

GREED: ALL FOR WHAT?

Chapter 1481 Blood And Fire.

Father just shrugged and said, "I don't want to fight. I just want to help them make a decision. I already eliminated the weak one, so I won't kill anymore. I promise."

Mother asked him, "Will you save them if they go with you and encounter life-threatening danger in a fight?"

Father snorted. "Of course not. What's a fight without danger? If they go to fight, then they must be prepared for the consequences."

Mother said to them, "Do you hear that, kids? If you go with him, then you must be prepared to die in the fight."

That is information that they didn't know earlier. They assumed that their father was taking them for supervised hands-on training and not a fight to the death. It made the prospect of going with Father unpalatable. Even First shrank back just thinking about it. It reminded her of the ordeal she just went through.

Father didn't seem to notice their grave expressions. He asked with enthusiasm, "So who wants to fight?"

First hung her head low. She has had enough danger for one day, but she doesn't have the guts to reject Father to his face.

Only Second could speak. "I would rather train alone. I still have a lot of potential to unearth alone. I will go and fight when I need inspiration."

Father nodded. "You are right. You can still grow. You were the first to notice me when I arrived. The rest of them didn't sense anything. You have some talent."

"What about you?" Father asked Fourth.

Fourth raised his head and declared. "I will go and fight."

Father's face split into a grin. His sharp white teeth were fully displayed. "Good boy. Let's go."

Father grabbed Fourth with his divine sense, and they disappeared immediately. Mother sighed when they left.

She thought to herself, "I really shouldn't have asked him to come."

She started out with four dragonlings this morning. Now it seems she will only have two by the end of the day.

Then she said to the two that remained, "You should return to training."

First and second nodded and began to train. Their lives resumed as if Father never visited and as if Third didn't just die. They trained for hours, but Father and Fourth didn't return. They tried not to think about it, but they were anxious. Their anxiety didn't reduce until Mother informed them of his condition.

"Your fourth brother is safe for now. Your father said he will baptize him in blood and fire until it is time for the naming ceremony. Then he will take him to the naming ceremony. So your fourth brother will not return unless he passes the naming ceremony."

It made them realize something. Father didn't take Fourth for a single fight. He took Fourth around the continent, fighting other dragonlings that they encountered along the way.

Either Fourth will survive the string of fights and go to the naming ceremony, or he will die during a fight. The chances of him dying are high since Father has already stated that he won't interfere in a fight to save him.

It made First grateful that she turned down the opportunity to fight. But it was her loss. Fourth didn't die. He managed to survive until it was time for the naming ceremony.

He and Father were on their way to another fight when a slight spiritual fluctuation rang out through the plane. Only creatures with a dragon heart can hear the message within the fluctuation.

It said, "The first round of the naming ceremony starts in 24 hours."

Father lamented. "What a bummer. And here we were just getting into the rhythm of violence."

Fourth's eyes gleamed with anticipation. He said, "This is not so bad either. There will be more fighting after the naming ceremony."

What he said made father laugh. "That's true. Fighting is a delicacy that can be had at any time. Let's go now."

And so they flashed towards the center of the plane. Father pulled Fourth along as he streaked through the sky like a comet. Father is like that. He is always in a rush. If he decides to do something, then he will do it immediately, without delay. If there is something in his way, then he will destroy it. Fourth has learned that much from him.

He learned more than just how to fight. He learned how to behave like a victor and the true meaning of fighting. His father is always confident. It is more than pride. It is a simple confidence that he can never be defeated by someone of the same rank as him.

Father holds himself highly in this way, even when he is not fighting. Every dragon they came across, be they male or female, didn't want to fight him because of that confidence. So they allowed Fourth to fight their offspring. The parents would only interfere when their dragonlings were defeated and in danger. Which happened in every fight he fought.

Father once told him about confidence. "Confidence is another field of battle. The most confident person will be allowed to get away with some things without a battle. You don't need to fight to win a battle if you're confident. But if you are confident in battle, you will perform better than you could."

That enlightened him in various ways. He also learned what a battle is from his father.

Father had said, "A battle is a clash of existence. It doesn't need to be physical. It can be a mental or verbal fight. The existence that gives ground loses. To not lose, you must not give ground."

"That is the simplest way to victory. But you have to be willing to do everything for victory. If you don't aim to win, then don't fight. My fire burns everything in my way, including myself, so I am always victorious."

"If you want to be victorious, then you must be ruthless, both to your enemies and yourself. If there is only a slight chance of victory in any fight, it can only be achieved when you give your all for it."

Chapter 1482 Embarrassing One's self.

Fourth grew stronger in the several hours of fighting than he did training alone. He was truly baptized in blood and fire. It made him confident of his victory in the naming ceremony. If his competitors will be the gentle dragonlings that hunt beasts and wrestle each other like his siblings used to do, then they will be swiftly defeated.

The call for the naming ceremony caused a lot of movement on the otherwise serene ancestral grounds. Many dragons were converging toward the center of the plane because of it. The father son duo met some of them on their way.

Father greeted some of them and ignored others. But there was someone with whom he couldn't help but argue.

The bold dragon had roared. "Rayzher! Is this your dragonling? I hope he doesn't embarrass you."

They were flying when this boisterous dragon called at Father. The dragon is also a fire dragon, which Fourth ascertained because of the red scales that the dragon possessed. Unlike Father, he has red horns that extend from his head down to his tail as short spikes.

Father didn't get offended by the shout. He smirked at the dragon. "Why don't we make a bet?"

The dragon scoffed. "I'm not interested in a bet. You are too confident for me to bet."

Father said in disdain, "Then you shouldn't have shouted at all. Now you have embarrassed yourself."

The dragon shouted louder. "I will shout if I want to."

Father insisted, "If you are not willing to put your money where your mouth is, then you are nothing but a loudmouth."

"You are the loudmouth."

"You make me sorry for you with the way you scream like a drum."

"Do you want to fight Rayzher? I'll show you where my confidence to shout comes from."

Father rejected that suggestion. But he proposed an alternative, "I don't want a fight. I want a bet."

Father's rejection of a fight surprised Fourth at first. Then he couldn't help but smile inwardly when he heard what Father wanted. It is clear to him that Father wanted to fleece this dragon. It is also clear to the dragon what Father was aiming for, so he didn't fall for it. He is proud, but he is not foolish.

The more Father asked for a bet, the more certain it became that Father wanted to fleece it. The dragon wanted to leave, but Father didn't let him go. Father followed him while harassing him. It caused the two of them to argue loudly. This argument continued until they reached their destination.

Fourth was examining the two dragonlings that the other dragon brought with him. They looked excited to him. He could see their excitement in the way they looked at everything around them. They seemed to be full of anticipation for the naming ceremony. It made Fourth look down on them.

He thought to himself with a smirk, "Naive dragonlings."

He is not looking down on them because they are excited or anticipating the naming ceremony. He is also excited and full of anticipation. But they allowed their excitement to show.

It makes them look immature to him. They look like chicks following their father on a sightseeing trip. They do not have the cold calculating look or the deadly demeanor that killers should have.

His assessment of them is biased and based on his pride, so it could be wrong. But it has filled him with confidence for what is to come. That confidence won't let fear affect him. He will be able to give his best, so it is a good thing.

He was thinking proudly to himself when he suddenly remembered someone who was cold. He remembered Second's demeanor, and he couldn't help but be surprised.

At first, Second was like all of them. He would wrestle and play around with them. But he changed when training started. He became silent and observant. In the past, Fourth thought nothing of his behavior. But now he is not so sure that Second is normal.

"Second might be hiding something. He was the first to notice Father. Could it be a fluke?"

Father is a Sovereign of law. If he wanted to hide from some dragonlings, he would be able to. Father wasn't hiding when he created that second sun, but there didn't appear to be anything out of place even then, so the dragonlings shouldn't have sensed something.

Only second brother was certain that something was out of place. Thinking about it made Fourth to wonder if Second was just introverted or if he was cold and calculating.

He didn't have the answer to that question, so he turned his attention to their destination. It is a mountain made of wealth. Anyone who thinks they have a mountain of wealth will realize just how wrong and ignorant they are when they see this mountain.

This mountain is the greatest dragon horde in the entire realm. It is made of valuable things like mana crystals, Origin stones, soul stones, Origin artifacts, and even dragon hearts. It is a marvel to behold.

He has seen it before, but it is great to see it in person. It took a lot of willpower not to bounce in excitement like the other dragonlings surrounding the mountain of wealth. Such a mountain is not only impressive to see, but it also creates envy, which will lead many dragons to try and recreate a mountain of wealth of their own.

Father dropped him at the foot of the mountain. Then Father went forward to offer his gift to the dragon spirit. He threw a ring at the mountain of wealth. The ring exploded in the air and erupted with many shiny trinkets and valuables. The valuables all fell toward the mountain. It is as if they were attracted to the mountain by an invisible force.

This sight continued for a while. Every dragon that brought their dragonlings offered something to the dragon spirit. It is not a must, but a tradition. They show their respect to the dragon spirit by offering part of their horde. A little here and there has led to the creation of this mountainous horde.

Chapter 1483 A New Name.

The offering of gifts to the dragon spirit continued for a day until the naming ceremony officially started. By this time, every dragonling that was to participate in the naming ceremony had arrived.

Father said to him, "Brace yourself. It will sting a bit. But I'm sure you will be fine. You have nothing to worry about."

Fourth knew what to expect, so he didn't need the advice. He knew to brace himself by focusing on his inner world with all his might. Then he waited anxiously for the naming ceremony to start.

He was prepared, but he still shook when the dragon spirit descended on him. His performance was still better since some dragonlings stumbled and fell. Other's passed out directly.

The dragon spirit is not a physical entity, so it can't be seen. It is more of a spiritual entity that can only be felt. Its very existence feels like the essence of dragon majesty. The pressure it caused on his soul made his mind quake briefly.

He almost blacked out because of the pressure. But Father was right. He had nothing to fear. His control of dragon force is more than adequate for him to survive.

He was able to direct the pressure into his dragon heart with little resistance. This allowed the dragon spirit to gain access to his dragon heart. It also brought his consciousness into his dragon heart for the first time.

His vision of the world blurred as he appeared in his inner world. This is a world with white skies. Beneath him is an ocean divided into separate sections of red and blue. The area of red water is greater than the area of blue. Above the ocean, but beneath the sky, is a white mist.

He knows the significance of what he is seeing. The white mist floating above the ocean like fog is dragon force. Even here in his inner world, where he is supposed to have full control, dragon force is at best a mist. It makes it difficult to control and carry out into the world.

The ocean below is his elemental potential. He has greater potential to wield the power of fire than the power of lightning. This can be seen by the total area occupied by fire in his inner world.

There is no doubt to him that lightning is powerful, but it will always remain a power that he will have difficulty controlling as compared to fire. This is because it is an elemental affinity that is not his. Lightning was bestowed to him when he was in the egg. He wasn't born with it and will never be able to wield it as well as fire.

