too."

"Who wants to tell what to who?" Rias asked as she walked into the grand hall. With heavy footsteps, she approached the girls, who were sitting comfortably in the soft chairs Lu Bela had bought for them.

Lilim moved next to Angelica to make space for Rias to sit beside Jane.

"So?" Rias made herself comfortable next to Jane and glanced at the girls' faces. "What were you guys talking about?"

"Oh, that!" Jane forced her smile and continued, "We were talking about a TV show we all watched a few nights back, and wondering what's going to happen in the next season."

"Looks like you have gotten a little too accustomed to the human world, Jane." Rias sharpened her glare as her voice changed the tone. "I hope you don't embrace to human ideology and become like them."

Rias was there to give one last chance to Jane to see if she confessed or not. Now, she would not stop or alter her revenge plan, no matter what happened.

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Chapter 862: Harem Spot Order

The girls talked for a while and kept the conversation going, but Rias didn't seem interested in that. The sole reason she had come to the grand hall was to give Jane a last deserving chance. But now that Jane had messed that up, Rias got up and prepared to leave.

"Where are you going?" Maria asked hesitantly, but in a cheerful tone to keep the positive vibe.

Rias smiled slightly at Maria and pointed her gaze at the far away balcony.

"The sun will be up soon. I want to explore the castle before the time comes."

After saying that, she left the hall.

However, Maria and the girl knew the true reason. After all, they were a part of Rias' plan.

As a matter of fact, Rias had no intention of giving Jane a last chance since she had so many opportunities but never confessed her crime. It was the girls who managed to convince Rias to do that.

Out of all the girls, Maria tried her best since she had the same case as her.

Although Maria considered Ruby to be her niece all her life, since they were of the same age, they were more like sisters. Until Maria found out that Ruby was her blood related half-sister.

Ruby had joined Rudy's harem, though her relationship with Rudy was a bit different from the rest of the girls.

Maria knew how it felt for a family member to have the same lover, but she couldn't quite imagine how Rias must have felt. Nevertheless, she could imagine how she would have felt if she found out that Ruby had fucked Rudy before she got a chance.

She wanted everyone to get along, everyone wanted the same thing, so the sooner Rias and Jane's matter settled, the better it was for everyone.

"Why didn't you tell Rias?" Maria said angrily with a disappointed look on her face.

"What? I have to be mentally prepared for something like this. And there is no way I was telling her anything in Rudy's absence. I need Rudy to be there when I do that."

"Why do you need Rudy? Do you think he will stand up for you and back you up?" Lilim remarked.

"No, but he is my strength and my source of confidence."

"And also your shield."

"I don't understand, though." Ruby quipped. "You are stronger than Rias, right? So why are you afraid of her? Yes, you are guilty and at fault. Yes, Rias will be pissed once you tell her. But what can she do to you?"

Ruby wondered with a glint of curiosity in her eyes.

"It's not about who is strong. It's about relationships. Heck, if it was any other girl instead of Rias, I couldn't have cared less."

Maria raised her brows and squinted her eyes upon hearing that. "You mean us?"

"No. You were added to harem after me. And let's be honest, I am like... the second girl to enter Rudy's harem. You all came after me."

"Who is the first according to you?" Angelica shot a judging glance at Jane.

"You, of course."

"Oh, and you are second? What about Rias?"

"Okay, I was third. Happy?"

"Wait, are we counting in a chronological order on who met Rudy first?" Ruby questioned.

"Yes, but it's not who met first, it's who fell in love first."

Angelica raised her hand and said, "Technically, Miss Elena would be the first girl, then."

"Rias is the second," she added and continued, "And I am the third."

"I am fourth, then?" Jane wondered.

"Fourth would be Alice."

"Okay, fifth." - Jane.

"That spot goes to Alice."

"Argh! Sixth?"

"That's Reina's cue."

"Surely, I am the seventh."

"You forgot Rize."

"No, she recently joined his harem, I know it!"

"But she was in a relationship with Rudy before that."

"Fine! I am the eighth girl to join Rudy's harem. No one can refute that!"

"Uh huh." Maria waved her hand at Jane. "That's me."

"How?! You fucked him after the gambling tournament, and that was after the vampire world!"

Maria narrowed her gaze and commented, "Just because you fucked him the night you met him, doesn't mean everyone did the same. Our relationship started before he went to the vampire world to save Rias."

"Gah! Who is ninth?"

"Me, me!" Lilim raised her hand.

"No, you weren't." Angelica threw a pillow at Lilim. "Don't try to sneak into a higher spot."

"What do you mean by 'higher spot', huh?" Lilim quoted with her fingers. "We are simply talking about the order of Rudy's harem. We all are equal. Your miss Elena is the same as Ruby here."

"Yes, yes, I know. But we shouldn't lie about the order either. In fact, I think we should write it down somewhere so future harem members can know what number of the order they belong to."

"Back at the palace of the Vampire Realm, there used to be a wall where the names of Vampire monarchs and their lineage were written down." Niti stated. "Since we abide in the castle, doing the same thing wouldn't be too far-stretched."

"True," Jane nodded. "That's a great idea, Niti. I will try asking Rudy if he is okay with it. And while we are at it, I will ask if he can make our statues too."

"As far as I know, Rudy won't allow us to get statues." Lilim shook her head. "Think about it, a few hundred years from now on, when we are no longer... you know, anyone can do anything with our statues..."

"Yeah but..." Jane shrugged. "What can happen? They are just statues, you know? Think of it as an image you take on phones. Statues are just a 3D portrait."

"And when exactly has Rudy openly shown our pictures to anyone?"

Ruby nudged Maria and whispered, "Do they always switch topics like that? A while ago, we were discussing something very important, and now we are talking about statues."

"Don't worry, you will get used to it soon enough."

