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"I thought you were capable of following my moves? You insignificant piece of shit!"

"..." Alex was dumbfounded when he heard what the man suddenly said.

This man that obviously not from the people outside, attacked him without any reason. If it were just a robot or a doll to test him, it obviously wouldn't talk like this.

"Kh." Alex gritted his teeth, glaring at the man. "You... Are you the so-called Peerless Sword God?"

"Don't talk too much, reincarnation of Spirit God." He clenched his sword even tighter and said. "I am not patient enough to handle your boring talk."

[If that soul is really that person, it's better for you to fight him immediately.]

'Do you know him?' Alex asked, never expecting that the system suddenly informed him.

[He was a peculiar man. On one hand, he could be said as your most hated rival, but at the same time, somehow, you both were "friends" that could share each other's joys and sorrows with. That's why he remained neutral most of the time and only fought against you if needed... Like this time. So, I believe you should fight him seriously because it would be the best option to handle him.]

Alex couldn't understand her, but he knew he needed to fight from the Sword God's face alone. If he delayed it by asking another question, he would surely attack him without stopping.

Because of that, he formed a spear in his other hand and took a deep breath. "Since that is the case, it's better to step up my game."

"Looking at you, you are only his reincarnation, not himself. In that case, let's see whether your strength is real or not!" He shouted and leaped toward Alex.

Alex saw this and matched his movement. They both swung their sword, creating a powerful shock wave from clashing alone. However, Alex had a clear advantage here as he immediately raised his spear, thrusting it toward the Sword God's neck.

"Double Blade." The Sword God decided to step up his game as well and used the first Martial Art to inform Alex that they needed to fight seriously.

Bang

Alex narrowed his Spirit Eyes to see what kind of Martial Art he used, but to his surprise, the energy moved too fast as his Spirit Eyes could only barely capture what just happened.

The Sword moved faster than he expected as it oscillates back and forth to create smaller Sword Waves to the left and right simultaneously. Those Sword Waves gathered together in the end and exploded, blowing both spear and sword away.

After that, the Sword God waved his sword, trying to cut him down.

It was at this time Alex realized that his speed was no match against the Sword God's, so he devised another plan and used the momentum that blew his weapons to spin them around and attacked back the Sword God with his Triple Draw while shifting his body a little.

This way, both would give each other serious injuries, but the Sword God would surely lose more in this exchange.

When he saw the six swords, the Sword God used the same technique as earlier, but he copied it three times.

"Double Blade."

Alex felt his blades getting push back, but because there were six attacks, the power was insignificantly weaker.

Still, the Sword God's initial plan had succeeded as he shifted his body back to create enough distance to avoid those six blades before slashing Alex from the right side.

Alex hit the sword from above before Divine Energy suddenly sparked from his spear.

"One Inch Spear."

The spear suddenly had an additional length and kept growing to pierce the Sword God's hand.

Seeing this, the Sword God bent down to avoid the spear as his sword slid on the spear's body to cut Alex from below.

Alex immediately put his sword on the way before locking the Sword God's weapon with his two weapons.

They tried to push each other's weapons to gain an advantage but realized that their strength was equal. Due to that, the Sword God decided to step back this time to reset the match.

They then stopped for a few seconds as they regained their breath and simulated all kinds of movements they would make next.

Alex was the first to jump forward as he waved his Sword, releasing a Sword Wave to attack him.

"Mythical Fire Slash."

The Sword God narrowed his eyes and raised his sword before waving it down.

"Hell Lion."

A purplish-black tiger suddenly came out of his sword, marching toward Alex's Mythical Fire Slash. Before it arrived, the tiger suddenly stood on its feet and used its two paws to rip Alex's attacks apart.

"Seriously?!" Alex widened his eyes before summoning two dragons that flew and bit the lion from the side. "Swallowing Heaven."

With the dragons containing Alex's elements, the tiger soon started becoming translucent.

It was at this time, Alex could see what behind it, finding the Sword God had sheathed its sword. However, this was the most terrifying moment for Alex as his instinct was screaming at him.

He leaped to the air as he barely escaped alive and saw his dragons and his tiger were slashed into two.

"Purgatory Sword."

Alex released the amount of the attack it produced and decided to send one back.

"One Sword Kill, Blade of Extinction!"

The Sword Wave this time had the power surpassing the Mythical Fire Slash itself, even with the Triple Draws.

"What a nostalgic move..." The Sword God, for the first time, opened his mouth before spinning his sword and struck the Sword Wave.

"Absolute Blade."

"!!!" Alex found that the Blade of Extinction was cut into two in an instant as if it wasn't even a challenge. "That Blade of Extinction is one of my strongest attacks... Is that his Original Divine Sword?"

[Alex... I think you have a misconception about the God King.]

"Misconception?" Alex tilted his head.

[Although there are not many records about the God King, there is an unwritten requirement to be a God King.]

"An unwritten requirement?!" Alex gasped. From the sound alone, it seemed to be an epic requirement.

[Yes. It's to master what we know. Like my father, for example. He mastered the Time element to the point no one could rival him. Or even your previous mentor, Phitrus, who evolved his Fire to the absolute degree.]

[And just like them and all the other God Kings, the Peerless Sword God had mastered the way of the sword to the absolute degree. The moment he achieved that, he created the second Divine Sword Art that symbolized his true strength.]

Thump! His heart skipped a beat when he listened to the last part. "The second Divine Sword Art? And it was only created when he achieved God King Stage?"

[Yes. It's rumored that it's the purest sword form that was able to cut everything, even Phitrus's Godly Pure Fire or even my father's time!]

"What?!" Alex couldn't help but yell. If the technique could cut fire, he could imagine what kind of attack it was. However, there wasn't a single image appearing when he tried to make an image of him cutting time.

[And that sword technique is called Absolute Blade.]

After hearing this, Alex somehow wondered what kind of thing he would master to the absolute degree in the future, but he decided to focus on his fight first.

"Thank you. That's good information." Alex smiled and landed on the ground. This time, he realized that no matter how hard he tried to create an advantageous situation, his opponent was able to counter everything while turning the overall tide.

This might be the first time he saw an opponent at this level. He remembered the time element guy. If he didn't make him realize his shortcomings, he might not be able to fight the Sword God this good.

"Your skills have no taste..." The Sword God opened his mouth with a serious expression. "So, when do you plan to show me your original Sword and Spear techniques? Or are you not confident in your strength?"

"..." Alex fell silent.

"What?! Do you think I don't know about whose space element you have in your body?" He snorted. "If you think your Space Element can ruin this place, leave now."

Listening to his words, it seemed the Sword God had confidence in his own place.

"Use everything you have! Nothing can't break me because my sword will cut everything down first!" The Sword God stomped the ground as he finally utilized his Sword Qi and Intent to the highest degree.

It even sent a powerful shock wave just by standing in front of him. Alex realized that the Sword God probably had only utilized half of his power.

The Sword Intent then enveloped his Sword Qi before fusing with his sword. The beautiful sword became even more pretty when the patterns on it shone. The patterns then spread to his hand before to his entire body.

"Memoire Sword."

Seeing this strength, Alex took a deep breath as he summoned his Spirit Crown. This allowed him to automatically boost his strength using the Spirit Step. At the same time, a dragon and a phoenix soared to the sky.

He didn't stop there. A figure of a fire fox appeared behind him as it summoned a giant fireball in the sky, creating a domain that suited Alex's style and suppressed his enemy a little bit.

"It's time for round two." Alex smiled.

Both of their energy clashed with each other, showing their dominance.

"Three bastards' strength in one..." The Sword God muttered in a low voice before shouting. "Whether that's enough or not, I shall test it."

As soon as the clash of energy disappeared, the two disappeared as they swung their swords.

"Absolute Sword." What the Sword God used was his strongest attack.

"Three Purities Slash." Responding to him, Alex also used his Original Divine Sword Art.

The moment their swords clashed, it shook the entire realm despite having no depth, floor, or even wall.

As Lin Xingzhi said earlier, his Absolute Sword cut Alex's Sword Intent, Space Element, and Pure Fire. However, Phitrus's Godly Pure Fire was still something that could be considered absolute. It burned the Sword Energy inside that attack earlier, neutralizing each other.

To his surprise, the Sword God suddenly leaped back.

Alex wouldn't let him stabilize his body and immediately chased him while thrusting his spear.

Meanwhile, the Sword God moved at light speed as he already sheathed his sword once again.

"Purgatory Sword."

Alex widened his eyes when he saw the Sword Wave and decided to strike it instead of the Sword God.

"Twin Fusion Spear."

This might be the first time he used his Original Divine Spear Technique, but he believed this was the perfect time to utilize it.

The tip of his spear only contained Space Energy, but it was concentrated to the point it easily bent the space around it.

Unlike the Absolute Blade, this attack didn't contain that "Absolute" that was capable of cutting through anything. That was why this might be the first time to use this attack.

When it touched the tip of the Sword Wave, the Space Energy immediately bent the Sword Wave, turning it into a weird shape. At the same time, that Space Element also bent the space behind the Sword God as if it was trying to channel the Pure Fire. It was like how Alex managed to send his fire through the gate when training.

The latter noticed that and gritted his teeth, trying to avoid this but was too late. The fire struck him on the back, forcing him to step forward in order to not fall.

"Kh! This flame... I can certainly remember how powerful this flame was..." He gritted his teeth before smiling while looking at Alex.

Alex, on the other hand, was still struggling in order to destroy the Sword Wave. It took him one second before successfully destroying it. If the Sword God weren't hit by his flame, this one second would prove to be fatal.

At the same time, grazes after grazes started to appear all over his body as he realized that the residual energy from the Sword wasn't completely neutralized.

The Sword God grinned as he looked at Alex with his killing intent. "Interesting!"

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"Interesting." The Sword God smiled as he jumped forward, facing Alex again.

Alex also did the same. Because of the earlier attacks, they decided to prolong the battle by fighting with only their weapons.

Using this chance, Alex utilized his Sword Mastery to the maximum, trying to rip the biggest benefit he would get in this fight.

The Sword God seemed to have realized that and decided to increase his power.

Alex gritted his teeth, and when the Sword God slowly got the upper hand. He tried to try a few things and refined his movement even further during this battle, so he could match up with the Sword God's movements.

Even so, they kept fighting against each other for a long one hour until they exhausted most of their power. Many wounds covered their bodies, but their focus was still as strong as ever.

Alex took a few deep breaths as he tried to calm himself down and slow their pace down.

He learned a lot in this fight to be honest. Even his Sword Qi and Spear Qi got a breakthrough, achieving Rank 4.

"It seems you haven't learned many things yet." The Sword God looked at the giant fox behind Alex that had been maintaining the sun. "Anyway, it's time to finish this fight."

Alex checked his body conditions and nodded. The fight would be concluded in either one move or a few more rounds. Their body wouldn't last that long anyway.

Knowing that, Alex raised his sword and spear before moving forward.

The Sword God matched his movement and made the first move.

"Hell Lion."

The same lion flew out of his sword, making its way toward Alex.

"Swallowing Heaven." Alex countered it again with his two dragons to bite the wolf from the two sides.

However, the Sword God actually leaped toward its back and stood on top of the wolf, riding it toward Alex. When he saw the two dragons coming, he waved his sword back and forth a few times. "Double Blade."

The energy that was released by the sword knocked the two dragons away.

Alex slashed his sword horizontally, aiming at the lion's head and the Sword God himself that was luckily aligned at the moment.

"One Sword Kill, Blade of Extinction."

