#### **Gacha 1131**

### Chapter 1131 - A Weird Fool

A month later, Alex and Firia came out of the room. They had been training this whole time in that refining room and returned to their original room only to rest.

"It's finally time." Alex smirked.

"Indeed. Let's go. We need to line up to sign up for the competition." Firia smiled and pulled him to the elevator door.

"Eh? You haven't signed us up?" Alex widened his eyes in surprise.

"Ah, now that I think about it, I haven't filled you with anything. I will tell you about it on the way. Let's go."

Alex nodded and followed her as quickly as possible. William also followed them without fail while looking around, checking the Spiritual Energy around the area.

They went down to the ninetieth floor and saw so many people lining up. However, Firia dragged him to another place.

"We're supposed to—" Alex opened his mouth, only to be stopped by Firia.

"Nope. That's for normal people. Since we have the most expensive room, we have our own line. You can say it's a benefit as well." She smirked. "Did I not say it? For a normal person, the benefit isn't really worth the price. But for people like us, it's good since we can stay until the last minute."

"I see." Alex nodded and remembered two days ago when someone brought the money to their room. From the three pills, they surprisingly got a whopping forty billion Spirit Crystals, so three hundred million were just a mere pocket change.

"Haha, I thought you were a spendthrift." Alex joked, teasing Firia.

Firia only pouted and shrugged. "I am not. I won't suggest you something so foolish unless I really don't know about it. Since I have understood most features of this tower, I suggest it for you."

"Haha, sorry sorry." Alex smiled and followed her, passing all the people who lined up.

Suddenly, they entered another hall where they could see the end of the first line. Meanwhile, he could see a few other counters that seemed to have little to no people. That must be for the wealthy people.

Firia brought him to a counter that had no one other than the staff in it.

"I would like to register. There are still a few hours left, right?"

"Yes. I need your name and Alchemy Ranking." The staff nodded and politely handed a paper for her to fill.

Firia nodded and wrote her name as the Alchemist and Alex's name as the supporter. Their influence was the same and there were no other details needed other than her rank.

After presenting the badge, the staff nodded her head and took out an orb. "For the requirement, we need to confirm your age since this competition is only for those under one thousand years old."

Both Alex and Firia placed their hands on the orb, showing their real age according to their bone.

The staff seemed to know nothing about them and proceeded to the next step. "I have confirmed everything. This is the token for participation. Congratulations, you are one of the seeded pairs in this tournament."

She presented a blue token before registering their name.

"Thank you." Alex took the token and threw it into the Inventory.

However, the moment they turned around, a red-haired young man walked toward them. Next to him was a Rank 5 God young woman and Rank 3 God middle-aged man.

"Well, well, to think I can meet the genius Firia Merona. It's an honor to meet you, Milady." The redhaired young man kneeled in front of her and was about to kiss her hand.

However, Firia slapped that hand away and frowned. It was like a custom back in the Acacia Kingdom in a noble gathering, but when she had entered Eulja and became Alex's wife, she felt nothing but disgust when someone tried to take advantage like this.

"Please respect yourself. If not, you should prepare for the consequences." She released a bit of her killing intent.

The middle-aged man behind him walked forward only to be stopped by a sword. He turned around and saw William, a Rank 2 God, stopped him with a smug smile. "You should stop. I don't like to spill blood here."

Alex frowned and asked, "Who is he?"

"Someone who uses Pure Fire. His name is Roy Lindao."

"So, he doesn't know your status." Alex narrowed his eyes when he activated his Spirit Eyes. He found that his cultivation was only a Rank 4 God like him, but he found someone's energy inside him. The fire was as intense as his Godly Pure Fire, but from a different type, making him wonder where he got such a fire.

However, he didn't want to make a move just yet. He needed to investigate this person before everything else. 'Xingzhi. Can you investigate his background? I don't know why but this type of energy feels like it can counter my Pure Fire.'

[On it. Do you think he has a connection with the Phoenix?]

'I can't answer that question. I will try to rile him up a bit while you prepare our army to set off.'

[I understand. I will prepare for it.]

'Sure.'

Meanwhile, Firia only shrugged, which showed the answer.

As expected, Alex turned around and saw him fuming when Firia talked to him. He pointed his forefinger at him and shouted. "Who are you?! What is your relationship with her?"

"Ah, I know I have grasped everything about him." Alex facepalmed, put his hand on Firia's shoulder and pulled her closer. "Let's not waste our time here. I am tired of conflict."

"Sure." Firia shrugged and followed him.

"You!"

"What you? I just want to warn you that everything you do will affect your world's survival. You should know what it means to touch someone from Eulja." Alex narrowed his eyes and released the full amount of his killing intent, alarming every single person on that floor. "You don't even do proper research and talk big. Huft."

Alex then looked at Firia. "I feel like your status has been spread around, right? Although not many are present, it's enough to be spread around."

"Yes. Unfortunately, Pure Fire seems to be too big of a deal." Firia nodded and let out a long sigh. "Well, maybe you should destroy another few planets so everyone, even the most clueless person, will know you."

"Who cares. I have too many things going on. Don't have time to handle a simple thing like that." Alex shrugged and shouted. "William, we're going."

Hearing that order, William looked at the middle-aged man for a while before sheathing his sword. He then followed them without saying anything. When he saw that the young man tried to reach Alex's shoulder in anger, William grabbed that same hand and pointed his sword at the young man.

Of course, as his bodyguard, the middle-aged man couldn't handle it anymore and pointed his own sword toward William.

William ignored it and asked, "What are you trying to do? I won't let you disrespect him anymore."

"You bastard! I will remember your face. I will destroy you in this competition."

Alex ignored him and continued walking to another place, not wanting to deal with this type of person.

"Say, is there a rule for not killing other participants?" Alex sighed.

"The tower has that rule."

"Haiz. Whatever. This is the first time we've met trouble, so I guess no one wins the bet, right?" Alex chuckled.

"You still remember it..." Firia rolled her eyes.

"Of course. Anyway, tell me about the rules of this competition."

"There is nothing to be said to be honest. Because of the hype of this competition, many are participating. Hence, those people will try to reduce the number in one go. I don't know about their method though."

Alex contemplated for a second before asking, "What were the trials back when you participated in this competition?"

"Refining. They made us do simple refining to eliminate half of the people. Then another refining to eliminate almost all of us, leaving only around ten of us. Then, we need to showcase our strength, refining the best thing we can do within one hour. After that, it's the real refining without a time limit."

"I see. You have confidence in all of them, right? I mean, I am worse than Alicia, you know."

"You are worse than her? That's the most ridiculous joke I've heard today." She chuckled. "Your Array Mastery was already far too impressive. Even Alicia acknowledged that the moment she saw your quick draw. Anyway, I think you don't need to show your skill for the moment and, if possible, help me by using a bit of your Pure Fire. I don't think it will suppress them since my fire is the main. I just need the "Pure" attribute from your fire to refine the pills. It will increase our speed and quality."

"That's not breaking a rule?"

"Yep. Don't worry about it." Firia nodded with a smile.

"So, where should we go now?" Alex asked.

"The floor below us. It's where the competition will be held. I wonder what will happen when they recognize you are the Spirit God. I mean, some of them should recognize you, right?"

"Yeah. We don't need multiple days to complete the competition, right? In that case, I don't need to hide my identity."

"Just prepare for the outburst."

"Haha. For what? Are they going to scrutinize me like I don't have the right to participate? I'm still a Rank 4 God, not a God King. What? My Godly Pure Fire? I don't even participate as the alchemist. If they still try to provoke me, they are simply too foolish. Do you think I don't dare to kill them in this place? Oops, not this place. Space World is another place after all." Alex made an evil smile.

"Haha. No one will complain about it, but your reputation will become even worse."

"I don't care. If they know me as a petty man, they won't bother you since they know I will kill them with just the slightest grievance." Alex shrugged. "This is my obligation and the burden I need to shoulder."

"Thank you." Firia smiled. "I truly thank you from the bottom of my heart."

"No need. I do it because I want to." Alex smiled. "Well, we should go to the venue instead of talking about this."

"Sure. This way." She led him to the venue. It was a grand venue capable of holding more than two thousand people. There was even a big arena in the middle of the venus where the people competed with each other.

Because this was one of the biggest competitions the pill tower had, the venue was packed up, so Firia showed him the room where the participants waited for him.

As one would expect, there were already around fifty people inside and a few hundred outside. He estimated that there would be five hundred people competing at once, so he wondered how it would turn out.

### Chapter 1132 - Competition

"Woah. It's the Spirit God."

"It's the Spirit God!"

"Spirit God is actually participating in this competition?"

"Who is that woman next to him? Is she his wife?"

"She is Firia Merona, the genius Alchemist from Eulja. She has a reputation as a good Alchemist even among the Highest Rank Alchemists."

As one would expect, the silence turned into an uproar the moment Alex and Firia entered the stage. However, it didn't come only with surprise. There were many who questioned his participation since his reputation was well-known.

Most people actually got scared because Alex might kill them if they dared to defeat him in this competition.

Some even wondered whether to accept their defeat this time and let the Spirit God do whatever he wanted this year and participate in another competition.

To calm their anxiety, Alex enhanced his voice with Spiritual Energy before saying with a calm expression. "Rest assured. If I lose, I will admit defeat. There is no need to be scared because I won't hold a grudge or whatever. I can guarantee it with my status as the Spirit God."

They began whispering with each other as they suddenly thought another thing after Alex's assurance.

"Hey, doesn't this mean the Spirit God has no intention to harm us?"

"Maybe he has another agenda?"

"That's right. Maybe if we win against him, he will scout us?"

"There is a possibility. If we can show our talent, he may play some importance on us."

"We will be able to get many benefits if we enter Eulja."

"That's right. I wonder what it takes to be scouted by him."

There was a talk about him using this chance to get the talented alchemists. After all, Alex was still in the middle of a war and he won the first battle. The momentum was him and with his prestige, there was a huge chance to win.

This would be the perfect time to join Eulja since Alex would also guarantee their lives according to the rumors about him.

After thinking for a while, somehow, most of the participants became even more fired up to win this battle. They tried to strike the chance no matter how slim it was.

Alex, on the other hand, never thought of that at all. However, he agreed that this might be a good place to see a talented young Alchemist.

Meanwhile, Firia prepared their furnace, ignoring all those people's reactions. They could speculate everything they wanted, but they needed to beat them first to even be considered. And it was almost impossible since Alex and Firia were the most anticipated winner this time.

There was only one person that could challenge her. It was none other than the idiotic guy, Rio Lindao. His power might have gotten to his head, but it by no means lessened his worth as Alchemist.

Alex thought for a moment and asked. "What do you think about every single round?"

"Ehm, are you sure? Although I hate to admit it, I'm not confident of achieving it. After all, every single Alchemist has their own strength."

Alex nodded with a serious expression. "I'm serious. I will try to help you."

"I understand."

Little did she know that Alex's true reason for wanting to finish first was to test the idiot Roy Lindao. He wanted to see his reaction and triggered him to make sure his choice.

After thinking for a moment, Alex came up with something good.