He doesn't want to let lightning go, though. He prefers it and has been training with it instead of fire. The dragon breath he mastered was that of lightning, not fire.

Unfortunately, he can't have them both. They will fight for dominance, which will pressure his inner world as he grows stronger. One will have to go for the other if he is to survive the dangerous period of becoming a titan of law.

So he has to choose between power and potential. That is, unless he gains the help of the dragon spirit or acquires something powerful that will enable his dragon heart to become capable of containing the two of them.

The line between the waters of lightning and fire is already sizzling. They are attacking each other already. This conflict will only increase over time. This sight made him determined to get the assistance of the dragon spirit.

That opportunity will come after he is done with naming. For now, the naming ceremony continued. He is not the only one in his inner world currently, and he will never be alone anymore. The dragon spirit descended into his inner world and materialized. It formed into a sparkling white crystal floating above the ocean.

The dragon spirit examined his inner world and his memories. It examined his body and soul. It examined everything about him, including his potential. Then it used all of this information to name him.

A voice boomed throughout his inner world. "From today onwards, you are no longer Fourth. You are Draco.....Razer....Ignis ad fulmen....Tssandulighafan"

A long string of words was used to name him. It contains information about his ancestry and his current features. All dragons are the offspring of Draco, the dragon king and dragon primogenitor. So they are all children of Draco.

There is also a long line from that point, which leads to his father, Rayzher the White Fire, and his mother, Raijin the Raging Tempest. Anyone with his full name will be able to tell his complete ancestry down to who his parents are.

Then he is a dragonling with the potential for fire and lightning. Hence the appearance of Ignis and Fulmen in his name. And he was finally designated Tssandulighafan, The Ferocious Fighter, because he fought against many dragonlings at once and even managed to kill one of them despite being outnumbered.

He said to himself, "I like Tssandulighafan. It will be what I will be called by others from now on."

His full name is too long so he will only pick out one word out of the string of words to identify himself in the future. This won't change until he acquires a title in the future. Then everyone will call him by his title, not his name.

The naming ceremony ended there. His vision returned to the world around him. The white crystal in the inner world remained behind and will remain until he dies. Everything he experiences from this moment on will be added to the memory repository of the dragon spirit.

The dragon spirit is connected to every dragon that has undergone the naming ceremony, so in a way, the dragon spirit is the repository of all the knowledge that the dragon race of the high heaven realm has accumulated. Not only does the dragon spirit possess the greatest material horde in the realm, but it also possesses the largest amount of knowledge.

A/N: You should know Legion-8's identity by now.

Chapter 1484 Benefits Of The Naming Ceremony.

This is not the only function of the dragon spirit. If he is captured and in a terrible situation, the dragon spirit will be made aware of it, and help will be sent to him.

The connection to the dragon spirit means that it is aware of every dragon that dies and knows their killers. That means dragons will always be able to identify dragon slayers and avenge their deaths.

Those are probable and passive benefits. The active benefit, and probably the most important one he received from the dragon spirit, is that his ancestral bestowals have

become active now. The dragon spirit is what makes the imprint he received from his ancestors function.

He has an ancestral bestowal, which he gained from his father. But it isn't his father who will make it work, despite how powerful he is. If it were so, then other races would be able to bestow their young ones with power.

It is the dragon spirit that will allow the ancestral bestowal to function wherever he is, regardless of distance. The power of his father will be transferred across any distance to him when he needs it, and it won't harm him at all.

If his father becomes an Origin god, then the imprint will also become more powerful. But even an imprint from a mere king of law will still be able to assist dragonlings regardless of distance because of the dragon spirit.

Fourth felt the changes in his body, but there is very little of it apart from the activated imprints. The increase in control of his dragon force because of his descent into his inner world is not obvious until he fights or practices. So he is eager to try it through a fight. Fortunately, the opportunity for fighting will come soon.

He looked around and noticed that the naming ceremony was not easy for others. Some dragonlings were alive, but stunned by the experience. But some dragonlings lay on the ground, unable to rise ever again.

He observed silently. "It looks like some people overestimated themselves."

The naming ceremony is dangerous to dragonlings. The intrusion of the dragon spirit into their inner world is not without side effects. Most problems come from the instinctive resistance of the dragonlings to the intrusion. If they can't control their dragon force, then they will die when the dragon spirit attempts to descend into their dragon heart.

The other problem is the inability of the dragon heart to bear the burden of the intrusion. The dragonlings can reduce their resistance to the intrusion of the dragon spirit, but their inner world might be too weak to accept the presence of the dragon spirit, so they die.

The second option rarely causes deaths because dragonlings are fed well. As long as a dragonling is a hundred years old before the naming ceremony, then this shouldn't happen, even if they don't eat anything. Natural mana will strengthen them enough to bear the weight.

Now that they have died, it means they were lacking in control. It is not a must for them to come for the naming ceremony now. They could have waited for the remaining 900 years before the next cycle. Even if they didn't come, they would still be invaded by the dragon spirit when it performs the plane-wide inspection, which makes eggs hatch.

So they didn't have to come for the naming ceremony at all. But they chose to come for the first naming ceremony. That means they wanted to participate in the trial afterward and gain the support of the dragon spirit in controlling more than one element.

It is clear that they overestimated themselves. He has no pity for them. But it did remind him of Third, who died yesterday. If Third had decided to participate in this naming ceremony, she would have probably died too.

Father said to him, "Prepare yourself for what is to come next. If you want to realize your full potential, you must win and get the assistance of the dragon spirit."

Fourth nodded and removed every distracting thought from his mind. He remained standing in front of the dragon spirit horde while some other dragons took off with their dragonlings. Most of the dragons that decided to leave were leaving with their dead dragonlings. What is about to happen doesn't concern them anymore. They are leaving to incinerate their dragonlings for their burial.

As for the others who are leaving with their living dragonlings, they must have lost confidence when they saw the struggle the dragonlings went through to survive the naming ceremony.

If they are already struggling in the naming ceremony, then their failure in the trial is certain. Only the best of the best dragonlings will succeed and get the help of the dragon spirit.

Fourth asked himself. "Am I the best of the best?"

He got his answer quickly during the fight against the other dragonlings, and 900 years later during the fight after the last naming ceremony. No one could stand in his way during the trial. He beat every challenger to his might up to the last fight 900 years later to decide who the best of the best would be.

First also joined the trial after 300 years of training. Her performance was excellent, but she couldn't compare to someone who had been fighting for 300 years. Second on the other hand didn't join the competition to gain the dragon spirit's help. He claimed that he didn't need it.

Only fourth went far in the competition. He did more than survive. He was unstoppable. His performance was so eye catching that he got a title before he became a titan of law. He was called the Little Lightning Tyrant. It is the title given to him by all the dragons for his excellent performance.

He wielded lightning like the wrathful incarnation of the heavens. His wrath was the punishment of heaven's will. None of his agemates could bear it without being burned within an inch of their lives.

Chapter 1485 Where Greed Leads.

His reign of terror continued until he finally met his match. It was the final fight. The final victor would be determined, and they would gain the help of the dragon spirit. The dragon standing in his way is another unstoppable dragonling like him. She has had as much success and victory as him. But only one of them could go further.

The permission to fight was given. Fourth lunged at her. Lightning erupted out of him, as if they were escaping a cage. There was a thunderclap as his domain was formed around him. The battle was on.

But then the world froze. Everything became still. Fourth was frozen in the air. Even the violent blue lightning around him wasn't spared.

Legion-8 was not surprised by the changes to the world. He has experienced this freezing several times. This is the moment in the ancestral trial where the objective will be revealed.

What he expected didn't happen, though.

A loud voice boomed in the frozen world like thunder. The voice was so loud that his powerful mind was shaken. He was further shaken by what the voice said.

The voice had asked him, "Who do you think will win this fight?"

Legion-8 was surprised. He looked around warily as he asked, "Who is that?"

He is not here in his physical body, so he doesn't have a physical presence. What he has here is just his mind. This has its advantages and disadvantages, but one of its advantages is that he is aware of everything going on around him in this world. Even so, he couldn't sense the person speaking at all.

Actually, no one should be speaking. Everyone should be frozen. That's what had always happened in the ancestral trial at this point.

The voice came again. It defied all common sense to speak again. "I am the one whose trial you're taking."

That didn't ease Legion-8's worries. That reply doesn't clear things up at all.

He muttered to himself warily, "This shouldn't be happening. There is something wrong here."

He was surprised further when the intruder showed itself. Two stars appeared in the trial space. The stars are bright and white, with red and blue lightning zipping across their surface. They were so bright that the frozen world lit up and turned into a white world.

Each star is an enormous thing. They seemed to fix the pressure of their existence on him, so he felt the weight of their presence in the tangible pressure on and around him.

This pressure at least made him understand what he was up against. But it didn't help with his surprise.

He asked in trepidation and fear, "How are you here?"

He knows that the dragons the imprint belongs to will be aware when their trail is being taken by their descendants. But they shouldn't be able to interfere in the trial at all. At least, that's the information he has gained from the many ancestral trials he has undergone.

The voice declared with irrefutable majesty. "I am everywhere I am. I am everything I was and will be. My imprint is me and is here, so I am here."

The world of the trial was fragmented because of the force of that declaration. Legion-8 felt as if a mountain was pressing down on his mind. These symptoms made him confirm who this entity must be.

He tried to look harmless as he asked, "What does a world god want with me? I doubt that I am worthy of your attention."

The voice chuckled and replied, "You are wrong. It has been almost a thousand Origin cycles since a dragon in the egg had a powerful enough soul to enter my imprint. That is enough to intrigue me. I was curious, so I came to see, and I wasn't disappointed. Your soul is too powerful for a dragonling. How did you become so strong without being hatched?"

Legion-8 cursed himself inwardly, "Me and my greediness."

He didn't have to take any trials, but he wanted to, and he didn't stop at one because of his greed. The rewards for passing a trial are the ancestral bestowal and talent. He doesn't care for the protection of the ancestral bestowal. What he wants at all costs is the talent of the dragon ancestor.

Theoretically, dragonlings can use the ancestral trials to trace their ancestors all the way back to the dragon king. The dragon king is the source of all their talents, so the

talents of the dragon king can be accumulated if he passes the necessary trials, hence his greed.

He had to do this because his dragon heart could handle every dragon's affinity. So he wanted to have them all. His talent would be a waste otherwise, and Legion doesn't like waste.

All he has to do is find the ancestral trials of the talented dragons that he needs. He had to get those talents so that Soverick would be able to comprehend the laws they were granted access to for him. Then he will use cosmic energy to fuse the laws with his dragon heart.

He can do this because, unlike other dragons, his dragon heart is not fragile. It can take more than one law. In fact, it can take up to ten laws without the assistance of the dragon spirit. The laws fuse with his inner world as if he has infinite potential.

He is certain that this is because of the shard of power because his inner world only became infinite after the ordeal with the singularity of infinite possibilities, but it could also be that his powerful soul had a part to play in the development.