The Sword God suddenly used his feet to lift his body a bit to the air as he jumped off the tiger.

The tiger died because of this attack, but the Sword God actually made a surprising move.

Alex instinctively dodged to the side despite seeing the Sword God's figure.

"Purgatory Sword."

This Sword Wave was horizontal and bigger than the previous ones. It ran through the ground and slashed the fox and the giant fireball into two.

Boom!

When the giant ball exploded, it produced a lot of smoke and scorching heat, but the Sword God seemed to be fine.

Because he wanted to end it, the first thing to do was to destroy Alex's domain first and the powerful boost the fox avatar gave him. He didn't destroy it earlier because he wanted to see the extent of his strength, but it wasn't needed anymore.

This was also the reason why Phitrus decided to make it as his armor instead of a giant avatar like that. It was easy to destroy.

After having his advantage disappeared, Alex decided to play this one step further. He waved his sword again.

"One Sword Kill, Blade of Extinction."

As soon as it flew out of his sword, a Space Gate suddenly appeared in front of it, swallowing the attack. This would surely give him the opportunity to attack the Sword God.

Unbeknownst to him, his opponent suddenly stomped the ground as he moved at a speed that was never seen before, surprising Alex. He arrived right before the Space Gate and the Sword Wave and struck them both. "Absolute Sword."

The two techniques were split into two without any power to fight back.

Alex clicked his tongue. He never expected that the Sword God had been hiding his power this whole time. No, he must want to make him think that this was his full speed. All just for this moment. He sacrificed everything to seal Alex's Space Power, making sure he didn't use any of his techniques.

"That's not enough." Alex snapped his finger as he prepared a backup plan. An array appeared out of thin air as it summoned five swords that immediately flew toward the Sword God.

"Five Executioner Array."

The five swords then fused together and created a more powerful attack that was capable of surpassing his Mythical Fire Slash, albeit barely.

"It's still not enough." The Sword God snorted and cut it down with his Absolute Sword. However, it wasn't Alex's true aim. He suddenly placed his hand on the ground as two arrays suddenly appeared, one beneath the Sword God while the other one was on top of him.

From the bottom array, around a thousand swords emerged from within before flying toward the top array. When it struck the array, it then produced a few more arrays, stacking on top of it.

"Sword Prison Array."

The arrays then produced an immeasurable pressure that even made the Sword God fall on his knees.

Alex then used this chance to send his Blade of Extinction again toward the Sword God.

Noticing that he would die if he didn't solve this array soon, he closed his eyes for a second before opening it wide. His eyes were glowing at this moment as incomparable Sword Intent and Sword Qi flowed out, causing a small disturbance.

It was like a Space Disturbance but more complicated because the Sword God cut every single element in that single moment.

This disturbance was enough to break the array and set him free. He then rose from the ground and waved his sword.

"Hell Lion."

Alex widened his eyes when he saw this technique again. It was far stronger than the same technique he used a few times previously. When he tracked the reason, it turned out to be his eyes. The energy that flowed out of his eyes was infused into the Hell Lion, strengthening it.

Because of this, the tiger managed to clash with his Blade of Extinction. It wasn't an easy clash as the Sword Wave pushed the tiger back.

Alex saw this movement and decided to jump forward. He believed that the tiger would break his attack apart, so he planned to make a follow-up attack.

The moment the tiger ripped it to shred, Alex was already right behind the Sword Wave as he thrust his spear toward the weakened tiger.

"Twin Fusion Spear." Alex planned to use this spear to hit the tiger and had his Pure Fire attack him from behind as his Spear kept moving forward to pierce him. This way, he would have two directions attack.

But to his surprise, the Sword God was fast enough to recall his tiger, making Alex hit nothing. At the same time, his attack wouldn't be activated because he never hit anything.

"You lose..." The Sword God smirked as he took another step back. It was the same move he used to create a small distance to launch his Purgatory Sword. "This attack of yours is indeed powerful. Not only it contains the Godly Pure Fire and the Unique Space Element, but the Divine Intent is also one of a kind. Unfortunately, you might have missed a single weakness in this attack, which is..."

"Absolute Sword. Purgatory Sword Version."

The Sword God launched his Sword Wave, but using the drawing technique his Absolute Sword possessed to create a more powerful Sword Wave that was capable of cutting anything.

When it touched Alex's spear, the bending space was suddenly cut as it struck his spear. Because the space element disappeared, the Pure Fire couldn't go through the gap and hit him from behind. At the same time, it even broke the tip of his spear.

"!!!" Alex widened his eyes and immediately retracted his spear. "Kh!"

"That's the biggest weakness. If I destroyed the Space Element that contained and channeled your Pure Fire, it wouldn't reach me." The Sword God looked at him with a serious expression.

Alex let go of his spear and created a new one. "I am still curious what your intentions are. There is something wrong with your movement... If you wanted to kill me to force me out of this place, you would put more energy into it. You didn't do anything like this and decided to fight me with only weapons."

"Hmph! My goal is beyond your understanding." He snorted. "If you can beat me, I will tell you about it in a way even you can understand it."

"..." Alex twitched his eyebrows. "I will end this in one last round. Whether you die because of it or not... It will depend on your skill."

"Hmph. Skills are the last thing you want to mention in front of me." He snorted as he sheathed his sword again. "Absolute Sword. Purgatory Sword Version."

The same powerful attack flew toward Alex.

Seeing this, Alex gathered all his elements in his sword while thinking. 'I can only do it once with my current energy. If not because I have gained the minimum requirement, I won't be able to do it. Either way, I will only have one chance.'

Alex jumped forward as he slashed the Sword Wave with his spear.

"Three Purities Slash."

Since the Twin Fusion Spear wouldn't work, he decided to gamble it all with his full power from the start.

As expected, his Divine Energy, Divine Intent, and Elements combined into one and clashed with this Sword Wave.

"Ha!" Alex couldn't help but shout in a spur of a moment as he cut down the Sword Wave.

However, the Sword God was actually behind his Sword Wave this whole time with his sword sheathed.

"This is the end." He looked at Alex without a poker face as he drew his sword. "Absolute Sword."

Alex should know that this was a trap that had no other way to escape. His drawing speed was something faster than even the slight move he had for a split second. With him targeting to cut him into two, no matter how hard he tried, it would still cut him into two.

Alex should fall into despair at this point because he undoubtedly had lost. However, no one could predict Alex's plan. He, instead, smiled when he found the Sword God stood there as if he had been waiting for him.

"Your Three Purities Slash won't be enough to stop this attack." The Sword God snorted as if his victory was assured.

"Three Purities won't be enough... In that case, I shall level up one more." Alex grinned as his sword started emanating a blue and gold aura. "Sword and Spear Possession!"

"!!!" The Sword God widened his eyes in surprise. He realized that it might only last for an instant, but that attack had certainly reached that boundary. "Ha!"

"Four Purities Slash." With the addition of this technique that created energy from the sword itself, Alex managed to combine and create the four purities that his sword needed to level up once more.

Boom!

This kind of slash was one of a kind as it shook the entire realm, making it unstable. Luckily, it managed to withstand the powerful energy coming from this clash.

When the shock wave disappeared, it revealed two figures with their backs facing each other, showing that the match had been concluded.

Alex suddenly fell on his knees as he spat a mouthful of blood. He didn't have enough strength to even lift up his sword, so he could only grit his teeth, feeling frustrated.

"Excellent." The Peerless Sword God smiled as he glanced a bit upward before stretching his other hand to his severed arm. However, he only grabbed the sword not his arm. Whether it was his pride or his habit, he wouldn't let his sword fall to the ground as long as he could grab it.

"What excellent... I don't have even a little bit of energy to lift up my sword. If you decided to kill me, I would have died by now," Alex said while panting.

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"Restore." The Sword God said while putting on a small smile. As soon as the realm acknowledged his command, it then started enveloping Alex and him inside a warm embrace of Spiritual Energy, recovering the body parts as if they were turning back time.

"..." Alex fell silent and observed the Sword God's expression, finding the change in his attitude absurd. He still remembered how the Sword God called him an insignificant piece of sh*t. And he could see how the Sword God actually praised him.

"What?!" He narrowed his eyes. "Do you think it's weird to act like that to make someone use all his strength without holding back?"

"..." Alex hesitated for a second, but with the other party's expression had turned better, he decided to ask. "Was all of that fake?"

"Not really. I did hate you in the past, and I just couldn't meet someone who I didn't recognize face to face. To talk to me, you need to make a name worthy first, and you have just proved your worth." He shook his head, telling Alex the truth behind his actions.

"So, I am qualified now?"

"Barely. I can see a lot of potentials in your techniques, but I am still concerned for your future..." He shook his head. "Although part of it comes from the one you need to defeat, I still worry about your future techniques. For example, there is something missing in your Sword and Spear Possession.

"The former you could achieve mastery because the consciousness of his intents was so strong that it could boost him to an unprecedented level. But look at you, you have completely dissolved the consciousness. No matter the case, you won't be able to utilize the maximum power of that technique. Tch, even though he got the inspiration from me."

"He... I mean, the previous me got the inspiration from you?" Alex widened his eyes as he remembered the fact that Alex didn't really have a good relationship with the Sword God.

"What?! Is it incomprehensible for you?" He smiled. "Despite having so many Rank 2 Gods, there was only ten Rank 1 Gods in the past. On one hand, those Rank 2 Gods couldn't really understand the view we had.

"Although many of us hated each other, they were the ones that understood us the most... Which is why I wept tears when I heard that all those Gods actually died under the scheme of that beast and when the Spirit God was slain by the beast itself. My body couldn't help but tremble with rage.

"At that time, I personally slain everyone from Earth that had even a little bit of cultivation in their body. Yeah, I was the one leading the last operation, including the expelling process. With the last bit of restriction, I, too, had injuries that I couldn't heal and decided to pass away in this world while leaving some inheritances." The Sword God smiled while looking up as if he was reminiscing the memories of the past.

"..." Alex stared at him before asking. "In that case, I need to add another skill in my repertoire to boost my power."

"Indeed. There are two things in my mind after looking at your techniques. The first will be the weapons' consciousness. Since the intent can't be used, you need the replacement. This way, it will surely boost the power behind the Sword and Spear Possession. Of course, you need to increase the amount of your Sword and Spear Qi, but it only affects the time limit, so you can take your time with it.

"As for the second way... It's simply to create a Pure Qi."

"A Pure Qi?"

"Yes. Have you felt that your Sword Qi couldn't actually merge with the other energies such as your elements or Divine Energy?"

"Indeed." Alex nodded before he realized what he wanted to say. He immediately opened his eyes wide, staring at the Sword God. "Don't tell me; you want me to..."

"Yeah. I want you to create the same qi as mine, the Pure Sword Qi. Unlike an ordinary Sword Qi that contains every piece of elements and other things contained in the air, you will create a Sword Qi that is purely Sword Qi... In other words, it will be elementless."

"A Pure Sword Qi..." Alex sweatdropped.

"I believe any of those who actually became Rank 1 God had something beyond Pure Element. Once I met a God King known as Bow God, and yeah, he cultivated a similar type of energy like my Pure Sword Qi. I didn't know what its name was, but it was something powerful indeed." He nodded with a serious expression.

"Still, doesn't it look inappropriate for me to learn this? Not that I decline it though." Alex scratched the back of his head. Considering the Sword God cared about his planet, it would surely weird for him to make Alex learn instead of the people in this world.