There were ten elders observing this competition. One of them stood up and asked Alex politely. "I would like to confirm that Your Excellency, the Spirit God, won't take anyone accountable if they somehow defeat you. Is that correct?"

"Yes. I have no hesitation in killing people, but I won't kill someone as long as they don't offend me. Beating me is not considered one... At least for me. This is my principle, so you can rest assured. I will also compete fairly." Alex smiled.

His statement was all they needed to hear.

Meanwhile, Alex placed the Memory Crystal inside his clothes, where it was visible to look anywhere. He needed to do this because he had a suspicion against Roy.

"!!!" Suddenly, he widened his eyes and saw Roy remained calm even though he should've known about his identity. He felt something bad about this but decided to remain calm for the time being. He thought, 'I need to know about him first because this is an important thing to do. The moment I know if he is related to one of them, I will kill him and every single of the people in that world while trying to acquire information about those weapons.'

"Since we have gotten confirmation from Your Excellency, then I, Xivana, announce the start of the dual competition. The first stage of this competition will eliminate most of the people here, so be prepared. As you may already know, our flame intensity can roughly determine what kind of pill we can make.

"Now the question is what determines flame intensity for Alchemy? After long research, we have found that there are five important aspects that need to be considered for Alchemy. They are control, power, type, purity, and temperature.

"Hence, we've built a special crystal that can calculate every single of them and turn them into a number. For example, if you can make your flame enveloped the crystal in an even proportion, your control over the flame is perfect.

"Type and Power are obviously related. For example, Pure Fire is the strongest type of fire which also gives the strongest power for Alchemy. Of course, its purity is top-notch too. Hence, Pure Fire is considered not only as a terrifying power but also the best flame in Alchemy.

"Last but not least, temperature. Even a Pure Fire has its own stage such as a normal Pure Fire and the awakened type. There was even a person who could evolve it even further, suppressing every single person who had Fire Element. Their temperature might vary, and the higher the temperature you can infuse, the better condition you get when refining the pill.

"This crystal can feel all of that and range it between one to one hundred points. It means if you have the perfect quality to become an Alchemist, you will get five hundred points. Since this is a duo competition, you may get help from your teammate in any form of assistance."

As he explained, a lady brought the crystal to the middle of the arena. The translucent pink-colored crystal immediately became the focus of the entire arena as they wondered what kind of crystal the Pill Tower produced.

Still, many people were baffled when they thought that this palm-sized crystal was actually the one that would determine the fate of the participants.

Meanwhile, after listening to those words, Alex felt like he knew what to do. He sent a thought transmission to Firia. 'Do you have confidence in getting the five hundred?'

'Ehm, I'm not sure. Although I have confidence in getting a high score, I don't know if I can get the top one.'

'I will channel my power a bit to you. After my Pure Fire evolved to Godly Pure Fire, your fire wouldn't lose against a Pure Fire. And I will try using my Space Element to improve your control.' He smiled, assuring her that she would get the perfect score.

'I understand. I will be relying on you.' She smiled. 'Although I feel that my control is great, I can't say that it's perfect.'

'It's fine. I'm not confident in my own control at first. I needed to see hell first to understand how important control is.' Alex smiled and patted her shoulder.

"Then, who would like to try first?" The elder asked. "By the way, anyone with less than 350 points is to be eliminated. This may be strict, but it's natural to think this way. If you don't like it, come again in ten years."

The majority of people here gulped down, having no confidence in themselves. They looked at each other, wondering if they should go first. Obviously, among so many participants, there were a few reckless and brave ones.

This time, a pair of men stepped forward. The first man had a nine-pointed star too, but the color of its badge symbolized that he was only a Low Rank 9 Alchemist.

Meanwhile, the other guy seemed to have the power of Rank 9 Array Master too, so he should be able to help him during this ordeal.

"You are to hit the ball with your fire from fifty meters. Of course, we will keep monitoring the influx of energy here, so no one can go away from cheating." The elder announced while frowning.

After getting the clarification from the elder, the two men walked back, distancing themselves according to the elder's instruction.

The Alchemist then released his Fire while the Array Master started creating the array in front of him. When the array was ready, the Alchemist released his fire, hitting the array.

Surprisingly, the array absorbed the fire before creating a stronger fire. It reached the crystal and enveloped it.

Suddenly, a number popped out from the crystal as if the crystal projected it.

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"Oh?! We have gotten someone qualified in the first try."

"It seems to be not that hard. We should try it first before getting scared."

"Indeed. Let's go."

More and more people gained confidence after seeing this. The elder arranged the order for the people as one by one started to show their strength.

Unfortunately, not a single of them managed to pass. Many people started getting angry because of this and tried to protest, but the elders had their own stand. They didn't accept any of their pleas and expelled them from the competition.

Since so many people finished their assessment, more and more pairs took the test.

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"Ugh. No! How can it be?!" The Alchemist shouted his unwillingness before the guard escorted him out of the arena.

Suddenly, Roy came to the stage with a confident smile. He even pushed his assistance, who turned out to be the same woman he brought when he met Alex.

His Pure Fire gushed out of his body, revealing its might. People would feel the burden in their hearts because of the natural suppression.

The flame burst and turned into a bigger one. He then concentrated everything into his fist and punched forward as the Pure Fire created a vortex, hitting the crystal.

Surprisingly, what came out from the crystal showed his true value.

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"Ooh!"

"This is the highest score we've gotten so far. As expected from a Pure Fire user. His type, power, and temperature should be top-notch. As for the Purity, I feel like the flame still absorbs a bit of the natural element from the surrounding and the control over it is not perfect. That must be the reason he can't reach 500 points." The elder showed his amazement, explaining it to the audience so everyone could understand.

Suddenly, Roy raised his hand, pointing it toward Alex and Firia. "You're next."

### Chapter 1133 - First Round

"You're next."

Those words stunned the entire hall because they never expected that someone actually dared to challenge the Spirit God.

Like the Spirit God said, if they competed earnestly without offending him, they would get away even if they somehow won the competition.

Yet, Roy was brave enough to challenge the Spirit God. Fear struck their hearts when they saw the cold expression on Alex's face, wondering what would happen here. They just hoped that Alex wouldn't drag them into this hatred.

On the contrary, Alex's cold expression came from Roy, not because of his challenge, but the power inside him. No one would have the will to challenge him, especially without proper armies, so he thought this must be related to the power inside his body.

He then looked at his surroundings, finding four Rank 2 Gods watching the competition. The first one would be William. There were two elders with the same cultivation. However, he had no knowledge about the fourth one, so he wondered if he came with Roy.

'I still don't have enough proof, but I can safely assume that this guy is an enemy. I can even kill him without staining my reputation because of my words earlier. However, I will try to force him to use that power to confirm my assumption.' Alex thought and sent a thought transmission to William. 'Get ready to move at any moment's notice. I have a suspicion that there will be a Rank 2 God that will attack me in this competition.'

'I understand. I shall position myself, so I can react to anything that comes your way.' William nodded and changed his position.

He then turned to Firia and nodded his head, signaling that they would go last.

"You are just a fool." Alex shrugged and shook his head in disappointment. "Do you think you have the right to order me around?"

"Hmph. Just said if you have no confidence in beating me. To think the Spirit God doesn't have the courage to take up the challenge. It's pathetic."

The people in the hall were seriously screaming in their hearts. 'Just shut the f\*ck up, you idiot. We don't want to die because of you.'

It was a pretty cheap challenge that a fool could only think of and there was no way Alex would buy it.

Alex simply smiled and said, "You don't even understand what I mean. I won't bother myself with you."

"Haha. You are just scared." Roy kept taunting him until an elder stood up and shouted. "If you continue this harassment, we're going to expel your qualification and disqualify you immediately. This is a competition, not a place for you to say anything. Please keep it professional."

When he saw that even the elder helped Alex, he snorted and returned to his own position.

Alex simply waited for all the people to get the test, resulting in sixty percent of them failing. Of course, not a single person actually reached Roy's high score, so he got even more contempt, waiting for Alex to go on the stage.

Finally, after the long wait, Alex entered the stage. He was the last person to reach here, so he soon became the focus of attention, not only as the last pair, but also the most important one.

Alex then brought Firia to the stage with a calm expression under everyone's stare.

After Firia was ready, he placed his hand on his back and channeled his element inside her body.

The energy gradually flowed to her hand as she released the flame stronger than her Sacrificial Fire. However, its shell was still a Sacrificial Flower, so it didn't suppress anyone.

He pointed his palm toward the ball and released her flame like any others.

However, this time, Alex had improved her type, purity, power, and temperature with his Godly Pure Fire. To add the control, he channeled his Space Element around the crystal, shaping it like a crystal.

The moment the fire entered, it looked like there was something covering it to match the crystal's shape. It completely baffled everyone, but they soon realized that Alex was the one controlling the fire or whatever that helped the fire to form something like that.

"This..."

"This is a Space Element?"

"Spirit God has a Space Element?"

"You just knew it? I have known about it since the big war between Eulja and the alliance, you know."

"Really? How come I don't have the news?"

"Who knows?"

"Wait? Doesn't this mean the Spirit God also has the Pure Fire since he channeled his element to Firia Merona's body?"

"That's right. It means that her Sacrificial Fire actually came from the Spirit God."

"Doesn't this mean the Spirit God has both Pure Fire and Space Elements at the same time? Not only that, I've heard that the Spirit God once came out with a nine-pointed star golden badge. Considering his Pure Fire, it's no wonder."

"But you forget something, the Spirit God is acting as her supporter in this competition. In other words, he also has an affinity in Array Mastery."

"Pure Fire and Space Element, Alchemist, and Array Master... The Spirit God is insane."

"How come you don't know about it yet? It's been revealed already after the war."

"Maybe it's due to your place closer to the battlefield. We don't have that information yet."

"Really?"

The people discussed Alex's power, astonished by his immense power. This was the first time they could observe Alex's power from this close without dying, so everything was worth it even if Alex won this tournament.

The entire hall turned into an uproar. Even the elders couldn't help but talk with each other, wondering what they should do after this.

However, it turned out that the main thing in this event had yet to come. The crystal projected a number that signified Alex and Firia's power.

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Although it reached the highest point recorded, the fire didn't stop there. Because Alex enclosed the space, the fire's temperature increased significantly to the point it had enough heat to melt the crystal.

The number slowly disappeared from the people's eyes, shocking everyone in the hall once again. They simply couldn't believe that Alex and Firia just burned the crystal. If Alex and Firia's position reversed, they believed that Alex would get more points even without Firia's help.

Yet, that man actually gave up that glory and let his wife become the main instead, showing to the world how much he loved Firia. He didn't mind even if he was just a supporting character. As long as people recognized his wife, it was enough.

Those who realized it couldn't help but fall silent, watching Alex with admiration. No wonder that Firia would follow him as his wife. If they could get such a caring husband, they would offer themselves without hesitation.

Meanwhile, someone was actually gritting his teeth after getting flustered by that power. With how he talked this whole time, he simply had become a joke of this tournament.

Even people began wondering whether Alex would kill him because of his disrespect earlier.

Roy, who couldn't accept this, shouted while raising his hand. "You got maximum points just because you hit it together. I was alone when I took this test. I haven't lost yet."