His strong soul definitely has a part to play in why he could take so many ancestral trails. It led him to this moment so far in the ancestry of dragons and finally attracted something he would rather not meet.

He thought to himself with a sigh, "This is oftentimes where greed leads to."

A/N: I want to point out that Legion-8's situation had already been pointed out in the beginning of the previous volume. If I remember correctly, it was stated that he was participating in ancestral trials. So only the guess that he wasn't anyone of the dragonlings is partly correct.

What we have seen up to now is just a glance into the Tssandulighafan's past.

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He is still in the egg and has been using the opportunity granted to him to work his way up the ancestral tree, looking to go back to its source. So he expected to come across the imprints of powerful dragons who are already world gods. But he didn't expect that

they would be able to trace the imprint back to him and even interfere in the ancestral trial.

It reminded him of how Soverick had the first meeting with the First Sage. It was just like this. It was by mistake, and Legion was caught off guard.

Legion's greed made Soverick continue to have more encounters with the first sage. But that experience has taught Legion a very important lesson. That lesson is to never have a meeting with a world god, so he is already regretting his greed.

The voice asked again. "I am still waiting, young one. What made your soul so strong?"

He decided to do the same thing Soverick had done in his first meeting with the first sage. He lied and said, "I don't know. I suspect that it is something my parents did."

He is pretending to be harmless. Soverick did so by not exposing the fact that he could leave the mental world of the first sage at any time and went along with the meeting. He can't escape from this meeting since it is the world god that came to him. But he can also pretend to be harmless.

The voice asked him in doubt. "Why would your parents invest so much in an egg?"

He shrugged mentally. "I don't know."

He is just an unborn dragon. How is he supposed to know why his soul is so strong? Or how is he to know the motives of his parents?

Even the voice agreed. "Never mind then. I shouldn't have expected you to know."

"Let us return to the matter at hand. Who do you think will win this fight? You have seen her fight. How well does the little tyrant hold up to her?"

Legion-8 replied confidently. "Little Lightning Tyrant will win."

Little Tyrant is the one called Fourth. He doesn't know which of the people in the trial he is taking is the ancestor of the trial since the objective has not been announced yet. But he is certain that Fourth will win this fight.

The voice asked him. "Why?"

Legion-8 considered the question carefully before providing the answer. "They are equally skilled, but Little Lightning Tyrant is more ferocious. Ferocity doesn't affect the outcome of a battle in normal situations, but it does in this case because the element that Little Lightning Tyrant is wielding is lightning. His ferocity has made him achieve synchronization with his element, which will make his lightning more powerful."

The voice chuckled and said, "It seems you are smart too."

Legion-8 gave an explanation for why an unborn dragon would understand the importance of synchronization with one's element as a dragon, "I have gone through a lot of trials and seen a lot of things. It is as if I have lived many lifetimes."

"You are right. The little lightning tyrant will win. I am the one they call the Little Lightning Tyrant. I won the 900-year-long trial to emerge as the final victor. I got the help of the dragon spirit and was able to fuse the laws of fire and lightning to create my concept. I became an Origin god and defeated my father. My deeds were known by many dragons, and I was called the Monarch of Fire and Lightning. Then I became a world god. From then on, I was called the Tyrant of Fire and Lightning."

Legion-8 exclaimed like a proper dragonling, "That's so cool."

He is genuinely impressed, but not enough to exclaim like that. He did it to maintain his dragonling persona. It seemed to have worked.

The voice chuckled and went on to brag.

"This trial involves the most important victory in my life that eventually led to my success as a world god. I defeated her and even procreated with her. She bore wonderful offspring, one of which is currently with me. Maybe you will meet him in the future, since he is technically your older brother. He is pretty famous too, so you can find him by asking around for him. They call him Little Tyrant now."

Legion-8 asked in anticipation. "Is he strong?"

The voice chuckled even more. It muttered, "Dragonlings and competition."

Then it said to him, "I know what you want to do. You want to defeat him. The best answer to that question is the objective of this trial. Fight his mother and witness the strength of a dragon with the power of space."

The frozen world began to shake. It felt like there was an earthquake. Legion-8 became on guard immediately.

He thought to himself, "It seems I was right. Something bad is about to happen."

The voice chuckled. It said, "The dragon spirit is not happy. It doesn't want me to interfere with your trial. I have to go."

That surprised Legion-8. He thought to himself, "First it was a world god, now there is the dragon spirit. I have kicked a hornet's nest of trouble this time around."

The voice wasn't so concerned. "I will leave you now, young one. Remember to find the Little Tyrant when you grow up. Continue your trial for now. Defeat her, and you will gain more than your answer. You will also gain my protection and the element of lightning."

The voice became silent and disappeared. The world stopped shaking after the objective of the ancestral trial was stated, and the interference disappeared.

Legion-8 gained control of Fourth's body for the first time in the trial. He stopped being an observer. His view of the world changed abruptly from an overhead view to a confined view from fourth's perspective. Then the world resumed.

He wasted no time in adapting to the changes brought about by becoming fourth. It is necessary since he wasn't even given the time to. The fight was already underway before the world froze, so he has been dropped right in the middle of it.

Chapter 1487 A Dragon With The Power Of Space.

The dragonling with white, crystalline scales disappeared from his vision as soon as the world resumed. She reappeared to his left. Then she disappeared again and reappeared somewhere else.

That wasn't the end of her disappearing act. She continued to do so, and it appeared to be at random. But Legion-8 wasn't fooled.

His eyes narrowed at the sight. "It is as I expected."

She is not disappearing for show. She is using the power of space to her fullest capabilities. Mana entities shouldn't be able to utilize high laws like that, but she can. She can already warp space to move around. She is also producing a fracture in space each time she reappears. He can sense that much with his domain, even if he doesn't know the capabilities of the law of space.

The domain of lightning that he created around him is being divided cleanly by the fractures in space. Their position does appear to be at random, and it wouldn't be a problem if those fractures weren't shooting towards him.

So she is jumping around him and releasing these deadly attacks to surround him. This is how she defeats her opponents. She surrounds them with deadly spatial fractures that will destroy every defense and cripple the opponent very quickly.

But Legion-8 is not everyone. The previous little tyrant of lightning might have had trouble with this, but not him. He hadn't lied when he claimed to have experienced many lifetimes.

He didn't wait for the space fractures to get close to him, and he didn't rely on his lightning domain to harm her. Instead, he withdrew his domain onto himself. His domain fused with his body and gave him a temporary control over both his body and the elements that a transcendent should have.

He has literally become one with lightning. It elevated his physical body into a lightning-elemental body. Then he also disappeared.

She is not the only one who can achieve speeds that seem like she is teleporting. He, too, can become very fast if he turns himself into a bolt of lightning. He locked onto her with his divine sense and began chasing her.

She became startled by the development. She didn't expect something like this from him because he had never done it before. Fortunately, she has memories of this ability, so she wasn't caught off guard. She spread her domain around her and focused on running while attacking simultaneously.

The two of them began chasing after each other in a blur of motion. She isn't teleporting, despite how it looks. She is only expanding and shrinking space around her to shift her position in the world. It gives her a fast speed, but she is not teleporting, so Legion-8 can chase her.

He is chasing her and even attacking her with lightning bolts. The hunter became the hunted because of that reversal. She had to focus on warping space without stopping. He will get her if she stops just once. That's why she released her domain. She made spatial fractures appear in his path to slow him down. If he isn't careful, he would run head first into the spatial fractures and be terribly injured, if not dead.

But he didn't slow down. It is because he can sense the telltale sign of space being fractured before the fractures appear. The process is not instantaneous for her, which gives him time to avoid them. She may be able to use the power of space as a mana entity because of her dragon heart, but she is nowhere near what an Origin god can achieve with the manipulation of space. He is a world beast, so he should know.

The chase didn't last long. They were very fast and were using powerful skills, so it is normal that they would get tired very quickly. But she got tired first. Manipulating space is more challenging than manipulating lightning. It is far more challenging when she hasn't become one with space and cannot control it efficiently enough to reduce energy consumption.

To him, he is simply moving his body around, not performing a lot of external manipulation of lightning, so his energy expenditure is very low. As for her, she had to

warp space constantly without taking a break while also fracturing space in a domain around her. It is something she couldn't do seamlessly for up to 10 seconds.

She faltered, and a lightning bolt struck her. That stunned her and created more opportunities for Legion-8. He took advantage of it to close in on her. He bombarded her with lightning dragon breath while physically assaulting her whenever he had the chance. He didn't let up at all because those who can manipulate space are quick to escape if given the chance.

His victory came two seconds later. The whole fight lasted 12 seconds. The world fragmented and returned to darkness. His consciousness was sent back to his bloodline space.

He examined his inner world for any changes. There weren't any. But there was a change in the bloodline space. The star he entered for the trial is glowing brightly instead of dimming. It indicates that he has completed it and has received the ancestor's bestowal from it.

"At least it wasn't a waste of time. I got the power of a world god from it. But I doubt that he will grant me his power during my fight with the dragons. Even if he is willing, I doubt the dragon spirit would be willing to facilitate it."

The bloodline space is a mental space within the bloodline of dragons. It is a location maintained by the dragon spirit, so other races don't have it. Dragons use it to communicate with each other across distances. It is how dragons in captivity will become aware of that fact and decide to commit suicide if they can't escape.

Dragonlings have access to this mental space even before they are born. They can't use it to communicate yet, but they can take trials in it to gain some of the potential of the ancestor as an extra elemental talent and to gain their power when they need it after hatching.

Chapter 1488 More Gambling.

He has spent most of the time in the egg within this mental space. It appears to him as a large, dark, and empty world filled with stars of various colors and sizes.

The stars are the imprints of every dragon that passed the naming ceremony and was given a name by the dragon spirit. They are all connected by an invisible spiritual entity, which makes the bloodline space look like a river of stars.

He has been going upstream of this river, looking for the special talents that he needs. It is a good use of his time. The alternative is to hatch now, but he can't do that.

As he is currently, he ought to have hatched 50 thousand years ago. Normal dragon eggs spend ten thousand years in the egg, but he has already spent six times that amount of time in the egg. His littermates have grown up and have left the cave. Even his mother has forgotten about him.

The delay is partly because he is greedy for more talents and partly because the alternative is not palatable. Because of this unpalatable alternative, he can't hatch yet, even if he wants to. His hatching will create too much commotion, which will bring him a lot of problems with the dragons.

The issue is that he is not fully gestated. His inner world is much too powerful. A single dragon egg is not enough to make him gestate completely. This is because he is far from being a normal dragon.

He originally needed an Origin cycle for his inner world to take shape since he had to rely on the trickle of mana and Origin energy in the atmosphere to develop. Fortunately, he is not alone. The supply of mana, origin energy, and divine life energy from Legion reduced that time to 30,000 years. But that has not removed the requirement for a fragment of a world for him to complete his gestation, so he still can't hatch 30,000 years later.