"What? Since you don't decline it, just learn it." He shrugged. "There was only one person that I deemed worthy of my Pure Sword Qi and became the Sect Leader of my Unsurpassed Blade Sect. Unfortunately, he stuck on Rank 2 God as he was too reliant on my Pure Sword Qi, unable to make something of his own.

"Different from him, you already have Fire God's Godly Pure Fire, Dungeon God's Unique Space Element, and the Spirit God's Sword and Spear Dual Wielding. These three should have been engraved deeply in your skills, but it seems you have harmonized them well. In that case, it will be a trick that only you can use.

"That's what I see in your Spear Technique, the one that had a delayed attack of your fire. It was something amazing, but at the same time, it wasn't. That was why your Sword Technique impressed me the most. The moment you fused four types of energy inside, I was mind blown and thought, "Why don't we add one more?"

"..." Alex twitched his eyebrows as he asked with a hesitant tone. "You are not going to tell me to create Pure Sword Qi and Pure Spear Qi and fuse them to create Five Purities Slash, right?"

"That's exactly what I want you to do. I bet it's going to be powerful." He nodded with confidence. "Just take a look at it, your technique contains three purities for the time being: the fuel, which is the Divine Energy, the boost, which is the elements, and the blade, which is your two intents. In addition to that, you have created the fourth purity, the consciousness. For a second, the weapons that should have no consciousness were forced to awaken to create a small consciousness. That was what your Sword and Spear Possession did earlier.

"You can use the Sword and Spear Qi to become the fifth purity, but since you are at it, why don't you just create the stronger one? I bet your achievement is going to be bigger than me..." He shrugged.

"Ehm..." Whatever the reason, he felt a bit happy when the Sword God praised him that much. After all, it was praise coming from the man who mastered the way of sword.

"I know how you bastard feels right now. I want to request something from you when you have resolved everything. I know all this because your previous life visited me before he died. Anyway, my request is simple.

"When everything is over, I want you to make a person in this world your disciple. I am not talking about a real disciple. You only need to teach my Pure Sword Qi to one person in this world, but I want you to choose a person with the highest talent, and you can't snatch him from this world.

"As much as I hate to say it, your eye for talent is better than mine. That's why when the disciple comes, I will make him my disciple."

"I see. You want me to groom someone until he or she is ready to be your disciple?"

"Yeah. I want you to put all your heart into this because I don't like a half-baked one."

"Alright. I can do that after I have resolved everything."

"The second will be to protect this world if it happens to make an enemy that it can't afford. You only need to do it once."

"Hmm..." He narrowed his eyes, a bit hesitant to agree to this request.

"Of course, if it is too big, you don't need to rescue this world. I just want you to use your spare strength to protect this world once in the future. At the same time, I will give you one more payment."

"What is it?" Alex's expression became serious when he heard an additional payment. Everything the Sword God gave would surely be good, so he had big anticipation.

"It's not for you though." He shook his head and found a slight change in Alex's expression. He then waved his hand, creating a small window. The figure inside that window was actually Aria. "She is the one with you, right? I have seen her talent, and yes, she has indeed a peerless talent, one that rarely appears in this world. If she is groomed well, she will be able to go against those old guys at the top of the sects."

"As expected of your eyes should I say? Anyway, I am sure you want to snatch this girl from this world, so I will be grooming her for you. I won't be teaching something hard since I will only give one or two of my techniques to her. In addition, you are free to teach the Pure Sword Qi to her. How is that?"

Alex closed his eyes and felt it was a pretty good offer. "Alright then. I will agree to your offer."

"Sure. But before meeting her, I will teach you the essence of my Pure Sword Qi." The Sword God took a deep breath and started explaining. "First of all, the Pure Sword Qi is simply stripping any other energy from the Sword Qi."

"If you take the process of the creation of your Divine Sword Qi into account, it simply takes one more process. It's a kind of expelling impurities in the Sword Qi. This is easier to practice when you already have Divine Sword Qi for two reasons."

"First, the impurities inside your Sword Qi is not that much because most of them have been removed when you turn the Spiritual Energy into Divine Energy. The second reason is that it won't be automatically converted when you have your Divine Tribulation... Which sucks."

"I am sure that you have only gotten the Sword and Spear Possession technique when you have reached God Stage. Correct me if I am wrong."

"No, you are completely right." Alex shook his head. It seemed that his previous self had predicted this himself, and it might be because he knew about it that he only gave this technique on that planet. "Still, I am curious about one thing. You said that my previous self learned this technique from you."

"It's my Sword Eye. Unlike your Spirit Eyes, my Sword Eyes are capable of two things, and you have seen both of them. The first is the burst of energy and the second thing is the possession to increase one's abilities by using a huge amount of Sword Qi. It's a kind of fusing two bodies into one. You have seen how powerful it is, albeit it takes too much power."

"I see. That's a good technique to be honest."

"You can't use it though, or it will clash with your Spirit Eyes. Well, suppose you want to abandon your Spirit Eyes. In that case, I don't really mind because I will be able to paint the reincarnation of the Spirit God in my color." He grinned evilly.

"No thank you."

"Anyway, the expelling process is a bit hard. You will need to have a huge amount of concentration, and the time you need to take to create this type of Qi is very long. It can even delay your cultivation."

Chapter 924 - New System

Alex thought for a moment. He had a Void Flower that was able to create another energy reserve in his body and the Ash Tree that can increase his cultivation by one rank in the future. At the very least, it should be ready by the time he has reached Rank 6 God if not Rank 5 God. With that thought in mind, he believed that it wouldn't waste too much of his time doing all this. "I agree."

"In that case, I will start explaining. First, how to expel the other energy in your energy? You might already know this, but your Divine Energy actually contains not only your Pure Fire and Space Element but also other elements, albeit they were in a smaller portion to the point you won't even notice it.

"There is a world that can easily describe this. It's a kind of separating molecules inside each energy. I don't know if you know the word of molecules, but either way, this is the entire process." He took out a paper and let Alex see it.

There were seven steps drawn in each part. Alex could see the reason for each step, but like the Sword God said, it was very time-consuming. It was easier to create one altogether instead of turning them into one. That might be the reason that the previous Alexander Sirius gave him the knowledge inside Encore.

"Remember it well because it's something necessary. And I don't advise you to start forming the Pure Sword Qi inside this realm. Although I am proud of my creation, it is certainly not perfect.

After a few minutes, Alex's Sword Mastery had helped him in understanding the whole process.

"I don't know about your Spear Energy, but since you are the type of guy who thinks a spear is the same as a sword, I guess it won't be that much different." The Sword God shrugged.

"I have understood them." Alex nodded. "I will try converting it later."

"Alright then. Let's go meet the little girl you have chosen." He nodded and created a special gate to travel within his realm.

Aria suddenly felt two presences and immediately raised her guard.

"It's me," Alex assured her with a gentle tone.

"Ah! Nyx!" She called his name in impulse.

"Pfft! Nyx she said..." The Sword God suddenly laughed out loud as he simply couldn't help but impress by how messy his naming skill was. "Your naming skill is as suck as mine. Hahaha..."

"..." Alex wanted to rebuke him but decided to stay quiet for the time being.

"Who is the one beside you?" Aria asked while glancing over the source of the sound beside Alex.

"Rejoice, little girl. I am going to perform a magic trick for you." He smirked and came closer.

Aria felt this and glanced at Alex, asking for his explanation.

"It's fine, I guess."

As soon as she heard his response, she nodded and lowered her guard again.

The Sword God then placed his hand on Aria's head before letting out a long sigh. "It's been a while since the last time I met that brat... I should create a realm to talk to him soon. Anyway, I should activate the energy inside the eyes."

Aria then felt an overbearing pressure coming from that hand, stimulating the energy inside her heart. It felt like her eyes were burning, but she didn't dare to say anything before Alex said something. After all, Alex should be able to see what happened. If he had no problem, then she should just endure it for the time being.

After a whole minute of enduring the pain, the energy had stabilized as the Sword God suddenly said, "Open your eyes."

Unaware of the reason behind the order, Aria gradually lifted her eyelids as many colors came into her eyes. Even though it was dominated by black, it was still the most colorful thing she had seen.

She lifted her vision a little bit and found a young man. Unlike the usual her that knew nothing about color, she only knew that she could finally see someone's figure. When she glanced a bit to the left, she saw a masked person smiling at her.

It was at this time a surge of emotion flowed in her heart as she realized what just happened.

"This...This...I can see?" Because she never saw anything before, her eyes still looked weird as they were not fully open. At the same time, her vision was covered by tears. "This...I can see people's figures, and I can see colors...Whatever the colors are...They are...beautiful."

Her tears flowed out uncontrollably as she couldn't hold the excitement from seeing the world around her for the first time. Everything had been pitched black for her, and because of that, she had almost no interaction with the outside world, making her common sense slightly distorted.

When she was introduced to this, there was joy in her heart before she suddenly dropped to her knees, completely exhausted.

Alex immediately went toward her while looking at the Sword God.

"It's my Sword Eye. I have explained that my Sword Eye needs a huge amount of energy. And because she can see for the first time, she can't control it yet, thus taking a huge amount of energy." He shrugged.

"I see. That is fine then." He nodded.

"Eh?! Sword Eye? Isn't that the technique..."

"It's my technique, little girl. I don't know whether you have saved a world in your previous generation to get this kind of luck, but yeah, I am granting a technique that no one has in this world: my one and only Sword Eye. If you need to thank someone, thank yourself because you can meet this guy and make him interested in you... Hem? That sounds wrong?" He glanced at Alex. "Does that mean sexually?"

"Not at all."

The Sword God shrugged. "Either way, the fact that this guy decided to have a deal with you is something huge. I will be imparting two techniques to you. The first is this Sword Eye. Although it's not impotent that allows you to see continuously, you will be able to see the world for a period of time. At my peak, I can use this for sixteen hours straight if I use it conservatively.

"Taking into account that your talent is good and has gotten the approval of the one beside me, I assume you can at least reach the ten hours mark in the future. Either way, it's something good for you, I guess.

"At the same time, this Sword Eye can enhance your physical ability even further. Of course, it is a lot of work, but yeah, you will learn this technique."

Aria listened to him attentively, even though she couldn't stop crying. At the same time, she was overwhelmed by the favor Alex had given. At this point, she had decided to join his influence in the future no matter what people said, and the third reason actually reinforced that belief.

The third reason was that she could see the Sword God's appearance earlier. Because of that, she kneeled and placed her head on the ground. "This... This is my honor... To meet your... Excellency... Peerless Sword God."

She stuttered but managed to complete saying his title without stopping.

"I am just a soul now, not the Peerless Sword God, you know."

Alex twitched his eyebrows while making a very weird look. Obviously, the Sword God found the scorn in his face and shrugged even though he knew he had fought Alex earlier with all his strength as a Rank 9 God to match Alex's strength.

"Anyway, that is the technique I will give you. And because I have promised this guy to give you two, I am still wondering which technique should I choose..." The Sword God scratched his head. First of all, Alex might want to wait for Aria to reach God Rank first before teaching her about the Pure Sword Qi.

That was why she wouldn't be able to use his Absolute Sword. In that case, that left either Purgatory Sword or Hell Lion. In terms of attack alone, the Purgatory Sword would suit her more than the Hell Lion, considering she had Lightning Element. However, it was his Original Divine Technique, so there was no telling that she could master it.

After all, that technique was similar to Alex's Blade of Extinction. Because Alex copied the technique from his previous self, he was able to almost perfect it, albeit it was untouchable for him because of the difference in experiences, memories, and other things.