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Chapter 863: Selfless Selfishness

"Do you have time to waste, Jane?" Lilim asked in a rather confident tone. "I know you are just trying to stall so you don't have to confess. It's still not too late, you know? Believe me, you will come to regret wasting this chance."

Jane shrugged her shoulders with a confused look on her face and said, "I haven't told her anything for months, so why would me not telling her for one more day make any difference?"

"Do what suits you better."

"She got tossed from the second spot to tenth. Let her recover from that, Lilim," Maria commented with a grin on her face.

"Ninth!" Jane hissed.

After noticing Angelica had gone silent, as though she was lost in a deep thought, Maria nudged Lilim and pointed her gaze at Angelica.

"What's wrong, Jess?" Lilim asked with a curious and concerned look on her face. "I never thought I would see a day where you would seem so serious."

Angelica chuckled softly and uttered, "I was just wondering if moving to the castle was a good idea."

"What do you mean? Of course, it's a good idea. We now have our own rooms and a bigger place for ourselves. We have more freedom and privacy."

"Yes, but Rudy won't be here all the time. And you know it."

"Well, he has his own life and work to do. But that doesn't mean we should always be with him. And let's be honest, the more girls he gets in his harem, the less time he will spend with each girl."

"I don't have a problem with that. I doubt his current harem can actually satisfy his daily libido. Don't misunderstand, I am not saying that we don't pleasure him or he is bored with our bodies. What I want to say is we can't keep up with his libido," Angelica stated calmly.

"Most of his harem members are humans and humans can't keep up with him," Lilim added.

"Exactly. That's why he has fucked the non-human girls more than the human girls. The only human he has actually fucked until now is Miss Elena, Reina, and Maria."

"That can't be true, right?" Jane asked with a surprised look on her face.

"I think it is," Lilim nodded. "I am not sure if he has other human girls, or someone he hasn't told us about yet."

"Hey, why are you talking about humans like this?" Maria frowned. "How is it our fault that we can't keep up with his libido? We are humans. We don't possess powers or a tough body."

"No one is blaming humans, Maria," Lilim calmed her down. "We are just saying that he should get more non-humans in his harem if he wants to satisfy his libido."

"..."

"He won't come to us and say that 'You girls can't satisfy me.' but it's obvious if you think about it. We all always pass out while having sex because of intense pleasure and he is left unsatisfied."

All the girls present there averted their gazes— except Vriti and Ruby, who hadn't tasted Rudy's sausage yet.

Ruby watched the girls' reaction and found it amusing.

"If he had stayed loyal to one girl only, she would have died by now," she commented. "You girls should give credit to Angelica, who convinced Rudy to have a harem."

"We would have if..." Lilim turned to Angelica and continued, "If that was her intention. The reason she asked Rudy to have a harem was quite selfish, actually. She even fooled Rudy by stating a sensible reason, which wasn't her main motive."

"You are not supposed to reveal that, Lilim," Angelica groaned.

"Wait, what is she talking about?" Maria asked curiously.

"You see, when she had possessed Rudy, she watched the porn Rudy was jerking too. And it was her first time. We all know how it feels when we watch the porn for the first time. We get butterflies in our stomachs and we naturally have the urge to masturbate.

Rudy had watched a lot of porn after he saved Angelica from the tunnel and she was watching with him, oblivious to Rudy. He had even gone to Eric's house to play an eroge game where he completed all the routes, including the harem route.

For those unaware, the eroge games usually have questionable stuff in it. Like incestuous relationships and other hentai tags.

Angelica, who was like a clear disk, consumed all the porn and adult stuff in the span of two to three days and corrupted her disk, only to become a pervert. She was dying to relieve her sexual tension, but she didn't know how.

No one could see or touch her, until she devised a plan to seduce Rudy, who— just like her— was sexually pent up. She thought Rudy would naturally feel attracted to her if they shared a closed space, but that didn't happen.

She realized Rudy only loved one girl— Elise, and he still loved her. He was ready to wait for her for years.

If that truly happened, Angelica would be nothing but a wandering ghost in Rudy's house. She knew she had to do something, but she couldn't just go to him and ask him to fuck her. That was unreal and guaranteed failure.

Then she remembered how the eroge game Rudy played had a harem route as well. All the other routes had a one-girl ending and the main character was loyal to that girl and even rejected the other girls who confessed to him.

Fortunately, the harem route solved that problem and all the girls were okay with sharing the main character. But it seemed outrageous to Angelica. The idea of sharing the man she loved left her distressed.

However, she knew that there was no other chance. To stay with Rudy forever, she convinced herself to allow Rudy to have a harem. And thus, she used the most logical excuse to convince Rudy.

Of course, the excuse was the truth, and Rudy was able to save the girls from their demise. To be honest, if it wasn't for Angelica, I don't think we would be sitting here as a group of girls who have the same lover, hungry for his love and dick."

"You promised you would keep it a secret if I told you." Angelica shook her head in disbelief with a disappointed look on her face.

"We are still grateful to you, though," Lilim smiled.

"I agree." Jane leaned back and haughtily said, "If we had to vote on who should be the Queen of Rudy's harem, I would vote for you."

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Chapter 864: Kingdom Come

Lilim glanced to the side of the balcony and raised her brows.

Jane immediately noticed Lilim and asked, "What's wrong, Lilim?"

"..." Lilim didn't react to Jane's question and raised the other brow.

"Lilim?" Maria asked this time.

"I... sense something... I don't know what, but... it's terrifying. I don't think it's good."

"I sense nothing, though?" Jane reacted. "I don't want to boast, but I am the strongest in the room. There is nothing I can't do that others can."

"Shut up, Jane. You are not helping. I wasn't talking about sensing magic or aura. It's... I can't explain it in words. It's like... looking at something and feeling certain that you shouldn't get involved."

"Yeah right..." Jane scoffed with a blank expression on her face. "I have never felt that in my life. Maybe I am just too strong to experience the feeling of being scared."