Legion-5 had to use a fully grown dragon heart, plus the godhood of a great god, the crown of a demon king of Chaos, and finally the divine ability of the giants of order to recreate the world engine that dragons lack.

He, on the other hand, is a complete dragon, just like the dragon ancestor, so he has the world engine within him, but he needs more than energy to mature and recreate the divine ability of the dragon ancestor. He needs the power and space of a world.

He doesn't need a large fragment of the world. Just a little bit would do. It will stabilize and complete his inner world. Even cosmic energy has not helped in that aspect. In fact, cosmic energy has strengthened his inner world and increased the requirements for gestation. Now he won't take just a little bit of the plane he is in currently to develop fully, he has to take about half of the whole plane.

It is clear to him that the dragons won't take kindly to that. They will not watch on as he absorbs their plane just to complete hatching. There is going to be a great fight when he hatches, which he is not ready for. He will need the help of Legion to survive, and they aren't yet ready to take on the whole dragon race. So he spends his time in the ancestral trials, getting more talents.

That's what he was doing until the world god showed up. Now he is not sure if it is a good idea to continue following the river of stars in search of the talents he needs.

From here on out, the chances of encountering a world god will increase. Tssandulighafan didn't appear to have ulterior motives, but the world gods he might attract next might not be satisfied with merely satiating their curiosity.

The worst part is that Soverick can't help him. Soverick is blind to everything going on in the dragon's bloodline space for reasons unknown. That means he can't advise Legion-8 about any upcoming danger.

Soverick was able to advise Aeternus not to go after all the demons in the abyss to harvest their marks of sin and use to upgrade his because he saw that they would attract a powerful being in the process.

They are not sure who that powerful being is but they suspect that it would be the realm lord, as the realm lord has a vested interest in the abyss for the era of conquest.

But despite this uncertainty about the source of danger, Aeternus has surely avoided the danger. He can't have that luxury in the bloodline space. So he would be going in blind and might stumble into a world god if he continues hunting for talents.

He gritted his teeth mentally and said, "There's just one more talent that I need. I will stop when I get that talent."

He is like a gambler now. He doesn't know which of the stars has the talents he needs, so he has to try them all. If he is lucky, then the next trial will give him the talent of creation that he needs. If he is unlucky, then it might take a hundred or a thousand more trials.

"The talent of creation is very rare in dragons, so it will probably take another hundred thousand trials to find it. I don't have anywhere to be, so there is no problem with time. The problem is with world gods."

He made up his mind and resumed taking the trials. He can't give up now after working so hard. He already has the talents of fire, air, water, earth, space, time, light, darkness, life, death, lightning, and destruction. What he needs now is creation to complete his inner world. Then he will achieve something that every dragon kind has been looking forward to. He would have the potential to match the dragon king. There is no way he will give that up when he is so close.

Chapter 1489 The Essence Of The Path Of Divinity.

----In the inner world of a world beast.

The tree father, in his elf form, is here. Legion-1 is not here anymore, but the whole inner space is his body, so he is always present. Legion-unity is also present. They are not here for anything major. In fact, they hope that there won't be anything that needs their help. They hope to just watch.

Soverick said to everyone present and absent, "We have everything we need. I think it is time."

They would have liked to delay and plan better. The Tree Father in particular wanted to get as many domains as possible, but they can't anymore because Legion-8 encountered a world god in the egg. That encounter has made it urgent that they get ready to have him hatch as soon as possible. So the Tree Father has to start his breakthrough now.

Fortunately, they have everything they need for the breakthrough. They have an Authority of the Celestial Supreme, a spark of consciousness, and several divine domains. These are all present within the white halo around the Tree father's head. The next thing they need is to fuse the domains that he has accumulated all this time.

Legion-unity couldn't wait. He said with some anticipation, "It has been a long time coming."

The Tree father said, "It wasn't that long ago when we reincarnated. It is just almost one Origin cycle."

Legion-unity insisted, "It is still a long time coming."

The requirements to become a divine spark are for a Celestial to have a level 10 authority and the Authority of the Celestial Supreme. If they don't have the authority of the Celestial Supreme, then they need the help of the Will of the realm. In exchange, they will help the realm become free of the law matrix without the need for a realm lord to become a world god.

That is the information that Legion has learned from Mother High Heaven during their period of preparation. They have also learned other useful information about the state of existence of a divine spark from Aeternus's success.

They have learned about what to do in the Tree Father's case. In the case where the Celestial doesn't have a level 10 Authority and needs to create it but can't create it easily because the domains are in different planes and different avatars, then they will need a catalyst to facilitate the fusion and make the evolution to divine spark easier, such as the spark of consciousness.

They know now that gods have always been underestimated. Legion has always looked down on gods. They call them parasites that are shackled with rules.

It is a common perspective among true immortals. They feel a certain sense of superiority above gods and Celestials. If not for the power of authority, then Legion wouldn't have cared to explore the power of gods. Gehaldirah would not have bothered to make a clone of a Celestial.

But now they know that the path of divinity has a lot of potential and that Origin gods aren't so special. Origin gods have immortality, but it is not theirs. It is immortality based on the protection of the void universe that they gain when they fuse with a concept. It is false immortality.

True immortality starts at the level of a world god. Only world gods can rely on themselves to come back from the dead. In fact, they never die. They only get severely weakened. They might sleep, but they don't die.

Gods, on the other hand, don't have immortality, so they are looked down upon. It should not have been so, considering that gods gain eternal life right from the moment they become low gods. That is something those on the path of perfection don't gain until they become Sovereigns of law.

So the gods should be the ones mocking those on the path of perfection. Unfortunately, gods are shackled with many rules. They can't even leave the planes they became gods on, so they can't be taken seriously by those on the path of perfection who can leave the realm entirely.

The essence of the two paths of power is different. They have their advantages and disadvantages. Those on the path of perfection have to rely on themselves and their comprehension of laws to strengthen themselves. They have to risk their lives to become titans of law, and they could die as titans of law. They still have to risk their lives to become Origin gods.

Their struggle makes the path of perfection dangerous, and it also fills those who have succeeded on it with pride. They are proud of their achievement, and they are rewarded with immortality.

Gods also risk their lives when they ascend or try to become Celestials, but they always have the support of others. As long as they have faith, they can't die on the line for their power. That undermines the danger they go through.

A god can grow from the level of a low god and become a great god without any issues as long as they have an ample supply of faith. But a transcendent without opposition or enemies can fail to become a titan of law despite his or her best efforts.

So gods are looked down upon. This disdain culminates in the fact that Celestials rarely reach the level of a Supreme Origin god. It is so rare that many people don't know that it is possible for gods to attain that kind of power.

It is understandable since no Celestial has ever achieved it in the history of high heaven realm. But if a Celestial manages to become a divine spark, then the reward would be worth the struggle. They will finally be able to enjoy the essence of the path of divinity without restrictions.

The essence of the path of perfection is the reliance on one's efforts to achieve perfection. The opposite is the case for gods. They rely on others to acquire power. They use the beliefs of people as a source of faith, which they convert to divinity and divine energy through their godfire. This ability to produce divinity is the essence of the path of divinity.

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Chapter 1490 Be Not Afraid.

Legion was certain that the foundation of the power of the gods was in authority. But they were wrong. The foundation of their power is both divinity and Authority.

Those on the path of perfection also gain authority, but it is granted to them by the universe due to their comprehension of laws. Gods gain authority from the world too, but it is due to the recommendations of their believers.

Not only is Authority common to both paths, but there are other things that they have in common too. Gods have divine kingdoms, while Origin gods have their Origin domains. Gods have domains while those on the path of perfection have laws. If there is anything fundamentally different about their power, it is divinity.

Those on the path of perfection can't use the domains of gods or their divine kingdom, but they can use divinity, and it is beneficial to them. Divinity increases the stats of those on the path of perfection. If not for the fact that divinity makes those on the path of perfection insensitive to laws, then they would use it without limit.

Those on the path of perfection are not the only ones who covet divinity. Demons also covet divinity. They use it to evolve and strengthen themselves. It shows that divinity is something beneficial to every living thing, including demons. But only gods can make it.

Divinity is the uniqueness of gods. If one considers where it comes from, one might have a clue as to why it is special.

They performed some last checks, and Soverick delved into their future one last time to make sure he hadn't omitted anything. He still can't see through the large darkness in their future, but he doesn't think they have anything to fear because he can tell that the Tree Father will be happy in their future.

Then the Tree Father said, "Let us begin."

And so it began. This breakthrough is not something with a small, localized effect. It is not something that people wouldn't know about.

Aeternus broke through silently in a single plane. No one apart from Legion, Mother High Heaven, and the Realm Lord knew of his breakthrough. The Tree Father, on the other hand, has numerous avatars in numerous planes. He started the breakthrough by withdrawing all of them, so many planes were affected simultaneously.

Each avatar is a towering and powerful tree. They have leaves that represent the domains and authorities they currently possess. Some have only one type of leaf, while others have up to four. But regardless of the number of leaves, each one is beautiful to look at and majestic. Even those who don't believe in the Tree Father admire the beauty and majesty of his avatars.

This is not surprising since each avatar is at the Celestial level with at least a level one Authority. Celestials are powerful beings and are the true gods, so their forms are majestic. But their physical forms are rarely seen by mortals, unlike the Tree Father's avatars, who hold up the sky in a show of strength.

No one on the plane the avatars are on is ignorant of their existence. After all, all they have to do to see such a powerful Celestial is to look up. So it is not a wonder why many people noticed that the great celestial tree was shrinking. Even the blind noticed the change because the ground of the plane was shaking.

The roots of the tree, which had embedded themselves deeply into the plane, have shrunk. They left large empty spaces in the ground because of their shrinkage. These large tunnels created by the roots couldn't bear the weight of tons of soil around them, so they began to collapse, which caused the whole plane to shake.

The shaking stopped after a while, but the effect of the disappearance of the Celestial tree was obvious to everyone. There was a large pit where there was once a large mountain range made of roots.

Fortunately, the tree hadn't spread its roots throughout the plane, or the whole plane would have suffered catastrophic losses to lives and properties. Things would be worse than earthquakes and the resulting damage.

There was panic all over the plane over the disappearance of the Celestial tree. Many thought that the plane was being attacked. This panic was not alleviated by the increase in sunlight due to the absence of tree branches blocking out the sun. Only the believers and clergymen of the Celestial Tree were at peace.

Their god had said to them, "Be not afraid. I am gone to ascend to greater places. I will return stronger, and I will bless you."

They had faith in their Celestial, so they held on. They held on for the 1,523 years that they didn't hear from their Celestial. Their faith was strong, and it wasn't misplaced. Their Celestial did return, and he returned much stronger.

The breakthrough took more than 1,500 years before it could be completed. The problem wasn't in withdrawing his avatars. That was easy to do. Even the divine kingdom in the Zargoth plane was successfully absorbed too. But he had to fuse the domains, which took time. Especially since he bit more than he should by trying to fuse 20 domains instead of just 10.