On the other hand, Aria might not have Alex's talent, so it was close to impossible to make his Purgatory Sword her own.

'By the way, I won't have any more Sword Mastery, huh?' Alex asked Lin Xingzhi as he wanted to use it on Aria, so she could master the Sword even faster. It could be said as an investment, but he believed it was something he needed.

[Responding to Host's wish, Divine Gacha System shall evolve once more.]

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[Divine Gacha System V.2 (Beta)]

"..." Alex furrowed his eyebrows as he couldn't understand what she meant by this. "Care to explain?"

[It turns out that there are many items that the system generates itself like a Mastery Card or an Element Orb. That's why the system has a backup plan for that and allows you to use the Gacha once more. The Gacha is basically the same as your good old day since the Gacha Palace hasn't been taken down yet. However, the currency is different.]

"Different?"

[Gacha Point: 0]

[Gacha Coin: 0]

Alex then opened all of his Gacha and realized something different.

"Is this a generalization?"

[Yes. You won't need any Gacha Card, Premium Ticket or whatever it is. You will only have Gacha Point and Gacha Coin. How to get them? It's simple. Gacha Point is working like the normal ticket, and you will get one point for every one person that is able to get Rare Rank or Super Rare in your storage.]

"Seriously? I will need a huge number of items, you know." Alex frowned as he saw that if he wanted to use the Gacha, he needed a hundred thousand points.

[Not necessarily so. The fact that you are targeting a Lower World that is currently in transition that allows them to possess this system, you won't need something like Rank 8 Weapon or something. Instead, you will only need Rank 1 to Rank 5 items. I think after that, we can make the system completely disappear from them. And don't forget that you have gotten a kind of tax from them using the Gacha in the form of Spirit Crystals. In other words, it will probably only cut around thirty percent to fifty percent of your income.]

"I see. And if it's a new world like that, most of the items needed are Rank 1 to Rank 3, which won't cost much, making the cost even lower." Alex understood the situation.

[Yes. And there is this Gacha Coin, which functions as the Premium Ticket. You might need one thousand coins for each Gacha, but you can get one point from every single UR item, or you can say every time the people get the jackpot. Although the chance is far lower than yours, the fact that there will be millions of people competing, I think it won't be hard to get those fifty points.]

"I agree. What is the reward for my Gacha then?"

[Because you have no more use of the items that are regulated as common commodities, the reward will shift to only those that are specifically created from the system. Although it doesn't have the

function to open in a batch to get an additional benefit, and it's hard to open even once, the reward is absolutely worth it. For example, you will have a bigger chance to draw a Sword Mastery.]

"That is truly tempting. To create many talents at once..."

[Yes. The Dungeon God also created an army of a thousand with peerless talents. That was why he was so feared in the past... Second only to you.]

"I see. I will try to create that kind of world as soon as possible." Alex nodded before looking back at the Sword God and Aria that seemed to have come to an agreement.

[Chapter 925 - Purgatory Sword](#)

After gathering his thoughts about the new system, he walked toward Aria while glancing at the Sword God.

"I have decided to teach her my Purgatory Sword. If it's not working within three days, I will just give her knowledge about my Hell Lion," said the Sword God nonchalantly.

"Three days for an original technique?" Alex narrowed his eyes, wondering if this Sword God was insane. Even he needed a long period of time to master his own previous life's technique, let alone Aria.

"Don't worry. There is a thing called affinity. Her Lightning Element actually suits this technique the most, and if she can just accomplish a little thing, I will give her the technique. The rest will be up to her... Well, it will be different if you help her though." He smirked as if challenging him.

"We will see. It's not like I need the technique, but training together seems fine." Alex nodded with a serious expression.

"Do you want me to give you personal advice for your Sword Training?" He tried to tease him this time.

Alex maintained his calm face and shook his head. "I am good."

"Tch. You are not fun."

"You are the one who suddenly gets so chummy after all those things." Alex let out a long sigh when he recalled the fact that they were not allies. In fact, they often fought against each other with the intention to kill.

"The past is the past. When you die, you will realize many different things." He brushed the matter off with a laugh.

"..." Alex fell silent and gave a space for their training as he also wanted to start understanding the concept of Pure Sword Qi. He didn't have the intention to try it here though.

Thus, the hellish training from the Sword God began. They might be only in the form of a soul, and the body needed to practice it again after they knew how to do it, but there was one advantage in training this way. They wouldn't be exhausted because the realm was supporting their energy usage and stamina was never a thing for the soul.

Alex kept glancing over, watching the training for a few minutes before training for an hour. It was to keep track of Aria's progress and saw whether there would be something he needed to add to increase her understanding.

Still, the Sword God really lived up to his name. There was nothing he could say because everything he taught was perfect. He truly attained the peak of the sword in the past.

Alex actually started admiring his passion for the sword and how easy he explained all the things concerning his technique to Aria. One would say that the genius acted and thought differently, but there was an ability that many geniuses were lacking. The ability to easily teach others.

This Sword God really made a good teacher in terms of teaching, Alex thought.

One day passed, and no major improvement happened. Alex had gotten an understanding of how to create a Pure Sword Qi and tried to see whether he could make the process a bit faster.

Meanwhile, Aria kept moving her body as though her life depended on it. Alex and the Sword God had nothing but admiration of her will.

After the second day passed, Alex finally found a slightly faster way to create Pure Sword Qi and decided to consult it with the Sword God. They then started breaking it even further and made a very long talk.

The latter seemed to be very happy when there was someone who could talk to him about the sword as deep as that.

But to their surprise, when Aria listened to their conversation, she suddenly made a breakthrough. Not cultivation breakthrough, but understanding. She grasped a little bit of the Sword God's Purgatory Sword and decided to train it that way.

And finally, she reached the stage where the Sword God deemed her to be successful in cultivating the Purgatory Sword.

"To think you have reached this stage in just three days... Your comprehension speed might be comparable to me," he said in amazement.

"I am just lucky enough to listen to what both of you discussed earlier and realized the way to utilize my Sword Qi more effectively." She shook her head, didn't dare to accept the claim.

"Then, should I say as expected of your eyes for talent?" The Sword God glanced at Alex while grinning.

"Nope. I was lucky that the first person I met was her."

The Sword God shrugged before giving her two memory crystals. "These two are my Sword Eye technique and Purgatory Sword technique. Remember every single detail and make sure that the techniques are only for you, not anyone else."

"Yes."

"I will transfer the memory in the crystal to your brain. Don't forget anything." He then placed his hand on the crystal before transferring the knowledge by using his Divine Energy.

Alex did this too when he showed the information from the old man. He transferred the knowledge from the crystal to her brain.

After that, Aria sat in the group and tried to absorb all the things she got while the Sword God walked toward Alex.

"There is one thing I want to warn you about." He looked at Alex with a grim expression.

Alex's body began to tense as his face turned serious. However, what he heard next surprised him.

"Don't waste your time with my other inheritances. You will only waste your time."

"Eh?!" Alex stumbled and almost fell when he heard that.

"I mean. There is nothing you can learn from me because you already have your own path."

"Well, I am curious about your Sword Pavilion though."

"That place, huh... I have given it to my assistant to manage, but I guess he is still doing a pretty good job." He nodded. "I guess you can go there if you want to increase the amount of your Sword Qi. It's not that much, but I guess it can increase the speed by two or three times."

"That's what I am searching for." Alex nodded. "I am going to convert everything first and reach Rank 5 before going there."

"I see. Are you going to aim for Rank 7 there?"

"How long can I even stay?"

"It's half a year. Reaching Rank 6 is an easy way in that place. I am not giving you the key to enter the place instantly, though. You need to acquire everything by yourself. I wonder if you can't even solve the mystery of my pavilion, can this be considered I am smarter than you?"

"Who cares." Alex shrugged. "Smart is relative. If you are judging the talent and brain of a monkey on how to swim, they will believe they are an idiot for the rest of their life."

"True enough." The Sword God shrugged. "I won't impose you any longer. Just wish you good luck. I hope you can achieve your goal... I guess for you, it's not to protect the universe, but protect all things you hold dear..."

"Yeah. Saving the universe is just an afterthought."

"Yep. That personality hasn't changed."

After waiting for a few more hours until Aria had finished, they were finally ready to return.

"Anyway, as long as you don't create a ruckus, I think you will have no problem. At the same time, you can even use the Purgatory Sword to have her stay in the spotlight."

"There is nothing flashy such as a shining stone or something, right?"

"Don't worry about that."

"In that case..." Alex glanced at Aria as she clasped her hand and bowed politely. "Goodbye."

The light started enveloping them as their consciousness began to disperse from that realm and entered their body again.

Alex gradually opened his eyes and noticed that there wasn't a single person around the Sword Stone.

"It seems you have awakened. There are still twenty minutes though. Do you still want to continue?" The female elder suddenly appeared next to him and asked.

From the way she talked alone, he realized that she wasn't aware of what happened inside. That was why he decided to play along by letting out a long sigh as if he was so disappointed in himself. "Haiz... It's impossible. I can't get anything."

After getting her view broadened by Alex, Aria seemed to have realized Alex's true aim and followed his action. However, instead of playing ignorant, she decided to take the spotlight. "I think I have gotten something. I am still nowhere enough, but I think I know the name of the technique..."

The female elder suddenly widened her eyes and went toward her, shaking her back and forth with excitement. "What is it? What is the name of the technique?"

"It's called Purgatory Sword. Do you happen to know something about it, Elder?"

"Great disciple! Great disciple! Haha... The Purgatory Sword is the Sword God's Original Divine Sword Technique. You are such a lucky girl."

Aria opened her mouth as if she was surprised.

"Can you show me?!" The elder asked, wanting to confirm whether she told the truth or not. After all, the technique called Purgatory Sword was common knowledge. The only way to know whether she was talking the truth or not was to have her demonstrate it.

"I don't know if I can..." Aria slowly rose from the ground and took out her sword, including the scabbard from the space ring.

She then stepped her right foot forward and placed her hand on the handle of the sword as if he wanted to draw the sword.

Suddenly, a shock wave came out of her stance alone, carrying a sharp qi inside. The shock wave brushed her skin and the surroundings, creating a powerful but calm breeze.

"This... This is the Sword Stance of Purgatory Sword in the legend." The elder fell on her knees. "You... You have truly..."

"I think I only learn about one percent of it..." Aria let out a long sigh.

"One percent is good. It's good." The elder laughed as she immediately focused on Aria instead of Alex.

Alex, on the other hand, was pretty happy with the development. This way, he could move around stealthily. And with the fact that she could understand this, the elder would surely protect her. Alex decided to take advantage of the situation.

'Tell her about the incident you have experienced during the test.'

Aria caught Alex's intention and opened her mouth. "Elder. Have he and I passed the test?"

"Passed, passed. You both have passed. In fact, both of you are qualified as an inner disciple and can immediately have all the treatments." She repeatedly nodded.

"Really?" Aria looked at her with an expectant look despite her closed eyes.

"Yes, of course. It has been decided that way. The only thing you need to do is to come to my peak and get the token, and you will be set. You can have a nice environment to practice this Godly Technique. I am sure that the Peerless Sword God will be smiling upon you."

"A nice environment, huh..." Aria furrowed her eyebrows, looking slightly concerned.

"Hmm? Is there a matter you have in mind? Tell me about it, I will try to solve it for you."

"I don't know if I can trouble Elder just like this..."

"It's fine, it's fine. I have nothing to do anyway."