Alex only shook his head in disappointment. He looked at the ceiling and sighed. "You're truly a fool. You haven't realized anything yet... No matter if you were a human, a dragon, an elf, you would need other people. Even without the others, I won't be able to become the way I'm now.

"You should respect other people first if you want the others to respect you. Unfortunately, you can't even understand it and you're older than me. Such a shame."

Alex's voice struck deep inside their hearts as they could somehow understand what he was saying.

"Bullsh\*t! Other people are just my weakness. I don't need them!" He shouted in denial.

"The moment you were born, you needed a mother to give birth to you. After that, you needed other people to take care of you until you started taking care of yourself. Then, without other people, you wouldn't have a home for you to live and cultivate.

"I can give more examples if you want, but I won't waste anyone's time. I just want to say that the people you think are just an ant that you can crush with your finger actually helps you in one way or another. Whether you realize it or not, it completely depends on you."

They began understanding why the Spirit God was loved by those under him. As a ruler, he respected no matter how low you were without demeaning the people above.

Even them couldn't help but have their heart touched by Alex's words. They fell silent for a while to think about it. Since the Spirit God, the most terrifying but respected God King in the past, had this kind of insight, why would they be embarrassed to start it themselves from now on?

Alex smiled and looked at Roy with a mocking smile. "That's all I want to say. You're truly foolish. A bad but silent person is actually better than you."

"Bullsh\*t! They are not even worth the shit on my boots. And you think they are worthy of my respect."

Alex shrugged. "That's your view. I don't have the intention to force my ideal into yourself, so deal with it yourself."

As he uttered those words, he looked at the elder and clasped his hand, slightly lowering his head. "I apologize to the elders. I have melted your crystal. I will properly pay it back with Spirit Crystal."

The elders looked at each other before one of them stepped forward and shook his head. "Please don't lower your head, Spirit God. You don't need to worry about the crystal because we can simply make another one. Instead, I would like to give my thanks for your deep insight. This old man has realized the true essence of bonds."

"I understand. Then, since we all have finished, why don't we continue to the next round?" Alex smiled with confidence.

After thinking for a while, the elder announced. "The first round is Alexander Sirius's victory."

"Uoh!" All people cheered as they knew he deserved it.

Alex smiled and nodded, returning to Firia's side.

The elder then announced. "For the next stage, what we are going to test is speed. In other words, you're required to create a Rank 9 Pill as quickly as possible. There are only ten spots for the last round. Because all of you come from different worlds, we can only ask you to provide the ingredients yourself and refine them as quickly as possible.

"Of course, any technique is allowed, so you don't need to worry about it." The elder finished explaining about the next stage and returned to his position.

Alex and Firia exchanged looks, albeit they realized both of them had a different plan.

"Rank 9 Rejuvenation Pill?" Alex asked. "It's the easiest pill so far."

"No. I'm going to make a Mid Rank 9 Pill, Divine Bone Pill."

"Why?" Alex tilted his head in confusion.

She then sent a thought transmission to him, explaining what she planned to do. He was surprised to hear that it was related to what he had shown earlier.

After contemplating the process, he finally agreed to Firia's suggestion and trusted his judgment.

"I'm not going to lose again! After talking that big in front of everyone, I'm going to beat you and humiliate you." Roy pointed his finger while gritting his teeth.

Alex only frowned as he thought that Roy would be using the hidden fire. He also prepared for everything to happen because he couldn't afford someone to make a sneak attack.

'How should I rile this person up again? Well, Lin Xingzhi will be aiming at his home, so the moment that flame is out, I will know about the situation. I wonder if he has a parasite in his body..." Alex frowned his eyebrows.

The elder, on the other hand, ignored that remark and announced.

"Second Round starts!"

# Chapter 1134 - Second Round

"Second round starts."

The moment the elder announced it, Firia hurriedly took out the Alchemist Furnace and threw the ingredients inside. Alex, on the other hand, started drawing an array for her.

Firia warmed the ingredients up before lifting them to the sky and releasing her fire to the air, hitting the array that Alex created earlier.

The array was none other than the Dragon Gate Refining Array, the array that Alex had used when refining the White Ash Pill back in Eulja.

Firia's fire turned from a carp to a full-fledged dragon that soared to the sky while refining the ingredients with its fire energy.

Alex saw this as a chance and isolated each ingredient with his Space Element like how he increased the temperature earlier.

There was one important step for Divine Bone Pill. It was to melt every single ingredient. To do it as quickly as possible, Alex's enclosed space could be utilized, so they could almost skip the entire process and fuse it within thirty minutes.

In this step, Alex had nothing to do other than maintaining the array, so he turned around to see other participants.

As expected, there was only one person who took his attention. It was none other than the guy who had been taunting him.

'Hmm. After this amount of insults he threw at me, I feel like this is not as simple as seen. He must have some confidence in dealing with me or someone is actually ordering him to do something like that. Unfortunately, I can't see the latter for the time being,' thought Alex while observing what Roy was doing.

It seemed he was normally refining like any other participants here, but it all changed when the woman came into the picture. Before using her as an array master, Roy suddenly choked the woman before ripping the woman's clothes, revealing its skin.

Surprisingly, underneath her clothes were many wounds that had yet to be healed. The female couldn't even say anything because Roy already cut the woman's belly with his nails, letting her bleed.

He then waved his hand, controlling the Spiritual Energy to lift the blood and fuse it with his ingredients. The blood became the catalyst to speed up the process of refining.

"!!!" Alex widened his eyes. Although he didn't know this woman, he indeed felt sympathy for the woman who was subjected to that kind of treatment. However, he had no intention of helping her and becoming the hero of justice.

'Firia. What is that woman called?' Alex asked, knowing that this woman was probably treated as an object instead of a person.

'Pill Slave. There are women and men in this universe that have a special physique that can enhance one's pill quality, including the refining speed. That woman is something like that.' Firia answered with a thought transmission.

'There are also men?'

'Yes. He probably used that woman to relieve him as well while torturing her with this kind of treatment. He only maintains that woman's life, so she can keep producing the special blood, albeit, for them, it's the torture they need to endure for the rest of their lives, considering they must have been subjected to not be able to commit suicide.'

'Hmm...' Alex narrowed his eyes and shook his head. 'If I say I won't do anything, will you be disappointed?'

'No. I know you and your character. For us, she is nothing but a stranger. However, I still believe that ending the woman's life will make her feel better. It's a kind of relief for them. There are strong-willed ones, so you probably want to ask them first. You are going to make a move to that guy, right?'

'Yes. This is still a suspicion, but I feel like this one is a real deal. So, there might be a battle here. I will try to help you, but you should ready your Teleportation Array Plate if I can't help you.' Alex nodded.

'I understand. Anyway, these people are popular even among elders in this tower. Many don't condone such an act, but in their original worlds, it's something normal. Losing the right to use them is the same as losing their fire to refine pills. I'm sure you understand why they allow it, right?'

'Yep.' Alex nodded. 'Well, I may be called evil by other people, but by no means am I a monster. I still have standards.'

'Haha. I expected that line.' Firia chuckled before looking above her. 'It's going to be ready.'

'No. Hurry up.' Alex suddenly moved toward her and channeled his power inside her body again when he saw that Roy actually used more blood than he was supposed to, reaching the fusion stage at the same time as Firia.

However, the woman fell to the ground with a pale face. Her eyes were hollow and her consciousness was fuzzy. Without any feeling, Roy kicked her, so she didn't stay together with him while refining the pill.

Alex closed his eyes and wished the woman luck in her next life before focusing on his pill. 'This time, I don't feel like losing.'

'Understood.' Firia turned serious as she clapped her hand and channeled all her energy to refine the pill.

Meanwhile, Roy tried to taunt Alex again by saying, "Hahaha! I'm going to win this time. Shame to you, Spirit God."

Alex ignored him and raised his hand before releasing his fire to help Firia. "I'm going to help you directly."

Firia nodded.

Alex's Pure Fire gushed out of his body as every single person in this hall who had Fire Element in their body, including all participants, felt the suppression of Alex's flame.

"Pure Fire?!"

The elders dropped to the ground, kneeling in front of him. All participants failed to make their pills because of the suppression that took their flame away. Meanwhile, only one person could withstand this pressure. Yes, it was Roy.

Alex's expression turned cold as he said, "I'm sorry, everyone. I don't feel like losing today, so I'm going to be serious for a bit."

The fire enhanced Firia's flame even further as both Original Element and Sacrificial Element intertwined, creating a new synergy between them.

Seeing this, Roy suddenly panicked because he felt that Alex's Pure Fire could actually suppress his own Pure Fire. If not because of the mysterious fire in his body, he would be down on the floor like all others.

"Kh!" Roy gritted his teeth and decided to use the fire as well.

Unfortunately for him, he was too late because that shock earlier gave all the time Firia and Alex needed to complete their pill.

Firia grabbed that pill and showed it to the people as Alex sealed his Pure Fire again.

"This is a Divine Bone Pill. We win the second round." Firia announced, looking down on Roy.

Alex, on the other hand, cupped his hand politely to other people and the elders. "Once again, I would like to apologize for my rudeness. I did it because of a certain someone. And don't you think it's weird that you still feel the suppression even though I have put away my fire?"

Alex pushed all the blame to Roy and directed their attention to Roy's fire.

"!!!" Roy gritted his teeth as he never thought Alex pulled this kind of move.

All the people looked at Roy with anger in their eyes. The audience felt sad when the woman that Roy brought was treated like that. Although some elders used the same method, they didn't treat the women that badly, making a foul taste in their mouths.

At the same time, they hated Roy because of his continuous insults. In fact, if Alex killed Roy here, they would think nothing of it other than he deserved it.

After all, had they changed position with Alex, they would have killed him before the competition.

Even the fact that Alex forced them to fail was ignored and directed to Roy instead. After all, he would have done the same if he didn't win this round. In other words, Alex just did everything to protect himself.

Little did they know that their judgment was already polluted by Alex's calm actions this whole time. This was one of the traps he had set up the moment he wanted to expose Roy. Of course, he started becoming a schemer after getting the training from the Dungeon God's inheritance place.

Unfortunately, before anyone could say anything, Roy had already formed his pill, which also meant that he completed the task.

"I still complete my task. What do you want to say? I still qualify for the next round." Roy ignored their rage and continued being shameless.

Despite the hate he had this whole time, the elder, who announced everything until now, had no right to take Roy's right to advance to another stage.

"Because there are only two people competing for this spot, this third stage will also become the last test. The requirement will be refining the best pill you can. The time limit is a day."

When the elder announced it, the participants felt disappointed. If possible, they truly wanted to beat Roy right now because he was actually the one ruining everything.

Alex, on the other hand, smiled and turned around, looking at Firia. "What do you want to make? I will help you with my Pure Fire. Of course, I'm just your supporter today. You're still going to be the one refining the pill."

Firia smiled and gently nodded her head while saying, "I will be making High Rank 9 Pill, 100 Medicinal Pill."

"Oh?" Alex nodded. Just like the name implied, the pill would require one hundred purifying medicinal herbs, which could detoxify any kind of poison. If it were to be refined by a Pure Fire, the detoxifying effect would be amplified.