The domains are permissions from the Supreme law of order. They are similar to laws in that way. So in a way, he is trying to create a concept with 20 laws.

It would have been easier and less dangerous to make if it were a concept because Legion-7 and Legion-2 would be able to assist him. They can't help him with this, so he is facing the immense difficulty on his own.

He stopped being alone when a particularly powerful Will manifested itself in the realm of high heaven. Its manifestation was very short, as it only appeared to communicate with Legion-9 for an instant. But even so, almost everyone felt the appearance of the Will and was shaken to the core.

Chapter 1491 Archon Or Not?

This was the darkness that Soverick foresaw. It came to the Tree Father to inform him of the two choices he had. He could allow the Will of the Universe to perform the fusion for him, or he could do the fusion on his own.

If he lets the Will of the void universe perform the fusion, the fusion would be quick. Not only would he successfully become a divine spark, but he would also be able to become a world forge immediately after.

The catch for that proposition is that he will have to become an Archon for the void universe. He would be given the Authority of the void universe and become a god of the void universe.

This is a very powerful gift because World gods would not be his match if he becomes an Archon. Unfortunately, he will never be able to leave the void universe after becoming an Archon. At least not without losing most of his powers and reverting to a divine spark.

It appeared that the Will of the Void Universe didn't plan to deceive them. It explained the pros and cons to them clearly so that he could make a decision. It is a decision that he has to make before he runs out of divine energy and fails to make his breakthrough.

The decision was not difficult for Legion at all. Becoming an Archon is not something Legion wants. They don't want to be shackled by rules.

The tree father was never shackled like other gods who couldn't leave their planes. But he couldn't leave Legion-1's inner world either. While the void universe is a much bigger place, Legion is not willing to shackle themselves to it like gods are shackled to their planes.

So the tree father decided to fuse the domains himself. The problem with this choice is that the law of order has never been cooperative. He would need a massive amount of divine energy to overcome its resistance and fuse the different domains.

Even a rank 10 Authority would face this problem. This is after they somehow manage to cobble together 10 different domains despite relying on the opinion of precarious mortals.

It would be impossible to fuse the domains if they were not compatible with each other. The difficulty can be likened to creating a concept with 10 laws. This is why level 10 Celestials are rare. They are even rarer than realm lords.

He bypassed the hassle that normal Celestials have to face. But considering that he has the domain of life, fire, and war together, the fusion is all but certain to fail.

Fortunately, he has the crown of dominion. He can fuse the domains by force. His crown of dominion can use the spark of consciousness of a certain generous ancestor of the Phoenix race to facilitate the fusion.

There was a brief battle between the Will of the Great Mother and the Tree Father, but the Tree Father won that easily. There are nine of them against one of her, and they don't want to possess the spark of consciousness. They are just sacrificing it to the crown of domination. So it was easy to overcome her resistance and push her to her death.

The domains were sacrificed next. The spark of consciousness was twisted and used as the core for the fusion of the domains. All the tree father had to do was determine what order he wanted to fuse them.

It was like making a concept with laws. The order and interaction of the laws determine the outcome. No two concepts are the same because of the infinite possibilities. Legion is familiar with creating concepts, so this wasn't difficult either. It was just time-consuming.

The Tree Father was finally able to relax. Soverick said to him, "You wasted too much time for nothing. I already told you that the order of fusion doesn't matter if you don't have all the domains in existence."

The Tree Father replied, "I had to try. But you are probably right."

Then he sighed and said, "We are truly sacrificing a lot for Legion-8 here."

The reason he wanted every domain in existence was to create a unique spark of power. The domains are not independent, like laws. They are part of the Supreme Law of Order. The order in which he fused them would have mattered if he had every piece of domain. But he didn't, so what he managed to create was incomplete. The result would have been similar had he done the fusion at random.

He was a little disappointed, but he didn't mind too much because he had at least succeeded with the most difficult part of his breakthrough.

The domains fused. Then the trinity of the fused domain, the authority of the Celestial Supreme, and the godhood of the Tree Father became one.

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Tree Father became one.

The final fusion caused the Tree Father to evolve. His elven form broke apart into dust, revealing a white flame within him. The power of the Origin of Legion-1 rushed in from outside the inner world.

The divine kingdom of the tree father is the inner world of Legion-1, which is present within their Origin core. So there was no other Celestial to interfere and prevent the collapse of the divine plane or to steal some of his leaking power. It made the evolution occur without a hitch.

The Authority of the Celestial Supreme, the domain, and the godhood were tempered and refined by the white flame. Then it formed a multicolored orb within the white flame.

The divine domain of the Zargoth plane that was absorbed appeared around the multicolored orb. It formed a transparent cocoon around the orb and separated the orb from the white flame. Then the white flame used the power of the Origin to form the new divine body.

The white flame morphed into the figure of an elf. It became his body. Because it used to be his godfire, it was shining brightly with a radiance that rivaled the radiance of the white halo on his head.

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Chapter 1492 Divinity.

The Tree Father said to them, "It is done. The next step is to upgrade the divine spark into a world forge."

The others looked on with calmness, but they were all excited and happy. They have taken another step towards perfection. It is something to be happy about.

Legion-unity said with anticipation, "It is time for you to join unity."

This is why he has been looking forward to the Tree Father becoming a divine spark. He wants to gain something powerful to improve himself and Legion.

The Tree Father will be the next one to join Unity after Aeternus. Aeternus granted them immunity to Chaos energy, so all of them won't be hurt by Chaos energy anymore.

They can finally allow Chaos energy to pass through the mind network. They don't do so to keep Legion-8 and Helios safe. Now the tree father can also join unity since he has gained immunity and perfect control of his godfire.

The last time he attempted it, Legion-9's godfire burned him. But now that his godfire has become Legion-9's body and he has perfect control over it, Legion-7 will be able to assimilate him without issue.

The assimilation occurred without any problems. Legion-unity gained the powers of a divine spark. This power is based on Authority, divinity, and the spark of power.

Unlike Aeternus, who didn't fuse with any domain or his Supreme Law, the Tree Father is one with his divine spark, so he has perfect control over all the abilities it has to offer.

These abilities made the clones chat in speculation.

Legion-1 said in surprise, "Who would have thought that gods could become so powerful?"

Soverick shook his head and said, "Even if we thought gods could become powerful, no one would have expected them to have the ability to edit the law matrix. It is simply unheard of."

Aeternus was in awe. "Even the ability to freely produce divinity is overpowered. Imagine the amount of demons he could feed with this."

Legion-9 shifted the topic by saying, "Stop talking about food. Let's focus more on the importance of the spark of power and its significance for our goal as world gods."

Even Ragnarok, who liked eating, had to agree with the Tree Father. "Divinity is a little too late for us now. It would have been useful if we didn't have Cosmic energy. And Legion-9 gave up most of the abilities of Authority when he refused to become an Archon. It is the spark of power that is worthy of our focus."

Aeternus disagreed, "You are all wrong. Divinity cannot be separated from the spark of power. It is a universal source of power. Those on the path of perfection, the path of divinity, and the path of sin need it. Even Legion-7 used it to create his spark of consciousness. I think there's more going on in divinity apart from its ability to serve as food."

He had a point, so he got Legion thinking about divinity. Divinity is a product of the refinement of faith. It is refined by the godfire of a god. Faith can be turned into divine energy by mixing it with mana, but it has to remain pure if it is to become divinity.

This is their fundamental understanding of faith. But the discussion of faith soon diverged into more complicated inquiries the more they thought about it.

Faith comes from believers who are living things, while godfire comes from the godhood of gods who are also living things. But why can't gods create their own faith, and why can't their believers use their own faith to empower themselves?

The answers to those questions are not clear to them. But they can make some guesses about them.

Their first guess is that the problem of gods growing stronger on their own faith might be a problem of quantity. They can't produce enough faith on their own.

But this guess was quickly refuted when Legion made the common claim that the stronger a believer is, the stronger the faith the god gets from them. So why doesn't a god create enough faith on their own even when they get stronger, and why is it that other gods can't turn each other into their believers as a source of faith? Why must gods rely on others who are not gods or demons for faith?

These questions set Legion ablaze in a flurry of mental discussion. They had conflicting opinions but eventually settled on a hypothesis that also explains why believers can't use their faith to empower themselves. This hypothesis is based on the possession of the Origin core and its usage for power.

It is said that the Origin core is a source of infinite potential for a living being. Its potential is something that Origin gods start to dig into. They then fully excavate it when they become world gods by turning their Origin into a world.

But gods don't have viable Origins. Their Origins froze when they traded it in exchange for the godfire. They then rely on those who still have their Origin to elevate them and make them stronger.

Hence, it is postulated that the possession of Origin is important in the creation of faith. If that is true, once it is frozen over, faith can't be produced anymore. Gods won't be able to produce it at all and they won't be able to use each other as believers.

If, by chance, the Origin is revitalized, then it is possible for a god to use their own faith to produce divinity. That's essentially what a divine spark makes possible when the god fire is evolved and the power of the origin is unlocked.

A divine spark is an entity that can produce divinity on its own. They don't require the belief of others for faith. They can't believe in themselves and, hence, grow stronger from it. But they substitute other forms of energy as faith to use to produce divinity.

Chapter 1493 Limitless.

The fact that the Tree Father possesses this ability made Legion adamant that divinity has to be useful to them. They decided to work together to figure out its use.

The Tree Father said, "If we are right and divinity is so powerful and important, it becomes clear that the gods were trying to do something they couldn't do before. They were trying to use energy to grow stronger. This is something that is not possible for transcendents after reaching the 100,000 stat limit so they used a shortcut."

Legion-5 asked, "They took a short cut with repercussions that have been alleviated. But what's so good about divinity now? It is almost indestructible, but so is Cosmic energy."

Helios said with a sigh, "Unfortunately, Mother High Heaven didn't tell us that. We have to figure this out on our own."

Now the Tree Father has recovered his connection to his Origin. That means he has become capable of refining more than just the power of belief into divinity. He can refine most kinds of energy, including origin energy and mana, into divinity.

They tried all of these energies and confirmed that they could produce divinity, but they couldn't find out what it could do. They were testing its use when they were distracted by another thing.

They found out that the Tree Father is not limited to fusing mana with faith in the creation of divine energy either, so the Tree Father, who was already capable of fusing life essence with divine energy, can fuse life essence and Origin energy to create immortal essence.

With immortal essence, anyone who takes it will gain eternal life, while Origin gods can use it as a substitute for Origin essence to grow stronger. They don't even need concepts to fuse the immortal essence into themselves. They can take it directly.

Just like divinity, immortal essence is not that useful to them. If not for the fact that it is better at healing than divine life energy, then they it would be another thing they couldn't use.

They eventually returned to the topic of divinity, and they found something useful about it. They found out that not only can it make living things stronger, it can even make non-living things stronger too. They were able to use it to elevate a low grade Origin artifact into a top grade.

Legion-1 said in awe, "This changes everything."

Helios wasn't so convinced. He said, "It changes nothing. A top grade artifact is useless to us. I can burn it without trying."