"Actually, I once met a group of three, one female and two males. All of them were 1-Star Martial Saints. Because we had an interest in the same herb, I decided to let go of the herb. I acted a bit indifferent about it because I never really conversed with many people, thus resulting in my lack of common sense. That's why I think I have offended that person..."

"Hmm... I don't remember such a group, but since the incident happened inside the store, I could ask the elder in charge of that store to know about this matter. I will then warn her to not take action unless they have prepared to face my wrath." The elder nodded.

"Is that so?! I am glad... I am just worried that she targets my family instead of me..."

"Don't worry. There is a rule inside the sect to not harm the secular families unless the other parties have a bad intention first. If you are abusing this too, then expelling is the only path. So, you don't need to worry."

"I see." Aria nodded with a sigh of relief.

Unbeknownst to the elder, Alex was smiling inwardly as if everything had finally been resolved.

[Chapter 926 - Five Places](#)

"Let me introduce myself first. I am Illevis, the peak master of Sword Blossom Peak. Although it sounds girlish, it will accept either male or female disciples. After all, our main product is to refine your steps to show the gallantness of a Sword Style. Of course, the strength is extraordinary as well." She smiled.

Aria repeatedly nodded, agreeing to whatever she said. She was just happy to have solved the problem she created a few days ago and didn't burden Alex that much.

"Shall we go then?"

"I understand." Aria nodded while glancing at Alex, who also nodded her head.

Elder Illevis watched their interaction and smiled inwardly. She wondered what they would do if they realized they needed to live in a single house.

Not many people were able to get something from the Sword Stone, and almost all of them got it after meditating in front of the Sword Stone for years. In other words, Aria's talent was one of the best, if not the best in the current generation.

However, she had no plan in announcing it, lest the other peaks would try to snatch her. At the same time, she didn't really think any less of Alex. His talent in sword might be lower than Aria, but his cultivation speed was far too monstrous. At just the age of 47, he managed to become a Martial Saint. He might even reach God Rank under seventy years old. If this happened, there would be a big chance for him to reach Rank 2 God.

With Alex and Aria in her peak, the Blossom Sword Peak was bound to rise. She needed to make sure there was no one who could disturb it.

While thinking about it, Illevis then led the way to her peak.

It was quite a long journey because the sect was so big. Even if Alex used his full power, he might need a few minutes to reach it, but because he couldn't show his power, it took him three hours before arriving at the peak.

They saw many peaks on the way, along with the disciples and peak masters peeking on them.

"There are a total of sixteen peaks in my Unsurpassed Blade Sect. Among the rest, my Blossom Sword Peak claims the top five position, albeit in the last position. That's why I am sure you won't regret choosing my peak because it happens to be one of the best."

"Thank you for Elder's consideration and the recommendation letter." Aria thanked her.

"It's fine. Your talent is the one giving you this opportunity." She smiled. "Just make sure that you don't show your strength very often because people may get jealous. If that happens, they are going to start targeting you. It will be either you join me or you perish."

"I will put Elder's words in my mind."

They continued for a little longer before arriving at the peak. Alex found a big building on the very top and realized it must be the elder's house.

And he turned out to be true as they landed inside the house. The elder then guided them inside as they arrived in a spacious hall where they could see a few people inside.

"Peak Master. You have finally returned." One of them greeted her while the others bowed to her while glancing at Alex and Aria, observing their reaction.

"Umu. It took a while, but yeah, this is my lucky day." She grinned and called a single name. "Melvie."

"I am here, Peak Master." A young lady suddenly walked toward her as she bowed her head politely. "Do you need anything from me?"

"Yeah. Since you are the favorite disciple, how about giving them a tour and sending them to their house? It has been arranged, right?"

"Yes." She gracefully nodded before realizing someone's stare. She took a peek at who it was, and it turned out to be Alex's and Aria's gazes.

She knew about this type of gaze. "Aiya...They are really extraordinary. It seems you two have guessed who I am..."

"The lady in front of the gate a few days ago." Aria nodded while Alex stayed silent.

It piqued the others' interests at this point. Some were elders that had been dealing with all the matters for the peak while some were their assistants, so they knew that the sect master asked Melvie to be the lady to scout talented people. Despite using a perfect measure to hide her identity, the two managed to guess it right away, albeit only one of them gave the answer.

That was why in terms of perception alone, they might be the best of the new batch.

"Nice to meet you. I am Melvie. And yes, Peak Master has said it herself, I am the current Favorite Disciple of Sword Blossom Peak." She smiled. "I will be giving you a tour of our peak and the entire sect before showing where you will stay for the night. Is that alright?"

Aria was in charge of talking here, so she immediately clasped her hands. "This junior gives her thanks to Senior Sister."

"Good." She then clarified again with the peak master. "Do you want to add anything, Peak Master?"

"Give the inner disciple tokens to them."

"Yes, Ma'am." She smiled before looking for the one in charge of the tokens and asked her for two tokens before handing them to Alex and Aria. "Here you go."

"And make sure you don't create trouble for now. I will be heading toward Elder Agya after this."

"Alright. I will take care of everything. I can use your name to scare them away, right?"

"No. For now, use your own name for that. If there is anything, just tell them they are the new disciples."

"..." Melvie fell silent for a few seconds as she realized that this course of action would create a misunderstanding inside the sect. On one hand, the favorite disciple gave a tour around the sect personally. On the other hand, it was on her personal accord.

There would be people thinking they were powerful for a newbie, but when they checked their strength, they would think otherwise. It seemed that the peak master didn't want all the things they could see in them to be known for the time being. She abided by that instruction and nodded. "Alright. I will be going now."

"Yeah. Take care. The rest of you should also go back to your work." Illevis waved her hand.

"Still... It's a bit weird to have you going around with a mask...Do you have an idea on how we solve this? After all, it will create quite a disturbance."

Aria furrowed her eyebrows as she looked at Alex.

Alex gave the confirmation, and Aria took off her mask. Her eyelids were still closed so as to not invite sympathy from others.

"Is this fine?"

"Of course. Thank you very much." Melvie nodded with a smile before glancing at Alex.

"I apologize... This is something I can't take off in front of many people..." Alex decided to open his mask a bit, allowing the others to see the horrendous burn mark around his right eye.

Gasp— The people sucked a cold breath as they couldn't believe what they saw earlier.

"There are many things that can heal the skin. Do you want..." The peak master wanted to make an offer but stopped half-way.

"This is something like a reminder for me. I apologize if this makes all of you uncomfortable." Alex smiled gently, hoping that the others could understand.

"Ehm. I guess it's fine. Some often wore a half-face mask, so it won't mean anything if you wear that. You don't need to show it to others as well and just let me do all the talking if someone wants to check you. Or you can just show the tokens and be done with it. As for your appearance, this big sister also likes a mysterious person, you know. It's so sexy." She tried to comfort Alex.

"It's fine." Alex gently smiled.

"In-in that case, let's set off." She nodded her head and stretched her hand while leading them outside to fly again.

Inside the hall, a commotion burst out as they looked at their peak master, confused about the reason she gave these two youngsters such a treatment.

"They are pitiful children but talented people. Can't I show a bit of care to the disciples? I have been doing it this whole time, right?"

When they heard it, they nodded their heads. Illevis certainly knew that some of them were untrustworthy because they were the spies that the other peaks sent, so she didn't want to talk much about it.

Meanwhile, Alex and Aria had arrived on the bottom of the hill as Melvie started explaining. "First of all, there are several things you need to know about the sect. There are five places that you will eventually visit. The first is the arena. No killing or crippling is allowed inside this sect because of the "if you have a grudge, settle it outside" rule.

"The second will be the Blade Tower. Not only does it offer you the best quality weapons, but it also has the stock of pills and array plates. I am sure you will need it at some point. The third will be Sword Cave and Sword Stone. It's the inheritance palace. Other than the time close to the enrollment, you can stay there for a period of time, depending on the points in your token.

"As for the fourth one, it's Martial Arts Pavilion. You can get any kind of weapon arts. There are even many Divine Arts there. Although it's not as popular, we also have many Element Arts, albeit most people are focusing on the Weapon Arts.

"Last but not least, it is the place where you can search for points, the marketplace. In the middle of the marketplace, you can find a mission board where you can choose your mission. No one can abuse their own identity here, including the inner and core disciples and even me. You need to wait in line, even if it means you are behind a thousand of outer disciples. Do you understand?"

Alex and Aria nodded.

"I will explain their details while we are on the way." She started flying toward one of the places and kept talking. "This is the arena. It's mostly for you to challenge someone. I think there is nothing I should add except this one. You have the right to reject a challenge. That's all."

An hour later, they arrived in front of the Blade Tower. Just like she said, there was a huge collection of weapons, pills, and array plates. There were even raw metals and medicinal herbs there. He wondered if there was a peak tier medicinal herb that had the effect like Void Flower, albeit found nothing.

After looking around inside the tower, they skipped the Sword Cave and Sword Stone because they had been there. She only added the cost to practice in that place.

They then went toward the Martial Arts Pavilion. Unfortunately, they could only stay at the entrance because they had no permission to enter.

The last place would be the marketplace. Just like what Alex predicted, he saw a giant mission board that contained thousands of missions to satiate the need of so many disciples. But what surprised him was the fact that in front of the mission board had a real market where people traded.

"The market is a bit strange," Alex exclaimed in surprise as if he noticed something wrong.

"I don't know what makes you think that, but yeah, this market is a special one. It sells many things, including the materials for the missions on the board. The disciples often brought back the missions' materials and sold them here because they would make more money if someone decided to take on the mission and immediately buy it from them.

"It might sound weird, but that's the world. Sometimes, points are not more important than Spirit Crystals. And if you want to get big cash, you can get a huge amount of the materials and sell it just slightly above the marketplace. Considering the time you need and any other things, people might decide to buy it from you instead of going on a mission. You can say it's like trading your wealth with points. Can't help if we were born rich." She shrugged.

"Interesting."

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"Interesting." Alex smiled as if he planned something. It was an easy way for him to earn points this way, but he needed to see whether it was worth it to spend his money on. He also often killed unnecessary monsters during his mission. If he could sell them this way, it would be a kind of bonus for him.

Nonetheless, he felt there would be a huge use of this market, so he wanted to observe it first before making his decision.

"You can see there is a huge number of requests per day, and there is a chance that you take a mission that someone has unintentionally finished during their own mission and so on. I don't have anything to say other than saying my condolences, so yeah, good luck on that." Melvie shrugged.

She was concerned about Aria, but with Alex beside her, she should have no problem in getting a mission. Alex wasn't a fool to begin with, so they might be stronger if they fought together.

"Do we have a quota or something? Like we need to get a certain number of missions in a period of time."

"Nope. You are completely free. Just make sure that if you are taking too long, you won't be able to upgrade your status from inner disciple to core disciple. After all, the sect will only provide resources this way. Unless you have a huge backing behind you that is capable of forking out millions of Spirit Crystal, I doubt you can reach God Stage that easily."

"Fair enough." Alex nodded with a serious expression. To boost his cultivation speed, he had already forked out tens of millions of Spirit Crystal. And there were Sherry and the others, so he was completely broke when he was in Moose World.

In fact, he was pretty poor when coming here. Unless he took the Spirit Crystals inside Encore, he wouldn't have the capital to buy something expensive. That was the reason he used the advantage of a newbie to buy some expensive medicinal herbs.

"Well, there is also a special mission. Peak Masters are the ones released such a mission to a specific person. At that time, they are usually coming to you guys personally to discuss the place. Although most won't reject the mission, there are some who like to kill their own disciples, so there were some who rejected it in the past. We have no one rejected the mission yet just for your information."