"I don't like where this is going..." Maria muttered and turned to Angelica to do something.

Angelica nodded and stepped between Lilim and Jane.

"Okay, stop right there. No fighting in Rudy's absence. If you want to fight, you can fight all you want when Rudy is around."

"Rudy is not our babysitter who needs to watch us all the time," Lilim commented.

"Then act mature."

The room felt silent as the girls exchanged glances.

"I wonder where Rudy is..." Maria took out her phone.

"What are you doing?" Rudy asked and snatched the phone from Maria.

"I am calling him."

"He told us that he has something important to do. Why do you want to knowingly disturb him?"

"..."

"Besides, it's probably still midnight in Hel. I calculated the time and distance and it will take us 15 hours if we travel by boat. And Nine hours if we fly there. We are technically on the opposite side of the world right now."

"But I am missing him..." She puckered her lips.

"Let's talk about him then."

"Like what?"

"Weren't we talking about him all this time?"

"What do you think Rudy will do with the castle and the houses?" asked Angelica.

"Even the castle is too big for us. Let alone the hundreds of thousands of houses in this dynasty."

"Maybe Rudy plans to turn those houses into a paradise for us," whispered Maria, her eyes filled with excitement. "Each of us will have our own luxurious mansion!"

Lilim tilted her head, a mischievous glint in her eyes. "Oh, but what about this grand castle where we all live together, like a true harem?"

The suggestion sent waves of excitement and giggles throughout the room. The girls began imagining the grandeur of such a shared space, with lavish decorations, beautiful gardens, and rooms filled with laughter and joy.

But not everyone shared the same sentiment. Jane crossed her arms and spoke with a hint of skepticism. "Do you really think Rudy would want us all under one roof? Perhaps he intends to give each of us our own private domain, where we can have our own space and freedom."

Angelica, who had always been fiercely loyal to Rudy, defended him with determination. "No, you're wrong. Rudy cherishes us all equally. I'm sure he wants us to live together, to foster a sense of unity and love. It's what makes our harem special."

As the discussion continued, different opinions emerged, reflecting the diverse personalities and desires of the girls. Some yearned for privacy and independence, while others embraced the idea of a close-knit community within the castle walls.

Just as the debates grew heated, the girls all turned to the balcony and stared at each other's faces.

They could hear something from far away.

"What's that noise?" Ruby was the one to ask as she wasn't experienced with such stuff and she freaked out.

As the sun rose above the horizon, casting a warm golden glow over the horizon, the air crackled with anticipation. The harem stood together on the grand balcony of the enormous castle, their eyes fixed on the vast expanse before them.

Rudy, the savior, emerged at the forefront, his presence commanding and his aura pulsating with power. Behind him, a tide of liberated human test subjects and mythical beings surged forward, their faces radiant with newfound freedom and hope. The air crackled with anticipation as they approached the heart of the kingdom, their collective footsteps echoing with a resounding rhythm.

The inhabitants of the dynasty, the harem that stood by the balcony and the UnderBlades soldiers, lined the streets, their eyes wide with awe and admiration. They had heard tales of Rudy's heroics, but to witness his triumph firsthand was an experience that surpassed all expectations.

As Rudy strode through the grand archways of the kingdom, the liberated beings followed in his wake, their eyes gleaming with gratitude and reverence. They had been rescued from the clutches of darkness, from a life of torment and oppression, and now they stood tall, their spirits lifted by the promise of a new beginning.

The kingdom itself seemed to come alive, vibrant banners fluttering in the breeze and music filling the air. The magnificent architecture and lush gardens stood as a testament to the glory and prosperity that awaited those who had suffered for far too long.

Cheers erupted from the crowd as Rudy ascended and hovered high in the sky, his every movement radiating confidence and power. UnderBlades, standing alongside the test subjects, could hardly contain their emotions, their hearts swelling with pride and admiration.

To the balcony, Rudy's gaze swept across the gathered multitude, his eyes locking with those of the harem. A knowing smile played on his lips, a silent acknowledgment of their unwavering support and devotion. In that instant, a connection forged through trials and triumphs pulsed between them, a bond that transcended words.

They were surely confused and didn't know what Rudy was planning. But since Rudy had brought them to his dynasty, they were curious.

Of course, they had many questions, but they weren't against the idea of the hundreds of thousands of humans and mythical beings living in the dynasty.

Out of all, they were the ones who wanted Rudy to have his own kingdom to Rule, to be a part of something the Lord was part of.

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Chapter 865: New Beginning

After Rudy and the group of humans and mythical creatures he had saved landed in his dynasty, a sense of awe and wonder filled the air. The sprawling kingdom unfolded before them, a testament to Rudy's power and vision. Majestic towers reached towards the sky, adorned with banners and flags bearing the emblem of his dynasty. Lush gardens bloomed with vibrant colors, and ornate fountains danced with crystalline water.

The arrival of the procession stirred curiosity among the girls in Rudy's harem, who were peering out of their castle balcony. They had grown accustomed to the luxurious lifestyle, and the attention lavished upon them, but this sight was something altogether different. The spectacle of Rudy's entourage, with mythical creatures and diverse humans, piqued their curiosity and left them in awe.

Whispers filled the halls as the girls exchanged hushed conversations, their eyes wide with anticipation and wonder. They wondered who these newcomers were, and what their arrival meant for their place within the dynasty. Some felt a tinge of jealousy, worried that their position in Rudy's heart might be challenged. Others felt a sense of excitement and curiosity, intrigued by the possibility of new relationships and alliances.

Rudy, leading the group with confidence and grace, noticed the girls in the castle windows and smiled. He understood their curiosity and the questions that swirled in their minds. As he moved towards the castle, a red shine caught his attention that came from the opposite side of the castle.