Soverick asked, "What if divinity can upgrade everything? Where does its limits lie?"

Aeternus was skeptical about that conjecture. He shook his head and said, "That can't be possible. There has to be a limit somewhere. We are perfect examples of those limits. The top grade artifact is another one."

Divinity is clearly multi-purpose, but they have reached the limit of power without a Supreme Law and with a Supreme Law. Cosmic energy made sure of that. Now divinity cannot upgrade them.

There's also the top grade artifact. It stopped taking in divinity after reaching its limits. This shows that despite its wide range of usefulness, it has a limit where it becomes useless.

Soverick asked, "What if we use it on something without a limit?"

He didn't wait for an answer. He was already parsing the future possibilities. His eyes flashed as the possible outcomes of fusing divinity with other objects came into view.

He didn't have enough information about it in the past, so he didn't consider it, and it didn't show up in his future. Now that he has confirmed a conjecture about the universal usefulness of divinity, the sky is the limit.

His eyes soon found some credible possibilities. He said, "Inner world and universal artifacts."

They didn't argue with him. They set out to confirm the possibilities by infusing divinity into Legion-1's inner world and the soul sphere.

In the past, the inner world of the world beast has grown stronger because of the enhancement of the Authority of the Celestial Supreme with Cosmic energy. The enhancement was passive as they couldn't control Cosmic energy.

That enhancement has disappeared now that the divine kingdom of the Tree Father and the Authority of Celestial Supreme have all fused with him. It also means that they will be able to tell without bias that any enhancement that takes place now is due to divinity and not its interaction with anything else.

As for the soul sphere, they chose it for this experiment because they could afford to lose it. It is unlike the crown of dominion that they can't replace right now.

Their experiment bore fruit. It came with good news and bad news. The good news is that the two of them could be upgraded successfully with divinity. At the very least, they assimilated the divinity without issues. The inner world became stronger while the channel between the soul spheres became wider.

The bad news is that the stronger inner world is of no use to them now. It won't be useful until they become world gods. As for the soul sphere, a wider channel is also not useful to them.

However, Soverick postulated that it could achieve qualitative growth that would be useful to them if they continue to feed it divinity. Unfortunately, they don't know the amount needed to achieve this qualitative improvement. It could cost them enough energy to create a world.

Despite all of this Legion-1 was still ecstatic. He said, "The world world gods is dependent on the power of their Origin. Theoretically, it can be infinite. But no one can achieve it. They thereby limit their potential when they become world gods. But we can increase its potential with divinity. Do you know what this means?"

Soverick knew what it meant, so he said, "Maybe that's one of the reasons the void universe needs Archons for. To create divinity and expand it."

Legion-1 didn't like his answer, so he said what he had in mind, "It means we can create a world that is limitless. We can create a world that rivals the void universe in size. Imagine that."

Chapter 1494 The Spark Of Power.

Legion-9 spoke. "It is a good thing that I didn't become an Archon. I would have to serve the void universe forever."

Legion-1 said with exasperation, "Forget the Archons."

But they couldn't forget the Archons. They can imagine just how important one divine spark is to them. That means they can also imagine the importance and significance of many Archons to the void universe.

The significance of divinity made them catch a glimpse of how small they are compared to the void universe. After all, if a single divine spark can give them the potential to be limitless, what about 10 Archons?

Aeternus said what they were all thinking, "No one told us the importance of divinity. What if we didn't focus on it and discover its usefulness? What else are we missing about it?"

The Tree Father replied, "We are missing Authority of the void universe. Without it, I can't edit the law matrix of the void universe."

"That's true."

Soverick reminded them, "That's just the one we know of. There could be more."

Legion-8 said with certainty, "There are more."

Legion-1 replied, "What matters is that we continue to search. As long as we don't give up, we might find more. But if we give up, we will find nothing."

Legion-7 said with anticipation, "Let's find other things that can grow without limit. Imagine what else we could do with divinity."

Aeternus agreed, "There's also the most important ability of the divine spark. We have that going for us and ignorance can't take it away from us."

The most important ability of the Tree Father is based on his divine spark. It is a direct ability that needs no tinkering to discover. Apparently, it is what Mother High Heaven called the spark of power.

Legion-7 said, "So Celestials have sparks of power, while those on the path of perfection have the spark of wisdom. Those are two mainstream paths accounted for. What about the spark of the soul? Where does it come from? Which path of power does it belong to?"

Soverick replied, "It certainly doesn't belong to demons. Demon gods have the spark of wisdom, just like those on the path of perfection. It is appropriate seeing as they use Supreme laws just like those on the path of perfection."

Legion-1 pointed out, "So Aeternus is the odd one out. He has a spark of power that could become a spark of wisdom if he manages to fuse with his mark of sin."

Helios corrected him, "That might not be so. Legion-7 is not special as the Great Mother managed to achieve the spark of the soul too. A demon out there might also have achieved a spark of power. We just don't know about it."

Legion-8 interjected, "What I find particularly curious is that the crown of domination managed to convert the spark of consciousness into a spark of power for the Tree Father. In a way, it is similar to the ability of the spark of power."

Legion-9 picked on his train of thought and said, "And the spark of the soul is also similar to the soul sphere. It granted Legion-7 the same abilities and more as the soul sphere."

Legion-8 then completed his inquiry, "Are Universal artifacts created as parts of the three sparks?"

Legion-1 offered a conjecture, "If they are, that means the creator of Universal artifacts possesses all three sparks."

Legion-2 expounded on the conjecture. "And more than that, they are familiar with it and powerful enough to turn that familiarity into an artifact that bestows the power onto others."

Legion-7 asked, "If Universal artifacts are manifestations or creations of sparks of power, why can they be upgraded with divinity, but not Cosmic energy, while sparks of power can only be upgraded with Cosmic energy, not divinity?"

Legion-7 continued, "Also, Universal artifacts don't seem to have limits, but sparks of power have reached their limits. In fact, Universal artifacts feel more like metaphysical organs that were transplanted into our existence. That's why we don't lose them when we die."

These questions put a cog in their hypothesis about the similarities between Universal artifacts and sparks of power. The best they could come up with it that the properties of Universal artifacts might have something to do with their ability to operate outside of laws.

They gave up on that train of thought and spent the next period of time talking, updating their knowledge, and researching the Tree Father's new abilities.

They discovered that the spark of power has the ability to control and subdue all forms of power. It is similar to the crown of dominion but it isn't as versatile yet. It can't convert one spark into another. But it can transfer power between all the clones.

So if one of them has Supreme power, now that they have the spark of power, that power can be transferred to all of them through Legion-7. This brought them to Legion-7's spark of the soul. With it, they were able to achieve unity without the fusion of their Origin.

This unity has replaced the soul sphere for them. In fact, it is better. Not only can they share any type of energy, they can share concepts, and they can resurrect each other without the assistance of the void universe.

These similarities made them anticipate the functions of the spark of power that they have yet to discover. Soverick's conjecture about the possibility of creating infinite clones through the combination of the three sparks especially made them hopeful for the fusion.

The spark of the soul can't create clones, but they will be able to control a large number of clones if they have it. The spark of wisdom can create avatars and clones through the Supreme Law. Lastly, the spark of power can transfer power across every clone.

The more they thought about it, the more it became possible to achieve. If they do achieve it then it would be unprecedented since Origin gods can't create clones with their power level. They can only create clones with the power of Sovereigns.

A/N: This extra chapter is for Rosery and her 63 golden tickets gift. There's going to be more tomorrow.

Chapter 1495 Superior Forger.

They are not sure of what world gods can achieve, but they are sure that world gods don't have all three paths of power. As for them, they might finally be able to achieve their goal of having infinite clones. They would truly become worthy of the title of Legion.

The possibilities of the future filled their mind until Legion-8 brought them back to the present.

He said to them, "Hello! We still have to solve my situation."

Legion-1 asked, "What should we do now?"

They need more power. That's why they made the Tree Father become a divine spark so soon. But that is not the end of their preparation. They still have a lot to do. The Tree Father can help them build the world fragment faster, but they doubt it will be completed fast enough for Legion-8, so they had to think outside the box.

Fortunately, they have Soverick. They don't have to make decisions out of ignorance. In fact, decision making is very fast for them. They made up their minds and got to work.

Some of them went to the realm of high heaven, while the others continued working on the world fragment. The world fragment won't help Legion-8's situation, but they also need it before the era of conquest. It is important that they continue working on it if they want to insure themselves against the failure of helping Legion-8.

The Tree Father has gained the ability to modify the law matrix and the rules of the world. It is an upgrade on the ability of gods to use divine energy with domains to create divine power, which they use to undermine laws.

But the use of domains comes with shackles. They bind themselves with rules while using those same binds to usurp the power of laws. The Father has evolved and broken free from those shackles.

All he needs is the permission of the administrator of a law matrix, and he will be able to edit it without being bound by the laws of the law matrix. In the case of a law matrix that doesn't have an owner like the one they are building, it is even easier for him to make changes to it.

Legion-7 was envious. He said, "It makes sense considering the power of gods comes from the supreme law of order. They allow the law of order to shackle them in exchange for permission to bend some of the rules of the world in their favor."

He was the one in charge of building the law matrix. He had the best manipulation of laws and Cosmic energy among them, but that position will be taken over by the Tree Father now. He just can't beat the efficiency of a divine spark.

The Tree Father said, "There's no need to relegate yourself yet. We don't really know if I can do it."

Soverick said confidently, "Stop being modest. You were meant to build worlds. A little world fragment is not enough to test the broad range of your skills."

He can already see the possibilities that have become available due to the Tree Father's evolution. He is confident beyond any doubt and can even bet permanent blindness in one of his eyes on the fact that Legion-9 outclasses both him and Legion-7 in forging.

His advantage in forging is that he can tell the results before they happen, so he can forge in a way to ensure high quality forging or stop himself from ruining a material. But this does not mean he can create the best quality possible in existence. It only means he can build the best quality that he is capable of building with his skills.

The Tree Father, on the other hand, doesn't need skills. He forgets whatever he has in mind, and it will have the highest quality possible. He struggles and uses his eyes and hands to translate what is in his mind into reality. The Tree Father bends reality to make what is in his mind. It is clear who is the better forger.

It is something that can be deduced even without his eyes seeing things just fall into place in the Tree Father's hands. Anyone can come to that conclusion with the singular knowledge that, as a future world forge, the Tree Father has gained the power to not only build law matrixes, he can also transform energy into matter seamlessly.

It is an upgrade on his previous energy transmutation ability. Even with that previous transmutation ability, he was already on par with Soverick. The new abilities make him a better forger than both Soverick and Legion-7, who is not a forger, but can manipulate law fragments to a small extent.

The Tree Father's capabilities made them think about the abilities and functions of other Archons. If the Tree Father had agreed to become an Archon, he would have the Authority of the void universe, and he would be somewhere right now building something for the void universe.

It made them ask themselves, "If Archons are forging for the void universe, what are they forging?"