If this were a normal 100 Medicinal Pill, the price would be equal to three White Ash Pill. After all, this pill could cure every single poison. Much less the one that was created by Pure Fire. And when they recalled how Alex's suppression was actually stronger than Roy's Pure Fire, they realized that this would be a treasure.

Although Roy's mysterious fire could rival such a thing, they knew it was a different type of fire, so they thought the purity couldn't be compared to that of a Pure Fire. Hence, if Roy refined the same pill, which could be the hardest pill to ever make,? he would lose without a doubt.

In other words, this round was Alex's victory.

"Do you think you can beat me just like that? I will also make 100 Medicinal Pill. Your Pure Fire won't be able to beat my Phoenix Sun Fire. Unlike a normal Phoenix Fire, this fire has been refined by the Sun Essence. This is the greatest fire that you could ever meet because this fire comes from another universe! This is the purest form of fire because it comes from the Fire Disturbance!" Roy became desperate the moment he understood the situation.

Unfortunately for him, this was the exact thing Alex wanted him to do.

'I've got him.'

# Chapter 1135 - "Third Round"

"Right? Phoenix Sun Fire..." Alex smirked before laughing out loud. "This is truly hilarious. The fire inside you is just a temporary fire that will die soon the moment you release it. Now, I have enough reasons to destroy your entire planet... To think that you would have sold yourself away to another universe.

"I don't know whether you are aware of it or not, but the thing inside your body... was the one that created the dark era five thousand years ago." Alex snorted and continued.

"You don't have any proof. Otherwise, the people here already know about it. You're just lying because you can't oppress me with that flame of yours," shouted Roy while waving his hand, telling him he was wrong.

"Yeah, yeah. Whatever you said. Everything will be over and I can prove my claim as soon as I destroy your planet. Besides, it's not like it's that hard to even get the proof of the connection between you and the one who put the fire in you... Or should I say the Phoenix Goddess?" Alex smirked before turning to

William. "William, call Lin Xingzhi for me and inform the situation. Have her attack this guy's world immediately. There is a possibility of a God King hiding in his place, so be careful."

William nodded with a serious expression before he began moving.

Roy panicked and shouted. "Hillman, kill him!"

The middle-aged man that came with him earlier suddenly disappeared, heading straight toward Alex.

"!!!" William narrowed his eyes and jumped toward him to protect Alex, but a mysterious Rank 2 God appeared and stopped William.

"Hahaha! Even if you are a Rank 4 God, you won't be able to defeat a Rank 3 God. Die, Spirit God!" Roy laughed.

Suddenly, Firia's shadow expanded as multiple streams of shadow emerged, heading straight toward Hillman, stopping his movement.

Hillman turned out to be better than he expected as he released the same fire as Roy and burned the shadow.

Sullivan was forced to make his appearance.

## Clang.

A clashing sound echoed in everyone's ears as Hillman couldn't even reach Alex. Sullivan, who appeared out of nowhere, truly shocked the entire audience, but he simply ignored them and said, "It's not the time for His Majesty to make his move yet."

Alex activated his Spirit Eyes and saw through every single person in this area. In fact, he had seen them while refining to see the precaution, but he realized that the situation was worse than he imagined.

'Lin Xingzhi. You should go right now. Ask our allies to secretly move too because we might have the chance to pull the connection between the God King that is hiding in that planet to the Phoenix Queen. After that, we will pull them together with the Dragon God and the others.'

[Understood. We will be flying in ten minutes.]

'Alright.' Alex nodded before shouting. "Sullivan, take care of the one behind me. I will handle that Rank 3 God."

Sullivan widened his eyes and leaped toward Alex, preventing another Rank 2 God from hitting Firia. It turned out that one of the elders actually supported Roy.

"No need to hold back. We want to deal with this as soon as possible." Alex snorted.

"Understood." William and Sullivan nodded at the same time. The former pulled both blades and aimed them toward the guy in his way. Meanwhile, Sullivan activated his True Spirit Body and handled the elder.

"After you promised to not cause accidents in this place, this is your action, Spirit God? Shame on you!" The elder shouted, trying to push the blame to him.

"Just shut up, Old Man. I know that you can use the same flame. Judging by the intensity, the one in that old guy's body is stronger while you three have the same level. I can't wait for what I will find on your planet." Alex smirked.

Roy clenched his fists and ordered. "Hillman! What are you waiting for? Kill him!"

As soon as he heard that order, Hillman leaped toward Alex while swinging his axe. It had been covered with fire too, so this attack would surely deal serious damage to Alex.

However, the latter simply took out his sword and infused his Elements, Divine Energy, Intent, Qi, and Soul.

"Five Purities Slash."

Alex's sword and the guy's fire axe clashed against each other for a while before he felt the difference in power behind Alex's Martial Art and got blown away.

Boom.

He crashed to the wall.

Alex used this time to announce. "Those who are unrelated shouldn't make any move. This matter is why the alliance wants to kill me. They are trying to revive their king, who was the real cause of that dark era. While the alliances, including the Earth God and Battle God, are their subordinates. And they were the ones responsible for killing the Dungeon God and the others.

"Even my past life died under their king's hand. That's why I will fix this right now before they can do anything. I know that it's hard to believe in me, but I simply want you to stay where you are. I will explain it to you later." Alex smiled, trying to rally the people here to spread the rumors about the beast along with its armies.

This way, the rumors would spread and the enemies wouldn't try to do something big for the time being, giving him a bit more time.

As for the proof, he would just summon Jeanne here and show everyone the real truth after torturing. That was an easy thing to do unless they planned to commit suicide.

Because of the talk where he had to settle down the participants and audience, he allowed Hillman to recover and charge at him with a serious expression.

At the same time, he found Roy was about to escape.

"You're not getting anywhere!" Alex shouted and grasped his hand, sending his Space Element toward Roy and hitting him from above as if he got slapped by an invisible hand.

Bang.

A huge rectangular crater appeared and pinned Roy from the ground. Obviously, as he was only a Rank? 6 God, he couldn't even properly attack him. And everyone in this place should have begun to speculate something fishy in Roy's reaction.

In fact, Roy's planet should only have one Rank 2 God. Yet, there was a mysterious expert hiding their radar and didn't come to protect him from the start. This showed that Roy actually had a hidden intention in participating in this competition and built up his career in the Pill Tower.

Alex saw Hillman coming and stopped his charge with his sword before summoning his Spirit Crown. He then shouted to the other Rank 2 God elder and said, "I think you should start protecting the people here and preventing them from going outside. I don't want any misunderstanding left in the air. I can take care of this matter myself and you don't need to worry about me breaking the rule of Pill Tower. I won't."

Although he had been suspicious about Roy's identity, he had no choice other than to follow Alex's instructions because he didn't know whose side to choose as the right and wrong were not clear yet.

"Firia, take care of yourself." Alex smiled and took out his spear.

"Understood." She nodded and took out an Array Plate. It was the Teleportation Array Plate Alex made her promise earlier.

Alex then released both of his elements, covering the spear's tip with his Space Element before he thrust it toward Hillman.

"Ha!" Hillman struck Alex's spear with all of his power before he realized what was happening. "It's not touching?"

It was true. This time, Hillman's axe didn't even touch Alex's spear because he solidified Space Element around his spear.

At the same time, Alex channeled all his Pure Fire to his sword and struck him from above.

# Clang.

Hillman managed to stop that slash with his axe's handle, albeit surprisingly, an entire arena turned into a crater just because of that attack. It turned out that Alex actually hit him with the Nature Energy from the Spirit Crown.

"Kh!" Hillman felt that hit earlier before he released all of his power.

Although he didn't care about this place, it was better if no more people intervened because there was a chance of them being another accomplice. Hence, Alex used his Space Element to reinforce the entire floor while activating his Sound Insulation Array.

Seeing this chance, Hillman attacked him from below.

Alex narrowed his eyes and smiled. Activating both Dragon Aura and Phoenix Aura, he added the power with his Fire Authority second stage. He then leaped back and thrust his spear toward him, to which he stopped it with his axe.

Unfortunately, he realized it too late when a torrential fire hit his back.

"Gah!"

Alex smiled as his Twin Fusion Spear always succeeded for a sneak attack. After that one attack, a door of opportunity smiled at him.

Alex raised his sword and channeled all his power into it.

"Five Purities Slash."

The slash once again hit his axe, preventing it from killing him. However, Alex had gained the advantage and pinned him to the ground.

Not wanting to leave any more chance for Hillman, Alex summoned two dragons from both weapons, charging at him from two sides. As he was trying to stop them, Alex used his power to press him to the ground.

The man himself seemed to have no control over his fire or a Martial Art that could complement it. Hence, Alex thought that this battle seemed to be going better than he imagined it would.

The two dragons broke past the barrier he made with Divine Energy and swallowed both arms.

"Ah!" Hillman screamed in pain as he lost the strength to grip his weapon.

And Alex used this opportunity to stab him in the stomach.

Remembering the ban of killing in this Pill Tower, Alex stopped before he sliced Hillman's body.

"Alex? Why did you stop?" Firia stared at him in amazement, thinking that he wanted to get information from him.

But little did she know Alex only wanted to follow the rule. However, he didn't state he would spare his life.

Not wanting to get into trouble, Alex summoned a Spatial Gate toward the Space World and threw Hillman's body that seemed to have grown weaker after all the injuries.

He smiled and thrust his spear, piercing his head without mercy. "You're dead."

"Look! I didn't kill in this Pill Tower. Instead, I killed him in the Space World, so I didn't break any rule." Alex innocently proved his words before turning around.

The people inside were stunned by his reasoning, but they couldn't refute it either. Alex, on the contrary, shouted to both William and Sullivan. "You two, you hear me? We don't kill people here? Bring those two to me and we can kill them in the Space World."

William and Sullivan laughed at Alex's approach and nodded at the same time. "Leave it to us, Your Majesty."

Meanwhile, Roy, who was pinned to the ground this whole time, panicked as he never thought that Alex would be able to beat a Rank 3 God.

That might also be the reason why Alex called him a fool who couldn't even see who was before him. He was too ignorant to know about Alex's deed of killing a Rank 2 God.

Not bothered by the thoughts, he walked toward Roy with a poker face before lifting him up with Divine Energy to prevent him from escaping. After that, a card appeared in his hand as he summoned Jeanne out of the card.

"Your Majesty." Jeanne lowered her head and greeted him politely.

"Jeanne... I'm leaving him to you. Make him confess everything, including the connection and their plans." Alex ordered.

Jeanne smiled and turned around, reaching Roy's head and grabbing his hair. She pulled him out of the ground and lifted him a bit, moving to another place that could be seen from all sides of the arena.

She then started taking out her torture device from the Inventory and began torturing Roy.

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The details are omitted.

### Chapter 1136 - Information

A few minutes later, Roy dropped to the ground, begging Alex to stop because he would be telling everything. The torture was unimaginable for most people even though Alex had blurred almost everything with his Space Element, only letting them see that Roy kept screaming painfully.

His and Jeanne's shadows remained to be seen, but it just made the torture looked more ruthless as they were trying to imagine what Jeanne actually did to him.