Alex and Aria exchanged looks as if thinking the same thing. It was obvious that Melvie was trying to tell that the Sword Blossom Peak wasn't a bad guy. Either way, they would only see whether it was such a thing.

"There is also one more prior warning to you guys," Melvie warned them one last thing that came from her experience. "Since you have suddenly appeared as an Inner Disciple, many will look at you with scorn until they realize your strength. Although Peak Master prohibits you from using your strength continuously, I think it's fine to show yours every now and then. This way, not only can people understand a little bit of your strength and power, but they will also stop bothering you guys."

"But won't there be troublemakers?" Aria asked.

"They can't force you into a challenge in the sect."

"I understand." Aria nodded while Alex kept furrowing his eyebrows as he seemed to have felt something was amiss.

"Anyway, you have everything here, so all you need to do is to show your talent and think it through. You need both talent and brain to reach the top in this sect because the sect won't babysit you."

"There is one thing I would like to know. What if we meet other sects that create trouble for us?" Alex asked.

"Well, this is my personal advice. You know that the Memory Crystal can record anything, right?"

"Ah! I see." Alex nodded. "You want me to record everything... No, I should say that I need to start recording when I meet people. In that case, this recording will be my defense."

"Yes. But unlike us who are utilizing the Favorite Disciple system, they have personal disciples and such, so there must be a few people who are off-limits. I really suggest you guys not to really pick a fight against them, but dead men tell no tales."

Aria furrowed her eyebrows as she understood her meaning. If something happened and the other party wanted to kill them, they just needed to fight back and kill them. If no one knew they killed them, they would be fine. Suppose someone knew. In that case, you can only get a punishment from the sect or flee from here.

"We understand." Aria nodded before glancing at Alex, wondering if he had any other questions. After he saw Alex shaking his head, she continued. "I think that's all. We know where to practice and where to get points."

"In that case, should we go to your house now? Or do you want to visit another place?"

"Actually, I have one person that I want to meet before this... But I don't know if I can."

Alex shrugged as he didn't really care about this and decided to tag along. It wasn't like they were wasting a day or two just for this visit.

"Where do you want to go?"

"I want to visit my brother."

"Ah! The one that Elder Gian brings in...I guess you can. I will help you with the process." Melvie nodded. "Elder's peak is that way."

They nodded and flew again.

After another thirty minutes, they had arrived at the peak. Alex found something far different than their own peak. It was that there was a giant array enveloping this peak.

When he scanned it, he realized it was an array that had the ability to increase gravity.

"This is Mountain Strength Peak. They are focusing on offensive power, including their own body. In terms of offensive power, they might be the second strongest in the sect, only second to the first peak that has been reigning as a champion this whole time."

A few disciples then rose to the air and greeted Melvie.

"May we know is there a reason for Senior Sister Melvie to visit this peak?" They asked politely.

"Peak Master Gian brought a disciple yesterday, right? His sister wants to meet him, so I brought her here. Can you pass the message to him?"

"They are still having a conversation about his training...So, I guess it's impossible to meet him right now."

"Then can you pass the message to the peak master instead? I believe he will give some time for them to meet." She smiled.

"Uhm... Alright." The disciples agreed to it because of Melvie's reputation. Unlike the others that were cold and aloof, Melvie was one of the few disciples that were easy-going, so people like her more than most of the other Favorite Disciples. When she asked them like this, they had no choice other than to do it.

A few minutes later, Adrian suddenly flew out of the peak and shouted. "Sister!"

"Adrian." She glanced toward Adrian and smiled before opening her hands.

However, Adrian suddenly stopped right in front of her and looked away embarrassedly. "What are you doing, Sister? Are you going to embarrass me? We are grown up, so don't treat me like a kid."

"..." Aria fell silent for a while before awkwardly pulled back her hands.

"I guess it's fine then." Her voice was filled with sadness, but it seemed she indeed needed to stop treating him like this. "Well, I only want to check you, and I am glad that you are doing fine."

"Uhm, yes. Thank you for Sister's assistance in the test. I would have nothing to gain if it's not for Sister."

She then took out a sword and handed it to him. "This is your sword. I might not be able to visit you for the time being, so I want to give you this sword first. At the very least, this will protect you better than me."

"Ugh..." Now he felt bad for not receiving his sister's hug. He thought for a moment and said, "That bastard is in the peak next to me. Since Sister is a bit far away, you don't need to care about him because I will be his opponent."

"Is that so? You have become so dependable."

"Your dream is to become an expert, right? So, you should just aim at your goal and don't think about anything else. I will take care of everything for you... This is my duty as your brother and the next patriarch of our Cypress Family. It's also my own way to redeem the bad thing I have done to you, sister..." He bowed his head.

"Hehe. I am glad that you have changed. If mother were here, she will surely be proud of you. May fortune bless you with its presence, Adrian."

"Yes, Sister. Thank you very much. I will treasure this sword and use it to cut our enemies."

"In that case, I think it's worth it to come here. Before you do anything, make sure to reach 1-Star Martial Saint first, alright?"

"Yes. Peak Master said the same thing."

"Then, we are leaving now."

"Yes. Take care, sister." He nodded before glancing at Alex and bowing his head again without saying anything.

After that, they flew back to the Sword Blossom Peak. Adrian saw them off until he couldn't see their back and returned straight to the building on top of the peak. He saw an old man waiting for him and waved his hand.

"Have you finished your business?"

"Peak Master... You promised to train me, right?"

"Of course. There are two reasons. First, I can show my superiority to that Illevis if I can train the brother of her favorite disciple and show her that he is stronger than his sister. Second, you also have a lot of talent yourself. The blazing fire in your heart might dim down, but I can feel that it has become even more stable than ever. That's why I am going to train you to be the strongest."

"I understand. I shall do it. No matter how hard it's, I will endure every training you give. If my sister walks ten steps, I will walk one hundred. I will use this sword that she gives to show her that I am the head of my family."

"Not a perfect determination for me, but I guess that's enough. Shall we start?" He smirked evilly.

"Please take care of me, Peak Master." He bowed with a solemn expression.

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Meanwhile, Alex and Aria had arrived in front of their house after two hours of flying. To their surprise, Melvie only showed them this house and said, "This is your house. Yep, you are staying under one roof. Ahem, you are a man and a woman, so there might be an accident...Ahem, whatever, it's not like there will be someone spying on you or listening to your moans. Anyway, this is the key and goodbye."

"..." Alex and Aria were speechless. This might be the reason why she wanted to show them the other places first. She misunderstood that Alex and Aria were a couple, and they would be having s*x every now and then and chose to retreat as soon as she handed the key.

The house itself was not so big. Definitely not as big as Alex's house in the Heavenly Sword Sect. However, the field behind the house was far bigger than Aria's mansion.

It seemed the disciple could use that big field for all kinds of training. They could create a small pond and pour water or make practice dummies. Or even a fight against someone.

This house would be perfect for people to go training. He looked at this not decorated wooden house and checked it using his Spirit Eyes.

After finding there was nothing suspicious inside, he exchanged looks with Aria.

"You have a problem with this?" Alex asked.

"You are interested in me?"

"Nope."

"Then, is there a need to ask? Not that I don't mind if an accident does happen though. After all, I will be the biggest winner according to the Sword God."

"..." Alex was speechless and immediately walked inside the house, wondering. 'What kind of bullsh*t that guy said to her?'

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They started checking everything inside the house as soon as they entered the house.

"It seems this house is indeed a one-person house." Alex let out a long sigh.

"Well, the house is pretty big, so I will be sleeping here... Not that I really need sleep, but I guess if it's cultivating alone, it's fine. You won't make too much noise anyway." She shrugged. Since Alex was a kind of her employer, she suggested this.

"Nah, it's fine. There is a storage room inside, so I will be using that instead after cleaning up that place." Alex shrugged. "Actually, I have already placed the bed and any other necessities.

"Ehm... Seriously?"

"Yeah. Want to see it?"

If she said she wasn't curious about it, she would be lying. After all, Alex was a God Rank Expert. In terms of seniority, he should be the one using the bedroom. However, Alex never really cared about that and let her use the bedroom while using a storage room instead.

She felt bad about it.

On the other hand, Alex simply thought that the storage room could be considered comfortable enough. He remembered that he had been using a dark and cold cave longer than he used a real bedroom, so compared to what he had endured this whole time, a storage room would be perfect for him.

Of course, necessities like a bed and other things had been prepared inside his Inventory because he often used it, so when Aria entered the room, she realized that it had become a room that could be used for a small bedroom.

"Ehm... I think I will use this place instead. You can use the original bedroom."

"Nah, it's fine. You are the talented one here. If you stay here instead, I will be a bit suspicious, especially if someone checks us."

"..." Aria fell silent for a minute and ultimately nodded her head. "I understand. If you feel comfortable, we can switch."

"Don't worry. Compared to where I have been living, this place is quite nice." Alex shrugged.

"So, what are we going to do now?" She asked. "Should I aim for Martial Saint first?"

"Yes. I want you to break through to Martial Saint first before taking the first mission. Well, you have an Energy Pill. That should be enough to reach 10-Star Martial Monarch. Assuming that you will be training with me, I think it won't take a year to have a breakthrough."

"Are you sure? I usually take one or two years just for a star..." She furrowed her eyebrows, not believing what he said.

"It will depend whether you are determined enough to improve."

"I am. Just... Are we going to practice my Purgatory Sword or Sword Eye first?"

"Your Lightning Element first. I want you to master your Lightning Element first, so you won't have any problem using them in a full fight. During that time, you can practice your Purgatory Sword. I will try to help you one way or another. After that, you can start training your Sword Eye and learn about color. Maybe you can surprise your family in the future..." Alex smiled.

"I will be lying if I say I don't have the desire to learn the Sword Eye first, but I will follow your advice. After all, the Sword God said that your skill with the sword is second only to him."

"He obviously didn't want you to think he is below me by any means. He is a sore loser."

"Fufu. He knew that you would say that, so he told me that you lost against him."

"..." Alex was speechless. The Sword God was indeed a poison. "It's just a close match. If I have mastered everything in my repertoire, I won't have any problem destroying him."

She smiled as if everything was according to her plan. "As expected, you must be an important person. Although I am doubting your age, your identity is indeed very special. With how you are talking about him this casual, it must mean that you have somehow a relationship. The only problem will be what kind of relationship it is..."

"Since he had died a few thousand years ago, I guess you have met his soul in another place. It makes me curious, but since you are not going to say anything, I won't pry deeper. It's just I want to say this to you. I will make sure to win the bet."

"Try it." Alex shrugged with a smile. "You are smart but lacking common sense."

"Ugh... I am sorry about that. I have created trouble for you."

"I guess it's fine. I will be teaching you how to be careful during this time. And there is one thing that I find troubling."

"What is it?"

"All of them were saying they would protect you. They never said anything regarding your family. It might be true that as long as you are inside the sect, you won't have trouble. And if the disciple targets a family outside the sect, they will receive a punishment. But no one is saying their family outside is targeting your family. If it comes to this, it will just be a brawl between two secular families. It can't be considered breaking the rules."

"Ah?!"

"See? You are still naive. And there is a chance that your brother is on the list. Either way, I won't be helping you regarding this matter. The only way for you to solve everything is to get stronger. Are you prepared to complete some hellish training?"

Aria gulped down and nodded. "I am ready. Please take care of me."

"For now, you can use the Energy Pill first. I will be staying here until you have reached 10-Star Martial Monarch."