He looked at it and saw Rias standing with an expressionless face. However, she wasn't looking at Rudy, but the people he had brought with him.

He immediately teleported behind her, catching no one's attention, and tapped on Rias' shoulder.

"Is everything okay?" He asked calmly. "Why aren't you with the other girls?"

"I was exploring the castle." She replied and pointed her gaze to the people in the kingdom.

"What's what?"

"You will know in a few seconds."

"Hmm."

Rudy hugged Rias from behind and kissed her on the side of her neck.

"What?" Rias inquired.

"I am... nervous. Well, not nervous, but... anxious?"

"I believe both words have the same meaning."

"Fuck meanings. I did something nerve wrecking today and I still can't believe I did all that. I instantaneously used all the ideas I had about my new powers that might work."

Truly, Rudy had used the combinations of many of his abilities that allowed him to create a new one. He had learned to turn his body into molecules, but then he learned to be on an atomic level that could pass through anything.

Thus allowing him to pass through the walls like a ghost.

The summoning was also the same. He could create anything using the power of creation, and he could command them, even if it was a non living being.

Rudy never had to use such abilities in his daily life when there was nothing interesting to do.

The night of the subjugation and summoning was the mark of the beginning of his journey as the Lord, although he was yet to announce his Lordship.

"Why would you do something alone if you weren't sure about the success rate?" Rias asked curiously.

She leaned back on Rudy and turned around, wrapping her arms around his neck.

Rudy lowered his gaze and muttered, "I am planning something. I will tell you and the girls when I am ready."

"Hmm. You don't have to tell us everything. It's okay to have secrets. You are the Lord, you can't tell us everything, you know?"

Rudy looked past Rias' shoulder and watched the people he had saved— strolling in the kingdom streets.

"This kingdom will become lively soon. How is your preparation going?" He asked. "I used my vision ability when I arrived here and I saw Lu Bela is busy designing the rooms."

"Yeah. It's going to take a while, but my room is ready."

"So...?"

Rias went silent for a few seconds and spoke before biting her lower lip.

"I need your permission."

"For what?" Rudy listened attentively.

"I want to knock Jane unconscious. I didn't want to do that without asking you."

"I am not giving you permission for that."

"But you promised you will—"

"I said I will play along with your revenge plan. I never said I would help you execute it." Rudy shrugged his shoulders and shook his head.

"You know I can't win against Jane. How am I going to lock her in my room? I can invite her and lock her, but she will easily break the door or fly out of the window."

"That's your problem."

Rias let out a sigh with a disappointed look on her face.

"You can always try other methods. You are a princess, Rias. You were raised to rule the vampire world. Use your intelligence."

After comforting Rias, Rudy teleported to his former spot and spread his hands in the air.

He signaled for the procession to halt. His voice, filled with authority and warmth, echoed through the air.

As Rudy ascended higher in the sky to the level of the castle's balcony where the girls were watching from, the harem held their breath, their gazes locked on his figure. He turned his head, his eyes meeting theirs, and a smile danced upon his lips—a smile that spoke volumes of pride, love, and shared triumph. In that moment, time seemed to stand still, and the bond between them transcended the physical realm.

"My Lovely Harem," Rudy's voice resonated, carrying his words to every corner of the castle. "Fear not, for this day marks the beginning of a new chapter in our dynasty. These individuals I bring with me are not here to replace or challenge you. They are fellow beings, saved from a cruel fate, and they seek solace and a new home within our walls."

His words brought a sense of relief to the girls, as they realized that their place in Rudy's heart was secure. They listened intently as Rudy continued, his voice carrying a tone of inclusivity and compassion.

"We are a family, bound by our shared experiences and the bonds we have forged. Together, we shall build a kingdom where love, understanding, and unity reign. I ask you to welcome our new companions with open hearts, for they bring with them unique strengths, wisdom, and perspectives that will enrich our dynasty."

The girls turned to each other with confused faces, all of them thinking the same thing.

"Rudy would never say such things..."

Truly, it was out of character for Rudy to sugarcoat the words and his actions.

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Chapter 866: Sigil Ceremony

As the girls absorbed Rudy's words, a mixture of emotions swelled within them; confusion and doubt being the top of the list. Some felt a newfound sense of purpose, eager to extend their compassion and support to the newcomers. Others felt a renewed commitment to their role within the dynasty, understanding that their presence and contributions were valued.

The girls knew Rudy was onto something when he used words they had never heard before, especially towards thousands of thousands strangers.

Rudy, with a gentle smile, led the group towards the doors of the houses and buildings. But first, Rudy asked them to enter the castle wall.

The girls had already reached the castle's main gate, and they were waiting for Rudy to enter. The girls stepped aside, opening a path for Rudy and the others to enter. As they crossed the threshold into the castle wall, a palpable sense of unity and hope filled the air. The girls stood by Rudy and followed him, and the newcomers stood side by side, united in their journey towards a future of shared prosperity and harmony.

The distance between the castle walls where the main gates were located and the doors of the castle used to enter, was so vast that thousands of thousands of people Rudy had saved had gathered in one place and there was still 2/3rd of space left.

The sight that unfolded before their eyes sent shivers down their spines. The once downtrodden and broken souls now stood tall, radiating a newfound strength and vitality. Their faces, once marked with despair, now glowed with hope and gratitude. They were no longer prisoners, but warriors who had fought their way to freedom under Rudy's guidance.

Each step they took echoed with a resounding triumph, a testament to the power of unity and the indomitable spirit of those who had been oppressed.

Rudy's presence was magnetic, his energy palpable. He exuded an aura of command and authority, yet his eyes sparkled with warmth and compassion. It was a sight that left the harem in awe, reminding them of the man they had chosen to stand beside, a man who would move mountains to protect and uplift those in need.

They were witnessing a new side of Rudy that they never had never seen before. It was his Lord persona.