Meanwhile, Alex had killed the other two Rank 2 Gods inside the Space World with the help of Sullivan and William.

This situation had turned completely in his favor as Alex forced Roy to make a Universe Oath that he would tell the truth.

After getting that promise, Alex gave the first question. "Do you know the connection between the Phoenix Goddess and the dark era when you receive her power?"

"Yes, I know. The Great Supreme Being will descend to this universe once again and decimate all the population here, turning this universe into hell."

The people gasped from the first statement alone as they were about to throw up, asking them why they couldn't believe Alex earlier. They would have helped him even if it cost them their lives.

However, Alex waved his hand and asked them to shut up because he still questioned him. "What is inside your home planet? And who is hiding in it?"

"The one which originally received her power was my father. He became a God King twenty years ago."

Once again, the people who witnessed this shivered.

"Is your father there, right now? Are there any traps installed there or all of this is just a piece of the big plan to trap me?"

"No... No one knows about it yet. There is no trap or whatsoever. After knowing that I would face Firia Merona in the competition, the Phoenix Goddess asked me to lie to her and killed her in some way or another. That's why there was a need for two Rank 2 God because she would've gone with at least one Rank 2 God."

Alex's expression turned cold as his killing intent from his eyes. He tried hard to control himself and continued asking, "How many people are influenced by the Phoenix Goddess in this place?"

"It's only Elder Mua that died earlier."

Alex contemplated for a moment and asked, "What is their general plan to deal with me?"

"I don't know. I haven't gotten any important information as my father is the one dealing with her the whole time."

"Is there anything I can find from your father or will he die if he tells me information?"

"No. He won't die." He shook his head.

Before asking another question, Alex asked, 'Who is managing the system?'

[Me, Anya.]

'Anyone with Xingzhi right now?'

[Yes. Because we haven't gotten the full story yet, I have asked Anna to come with her.]

'Tell her to bring another God King to extract the information from the God King to know more about the Phoenix Goddess, Dragon God, and other accomplices. What I want right now is the information about the Bat to be honest because they have a huge number.'

[I understand. I will relay your message to Anna, so she can tell Lin Xingzhi everything. Of course, we don't have much hope for getting any information, but we will need to wait before getting any result. Of course, I'm planning to search for any clues in their home since they will surely leave some.]

'Sure. With you and Aria there, I don't need to worry about the battle plan even if I'm not on the field.'

[Good. And what are you going to do with the others?]

Alex thought for a moment and sighed. 'As much as I don't want to say it, we need to kill them. There must be Phoenix's spies there and I don't have time to see each citizen to prove my point.'

[I understand. We have gathered our resolve before going to war, so you don't need to worry about our determination.]

'Alright. I will leave everything to you.' Alex nodded before returning his focus to Roy. "What do you know about us, specifically Eulja and me?"

"I don't know much other than your abilities and the fact that you are on the list of people we need to kill. On the very top at that."

"So you have been pretending this whole time..."

"Yes." Roy admitted it because of the oath. "Though the Phoenix Queen and I didn't expect you to be here. We thought it would be Alicia, so we would kill them both because it would surely devastate you. At that time, you would be bound to make a radical move. That's where we will catch you is what I'm assuming."

Alex remembered the past life's character, so this kind of action would be very possible. But he didn't know whether his current self would do the same or not.

'Well, seeing that this remark alone has made me want to kill him and his world, I think I will do the same. They have been learning about me and trying to take advantage of this information...' Alex thought, discovering that the "weapons" might be harder for him to handle.

Alex began asking him a few more questions related to every single thing he could think of, including Anya's suggestions.

The people in the hall, including the elders, were furious. They never expected that they had been long in the dark and once this appeared, they would never know what killed them.

This was Alex's deliberate plan to spread the rumor about the beast and wanted them to arrange the army.

Unfortunately, it also meant that there would be potential spies hiding under them. Hence, even if they tried coming to him, he would just ignore them and go with his current allies as they were the only people he could trust right now.

But this also left a huge impact on the "weapons" because they needed to find a safer means to hide their position until the real Supreme Beast came out of the seal.

The benefit outweighs the loss either way, so he chose this method rather than getting the information alone.

This would also make the universe investigate the remaining targets while using them as sacrifices to know whether the location was known because it was a trap or not.

Alex then ended it with one question that he asked with a cold tone. "Do you want to live?"

"Yes, yes. I want to live. Please don't kill me." Roy started begging for his life and kneeled in front of him. "I was wrong. I would tell you anything I know."

Alex simply ignored his pleas as he asked another question. "Have you told me everything you know about the Phoenix Goddess and your relationship with them?"

Not having the ability to dodge this bullet because of the Universe Oath, Roy said, "Yes."

It was a definite answer that simply told Alex that he had no more worth in him.

Alex also understood this situation and looked at Jeanne. "Torture him again."

"Understood."

After finishing his questioning, Alex then walked toward the woman Roy abused earlier, finding her not dead yet.

He tried to wake her up and found the trace of the slave mark in her body. Using the Pure Fire to burn that mark, Alex basically freed her from that bind.

It also became a gentle alarm to her body as she gradually opened her eyes. Even though she was too weak to even do anything, she seemed to have recognized what happened and knew that Alex saved her.

Alex looked at her with a poker face and said, "You don't have to become a slave anymore. You're a Rank 5 God, so I believe you can restart your life again. However, the choice is yours and I won't do anything to influence you to make a certain decision."

The woman opened her mouth but couldn't utter a single word as if her body forgot how to speak. She must haven't spoken anything for a long time in that state of abuse. There was also a chance that her entire life was a nightmare filled with traumas at this point.

Instead of saying anything, she offered the best smile to Alex while tears were coming out of her eyes.

But Alex could see that the girl actually had made her decision in her mind and asked with a gentle face. "Are you sure about this?"

The woman weakly nodded her head and couldn't stop her tears. It might be because the time of her becoming a Pill Slave had been too long, she even considered herself a Pill Slave at this moment. Yet, she thought that she hoped she would become Alex's Pill Slave instead of Roy's.

The sympathy that Alex presented truly broke her nightmare and that gentle face of his restored her faith in humanity. What she saw was the worst, but there was actually the best before her.

She slightly lowered her head and raised her thin hand. Although it was shaking, her hand slowly made its way toward her stomach.

For one last time, she cut her own stomach open and let the blood flow out of her body. In addition, she even used the remaining of her Divine Energy to force everything out.

Her entire body immediately lost its color, but the woman managed to form a huge ball of her blood which was a precious resource.

In her last seconds, she looked at Alex as if telling him to accept it as her thanks for saving her from this oblivion. But it also meant that she had given up her own life as she couldn't take it anymore.

Alex was shaken but still used his Divine Energy to maintain the blood form without doing anything as he witnessed her last seconds.

With almost all her blood dried, her body finally collapsed. Yet, she used the last bit of energy to say something that she never said for more than a thousand years.

"Tha...nk... yo...u..."

Alex instinctively stopped her body from hitting the ground while looking at the abuses she had suffered this whole time. Most of them must have been healed and left no scars but imagining that this kind of treatment needed to be endured for a very long time, he didn't know whether he could even think about living for the second time.

Alex let out a long sigh and released his Godly Pure Fire to burn her body and store her ashes inside a pot. Despite having various thoughts, no words came out of his mouth as he only closed his eyes as he couldn't imagine what kind of life she actually endured this entire time and he never thought that even after enduring such a thing, she didn't forget to give her thanks to Alex. She showed that even in the darkest place, a light would still be there no matter how dim it was.

# Chapter 1137 - Winning In Everything

After witnessing her death, Alex closed his eyes for a few seconds before turning to Roy and the others with a calm expression. He cupped his hands and said, "I know that this is a bit unfair to claim my win, so I'm going to demonstrate the pill process. I think it will take only six hours, so if you're still interested, you should watch it. If I succeed, I will put it in the Auction Hall right away, where they will sell it tomorrow. That's all."

Firia understood his intention and Jeanne also finished torturing him until she feared pain more than his life, so she ended up killing him inside Alex's Space World.

Meanwhile, Firia already warmed the ingredients as if nothing happened before Alex released his Pure Fire to refine it together with her while summoning his Array.

Nothing out of the ordinary appeared again. Although Firia and Alex could only refine ten herbs at the time, the purity of each herb had been guaranteed by Alex's Pure Fire which could be considered the purest in the world.

In the end, Firia managed to refine everything and fuse them into a light-green pill. This was a 100 Medicinal Pill. It also had Perfect Purity and the fact that Alex's Fire refined it made this pill even more precious.

Even the elder claimed that this pill was a real pill that could detoxify any kind of poison no matter how weird it was.

The crowd cheered for both Alex's win and the truth Alex presented to everyone. It was an emotional rollercoaster for everyone, but they felt they knew what to do. Even though they hated each other, they couldn't ignore the fact that this universe was in danger.

As much as they wanted to kill each other, if the universe were gone, it would end up with nothing. Hence, they thought about putting their hatred down for a bit and searched for the enemies. In fact, they could even turn it into a rivalry to show that they were superior to them in case they found a trail.

Alex cared nothing of it and cupped his hand to the elders. "I have won."

The elders were bewildered and looked at each other, nodding their heads at the same time. Even without the show Alex put on or killing Roy, his main competition, there was no doubt that Alex and Firia deserved this victory based on their skill alone.

The other Rank 2 God elder finally stepped forward and announced. "This Pill Competition is Alexander Sirius and Firia Merona's Victory! The prize is ten billion Spirit Crystals and ten Rank 9 Medicinal Herbs. At the same time, he is allowed to go to the Medicine Vault to grab one herb that he wants."

"Uoh!"

Alex smiled and nodded. Ten billion Spirit Crystals was a big number, but his pocket was far deeper than anyone could imagine. As for ten Rank 9 Medicinal Herbs, it couldn't cover his loss. Luckily, Alex could get every single thing in Roy's Space Ring, so his loss was pretty much covered, considering Roy also wanted to refine the 100 Medicinal Pill.

Although it was a shame that no one won second and third places, they felt nothing but awe because there was no way they could compete against Alex and Roy even if they tried it. They just thought that today was their unlucky day and participated in the next one.

Alex, on the other hand, smiled and signaled Firia to follow the elder for the prize.

They waved their hands to the audience as they exited the hall, going toward the top floor where the herbs were stored.

Because of Alex's status, the elder acted politely, shocking everyone. But that action also gave away Alex's identity, which he didn't care about. He simply grabbed the last herb he needed for Undying Fire Body.

After that, he turned the pill in the Auction Hall before returning to the room.

Alex dropped to the couch while letting out a moan, "I'm tired."

"Haha." Firia chuckled and sat on the couch before putting Alex's head on her lap. "You've worked hard. Though I feel that you're tired because of that woman."

Alex closed his eyes and sighed. "I don't understand anymore."

"Well, let's change the topic. What do you want to do right now? Are you going to refine your body?"

"I'm not sure. Let me collect my thoughts for a bit." Alex contemplated and muttered all that he found today. "First, we have proved that the Dragon God and Phoenix Goddess are the traitors of the universe, so I'm sure that their lives will be miserable from this point on. The Phoenix Goddess's pet is also under constant onslaught from Lin Xingzhi, so I guess we can weaken them further.