"I understand." Aria didn't complain that she didn't have time to get used to her new environment. It was like her courtyard. There was nothing to do other than training.

After getting Alex's instructions, she went straight to her new room and swallowed the pill.

Meanwhile, Alex opened his system.

"By the way, there is already Sherry and the others using the Gacha System, right?"

[Yes. Rose is getting lucky not long ago.]

[Gacha Point: 1]

[Gacha Coin: 0]

"Hmm. That's right. How are the girls?"

[Anna and Anya are cultivating in Eulja right now and have reached Rank 9 God due to the supply of medicinal herbs. The experience can be increased by the usage of pills and medicinal herbs, so we are using it to boost everyone's cultivation.]

"That's good. I have no problem here too. I am still unsure whether to summon the N squad to investigate the world because I have no plan in going out that much."

[Do you have a plan?]

"I am thinking right now." Alex let out a long sigh. "There is nothing that piques my interest other than Sword Pavilion, but it will only open in another two years. Within that time, I need to go out once in a while. After all, I can't make them think I am a spy that suddenly disappears."

[You are going to make a scene?]

"Yeah. Probably a suicide scene... Not exactly committing suicide, but maybe sacrifice myself to fend off enemies."

[That girl can certainly act for you, but I think you might want to have another person to watch that scene to make it more believable. After all, they are considering both of you as a thing.]

"You are not jealous?"

[No way. Is there a need to be jealous? As long as you are not obsessed to the point you have forgotten about your original wives, I won't say anything. Besides, there are still spaces inside our bedroom.]

"Anyway, I have no plan in doing that. Anyway, how are Alicia and the others?"

[I have sent Alicia into a freezing world since it's too far from its star. She is fighting against many monsters there while increasing her strength. My task is pretty simple. I want her to conquer that world for me.]

"I see. The power level is not that high, right?"

[Don't worry. I don't give impossible missions.]

"That's good then."

[As for Firia, she has a separate mission with her master. I don't intervene unless necessary, and the content of the mission is also unknown to me.]

"Well, she has taken care of her this whole time, so her safety should be guaranteed. Now that you mention it, I haven't visited my master after reaching God Rank. I should probably visit him soon."

[I don't really mind. I have explained your current situation to him, and he is fine with it. Besides, I have been giving the report to him about your progress, so he focuses on helping Firia right now. Well, you might want to visit him after completing your objective there.]

"Yeah. I will probably do that." Alex nodded.

[As for Sherry, she is in a beast world, trying to learn more about herself. As much as they are similar to a human or a spirit, Sherry needs to face this herself. I have asked her first about this, and she said she wants to get stronger by going to the basics.]

"Since she agreed, I won't say anything. Besides, she is going to be training in a fire world."

[Yes. We have found a planet that is suited for the Fire Authority cultivation. It will go either to you or Sherry, depending on who is first. As for the second world, we have found a clue but need a bit more time. I think we should find the third one within five years. At the same time, we have gained a clue about the world where we can plant the Gacha System.]

"I understand. I will immediately use my power to plant the system after visiting my master." Alex nodded. "How about Rose and Letizia?"

[Letizia has broken through to 9-Star. I think she will become a Goddess in two years of that world's time, not your current world.]

"I see. That's good then. Zark will pick her up, right?"

[Yes. Considering she has an affinity with Alicia, she can train in the Ice Phoenix Tribe for the time being before becoming Alicia's assistant, so she understands more about Ice Element. If the Pure Ice element can be utilized perfectly, I think she might be the ice version of uncle Phitrus.]

"Nice. She is a talented one and can be taught, so I am glad."

[You need to face her without drawing a line, you know.]

"Ugh. I know." Alex looked away.

[As for Rose, she doesn't have any problem too. Maybe she will be able to become a God Rank Expert two years after Letizia. This is just a prediction.]

"How is her overall strength?"

[I think she has no problem. Despite having 2-Star Martial Saint strength, she is able to fight against your average 4-Star. I think she can win against 5-Star Saint with some special condition.]

"That's powerful. As expected of my disciple."

[You didn't teach her that much, considering she uses a bow instead of a spear or a sword.]

"It's not like she needs one. The Bow Mastery is the biggest cheat." Alex stuck his tongue.

[Anyway, I have been giving Rose and Letizia a few missions they need to do to hone their fighting skills and other things.]

"Alright. Thank you for doing that. I don't have time to supervise it."

[Don't worry. It's not like I have a lot of jobs with Korzan taking all the jobs. I am more like a supervisor of this world instead of a ruler. I will just be waiting for you to take the role from me.]

"Ahaha." Alex could only laugh.

[There is one more thing. It's about Evelyn.]

"Oh?!"

[According to Letizia, she has been inquiring about your information from time to time. She also has successfully made her senior sister... Angela, was it? To be the sect master candidate instead of her. I think she will chase you.]

"I am not against the idea, but I just don't want to repeat the same mistake as I did in Shelka's case."

[I will be supervising her for you and make sure she doesn't fall to that path.]

"Yeah, thank you."

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Three days later, Aria had successfully advanced to 10-Star Martial Monarch. They then started Alex's hellish training.

This might be the first time Aria experienced the full experience of hellish training. It was different from what she received in the Cypress Family mansion.

After training, every muscle in her body was sore to the point she almost lost her ability to move. At that time, Alex didn't let her go and made her cultivate until the muscle pain disappeared and repeated the same process.

This way, they wouldn't waste a single minute.

Not only did the training consume a huge amount of energy, especially when she tried to understand the Purgatory Sword's concept, but it also needed a lot of mental strength.

Most people usually said they practiced until they dropped, but not many of them actually repeated such a thing for weeks, months, or even years. They simply needed time to relax.

Alex did the same as well, but he had a clear target for his training. If he needed to complete the training set in three hours, he would try to break his limit and complete it in two hours. He repeated the process every single day until he finished his training.

And this was the essence of Alex's hellish training, breaking the limit.

Aria didn't complain this whole time and just endured the pain until she began to feel numb about it, just like how Evelyn and Rose felt.

Quickly, four months had passed, and it invited the curiosity of the peak master and Melvie. They decided to check on them because four months were certainly not a short time.

Alex and Aria met them by the gate when they noticed their presence. Of course, Aria was covered by sweat.

"Ara?! You two sure are having fun, eh?" Melvie smirked, teasing Alex and Aria.

"Fun, huh? It's certainly fun to see your strength increase." Aria smiled. Of course, she would be feeling happy when she realized that her strength a few months ago was just a mere 8-Star Martial Monarch. After getting Alex's training, her strength increased by leaps and bounds, and now she had become a solid 10-Star Martial Monarch.

Although the Energy Pill contributed as well, the biggest leap was surely her battle efficiency. Unlike a few months ago, she now had enough control to fight someone with her lightning continuously. Not only by using those high-speed movements, but she also could use her lightning to add a few more directional attacks or even strengthening her Martial Arts.

"May I know what is the reason for Peak Master and Senior Sister to visit us?"

"It's nothing special. I told you a few months ago that the peak master can assign someone a mission, right?"

"So I have heard." Alex calmly nodded. "But if I remember correctly, we have the right to reject the mission."

"Of course, you have. That's why we are going to talk about the mission first. If you are interested in it, you can accept then."

"I think it's better to come inside first." Aria stopped Alex from talking and invited them in.

"Sure. As expected, you are more thoughtful than the guy." Melvie smiled while glancing at Alex with teasing eyes.

Alex only shrugged.

"You can also change your clothes first." Illevis nodded.

All of them then entered the house. After bringing the tea for the two, Aria decided to change her clothes first while Alex faced these two.

"How are you doing? Have you got accustomed to life in this sect yet?"

"If it's this house, then yes. I am not sure about the sect."

"Well, both of you haven't really gone out during these few months, so I guess that's about it." Illevis nodded while thinking about something. "I am wondering when you are going to take your first mission?"

"After Aria reaches 1-Star Martial Saint."

"Is that so?" She narrowed her eyes, realizing that Aria was only one step away from the Lightning Tribulation. Although she heard that the elder gave an energy pill to her, it was still too fast.

She predicted that she would need, at least, a year to reach Martial Saint, but Aria seemed to have surpassed that prediction.

If her cultivation speed was this fast, she might have reached 1-Star Martial Saint in her fifties, not seventies. With that kind of calculation, the only factor that changed the cultivation speed to the monstrous degree would probably Alex.

That was why she got curious about it and visited here. She narrowed her eyes and checked Alex's cultivation, finding him on the edge of 1-Star Martial Saint.

Alex didn't forget to change his strength, of course. He was planning to change it to 2-Star Martial Saint a few days later in fact.

"It seems that you have something special that can increase one's cultivation in a short period of time." She narrowed her eyes. "And I think you have used it on your own body. However, one thing that surprises me is the fact that I can feel how solid your foundation is. In other words, it won't be a crappy technique or something."

Alex narrowed his eyes. The only thing he did was to heighten someone's talent to the highest degree by breaking the limit again and again. This way, they would start absorbing the Spiritual Energy and increasing their proficiency in their skills quicker.

Other than that, he didn't do anything else.

"Even if that is the case, may I know what is the reason for Peak Master and Senior Sister coming here?" Alex paused for a moment and continued. "Is it to know what kind of training I have given to Aria?"

"Nope. It's not that. Because I am a God Rank Expert, I often went to other worlds, so I certainly knew that there will always be a way for someone to increase their cultivation speed. Unfortunately, the method didn't suit us.

"Although your technique that seems to suit us is tempting, I have another thing to say." She stopped Alex from making a baseless conclusion. "The sect is experiencing a shortage in medicinal ingredients for pills. Most of them are either plants or monster cores.

"The plants are planted in the garden at every single peak, so we are in shortage for monster cores. The sect was going to issue a mission for a big hunt. However, there were some oppositions about this, asking for it to be handed to only a few people for every peak. The peak masters are the ones in charge of the recruitment."

"So, you want me to go for this mission?"

"Yes. You and Aria. Because this is your first mission, Melvie is going to tag along to supervise you."

"Won't this direct hatred and jealousy from other Inner Disciples to us?"

"Nope. No one knows about this yet other than peak masters. And since I have given the mission to Melvie, she is the only one who knows about it other than me in this peak."

"In that case, why us? If you give this mission to other disciples, you will get a higher return."

"It's simple. I have checked the points you got and the time you needed. It turned out that you were faster than I could even imagine. From my perspective, you seem to have the ability to kill a hundred 1-Star Martial Saint beasts without having any problem. If it's placed on someone's hand, I doubt they have that kind of power.

"Hence, I want to entrust this mission in your hand. Melvie will handle all the higher-level magical beasts. If it's compared to her usual mission, she won't get that much, but it's a perfect opportunity for you." The elder smirked.

Alex fell silent for a few seconds before glancing at his right as Aria had finished changing clothes.

"You haven't explained what it's in us."

"It's simple. You can gain experience and money at the same time. The sect will be buying whatever you get with five percent above the market. You can kill a hundred thousand and get five percent. I am sure it is high, right?"

"A hundred thousand is impossible, you know. Especially, we need to know the time limit."

"Indeed. The time limit is only a month." She nodded.

After changing her clothes, she then sat beside Alex and faced the two.

"May I know the place?"

"It's called The Blood Island."

"Blood Island?" Aria furrowed her eyebrows. "This is a dangerous island where the three sects fought against each other in the past, right?!"