In that moment, the castle seemed to come alive, resonating with the echoes of laughter, celebration, and the whispers of gratitude. The liberated beings found solace within its walls, knowing they had found a place they could call home—a place where their scars would heal and their spirits would soar.

As the humans and mythical beings gathered in the castle of Rudy's dynasty, the atmosphere buzzed with anticipation and reverence. They stood before Rudy, their savior and leader, ready to pledge their loyalty and devotion to him and his noble cause.

Rudy, standing tall and commanding, held up a gleaming sigil in his hands. The sigil, a symbol of his dynasty, radiated with a powerful aura. It was a circular emblem, crafted from intertwined elements of fire, water, air, earth, and light. Each element flowed seamlessly into the other, forming a harmonious and intricate design.

Rudy stood at the center, his presence commanding and his voice resonating through the hall.

Once he had everyone's attention, he asserted, "I have a sigil in my hands and to all those who pledge their loyalty to me will become permanent citizens of my dynasty. They will be provided with everything they need.

I will list the true privileges once the process is done. But of course, expect some uncomfortable things. This place will not be heaven and it will never be; I don't claim it to be perfect. But know that this place will be better than any you will find in this world. No matter how advanced or developed it is, it will never come close to this place."

Within the center of the sigil, an ethereal tree of life stood proudly, its branches reaching towards the heavens. The tree symbolizes growth, renewal, and the interconnectedness of all living beings. Its leaves shimmered with vibrant colors, representing the diversity and unity within Rudy's dynasty.

With solemnity in his voice, Rudy addressed the gathering, speaking of their shared purpose and the journey they had undertaken together. He explained the significance of the sigil, how it would mark them as members of his dynasty, bound by a common destiny.

One by one, the humans and mythical beings stepped forward, their eyes filled with determination and hope. Rudy gently placed the sigil on each individual, and as he did, a radiant light engulfed them briefly, marking them with the symbol of unity and allegiance.

The marking represented more than just a physical imprint. It signified a commitment to Rudy's vision, a dedication to uphold the values of compassion, justice, and harmony. It was a reminder of their shared purpose and their collective strength.

As each person received the sigil, a profound sense of belonging washed over them. They felt connected not only to Rudy but to one another, bound by a common purpose and a shared destiny. Their hearts swelled with gratitude, knowing that they had found a place where they could be accepted and flourish.

With the sigil emblazoned upon them, the humans and mythical beings stood as a united force, ready to face the challenges ahead. They knew that their journey had only just begun, and they were determined to build a dynasty where everyone could thrive and find solace.

In that moment, the dynasty reverberated with their collective pledge, their voices echoing through the vast space. Their loyalty to Rudy and his dynasty was sealed, their destinies intertwined, as they embarked on a new era of hope and possibility.

And so, under the radiant sigil of Rudy's dynasty, the humans and mythical beings stood united, ready to shape their future together. Their spirits lifted, their hearts brimming with anticipation, as they embraced the profound transformation that awaited them.

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Chapter 867: Grand Feast

After the sigil ceremony ended, Rudy declared a grand feast for everyone.

"I do not know when was the last time you all had a proper meal, so enjoy the feast to your heart's content."

The crowd cheered and prepared themselves to eat the best meal of their life.

"You can ask for anything you want to eat."

Rudy clapped his hands, and thousands of tables appeared in front of them. With a snap, comfortable and cushioned chairs emerged from thin air.

"Just sit on the chair and think about the cuisine you want to eat. It shall appear in front of you."

The grand feast of Rudy's dynasty was a sight to behold. It was adorned with vibrant tapestries, shimmering chandeliers, and ornate decorations. Long tables stretched across, filled with a lavish spread of delectable dishes from all corners of the world. The aroma of spices and herbs filled the air, teasing the senses and whetting appetites.

As the humans and mythical beings watched the scene, their eyes widened in amazement at the feast before them.

Tables groaned under the weight of delectable culinary creations from all corners of the world. The feast was a culinary extravaganza, designed to cater to the diverse tastes and preferences of the humans and mythical beings alike.

Platters of succulent roasted meats, tender and juicy, took center stage. There were whole roasted chickens with crispy golden skin, fragrant herb-crusted lamb racks cooked to perfection, and melt-in-your-mouth beef tenderloins served with rich and savory sauces.

A myriad of vibrant and aromatic side dishes adorned the tables. Colorful salads brimming with fresh greens, ripe tomatoes, and crisp vegetables offered a refreshing contrast to the hearty meats. Bowls of aromatic rice, flavored with fragrant spices and herbs, added an exotic touch to the culinary ensemble.

Seafood lovers were treated to an array of delicacies from the deep blue. Platters of grilled prawns, marinated octopus, and buttery lobster tails delighted the senses, their briny flavors perfectly complemented by zesty dipping sauces.

For those with a taste for vegetarian delights, there was an abundance of options. Roasted vegetable medleys infused with aromatic herbs, stuffed bell peppers filled with a medley of grains and cheeses, and creamy mushroom risottos provided a feast for the senses.

To accompany the delectable dishes, an impressive selection of beverages awaited. Rows of crystal-clear glasses held sparkling wines, their effervescence dancing in the candlelight. Rich red wines, with their deep hues and complex flavors, were poured into elegant goblets. And for those who preferred non-alcoholic beverages, there were vibrant fruit-infused mocktails, refreshing lemonades, and aromatic herbal teas.

Desserts, the crowning glory of any feast, were a feast for the eyes and the sweet tooth. Pastry chefs had outdone themselves, presenting an assortment of decadent treats. There were towers of creamy tiramisu, delicate fruit tarts adorned with seasonal berries, and luscious chocolate ganache cakes that glistened temptingly. Plates were piled high with bite-sized pastries, flaky baklavas, and dainty macarons that melted in the mouth.