"But I'm sure that this universe will become chaotic from this point on. I'm planning to take advantage of that chaos to push myself to the God King Stage. At the same time, Leoz might have become a God King and God of Wrath will have the same power as Life and Death Goddess.

"In other words, we have two Superior God Kings and one Inferior God King in our rank aside from Lin Xingzhi. I can still level up Anna in the process, allowing her to become another God King. If needed, Jeanne is qualified, I guess? I don't know since she is the only other former Rank 2 God Spirit.

"If you include me, in total, Eulja has six to seven God Kings alone. I'm sure that this strength is unprecedented since even in the past, there was not even a planet with more than three God Kings. Even Eulja only has three God Kings: the past me, the Fire God and Time God.

"Meanwhile, on the other side, they have two or three Bats and one Angel. If we think that each of them has a pet, it will be an additional four God Kings. Adding Phoenix Goddess, Dragon God, Earth God, and Battle God, they only have a total of twelve God Kings.

"Unfortunately for us, we know that we don't have enough fighting strength yet because the Holy God, the God of Destruction, and the Palm God hadn't reached that stage yet. My prediction... It will take three of them to handle two God Kings from their side.

"That's why the potential of God of Wrath and God of Destruction is priceless in this place... That's why I agree with Alaya's request to take in God of Wrath as her disciple." He ended his explanation with a long sigh.

Firia tilted her head in confusion. "I can somehow grasp seventy percent of them, but I don't think I can help you in any way."

"No. You have helped me enough." Alex shook his head with a smile.

On the contrary, Sullivan and William looked at each other, finally knowing why Alex seemed to be rushing this whole time.

"Anya, you heard me, right?"

[Yes. Anna has been telling me that she is ready to become a God King right now so she can consolidate her power for a longer time. But the decision is up to you.]

"Do you know how to operate the system?

[Ehm, let's wait for Sister Xingzhi to come back.]

"Alright. I will level up Anna after she and Lin Xingzhi come back." Alex nodded and lazily turned around to Jeanne. "That's it, Jeanne. I'm wondering if you have the interest to become a God King too?"

"Well, I have understood a bit of the concept after getting the lecture from Queen Lin Xingzhi. I have asked other Rank 2 Gods about their visions and somehow build a little bit of my understanding of Law. But... I'm not very confident to grasp that strength." Jeanne shook her head in disappointment. "Besides, Your Majesty will lose seventy to eighty percent of your Spirit Crystals the moment you increase Queen Anna's level."

"I will be using Eulja's money. Besides, in this current purge of another Divine World, we should have no problem getting one hundred billion Spirit Crystals. It means Eulja only needs to waste half their money for this. If we don't have enough money, I can even take a loan from the Blackwade Clan.

"I'm sure that the guarantee of protection from Eulja or even yourself alone for a period of time will be enough for Blackwade Clan to lend us the money. Though with the way Song Tao acts, he will send all the Spirit Crystals to me. Such a good guy... Even I don't have the heart to take advantage of that kindness." Alex chuckled.

Jeanne looked down and closed her eyes. She then dropped to her knees. "If that's the will of Your Majesty, I, Jeanne, shall follow it. In the future, I will earn enough money to pay you back."

"No need to think about it. Do you think it's hard for me to earn money?" Alex smiled. "That's right. I still have the revenue from the system... I will open it when we're back."

Jeanne then lowered her head until it touched the floor. "Jeanne wants... No, please allow Jeanne to become a God King."

"Granted." Alex smiled. "For now, you're to return to Eulja to prepare yourself and talk to Anya. As soon as Lin Xingzhi returns, I will start the process immediately."

"Understood, My King."

Anya knew what to do and asked Anya to summon Jeanne to her side, so they could discuss their advancement to God King.

"Huft. To think that the Dungeon God is even scarier than the past me..." Alex closed his eyes.

"I see. So that's how it is." Firia seemed to understand something.

"Yes. If the time allowed him, the Dungeon God could actually create an army of God Kings. He could use the Dungeon to see the potential of every person in the world who challenged it. Then, he could determine whether to use his resources to level them up.

"With enough loyalty, he could turn them into the retainers that allowed them to restart their cultivation, but with a chance of becoming a God King. It would take a long time, but it was a good method. Unfortunately, he didn't have enough time to do this." Alex nodded. "Well, I can utilize it right now because of Lin Xingzhi's unconscious action to send the spirits to help me back then."

"Haha..."

"Anyway, I will send all of you back after getting the money. Then, I will search for a world or two to make a dungeon before refining my Undying Fire Body to the utmost limit. After that, I'm planning to absorb the Sun Essence and become a Rank 3 God."

Firia thought for a moment and let out a long sigh. "It seems I can't help you with my strength. Even when you reach God King, I will probably reach Rank 6 if not Rank 5 God. It's hardly enough to help you. And if we think about it, all your wives other than Anna, Silvia and Sister Xingzhi will be useless in this battle."

Alex never thought about that aspect because there was something he always believed in. He gently put his hand on her face and said with a smile. "I have never thought of you that way. You're a Highest Ranking Alchemist. Your pill will be useful in so many battles, helping the people needed.

"Alicia's Array Plates can also help lives. Sherry's Pure Fire and Letizia's Pure Ice will help us greatly in suppressing our enemies. Anya's support is as good as our Light Elemental God, while Rose's arrow can snipe every single enemy to reduce their number. Of course, Rose is not my wife.

"Evelyn right now also has Sacrificial Fire from Sherry, so she will also become a great support on the battlefield." Alex smiled. "Look! Wife... You all can help me, so please don't say you're useless or something? I have never thought of you that way and never married you because of that intention."

Firia closed her eyes, trying hard to stop the tears from falling.

"Thank you. Really thank you."

"What thank you? We all are family. A family will help each other without expecting thanks." Alex made a big smile.

## Chapter 1138 - A Secret To Become A God King?

Alex acquired a whopping forty-five billion Spirit Crystals from a single pill. It turned out that the person who bought the pill was an old man that had tried to do everything possible to heal his grandson because of a certain poison that made his grandson disabled.

Because of that, he used every single good thing in his body to raise that much money the moment he knew about the pill and Alex's Pure Fire. After knowing that, he knew why he could get so much money.

Although he had seen many people who tried to destroy him, he also saw many people who were sincere to their closest ones.

After that, Alex returned to his room and decided to change his direction. Instead of returning to Eulja, he decided to process everything on the planet Lin Xingzhi attacked now and ended up getting more information from the father after she captured him alive with the help of God of Destruction.

Alex found Lin Xingzhi and Anna waiting for him.

"How about it?"

"With the help of someone, we have managed to know a few things. We may have no information about their location, but we know that the Angel is hiding among the 32 God Kings in this universe and two of the Bats have done so as well. Unfortunately, we don't have much information about their pets." Lin Xingzhi shook her head in disappointment.

"Well, we can subtract four of them since we have identified them. And with the God Kings around us and those who have died... We can narrow it down by half." Alex nodded with a serious expression.

"Ah, by the way, you've confronted that Roy, right?"

"Yes, why?"

"According to his father, who is the real pet, he has granted that power to him, not the Phoenix Queen. And all the people that have this power come from him alone. That's the privilege of being a pet. Hence, we can't really locate the Phoenix Nest... Only a couple of clues we may be able to use to find their place. I will send it to N Squad after this."

Alex nodded. "I understand. You can do whatever you need to do."

"Alright. We will be finished here in a week or so and proceed to Anna and Jeanne's advancement. What do you think?"

"Sure." Alex agreed and turned to Anna. "Are you ready, Anna?"

"Of course. I don't have the confidence in using the power of God King to the fullest potential, but as long as Jeanne and I can hold back one of the God King from their side, I think it's good enough, right?"

Alex nodded. "That will help our situation."

"Then, are you going to stay here for a week?"

"No. I will go to the two worlds you'd recommended and build my dungeon. Of course, I will return with all of you together to Eulja to refine my Undying Fire Body and witness the birth of two God Kings." Alex nodded with a smile.

"Sure thing. It's not like you need to research those two worlds again anyway, considering the information is already enough." Lin Xingzhi agreed and let him go.

"Well, that's because you have compiled the information so precisely after the first two experiences." Alex smiled. "I only need to bring the dungeon over and talk with the World's Will."

"Yep. Do you want me to find anything from this place?"

"Not really. I will leave everything to you." Alex nodded and took a few steps back, saying goodbye to everyone before using his Teleportation Array to go to another world.

The first world was an Upper World filled with cultivation. The dungeons served as a place to train yourself as Alex intended. Obviously, he made sure that the dungeons were made of Rank 9 Materials so no one would be able to take it and considered the fact that this world wasn't in the jurisdiction of a Divine World.

In other words, no clue would be linked up to him or at least they would need a very long time to discover it. By that time, Alex didn't even need to hide it anymore.

Alex completed the agreement, scouting, and building in just three days. The second one was also the same, but people called cultivation magic despite having the same root. Either way, Alex didn't talk to any people in that place and mysteriously turned the world upside down by the appearance of the dungeons.

Although the system was not active in those two worlds, he would still get a huge number of Spirit Crystals due to the Spiritual Energy released from the dying beasts.

All in all, the process was smooth and Alex returned to Lin Xingzhi and the others not long after.

After exploring every nook and corner, Alex finally ordered a retreat for his forces before saying his thanks to the God of Destruction for assisting them.

And just like that, Alex had concluded this journey with so many resources. After all, if he needed to add up the resources of the Divine World and any worlds around it along with the money he got from selling pills, he almost reached two hundred billion Spirit Crystals.

He only needed around another three hundred to four hundred billion Spirit Crystals from Eulja's treasury before leveling up two God Kings.

As soon as they returned, Anna and Jeanne were sitting down side by side. Because they were curious, the Elemental Gods, Guardians, and Commandants came to the castle for a moment to witness the birth of God Kings.

Because she feared that Anna would face a life and death ordeal, Jeanne offered to level up first to make sure that this was smooth sailing.

Alex obviously rebuked her and argued with her for a few minutes before Jeanne started begging him because she couldn't escape the guilt that she "wasted" almost eight hundred Billion Spirit Crystals just to become a God King.

Alex ended up discussing this with the others and ultimately accepted her demand.

"Xingzhi."

[Okay.]

[Processing.]

[Complete.]

[Jeanne (Thunder)

Level: 90 (Rank 1 God)

Exp: 0/-]

Suddenly, Jeanne's body released blue lightning as it spread around without her consent.

Even Lin Xingzhi ended up coming here to make sure everything was alright. She even claimed that what they were seeing was the universe forcing her to take up a chunk of Law because her existence couldn't be recognized had she not understood the Law.

They were surprised when Jeanne's skin was torn because of the lightning and Alex wanted to stop this inevitable process, but the lightning surprisingly absorbed her blood as if demanding her.

Although her face became pale, they could see that her power was getting stronger at a fast rate.

The blue lightning slowly turned into red lightning as if it was made of blood, yet, Alex could see with his Spirit Eyes that this lightning was far stronger than the previous blue lightning.