"Yes. It's as such. After the emergence of the Peerless Sword God, we haven't really had any big fight like that. Hence, the island is filled with monsters now. It's also the time to clean it up again, so this will be a perfect time for everyone." Illevis nodded.

Aria looked at Alex, not understanding the whole concept.

Alex thought for a moment and had difficulty accepting it. On one hand, they might get a good amount of Spirit Crystal. On the other hand, their ability would be exposed.

If he wanted to make them misunderstand, he was planning to have Aria as the lead. Unfortunately, that plan was for when Aria reached 1-Star Martial Saint.

The current her had enough explosive power to kill 1-Star Martial Saint easily, but it was hard for her to fight against 2-Star or even 3-Star in her own accord.

That was why he needed to step in. And he could easily find monsters with his Spirit Eyes, but it was impossible to use it under supervision. Unless Melvie spectated from afar, she would surely note their fighting style down.

At the same time, he couldn't make it as a condition as well because Illevis would suspect him of doing something bad.

"One more question."

"Go on."

"When is it?" Alex asked.

"It's going to be the day after tomorrow. It's not that far from us, so you can go tomorrow."

Aria asked with a thought transmission. 'Are we going to do it?'

'This is a bit complicated. Your skill is good enough to face monsters one by one, but if it's a group of monsters, it will be hard for you. Well, it depends on your performances because I don't know the extent of your current strength against a group of monsters. Besides, unlike the previous hunt we did in the test, I can't use my Fire for the time being,' Alex answered.

'I see. I am not confident as well, but it's not like we need to be separated, right? You can just stop the magical beasts with your power while I am killing them under the guise of my training.' Aria offered a solution. 'I believe rejecting this is a bad move, especially since we haven't done anything in the past four months.'

'I guess we can only go this route.' Alex sighed inwardly before he gave the answer to Illevis and Melvie. "We will do it."

"That's good. Melvie is going to come again tomorrow to pick you up. If you meet other peaks' disciples, Melvie will handle that." Illevis smiled. "You only get the monster cores, and we will buy every monster core from you."

"I understand." Alex nodded, knowing that the money would go to Aria as an investment. Since the Sword God didn't want her and she herself had agreed to come under him in the future, an investment like this wouldn't be so bad.

"And I want you guys to be prepared. The sect master is rather suspicious, so I assume there will be something big going on soon. It can be next week, next month, or even next year. But I bet it won't be too long, so you should start preparing yourself."

"Is that like a threat to this sect?" Aria asked.

"Nope. It's a kind of opportunity. The sect master himself has hinted at it."

"I understand." Aria nodded.

"Then, let's meet tomorrow." Melvie smiled and waved her hand while bringing the peak master outside. "Let's go back, Peak Master."

"Yes. I will trouble you in this matter." She smiled.

Alex and Aria saw them off before exchanging looks.

"You can rest for today." Alex smiled.

"I don't know why but that's the best sentence I hear ever since coming to this sect." She stuck her tongue out and ran away.

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The next day, Alex and Aria came out of the house as soon as Melvie came by. It might be due to the influence of the Sword God, but Aria had started carrying the sword on her waist instead of a space ring. It seemed that the Sword God's Purgatory Sword made her get used to such a habit.

Alex paid no intention to it since it was her choice. He simply went outside and met Melvie.

"Have both of you prepared?"

"Yes." Aria nodded while putting on her mask.

"You two are such weird people, eh? I can understand Nyx's circumstances, but I am wondering why would you wear a mask, Aria?" She asked.

"Nothing in particular. Probably because I don't want someone's sympathy." She smiled.

"Such a shame. Your face is beautiful, but I guess you have your own thinking." Melvie sighed and asked, "Let's go then."

"Yes." Aria and Alex then followed Melvie.

Alex went through everything she told him about this Blood Island. It was a place where many Gods and fighters from the three sects died when there was a great war between the three. It was a complete mess according to history.

Many normal people were turned into a soldier by the sects and got exploited to fight them. It was said that a river of blood was formed there, and it flowed to the sea. There was even a red sand beach on the island due to how much blood was shed in that war.

Alex was pretty curious about this island and wondered whether this island had something hidden within it or not. After all, there were many God Rank Experts killed on the island, so there might be a buried treasure somewhere.

The possibility was low, but it should be fine to hope.

'By the way, I have a question.' Alex suddenly sent a thought transmission to Aria.

'What is it?'

'Why can we go easily to the island? Is it because the Unsurpassed Blade Sect won the war?'

'Nope. This place was the place where the Sword God name resounded across the world for the first time. He obliterated an elite team from each sect in the past and decided to end this war.'

'He truly ended the war but didn't choose to win the war even though he had the power to do so. When he reached the peak of God Stage, he declared that this war would be neutral territory. Every ten years, each sect can take care of this island in rotation. It's rumored that the grave of the Sword God himself is here, but no one has found it yet.' Aria explained.

Alex looked at her in amazement.

'So, they are trying to find that grave?'

'Yeah. There is a mission to find the grave, but I am sure that the Sword God knew it as well that people would truly try to find his grave, so he hid it.'

'I wonder what kind of thing I can get from this?' Alex smiled.

'Are you going to search for it?'

'Yeah. Of course, I was joking earlier. I would like to pay my respect to him. At the very least, he is a kind of a senior to me, so I think I can do that.' Alex shook his head. Since the grave couldn't be found, there was a high chance that it was underground.

'Oh. I will help you then.' She nodded in agreement. If it was paying respect to him, she wanted to do it also. After all, the Sword God had given his Sword Eye and Purgatory Sword to her, so this was something she must do.

Knowing her real intention, he nodded. 'Sure.'

"By the way, Senior Sister, how do we finish this mission? And I would like to know what kind of role you are playing for this mission." Aria asked.

"I am not doing anything." She took out two tokens and handed them to them. "This is my token. I will probably sit down on the coast and wait for you guys. Well, I will probably check you both after a period of time, but it's just to track your progress. Of course, I will follow you on the first day to make sure you can handle the monsters on this island."

"I understand. Is there any information about the island itself? Like the monsters' power level and such?"

"Because we have cleared them periodically, the monsters in that island are only ranging between Martial Monarchs to peak Martial Saints. As you might know that the island is divided into three, right?"

"Yes. Outer Island, Inner Island, and Core Area."

"Yes. I think you both will probably do fine in the Inner Area. The most powerful monsters there are only 4-Star Martial Saints. Even if you can't fight them, escaping from them should not be a problem. Or you can buy enough time for me to arrive. Well, considering the island's size and my speed, I will probably take a minute before arriving on the other side of the island." She shrugged.

"By the way, is this a mission only for Aria or both of us?" Alex suddenly asked.

"Hmm?" Melvie thought for a moment to answer. "It's for both. You are a group to be honest. Other than the five percent more Spirit Crystals, you will get one point for every single monster you kill, no matter whether it's Martial Monarch monsters or Saint monsters."

"I see." Alex nodded. "We have no obligation to help other people, right?"

"None. The world is cruel. Think about your own safety first." She shook her head with a serious expression.

Alex narrowed his eyes when he saw her expression. It seemed Melvie wasn't like someone he predicted her to be. She was more down to earth and selfish people behind her smile. Instead of teaching people to help each other, she wanted them to prioritize themselves first. She looked like someone with a backstory.

Alex put her on his "be careful list" and focused on his mission.

"Do you have any tips for us?" Aria asked like a newbie. No, it was to make the fact that they were just newbies even more believable.

"I have two actually. First, you shouldn't trust someone easily. Second, it's fine to rely on someone else, but at the end of the day, your body is the perfect one to rely on. That's two." Melvie smiled before she asked a question. "Do you think my advice doesn't suit my appearance?"

Alex didn't answer this while Aria took a few seconds before nodding her head. "I don't mean to be rude but to put it bluntly, yes. From what we saw a few months ago, Senior Sister looks approachable. So, I think of two possibilities. It's either something happened in the past few months or Senior Sister hid it this whole time."

"That's true. Now I know why Peak Master places importance on you. However, I simply act like this because I believe there is no need for me to act that way. After all, you can have everything when you are strong, but when you lose everything, the pain will be more hurtful."

Aria fell silent while Alex seemed to understand what she had experienced in the past. It was probably a betrayal.

"Because you are a future expert, I just want you to know about this and don't believe people easily. I don't mind if you include me in that list if it means you can get stronger." Melvie made a meaningful smile.

Alex closed his eyes and sighed inwardly. 'She must have been betrayed and lost everything in the past and rose back up with her own strength. It might also be related to her current position since she only showed this to us. Since she didn't mind, I will put her on that list too. After all, there might be a chance where she chooses to not help us and let us die. It's not like she can win against me though.'

"Thank you for your advice, Senior Sister. I saw another family control my family, so I could somehow understand what Senior Sister said." Aria nodded with a smile.

"Haha... You don't need to think much about it. As long as you are careful, you will probably be fine."

Aria accepted her words and continued flying without any more talking.

They arrived a day later, where an island came to their vision. To their surprise, the island looked eerie. There was a kind of miasma spreading on the island, creating a reflection in the sky. It even made the sky orange even though it looked so bright not long ago without this island's influence.

When they lowered their vision, they found a red sand beach. Even though it didn't have a smell after getting washed away a few thousand years, the sight of it still made one want to puke.

According to Aria, the monsters in this world were born from Spiritual Energy. Of course, it couldn't be anywhere. They needed a pure Spiritual Energy without any impurities within it, so when people built a house or even a city, the monsters couldn't be born there.

But to Alex's surprise, the island was indeed contaminated by the blood, so he couldn't understand why this place had the ability to produce monsters.

That was why he immediately activated his Spirit Eyes to check what was going on. Red-colored energy suddenly filled his eyes, and it covered the entire island, from the coast to the center of the island. Of course, with his eyes, he couldn't see through this quite large island entirely, but he managed to grasp the gist of what this island was all about.

'This island is bad news.' Alex informed Aria.

'What do you mean?'

'I don't know if the people know about this yet, but the energy surrounding the island is ominous. It is controlled by killing intent. It's probably because this is the place where many people lost their lives, so we need to be careful inside this island. One slight mistake, we will be consumed by that evil intent.'

'Is the sect going to sacrifice us or something?' Aria asked while furrowing her eyebrows. If that were the case, was this staged by the people because they didn't want her and Alex in the sect?

'I am not entirely sure about this, so I won't say anything. Make sure you create a mental barrier to lessen the killing intent. If you are heavily injured, call me so I can protect you from this type of energy.'

'I understand. For the time being, I shall trust no one other than you. I don't know if the sect wants to kill us or not, but let's explore the island first. I feel this island will lead us to the answer.'

'I agree. Try not to be separated.'

'I understand. Is there anything you want to add or how do you even find something like this?'

'I am a God Rank Expert.' Alex only answered her question like this. 'Besides, I can't really see or feel anything beyond this point. If we want to know more about the island, it's better to go toward the core. I believe that place holds the answer, considering the energy flow that seems to go toward the center of the island.'

'In that case, I will require your protection in case we are going there.'

'Yeah. Don't worry about that. You are safe beside me.'

'If only you say it in a more romantic way, I am sure there will be many girls falling for you.' She teased him to lighten the mood.

Alex only laughed as he couldn't even say something like that to his wives. It wasn't because he was embarrassed or something. Instead, it was due to him having a constant threat that the wives might be in danger every time. And with the fact that his strength was still low, he couldn't say that line.

'Anyway, follow me as soon as we enter. We will hold out in the outer forest for a week before going to the inner forest for another week. I will explain the plan later.' Alex said as they landed on the red sand beach.