Rudy stood at the highest spot, his presence commanding and regal. With a welcoming smile, he raised his glass, and the area fell into a hushed silence. His voice resonated through the hall, carrying a sense of warmth and genuine gratitude.

"Today," Rudy began, his voice carrying the weight of his journey and the hopes of those gathered, "We come together to celebrate your liberation, your unity, and the beginning of a new era. You have endured trials and tribulations, but now we stand here as a family, bound by loyalty and shared destiny."

The room erupted in applause and cheers; the sound echoing off the grand vaulted ceilings. The humans and mythical beings raised their glasses in unison, toasting to their newfound freedom and the promise of a brighter future.

The girls of his harem truly wanted to ask why Rudy was welcoming towards them in such a way. Of course, they didn't mind the warm hospitality of Rudy, but they had never seen Rudy in such a domineer before.

The feast began, and the room came alive with laughter and conversation. Plates were piled high with delicacies as people sampled a variety of flavors from different lands. The air filled with the sounds of clinking glasses and the harmonious chatter of joyous company.

As the feast unfolded, the room reverberated with the sounds of laughter, conversation, and the clinking of glasses. The atmosphere was one of conviviality and celebration, as people indulged in the culinary delights before them, savoring each bite and reveling in the company of newfound friends and companions.

Rudy's feast was a testament to his generosity and his desire to create an unforgettable experience for all. It was a celebration of life, a symbol of the abundance and joy that awaited them in his dynasty. And as the night unfolded, the feast became not just a meal but a memory, etched into the hearts and taste buds of all who partook in its delights.

In one corner, a group of humans shared stories of their past, recounting the horrors they had faced in the clandestine facility. They spoke with gratitude and admiration for Rudy, their voices filled with hope for the future.

At another table, mythical beings engaged in lively discussions, their voices carrying ancient wisdom and mythical tales. They shared their unique perspectives on the world, bonding over their shared experiences of captivity and their newfound freedom.

As the time progressed, musicians played melodic tunes, filling the hall with enchanting melodies. Some guests took to the dance floor, twirling and swaying to the rhythm of the music. Laughter and happiness intertwined, creating an atmosphere of pure bliss.

Rudy moved through, mingling with his guests, his presence radiating warmth and kindness. He listened to their stories, their dreams, and their aspirations, offering words of encouragement and support.

The feast continued, becoming a timeless celebration of unity and camaraderie. No one wanted the night to end, as the bonds formed and the memories made would forever hold a special place in their hearts.

Angelica nudged Rudy and asked, "I want to eat too."

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Chapter 868: Dinner For the Girls

As the grand feast unfolded before their eyes, the girls in Rudy's harem stood beside him, watching the liberated humans and mythical beings enjoy the bountiful spread. Their eyes sparkled with anticipation, their mouths watering at the tantalizing aromas that wafted through the air.

Among them, Angelica couldn't help but feel a pang of longing. She nudged Rudy gently, her eyes pleading for a taste of the extravagant feast. Rudy, however, had a different plan in mind. He wanted to create a special experience for the girls, separate from the celebration of the liberated beings.

With a soft smile, Rudy leaned in and whispered to Angelica. "I have something even more special for you, my pervert. Follow me."

He signaled the other girls too.

Curiosity ignited in their eyes as they obediently followed Rudy to the luxurious living room of the castle. The room was adorned with lavish furnishings, soft music playing in the background, and a table set with delicate crystalware. It was a space designed for intimacy and indulgence.

As the girls settled themselves on plush sofas, Rudy gestured towards the table, where an array of delectable dishes awaited. The spread was a feast fit for royalty, surpassing the grandeur of the banquet hall.

There were platters of succulent delicacies, prepared with meticulous attention to detail. Exquisite cuts of tender meat, lovingly marinated and cooked to perfection, glistened enticingly. Fragrant herbs and spices infused the air, their aroma mingling with the soft ambiance of the room.

Rudy also invited Rias, Kim, and Lu Bela to eat with them. However, Kim and Lu Bela respectfully turned down Rudy's offer, as they were artificial humans and didn't need to eat.

But Lu Bela was trying to get close to Rudy, so she decided to join them. Though she couldn't do it alone and brought Kim with her.

The girls were hungry, and they hadn't had such a feast in a long time since they mostly ate junk food. So the feast in front of their eyes was straight out of their dreams.

Angelica's eyes widened with delight as she sampled the first bite. The flavors danced on her palate, a symphony of taste and texture. Each dish was crafted with finesse, showcasing the culinary mastery that Rudy possessed.

The feast continued both outside and in the living room, unveiling a succession of gastronomic delights. Rich and velvety soups warmed their hearts, while vibrant salads provided a refreshing respite. The main courses were a testament to Rudy's dedication, featuring a diverse selection of dishes that catered to every preference.

Accompanying the sumptuous feast were fine wines and spirits, carefully chosen to complement the flavors of the dishes. Each sip was a revelation, a sensory journey that enhanced the culinary experience.

As the girls savored each bite, laughter and conversation filled the room. Their voices mingled with the soft music, creating an atmosphere of intimacy and camaraderie. It was a moment of pure indulgence, a respite from the outside world.

Rudy, observing the girls' joy and satisfaction, couldn't help but feel a sense of contentment. He had created a space where they could feel cherished and pampered, a sanctuary within the grandeur of his dynasty.

That was what he had in his mind when he wanted to live in the castle with them.

As the feast came to a close, the girls reclined comfortably on the sofas, their faces flushed with happiness. They exchanged glances of gratitude, their hearts filled with love and appreciation for the man who had made this extraordinary experience possible.

Rudy, a twinkle in his eyes, raised his glass in a toast. "To the most beautiful women in my life," he said, his voice filled with warmth. "May our bond grow stronger with each passing day, and may every moment we share be as special as this feast."

The way he said 'women' was awfully similar to his way of saying 'woman'. So the girls in his harem thought he meant Rias, while they knew he was talking about all of them.