They already suspect that the expansion of the void universe is due to divinity and that Archons can heal the law matrix, but Archons can do more than that. Unfortunately, they don't know what Archons could be forging for the void universe. But they do know what they want Legion-9 to forge for them.

After he is done building the law matrix and helping them execute the experiment to replicate Legion-5's and Legion-7's ascension when they were creating their world engine, they also plan to have Legion-9 build their Supreme Law for them.

It is an ability that is an extension of his ability to edit law matrixes. Only this time, the Tree Father will be editing their existence. It is not something they can allow an outsider to do, even if it were freely offered. But with Legion-9, they have a chance at achieving their 7-aspect Supreme Law and maybe more.

Chapter 1496 A Yellow Dragon.

That's for the future, though. The other change that the tree father's existence brought to Legion in the present is that he can not only convert all types of energy into divinity, but he can store all types of energy too. This includes cosmic energy.

This is a useful ability for them because Helios has a limit on the amount of cosmic energy he can store, which is based on his size. But the tree father has infinite storage, just like a Celestial's storage of divine energy and Aeternus's storage of Chaos energy.

However, unlike a Celestial and Aeternus, his storage is not limited to divine energy or Chaos energy. So the tree father has become their bank for cosmic energy. It will help them prepare for when Helios is detached from the law matrix and becomes an Origin god.

Legion was preparing for the birth of Legion-8. In the meantime, Legion-8 was still going through the ancestral trials. He did what he normally does to start a trial. He extended his soul into a star in the bloodline space. This particular star is ancient and far away from his generation, so his soul was stressed by the process.

"I am almost at my limit here, so this had better be good or I will quit."

He has been saying that for many years, but he didn't stop whenever he was disappointed. He always continued, and he will definitely do so if this trial turns out to be a waste of his time. At most, he will ask for divine life energy to grow his soul. Now that the Tree Father has immortal essence, he can go much farther in his pursuit of the talent of creation.

The world around him changed as the trial began. This time, the story didn't start as an egg. In fact, he doesn't appear to be on the ancestral grounds of the dragons at all. He has seen enough of the landscape and the iconic blue leaves of the plants of the dragon homeworld to recognize that he is in a different location.

This is not strange because most trials don't happen in the dragon homeworld. Many of them also don't start with eggs. The trials are tests from the ancestors. They can test unborn dragons with anything that happened in their lives.

It isn't strange, either, that there is only one dragon in this trial. The dragon is a yellow-scaled dragon. That, on the other hand, is strange. He hasn't seen any yellow-scaled dragons since he began the ancestral trial more than 60,000 years ago.

He observed to himself, "This has to be a modified look. No dragon is naturally yellow."

He has seen a lot of dragons to say that with confidence.

This dragon entered a plane that was already being invaded. The transcendents of the plane had opened the planar portal and couldn't defend it. Another plane broke in to lay claim to it.

The defenders of the plane were losing terribly when the dragon came. They were afraid when they saw it, but the dragon didn't interfere in the fight between the ants. It blocked the planar portal with a mountain and sealed it. Then it hid itself in the plane.

The invaders and the defenders were agitated by the presence of the new powerful creature. They stopped fighting each other so that they would be able to defend themselves against the dragon. So the dragon's mere presence stopped the war.

But they calmed down after many years of the absence of the dragon. They began fighting each other again. The dragon didn't interfere in their fight, but it would always attack anyone that tried to open the planar portal. It was then that they realized that they were locked together with the dragon in the plane.

The defenders were happy about the sealing of the planar portal, but the invaders were not so happy. The seal of the plane had cut them off from reinforcements. The dragon also killed all their fighters that were above transcendence after the third time that they tried to unseal the planar portal.

Now they are too weak to even cause the dragon to interfere whenever they try to unseal the portal. The seal itself would attack them with enough power to harm, if not kill, a king of law. So they stopped fighting.

Since they were locked in, it didn't matter if this plane was their home plane or not. They can either leave it through the void or Directly support the authors on WebNovel!

accept their lot. Some chose to accept their lot, and some did not. Either way, the plane returned to peace after that.

home plane or not. They can either leave it through the void or accept their lot. Some chose to accept their lot, and some did Some Transcendents left the plane since the dragon didn't stop that. In fact, the dragon had stopped appearing in the world for a long time. If not for the seal on the planar portal, no one would know that a dragon had once entered the plane.

The absence of the dragon was because it had died. It was running from an enemy when it came into the plane. That's why it sealed the plane. But its injuries were too much for it to survive.

It is impressive that a dragon who was a king of laws could fight a Sovereign. Most ancient dragons can do so. But this dragon was young. Its talent and pride got to its head and caused it to court death.

Legion-8 said in understanding, "Her anger is understandable. After all, she just lost to someone else."

The dragoness was coming from a successful mating ritual. It was successful because she lost. She went to challenge another dragon so that she could lay eggs and get the permission of the dragon spirit to leave the realm and enter the void to become a divine dragon.

The dragon she challenged was another king of law like her and also her agemate. But she lost to him, so they mated. It pissed her off. It made her lash out and it didn't end well for her.

Chapter 1497 Cattle For Ploughing.

She became angry that she had lost to someone of her generation and took out her anger on a sovereign she met along the way to the ancestral grounds. The sovereign defeated her and injured her. He even chased after her to kill her for her dragon heart. She couldn't take the long journey to her home plane, so she went through a planar portal nearby.

She came to this plane to wait for help, but help didn't come before she died. The best she could do was lay her eggs before she died. Because she didn't incubate the eggs and there was no dragon spirit, only one of the three of them succeeded in hatching. This dragonling was in a special situation as it was an indigene of this plane.

Legion-8 said excitedly. "Oh, this is going to be good. I can just feel it in my bones."

He doesn't have bones or any flesh, as he is an energy being of a level much higher than the soul body of a transcendent. But he can still feel excitement and anticipation for what is to come.

He is excited because the dragon was born with the talent of his mother. He was born with the control of creation mana, an energy unique to dragons with the talent for creation.

The dragonling couldn't leave the cave he was born in because he was locked in. His mother had sealed it before she died. He didn't die despite the lack of food, care, or companionship, though. He had the memories of his ancestors, so he was mature mentally. He also had the memories of his mother, so he knew how he ended up in that situation and what to do to escape.

He grew up silently by imbibing mana. It took a long time, but he finally became a transcendent. It was then that he was able to open the seal on the cave. If he didn't know the password, he would have needed to become a king of law just like his mother to break it by force.

The first thing he did after escaping the cave was to leave the plane. His bloodline and the imprints present within it were compelling him to return to the home of dragons.

He didn't unseal the planar portal and leave through it. It is because he sensed that the ancestral ground of dragons was close by. The inhabitants of the plane only saw a fleeting yellow figure break through the sky.

The young dragon found the dragon's home plane in the void. It is a large piece of land floating in the void. There is a protective barrier around it that defends and cloaks it, so only dragons can see it for what it truly is.

When combined, its hidden nature and its ability to move around the void make it nearly impossible to find. Anyone who isn't a dragon and happens to stumble upon it will be killed without knowing how they died. This is on top of the fact that the surroundings of the plane have been suppressed by a force that scrambles the mind and space. All of these make the dragon's ancestral grounds the most difficult plane to find.

He wasn't attacked as he moved closer to the ancestral grounds. Instead, he was embraced by the plane and the dragon spirit. There was even an impromptu naming ceremony for him. The dragon spirit entered his inner world and gave him a name worthy of a dragon.

The dragon was glad to finally get a name, but Legion-8 just scoffed.

"Another dragon has been enslaved without a fight. I wonder what the dragon spirit is doing with all the power it has acquired."

He is unlike other dragons who have been brainwashed by their bloodline before they were born. He has not been indoctrinated into the glory of dragons like dragonlings, and he knows enough of the world to know that the naming ceremony is a scam.

It is not a scam, since the dragon spirit is giving the dragons the benefits it claims to provide. But Legion-8 knows that the dragon spirit is also gaining a lot of benefits by

anchoring itself to the inner world of dragons. After all, the dragon spirit is like the great mother. Except that it didn't die and go to the spiritual dimension to become a spiritual entity.

The dragon spirit is not as caustic as the great mother since it is not actively brainwashing dragons. Each dragon is their own being, with their own thoughts and opinions. But the moment they receive a name from the dragon spirit, they become cattle shackled to a yoke to plough a field.

Legion-8 is certain of that. He just doesn't know what field the dragon spirit is using them to plough.

In his opinion, the dragons are being used as free laborers, and they don't even know about it. So he wasn't happy when the dragon was named. He only felt disdain that another dragon accepted the shackles willingly.

Things became uneventful after that because the dragon returned to the plane where he was born. He is an adult dragon now, so he wanted a place all to himself.

He didn't rile up the plane too much after he returned. He just declared himself the overlord of the plane. There was no resistance because the inhabitants of the plane knew the power of a dragon and because there was essentially no difference in the situation for them.

They had always been aware of a dragon in their midst, and they were afraid of it. Now their fear finally has a target. Their fear is nothing new.

He banned religion in the plane, but there were no gods in the plane either. The inhabitants of the plane didn't have any belief in gods, so their lives continued like normal. If there wasn't the one-in-a-century offering of wealth to the dragon, then people wouldn't know that there was an overlord in the plane.

A/N: Bonus chapter for Rosery again. She has given 25 golden tickets this month.

Chapter 1498 Greed Wins Again.

The people of the plane feared and worshiped the dragon. But he didn't use them to become a god. This is because he would lose his dragon heart and the dragon force that comes with it when his Origin freezes. Then he will have to rely on weak mortals for power.

His pride will never allow that. Even at the point of death, he would rather die just like his mother than save his life by becoming a god. Legion-8 knew that even if he was willing to do so, the dragon spirit would never allow it so that he won't break free from his shackles.

Things continued peacefully like this for many Origin cycles. The dragon grew stronger even though there was no Origin energy in the plane. His connection to the dragon spirit provided him with as much Origin energy as he wanted.

He could even grant other beings access to the Origin energy if he wanted to. This made him become royalty in the plane because every transcendent wanted to serve him to gain Origin energy.

He was truly living an easy life. All he had to do, apart from sleeping, was wake up every hundred years to receive offerings from all over the plane. His horde grew larger and larger because of it.

This peace and quiet was broken when a demon king invaded. The plane faced an unprecedented crisis. Even the will of the plane was roused. It had to resist the invasion of this powerful being and the army of demons that it brought with it.

The will of the plane didn't take long to decide who would become the child of the plane. There was only one clear choice. So it chose the most powerful creature on the plane.

There was no other credible choice. The dragon became the child of the plane. It is something that has never been done before in the history of the realm tree. This turned out to be a good decision, and it bore good fruits.

The dragon's power as a king of law combined with his dragon force and the title of child of the plane made him capable of matching the demon king. The two of them fought for a long time over the ownership of the plane. The demon king was defeated and killed twice in a row, so it gave up on the plane.