Despite the pain and suffering she needed to endure, Jeanne didn't even scream. It might be because she was a strong person to begin with, but Alex could see that color started coming back to her skin, showing that everything was going to be alright.

Suddenly, she opened her mouth and chanted.

"True Spirit Body, Ethereal Lightning Body."

Normally, the lightning in her body would burst out and release a powerful might, but his Spirit Eyes told him that her True Spirit Body actually allowed her to absorb the red lightning around her body.

Her blonde hair gradually turned red like the blood lightning as she gradually opened her eyes. Instead of her beautiful blue pupil, it was completely dyed red.

The moment that eyes tensed up, the lightning burst out and attacked all the surroundings. Alex and the others quickly reinforced the place with their Divine Energy to prevent her from destroying it, but they soon overjoyed when they saw Jeanne come out successfully.

In the almost destroyed ground, Jeanne stood there with her petite body. Her eyes completely gave a different aura as if she was bloodthirsty or something. She even released her killing intent.

The others wondered whether she had lost her mind and took out their weapons.

But the answer soon came in the form of action.

Jeanne raised her hand and concentrated lightning from her hand before a massive Lightning Disturbance appeared right above the sky.

When the others were about to stop her, Alex shouted. "Stop! Not a single of you will touch her and open the barriers."

The people were completely astounded by his request but fulfilled it either way.

They once got another shock when the lightning disturbance sent forth red lightning down to their position, but they soon realized that the red lightning struck her instead of anyone else as if it was a baptism.

It was also at that moment, all lightning disappeared, turning the chaotic situation into tranquil in just a split second.

Jeanne used her full speed and boosted it with lightning power to jump at Alex and hug him.

"Master!"

"Eh? What?!"

"I have succeeded. My Lightning Law understanding has been increased by hundreds of times when I'm in my True Spirit Body. In other words, this may be called the side effect or whatever, but I think I have understood it.

"If I let go of my True Spirit Body, I would become a pseudo God King, meaning that I'm strong enough to not let any single of Rank 2 God to beat me, but I won't be a challenge against a God King.

"Only if I use my True Spirit Body can I actually fight them. In other words, I may be able to become a God King for one day but can't do it again for the rest of the week."

Tears eventually formed on her tears as she couldn't help but cry like a child. "I'm glad... I'm glad that I didn't disappoint Master."

The people there made a weird smile as they looked at each other, not knowing what to say. It could be said that the experiment succeeded, but the side effect was severe. In fact, even if they could become a God King, she might have stood no chance against Leoz, who reached God King stage in a formal way.

Alex cared nothing of the side effect and only felt glad that she was alright. He patted her head and hugged her back. "That's good."

Alex consoled her until she regained her bearing before they discussed what she found during the ordeal.

"Sit down, I think we need to know what you get to know and experience.

"I understand." Jeanne nodded and recalled. "When my cultivation reached God King, there was a huge amount of information to take on. I couldn't even scream because of the pain, but I tried to hold onto it and understood the information. I couldn't explain what kind of information that was..."

"Well, Law is something that can't be described but can be understood." Lin Xingzhi added. "You can actually explain it to other people, but when they face the Law itself, they know that the explanation is the vaguest thing they could ever know about Law. I'm sure that all the people here have experienced it even if it's just a little."

All the people, including Alex, nodded their heads in agreement.

"After that, it's like a choice of myself to be what I want to be according to my deepest personality. After experiencing all the things in my life, I have realized that my blood is the most important thing to me. Using my blood as a catalyst, I manage to connect with the Law. Last but not least, I use the most amazing True Spirit Body to be the house for that kind of power. All in all, I think I can be called Lightning Goddess... After this?"

"Hahaha! That means Zerah will lose her title." Agnis laughed before getting an elbow from her.

"I am Lightning Elemental Goddess, not Lightning Goddess."

The group laughed and congratulated Jeanne for becoming a God King. And Jeanne dropped another bomb.

"Although I'm like this right now, I feel like I can gradually comprehend the Law stored in my True Spirit Body, so the side effect can be lessened over time and I can officially become a God King. In other words, even if they don't have the chance to become a God King, this system is actually helping us to understand what it means and teach us how to become a God King."

Everyone dropped their jaws to the ground as Agnis couldn't help but comment.

"Do we still have enough time for me to reset my cultivation and try to become a God King?"

#### Chapter 1139 - Improvement

After laughing at Agnis's comment, they then turned to Anna, who had been waiting for her turn this whole time. Seeing Jeanne succeed alone already lifted a huge burden on her shoulder.

Anna nodded at Alex with a serious expression as she asked, "Please. I'm ready."

"Xingzhi." Alex then gave a signal to Lin Xingzhi to do the same thing to Anna.

[Okay.]
[Processing.]
[Complete.]
[Anna (Dark)
Level: 90 (Rank 1 God)

Exp: 0/-]

Just like Jeanne, Anna's body emitted black energy as it spread around without her consent. This was the Darkness Law or so they believed since they couldn't understand what kind of Law Anna actually chose.

The dark energy enveloped her skin before spreading to all her body as if the darkness itself swallowed her.

Anna also didn't let out a single voice inside the dark energy, so she must have her hand full with the Law.

After Alex confirmed that she was alright, the rest felt relieved and watched attentively to see any difference. Of course, they had prepared to make another barrier and ready their weapon for an incoming attack, but that was all.

They simply watched how Anna got "tortured" inside her dark cocoon as the influx of Dark Law stormed in.

Alex gulped down as he became even more impatient in Anna's turn. But considering Anna was his wife, it was normal and the others understood it as well.

Suddenly, the dark energy burst out as Anna's just changed her appearance inside, befitting her own position right now.

Her long black hair was tied to a ponytail with a purple butterfly pin. There was also another one on the front, clipping her bang and let it rest on top of her right eyebrow.

Her purple eyes now had a pointed sharp black dot, symbolizing her power. She wore a one-piece black dress that was gently wrapped with a black shawl on her waist. The dress reached a little above her knee.

"True Spirit Body, Dark Butterfly Spirit."

A pair of wings appeared again. Although it didn't have any change in its appearance, Alex could see the ridiculous amount of Dark Energy inside her wings. However, her scythe now turned completely black on its handle, coupled with butterfly patterns that made it recognizable since it had the same color as her hairpin.

The blade had two colors: black on the outside, green on the inside, complementing each other when running side by side.

Unlike Jeanne, there was no baptism from the sky. Instead, all the Dark Energy wrapped her and formed a ball to host her body inside as if she started her last evolution.

They looked at each other before feeling something was coming. Anna stretched her wings and flapped them, sending all the Dark Energy to all directions.

Alex and the others used their barriers to stop this rampaging energy without hesitation.

"Ah, my daughter. My daughter has become the grim reaper. Look at this grandfather... I don't mind if it's my granddaughter that takes this old man. My daughter is the prettiest." Rilt became a total idiot and cheered like Anna was an idol or something.

Even Vina needed to stop his mouth from opening so as to not bother them before Alex sent him away with his Teleportation Array.

Anna's cultivation solidified as she gradually finished the last step.

Boom.

Another surge of Dark Energy appeared and struck the barrier, rampaging inside the barrier.

Alex simply watched her progress with his Spirit Eyes and would stop as soon as a mistake happened.

Just when they thought this would be over, they were wrong. Anna released another powerful energy wave and shook the barrier.

Even the others felt that power and furrowed their eyebrows.

Alex muttered while observing Anna's change. "Is this happening because of the difference in understanding their power?"

"I'm afraid so." Vina nodded with a serious expression. "Well, I don't understand it myself even though I'm learning Darkness Law. And since my daughter has done it before me, I don't think I will continue mastering it as my understanding and hers will clash."

"That's a wise decision, but are you sure, Vina?" Lin Xingzhi agreed to her but still asked for confirmation.

"She is my child and my treasure. If she can live well and surpass me like this, do I need anything more? No. She and Anya will always be my pride and joy." Vina shook her head. There wasn't a single trace of regret or envy in her eyes.

"Is that so? Then we will let you be the first to congratulate her."

"Ahaha, Thanks," Vina nodded,

Slowly but surely, the energy in her body subsided before it began consolidating in her body. She took a bit less time than Jeanne, but a few hours had passed.

The moment she opened her eyes, Anna smiled and nodded. "I have succeeded."

This time, Vina was the one who jumped toward her and hugged her tightly.

Without the need for words, Anna understood what her mother wanted to convey. She couldn't help but smile and hugged her back. "Thank you, Mom."

"I love you, my kid."

After a long hug, Anna then rose from the ground and told Alex. "I don't think I need to explain much. It's basically the same as Jeanne from my observation. Other than me taking up the position as Goddess of Darkness, I don't think there's any other thing I need to add."

Alex nodded with a smile. "Then I am glad. Lin Xingzhi, Anna, Jeanne, Alaya, Leoz, and God of Wrath... We will have six God Kings in the near future."

"You should add yourself too." Anna shrugged as there was no way that Alex wouldn't enter the list.

Alex didn't answer her as he only stuck his tongue out before turning around. "Anyway, since we have finished here, we should wrap it soon. Anna and Jeanne can consolidate their power for now. The rest of you are to return to your position because I feel we will have another war soon."

"Understood." They agreed without hesitation, fully knowing that their enemies couldn't wait any longer.

After saying that, Alex returned to the castle to rest. Even though he knew that he would have ten God Kings on his side, it was still not enough. Basically, Anna and Jeanne might need to pair up to kill a single God King from their side since their strength couldn't be compared to that of a God King from the past generation.

The same applied to Leoz, Song Goddess, Holy God, and Palm God. If they were to team up together, they could only fight two God Kings. Hence, Alex needed to subtract three from the current count.

This became a headache for him because he didn't know what to say about them.

He chose to rest in his room and contemplated his next move. Unfortunately, they couldn't really attack the Phoenix Goddess, Dragon God, Earth God, or Battle God because there would be a chance they would get ambushed by Angel and Bats when he did it. And there were still their "pets" that made the entire situation even more stressful.

Alex gave up and focused on strengthening himself first. He took out the last ingredient he needed to refine the Undying Fire Body, the Fire Divine Crystal. It could be said that this only happened once every one thousand times where a Fire Disturbance collided with a Space Disturbance, resulting in it getting sealed inside the space element.

And that space element turned into a crystal. Alex could even say this crystal is the compressed form of Fire Disturbance.

If not because of his Pure Fire, Alex wouldn't survive if he swallowed this.

Alex took out a pink crystal with a small fireball inside as if it were a sun. He gulped down, gathered his resolve, and swallowed the crystal.

The moment the Space Element dissolved in his mouth, the blazing heat burst out. Alex's Pure Fire immediately revolved to prevent the explosion, but his body was heating up.

But Alex didn't want to go down without a fight, so his Fire Authority helped him suppress the Fire Disturbance and let the Pure Fire refine its energy.

At the same time, Alex realized that he didn't have any Fire Technique that could help him resolve something like this. He had his Fire Phoenix Art, Sun Descent, and Fire Authority, but none of them were actually useful in the last few battles.

His Fire Phoenix Art could be considered a Divine Technique, but it was one of the lowest Divine Technique because it purely relied on his overbearing Pure Fire. Hence, he needed to get something that would be able to help his Fire to do something more useful.