The girls clinked their glasses together, their smiles radiant with affection. In that moment, they knew they were not just part of Rudy's harem, but cherished individuals whose happiness mattered to him.

As the evening waned, the room was filled with a sense of contentment and gratitude. The feast had been more than just a lavish meal; it had been a celebration of love, trust, and the extraordinary bond they shared.

And so, in the quiet embrace of the castle's living room, the girls reveled in the magic of the moment. They basked in the afterglow of their intimate feast, cherishing the memories they had created together.

Rudy, ever the attentive host, moved gracefully among them, ensuring their glasses were filled and their desires fulfilled. He listened to their laughter and shared in their stories, his presence a calming reassurance in the midst of their joy.

As the sun rose higher, the warm sunlight cast a gentle glow on their faces, illuminating the bonds that had formed. They spoke of their future together, their dreams interweaving with the shared vision Rudy had for his dynasty.

As the evening wore on, the girls exchanged playful banter and heartfelt conversations. They opened up to one another, revealing their dreams, their fears, and their hopes. In the warm glow of the room, they formed bonds that went beyond the title of harem, forging connections of genuine friendship and camaraderie.

Rudy watched with pride as his harem flourished in this nurturing environment. He knew that each of these extraordinary women brought their unique qualities and experiences, and he was grateful to have them by his side.

He joined in their conversations, offering words of encouragement and wisdom. He shared stories of his own journey, of triumphs and tribulations, inspiring them to embrace their own strength and potential. And in return, they showered him with adoration and admiration, grateful for the guidance and love he bestowed upon them.

Out of the blue, Jane asked, "So, what's all this about? Who are all those people, and why have you brought them here?"

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Chapter 869: Versus Humans

"Why have you brought them here?" Jane asked. "I remember you saying that no one will be allowed in this castle, no matter what happens."

"You are changing my words. And yes, no one is allowed in the castle without my permission. Also, they are not in the castle. They are within the castle walls."

Rudy was quick to reply, seemingly, he had anticipated that question from the girls. And it was understandable. All of them were confused and curious.

"I have brought them here for a certain task. It's part of my grand plan which should succeed and come into action when the time is ready. As for who they are..."

SNAP!

A holographic screen appeared in front of the girls and Rudy showed them everything, except the fight scenes, as they were too brutal and gore.

"I can't believe humans can do such things to other humans," Vriti muttered. "This is insane."

"There is nothing insane about this," Rias commented. "Vampires kill other vampires. Every race kills their own. Every race is as despicable as the human race."

"That's not true, dear sister." Jane quipped. "If what you say is true, then why was it only the human race that was abandoned by the lord and not others?"

"..." Rias couldn't say anything in response.

Rudy found it amusing as Rias also bore hatred towards the humans when he first met her in 1989. Although she also had a soft side for humans, as she knew that not all humans were the same.

However, it was completely natural for every other race to hate the human race, as the humans were responsible for the great partition and they had to leave the mortal realm to avoid clashes.

Hearing that, Maria frowned her face and uttered, "Excuse me for being a human."

"Don't you have enough decency not to speak about humans in front of humans?" Ruby remarked.

"I wasn't talking about you. You shouldn't take offense to something you are not. If a person is not evil, then they shouldn't get mad because they are not evil."

"Wow. You just destroyed the concept of defending oneself."

"I..." Jane paused for a moment and sighed. "Yes. You are right. I didn't think that through. But you have to understand that I don't have anything against humans personally. They are the most hated race, even though the other races haven't interacted with them.

And whenever I refer to humans, I don't include you. Just get used to it because you will get this even more. For example, we vampires are called monsters by humans. IN the movies and shows we watched, the humans hunted vampires and used them for their evil purposes.

However, those humans were portrayed as heroes. Did I ever take offense to that?"

"That was a movie! Out of 10 movies, 9 have humans as villains. Of course, we wouldn't take offense if a human calls other humans evil."

"Except vampires were hunted by humans for real. The great hunt— also known as the era of witch hunting. Do you have any idea how many innocent witches were hanged to death by the illiterate humans?"

"No such things happened. It's all conspiracies."

"Ask him." Jane shrugged her shoulders and pointed her gaze at Rudy.

Rudy let out a weary sigh and muttered, "I would be embarrassed to defend the humans."

"You are also a human."

"I wouldn't be surprised if the other races invade the mortal realm one day and kill all the humans," Jane asserted. "That would be a justifiable thing for them."

"Do not worry. I won't let anything happen to you girls," Rudy said with a wry smile on his face and got up from his seat.

He looked at the balcony and muttered, "They are almost done eating. I need to go."

After saying that, Rudy disappeared.

The girls looked at each other in confusion and asked, "He didn't answer my question, did he?"

"He didn't. He said it's part of his plan, so who knows what that might be?"

"..." Rias glanced at Jane and stared at her as though she wanted to say something to her.

But Jane's attention was on the other girls.

"Should we go after him?" Maria asked. "I mean, should we go out and see what he plans to do with them?"

"Let us be."

"What's wrong, Angelica?" Lilim noticed Angelica hadn't spoken a word ever since they began to talk about the liberated people.

"Nothing. Just feeling lazy."

"If you are feeling sleepy, you can go rest in... Rias' room. Her room is the only room that's ready."

"Why my room?" Rias immediately retorted.

"I just started my reason."

"But why my room? If she wants to sleep, there are many other options." Rias pointed her hand at the empty couches and said, "She can crash at the couch."

Under normal circumstances, Rias wouldn't have minded, but she couldn't let anyone enter her room since it was under the preparation of her revenge plan.

And of course, Angelica and the other girls knew about the plan. However, Lilim was genuinely worried about Angelica and wanted her to be in her best condition.

"I am fine. I just need time." Angelica calmly said. "I am recovering my memories slowly and I am thinking about those memories most of the time, which is why I am absentminded lately. Don't mind me."