At the same time, Sun Descent lost its purpose when he had gotten the Fire Authority Second Stage, allowing him to suppress anyone with Fire Element. The others would also feel a certain amount of pressure. That was why he believed he only had a single Fire Technique.

While refining his body, Alex thought about getting two or three Fire Techniques that could boost his overall ability.

His master might be able to teach him one or two techniques, but he also had a variety of techniques inside his head, so he wasn't sure whether to ask him or not.

Since the refining process was automatically done by his Pure Fire, Alex decided to search through his mind while enduring the pain.

He searched for techniques that he could use and turned out to have found two Techniques. The first technique was called Divine Petal. The technique called a single lotus made of fire and hit someone or an attack before deploying all of its petals to strike the target.

It was a highly offensive technique that could improve his overall abilities.

The second technique was known as Star God Divine Control. It basically allowed him to control a Fire Disturbance. Whether he wanted to pour that power into his attack or even his sword, it was up to him.

These two techniques would undoubtedly become useful for him in the near future, so he began to look into the information to learn it. Although he didn't want to admit it, because he had gotten used to such excruciating pain, he could even do something like this even in the midst of pain. He didn't know whether to be thankful about it or not, so he distracted himself with the information while refining his body.

The refining process took a year and Alex's cultivation seemed to have improved again. When he finished his training, Alex gradually opened his eyes with a serious expression and looked at his hand. He purposely cut his palm with his nails until it bled, but a second later, the wound already disappeared.

"So, this is the true Undying Fire Body. External Injuries are not that much of a deal. Even if I lost a limb, I could regrow it by using this Body Refining Technique. Even Internal Injuries would get healed naturally far faster than anyone else.

"No wonder why this Undying Fire Body is so good. If I take another look at my cultivation, it seems I will be able to reach Rank 3 God when refining Sun Essence later." Alex smiled and rose from the bed.

He visited Lin Xingzhi about his success and told her that he would need more time because he had two more techniques to learn. In total, he might be away for three years, for the very least, so he left everything to her and asked her to contact him if an emergency happened.

Lin Xingzhi agreed and asked him to say goodbye to the others first before leaving. And there was a chance that the next tournament needed to be canceled because the situation had grown too hot.

Alex nodded, talked with everyone, and left Eulja.

Meanwhile, in the Palm God's planet, he and his wife sat on the floor, looking at Navin with a serious expression.

"Are you sure you want to do this, Navin?" Palm God asked.

"Yes, Master. I feel like this is the only way. Please let me do it." Navin lowered his head.

Palm God couldn't understand his request, but since he truly meant it, he could only agree. "I understand. If you need anything, you can contact my wife or me. We will try to help you."

"Thank you, Master."

## Chapter 1140 - Sun God Fire

Alex arrived at a certain star that Lin Xingzhi'd informed him about. He looked from top to bottom, seeing no difference other than the amount of Fire Energy, its brightness and the size.

"Well, what can I expect? It's not like I should wish for a blue star or something, right?" Alex shook his head helplessly as his Pure Fire instinctively came out to check the star.

"Hmm? Is it a challenge? No, it's like my Godly Pure Fire has taken an interest in this sun. What? Don't tell me he actually wants to get married?" Alex's face became pale before shrugging with a joking face. "Alright. Jokes aside, my power seems to be attracted to this star, so I guess it's fine to take advantage of this sun."

Alex contemplated for a moment and flew forward, entering the sun. As one would expect from a hot plasma, he had no trouble entering the sun as if he swam in viscous water.

The feeling was new, but he didn't mind it and used his Spirit Eyes to see the core where the Sun Essence gathered.

After diving for another two minutes, he came to a halt. His speed wasn't that great anyway so as to not miss anything.

"That place where it's brighter than anywhere else." Alex narrowed his eyes and quickly came toward that place.

He felt an intense heat that was hard to take even for his Godly Pure Fire. "I see. So this is the Sun Fire... The reason for the "Phoenix" to be able to fight Fire God equally was due to this essence. They simply had a fire of the same level.

However, Alex might be the first one that advanced the fire even further by combining both of them at once, but it all came down to his talent.

Whether he could evolve his Pure Fire even further or not would depend on his effort in this. He then sat in a lotus float while floating around the area as he began to attract the Sun Essence with his Pure Fire, slowly absorbing it into his body.

The Sun Essence itself was a kind of crystallization from this sun and could only be born after billions of years just to create a small droplet. Yet, this star had a big one and was so bright. Alex had no doubt that this star could last another billion if not trillions of years.

Unfortunately, it needed to come to an end because Alex truly needed its power.

Alex absorbed it without hesitation.

The process took a very long time and every time the Sun Essence entered, his Pure Fire started entangling itself to the Sun Essence, trying to make it as its friend before swallowing it as a whole.

At that time, Alex realized that it also refined a Divine Energy for him to absorb. In other words, Alex could increase his cultivation while absorbing the Sun Essence. This was what he needed to reach Rank 3 God this soon.

Alex became even more fired up to cultivate as his path had been set.

After six months, Alex finally noticed the difference. He had absorbed a fourth of the Sun Essence, which could be visible by his Spirit Eyes, but more importantly, his Pure Fire had started to have a change.

His chaotic and prideful Pure Fire mellowed a bit as if it had matured up like that of a human. At the same time, the color slightly changed as there were slivers of golden flame among the Pure Fire.

Alex savored the feeling and continued, expecting something good from this transformation.

Another six months had passed and the progress remained the same this whole time. His Fire now had two colors, Gold and Red. The two seemed to be fighting for supremacy, but Alex simply used his Authority to stop both of them since the Red would gradually turn into Gold.

Finally, after a long twenty months, Alex had officially broken through to Rank 3 God and became the youngest in history. In fact, he had become the "first" since he reached Rank 8 God, considering Rank 9 and Rank 10 Gods were occupied by Alicia.

He almost finished absorbing the Sun Essence too and noticed the difference between his previous Godly Pure Fire and this new incomplete fire. Although Godly Pure Fire was already the purest form of fire and the Sun Essence couldn't add on the purity anymore, the Sun Essence became even more focused on his power instead.

Alex's red fire had almost turned into Golden Fire and Alex seemed to be thinking of a new name he needed to give for this new type of fire that surpassed Fire God's Godly Pure Fire.

While thinking about the new name, Alex also checked the situation about the Sun Essence and the star itself. As one would expect, the temperature had decreased exponentially with ninety percent of its energy absorbed.

At the same time, the size had shrunk by half. All nearby planets had grown cold because of this change.

That was why Alex asked Lin Xingzhi to find him a star that had no "living" planets or he would murder them indirectly.

After another few months, it was time for Alex to complete the evolution.

The sun had disappeared completely before another one appeared when the residual of his Red Fire gushed out of its body, feeling that it wasn't their home anymore.

Alex waved his hand and it disappeared in an instant, leaving Alex's figure in the empty void.

"Huft." Alex's expression turned serious as he raised his hand. Golden fire emerged from his hand before he released everything from his body. The dark outer space was brightened by a shining golden star.

"I see. So this is my new fire..." Alex turned around and noticed an asteroid not far from him. Although it was not far, it was impossible for a normal person to grab it since they needed to travel like from the Earth to Mars.

The asteroid was quite big, around the size of the moon. But he simply raised his hand and waved it, releasing his new fire.

Boom.

Surprisingly, it created an explosion just by touching the asteroid and reduced it to nothing.

"This is seriously even more overpowered than my Godly Pure Fire." Alex looked down for a few seconds and smiled. "Alright. I have decided on the name. From today on, this fire will be called Sun God Fire. I don't know if the Phoenix Goddess can be suppressed by this fire, but I have the confidence to suppress that Roy."

[Congratulations Alex. You've officially surpassed the former Fire God, Phitrus.]

"Thank you." Alex couldn't contain his smile as he felt proud about it.

[Well, you need to think of a way to surpass the Dungeon God and the Spirit God this time.]

"Can you not beat me down after raising me up?" Alex's eyebrows twitched as he let out a long sigh.

[Haha. Isn't that what we have been doing this whole time?]

"We? No, it's you. Anyway, I will go to a planet and practice two techniques before coming home. We don't have any major movement, right?"

[Nope. Everything is under control. We can wait for you to come back first.]

"Do we have a target to hit?"

[I'm not sure myself because there's simply no news about the "weapons". It's not like we can carelessly attack them.]

"Agree." Alex contemplated for a moment and said, "Anyway, I think I know what to do. Instead of aiming for the God Kings, how about we weaken their armies? We can create chaos among their soldiers and hunt them. I have no guarantee that this tactic will make them crazy, but they will feel pressured."

[I will pass it to Anya and Aria. I hope they can come up with something good.]

"Yes. I need to focus on my training."

[Okay. Good luck.]

"Yes, thank you." Alex nodded and changed his focus to the two Divine Techniques.

Because there was no requirement to train these two techniques, especially about places, Alex just chose a planet among the ones nearby. It was cold since the sun was nowhere to be seen and darkness filled the entire planet. Yet, Alex didn't care and recalled all the information about the two techniques.

"I will learn the Star God Divine Control first since I want to test my control over this new fire first before learning about the Divine Petals."

After coming to a decision, Alex released his Sun God Fire and started practicing.

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Meanwhile, as Alex trained his Divine Fire Arts, Eulja, specifically Lin Xingzhi, had gotten a very big surprise.

When she was doing her work, three people came into the room with a smile.

The first one was a young man in his early twenties. He had short red hair and red eyes. Despite his stern face, his eyes were filled with nostalgic feelings as she looked at Lin Xingzhi with a smile.

The same applied to the woman next to him. She was in her early thirties, gently looking at Lin Xingzhi like a mother.? She patted the second female's head.

Lin Xingzhi widened her eyes and looked at the last one. She was another youth that seemed to be a bit younger than the male. Yet, her expression was a bit maturer than the last time they met.

More importantly, their cultivations were quite high. The male and the older female both had Rank 5 God Cultivation while the younger one was a Rank 9 God.

This truly shocked Lin Xingzhi to the core as the older ones actually parted ways with them to gain strength. And it turned out that this separation became their biggest turning point. Not only had they reached this kind of power level, but they also brought joyous news.

"I'm sorry that we have taken too much time in this journey, Mistress Lin Xingzhi." The male spoke with an embarrassed tone.

"Yes. We're very sorry. However, we have something that will bring joy to Master and everyone else." The older female confirmed his statement.

"We can talk about the news later since Alex is also not here right now. Still..." Lin Xingzhi looked at the younger female and smiled. "To think you would have become a Rank 9 God too."

"This is all thanks to Master. After fixing everything in my territory, I have come to the Upper World. Then my mother and father brought me to many places as we grew stronger together." The younger female nodded with a smile.

"Indeed. The only reason our family can reunite is Master. We can't thank him enough."

"Yes. You were the first, Husband. He allowed us to meet again, and after some twists, everything became like this. I'm so happy."

Lin Xingzhi closed her eyes and smiled upon the memory about them together. "Anyway, I should say this first... I'm glad to see all three of you again, Kyle, Stina, Ellen."