"Why were you so rude to her, Rias?" Jane asked angrily. "You can't talk to others like that."

"Jane... you have no right to tell me what is rude."

"..." After a moment of silence, Jane asked, "What's been eating you?"

"When you mentioned the other races invading this world, Rudy had a reaction on his face..." Rias mentioned hesitantly.

"And...?"

"Do you remember a story Grandma Nyxia used to tell us when we were kids?"

"...which one...?"

"About a being that would do justice to all the races and let them go back to the world they belong? This world. And it would cause the great apocalypse."

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Chapter 870: Laws and Orders of Rudy's Dynasty

"Do you remember that story?" Rias asked.

"I think I do. I vaguely remember that story and the question I always asked Grandma Nyxia."

"The Lord has prohibited us from entering the human world, so how could someone go against the Lord's word and let the other races go to the human world?"

That was the question Jane and Rias always asked her, but Nyxia never answered that question, except once.

"She said there was something stronger and greater than the Lord's existence. That entity is Overlord," Rias stated.

"Yes," Jane nodded. "But what does all that have to do with...?" Jane was confused, but she understood what Rias was trying to say.

"You don't mean..." Jane stopped on her words.

"Yes. Rudy... might be that entity... and he might be planning to bring an apocalypse to this world..."

"B-But why would he do that?!"

"Relax. Grandma Nyxia always told us all types of stories. She never said it was real and even if it was, how and why would she know about it? It might just be a bedtime story and we could be overreacting."

"True."

'But why am I not convinced? Why else would Rudy bring thousands upon thousands of superpowered people to this kingdom?' Jane thought to herself.

'What are you plotting, Rudy?'

Outside the castle, Rudy stood before the gathered crowd, his voice filled with passion and conviction. The area within the castle walls was hushed, every eye fixed upon him, waiting for his words to weave a vision of what life in his dynasty would be like.

"My friends," Rudy began, his voice resonating with strength and warmth, "Today marks the dawn of a new era. We have emerged from the depths of darkness, united by our shared struggles and the bonds we have formed. In my dynasty, we will forge a world unlike any other—a world where freedom, prosperity, and harmony reign supreme."

He paused, allowing his words to sink in, and the room filled with a collective anticipation. The air crackled with excitement as everyone hung on his every word.

"In my dynasty," Rudy continued, his gaze sweeping across the room, "You will find a place of refuge, a sanctuary where you can be your true selves. No longer will you be confined by the chains of fear or oppression. Here, your dreams will flourish, and your spirits will soar."

A murmur of agreement rippled through the crowd, expressions of hope and longing etched upon their faces. Rudy's words struck a chord within each person, igniting a fire of possibilities in their hearts.

"In my dynasty," Rudy declared, his voice rising with conviction, "We will foster a community built on respect, compassion, and understanding. No one will be judged by their past, for we have all emerged from the crucible of adversity. We will celebrate our diversity and embrace our differences, recognizing that our strength lies in our unity."

The crowd nodded in agreement, a wave of unity washing over them. Rudy's words inspired a sense of belonging and purpose, resonating with their deepest desires for a better future.

"In my dynasty," Rudy proclaimed, his voice filled with unwavering determination, "We will strive for excellence and push the boundaries of what is possible. Here, your talents will be nurtured, your potential unlocked. Together, we will create a society where everyone has the opportunity to thrive and shine."

Cheers erupted, echoing through the castle walls, as Rudy's words ignited a spark of ambition and limitless potential in the hearts of those gathered. They saw before them a leader who believed in their collective power, a leader who would guide them towards greatness.

"In my dynasty," Rudy concluded, his voice filled with hope and promise, "We will write a new chapter in history—a chapter of triumph over adversity, of unity in the face of darkness— and create a future. Together, we will build a legacy that future generations will look upon with awe and admiration."

The crowd erupted in thunderous applause, a chorus of belief and determination. They had found their leader, their beacon of hope, and they were ready to embark on a journey towards a future filled with boundless possibilities.

"There are many other benefits, but I stated the obvious ones that everyone should know. In my dynasty, we value the principles of equality, justice, and unity," Rudy continued, his gaze sweeping across the room.

"But to maintain the delicate balance of our utopia, we must adhere to a set of rules and laws. These laws are designed to protect us, to guide us, and to ensure that every individual can thrive within our kingdom."

A murmur of agreement rippled through the crowd, acknowledging the importance of structure and order in their newfound sanctuary.

Rudy raised his hand, his voice firm. "There will be no tolerance for those who threaten the peace and stability of our dynasty. I have established a few strict laws that must be obeyed by all who reside here. Failure to comply will result in severe consequences, including the punishment of death."

The atmosphere grew tense, but Rudy's unwavering resolve commanded their attention.

"Firstly, we shall respect and honour one another, regardless of our backgrounds or origins," Rudy declared. "Discrimination or acts of violence against fellow members of our dynasty will not be tolerated. We are a diverse community, and it is through our unity that we find strength."

He paused, his gaze meeting the eyes of each individual present. "Secondly, the super powers bestowed upon you must be used responsibly. Any misuse of power, whether physical, mental, or otherwise, will be met with swift justice."

A collective nod rippled through the crowd, a testament to their commitment to a harmonious coexistence.

"And finally," Rudy's voice grew solemn, "we shall protect the secrecy of our dynasty at all costs. We must remain hidden from the outside world, shielding ourselves from those who seek to exploit or destroy what we have built. Those who jeopardise our safety by revealing our existence will face the ultimate penalty."

As the weight of his words settled upon the room, Rudy's expression softened. "I understand that these laws may seem strict, but they are necessary for the preservation of our sanctuary. Together, we will forge a future of peace, prosperity, and happiness. We have been given a second chance at life, and it is our duty to make the most of it."