The people of the plane rejoiced in the victory of their overlord. They were happy that demons wouldn't kill them, but then they suddenly became angry with the dragon that saved them. It was an inexplicable feeling. They ought to be grateful, but they hate the dragon.

This is because while the people of the plane were rejoicing after the invasion of the plane had ended, another invasion had secretly happened in the background. The dragon spirit was using the dragon and his connection to the plane through the title of the child of the plane to silently invade the Will of the plane.

This caused the Will of the plane to become angry with the dragon. Unfortunately, it couldn't take back the title because the dragon spirit refused to let it go. So the best the

Will of the plane could do was set up the inhabitants of the plane against the dragon in hopes that someone would be able to defeat the dragon and take back the title.

However, this was almost a useless move because the influence of the Will of the plane on the inhabitants of the plane was subtle. It couldn't communicate directly with them, and it couldn't control their actions. The best it could do was suggest enmity with the dragon.

Even if the Will of the plane could take control of the inhabitants of the plane and have them fight the dragon, it would still be useless because none of them could defeat the dragon.

Legion-8 wasn't surprised by the turn of events. He said in admiration for the dragon spirit, "I would do so if I were the one."

He understands the dragon spirit's invasion of the plane since he would have done the same thing. In fact, another clone of Legion had tried to do the same thing. Legion-7 failed because the Celestial Supreme of the Gattling plane killed her son and stole the title from him. That can't happen here since the dragon is the strongest being in the plane.

A great spiritual battle took place in the background of the plane. This was an invasion more insidious than the attack of the demon king. The Will of the plane couldn't resist because the dragon spirit was too strong. The dragon spirit had the combined spiritual power of every living dragon born in the realm of high heaven who was below the world god level at its disposal.

That is an amount of spiritual power that is greater than what the inhabitants of the plane can offer the Will of the plane. The Will of the plane also did not have the advantage of quality, as the strongest being it had in the plane was a transcendent. So the will of the plane was consumed, and the dragon spirit grew stronger because of it.

And just like Legion, the dragon spirit was not content with that achievement. It became greedy for more. It could replace the will of the plane, but the power from that is slow and little compared to the power it could gain from replacing the Will of the realm. So it used the anchor of the plane to the realm as a connection to attack the Will of the realm.

The dragon's consciousness appeared in a dark world. The world of the ancestral trial changed into this dark world. In this darkness, there was a source of light. It was a bright, spherical ball. There were runes projected out of it outward into the surrounding darkness like a hologram. It looked like the most precious treasure.

A/N: I think you guys should know about this event. Even so, can you guess what will happen?

Hint: You will get it wrong.

Chapter 1499 Foolish Dragon Vs Spineless Dragon.

Legion-8 recognized it when he saw it. He exclaimed, "This is the realm heart."

This is the second time he has seen something like this, so he is not mistaken about what it is. It is truly the realm heart. The dragon of creation also knew that. It also knows what it is here for. It knows that whoever gains control of it becomes the realm lord. There isn't a realm lord yet, so the dragon spirit has brought him here to fill that position.

The dragon made that declaration to the consciousness inhabiting this space. "I have come to become the realm lord. Make way for me just as you made way for my ancestor."

He spoke with pride and with confidence. But Legion-8 was not so confident.

Legion-8 felt horror in his heart when he heard that declaration. He asked no one in particular, "What is this fool doing? Does he want to die?"

A dark figure congealed in front of the dragon. This figure is dark, but the outline of its figure is discernible from the darkness of the world. They stood out so much that the brightness of the realm heart was overshadowed.

The figure's body contained tens of thousands of tiny spots of light of various colors. The head of the figure has just one eye that looks like a whirlpool of stars on its face. There was nothing else on its face. It didn't have any legs, but it had numerous arms. Its torso was connected to the bright spherical ball.

Legion-8 felt pressure similar to the one he faced recently from Tssandulighafan. He felt like he shouldn't speak or breathe too loudly, but the dragon snickered and said, "So you have shown yourself. What say you?"

Legion-8 cursed, "Fuck."

His concern is warranted. The dark, powerful figure said to the dragon, "Nothing short of your death will appease me."

But the dragon was not concerned about the threat. It said with disdain, "Your days are over, Mother High Heaven. You have fulfilled your purpose and will now be replaced."

The world froze with this declaration. The trial has officially started.

A voice spoke to Legion-8, "Fight Mother High Heaven and survive for up to 10 seconds."

The dragon spirit was the one that spoke. Legion-8 is familiar with its voice. It will declare the objective to be achieved if the trial is to be passed.

Legion-8 was not happy with the objective. He grumbled inwardly, "I wonder how this guy even survived up to 10 seconds against Mother High Heaven."

Mother High Heaven is a force on the level of a world god. To fight her and survive for ten seconds is a feat that he didn't think was possible for anyone who is not a world god. He would have thought he was being cheated if not for the fact that objectives are based on the achievements of his predecessors. If the foolish dragon had not survived up to 10 seconds, then he wouldn't have been asked to survive for that long either.

The world resumed soon after. Legion-8 found himself in the body of the dragon confronting Mother High Heaven. He didn't know it before, but this dark world was freezing. It is so cold that his thoughts are slowing down.

Maybe the dragon had roared and erupted with power in a valiant attempt to resist Mother High Heaven. Maybe they fought, and the dragon struggled to survive for up to 10 seconds. But Legion-8 doesn't plan to do any of that. Not when he can sense the insurmountable power within Mother High Heaven that is capable of killing him through the trial.

He didn't resist. Instead, he said, "Please spare me."

The cold in the surrounding area stopped rising. He took that as a good sign, so he continued. "I am sorry for defying you. I didn't want to do it. The dragon spirit made me."

The figure of Mother High Heaven stilled, and the anger radiating out of her ceased. She continued watching him for a while. Then she laughed.

Her laughter battered his mind in waves. She laughed as the pressure of her existence increased. It is not an illusion at all. He is certain that this Mother High is not just an image. It is the real thing.

She said to him, "You made a good decision, Legion-8. If you had fought me, you would be breaking the rules of the realm, and I would have killed you as punishment for it."

He understood why. His experience with the first sage has taught him not to underestimate any being with the power of a world god. His meeting with Tssandulighafan confirmed that anything related to world gods is dangerous.

This trial might look like a dream of an event that occurred a long time ago, but it could easily turn into an event that is happening right now. He will not be fighting a memory of Mother High Heaven as the foolish dragon. He would be fighting the current Mother High Heaven as himself. If he dies in the fight, he might also die in the real world. He is not willing to risk it at all.

He said to Mother High Heaven, "It is the smart decision to admit defeat."

Mother High Heaven snickered and said, "It is a smart decision, but most dragonlings are not wise enough to make that decision. This is memory is a battle between the dragon spirit and I. To get in between us is to bring the fate of this foolish dragon upon yourself. Dragonlings don't know this, and even if they do, they would still fight me to acquire victory for the dragon spirit. Their pride blinds them to reason."

Legion-8 nodded. "They will fail if they do. But why is the dragon spirit still fighting you? There's already a realm lord, so I doubt it is possible for you to be usurped or for any dragon to become the realm lord."

A/N: If it isn't clear, Legion-8 is the spineless dragon. He turned down a chance to go down in a blaze of glory. What a fool.

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He doesn't think the fight would lead to anything useful, but Mother High Heaven doesn't agree with him.

She replied, "Nothing is impossible. If the world spark can be usurped through the era of conquest, then the realm lord can also be usurped. It will be very difficult to do and would require the power to take away the immortality of Origin gods. But it is possible. Nothing is permanent until the realm tree detaches itself from the law matrix and the realm lord becomes a world god himself."

That surprised Legion-8. He asked in surprise, "So the dragon spirit can nullify the immortality of Origin gods?"

"Not the dragon spirit, but the entity behind the dragon spirit."

That answer enlightened Legion-8. There is only one entity that he knows that is behind the dragon spirit. And that entity is the dragon king, who is the ancestor of dragons.

Still, he was still skeptical. He voiced his doubts to her, "Even then, it is impossible for this dragon with the power of an Origin god to challenge you. The dragon spirit is just sending dragonlings to their deaths."

Mother High Heaven disagreed with him again. "No, it is not. The dragon spirit only sends powerful dragonlings here. How many dragonlings do you think are capable of reaching this far back in time with their soul?"

He replied, "I assume they are not many."

"There is none at this point. There have been none for a thousand Origin cycles. It was easier in the past when the difficulty wasn't so high. So the dragon spirit has stopped sending dragonlings here until you came along."

Something caught his attention. "What do you mean by "sending dragonlings here?" Don't they come here by chance? Isn't the trial by chance?"

Mother High Heaven snickered again. "No trial is by chance. The memory space is anchored by the dragon spirit. It can display whichever trial it wants. The prerequisite is for you to be able to enter it. It knows everything you are doing, and it sent you here for a reason. Your soul was strong enough, so here you are."

She continued, "Pride might blind other dragons, but your greed blinds you to reason sometimes. That's why I thought you were in cohorts with the dragon spirit. After all, there is a lot to gain if you win this battle. But from what I can tell, you were not informed of your job in this battle."

Legion-8 was still surprised, even though he knew the dragon spirit was the anchor of the mental space. But he thought that the trials were random. At least, he didn't know what was in the imprint before he entered it. So it is possible for the dragon spirit to lead him about.

When he thought about that point, he also realized that the difficulty he has been having in acquiring all the talents might not be by chance. The dragon spirit might actually be sabotaging his attempt to acquire the last talent, which made him continue searching. He went deeper and deeper into the mental space until he reached a time node where he could be sent into this memory.

He said in understanding, "I see. The dragon spirit wants to get me killed. If it could kill me itself, it would have done so already. I doubt it sent me here with the belief that I could actually usurp you."

Mother High Heaven chuckled and said, "You are partly right. The dragon spirit can't kill you, so it wants me to kill you. But that's so it can possess your core. If you die, then it will be able to take that powerful core that you are building for yourself. After all, I doubt you would subject yourself to the naming ceremony. So it is nipping the problem in the

bud. And if you do the unexpected and manage to usurp me, then the dragon spirit will become the Will of the realm."

Mother High Heaven finished with a smile. "To the dragon spirit, this encounter was supposed to be a win-win for it regardless of the outcome. But then you quit right from the start."

Legion-8 broke out in a sweat then. What Mother High Heaven just said reminded him of the schemes of powerful beings. It reminded him of the first sage and his schemes that always leave him winning.

This scheme is not as intricate as those of the first sage since he could still survive it, but it is enough for him to realize that he has become the target of the dragon spirit and that the dragon spirit probably knows about the shard of power.

His suspicion is because if there is any way or any means for him to usurp Mother High Heaven, it would be through the incomprehensible power of the shard of power.

He had used the shard of power to create a dragon heart without weakness while he was still in the egg, so he is certain that the dragon spirit would have noticed the change to him. But he expected the dragon spirit to consider it a fluke. After all, there is no way the fragment of the soul of an Origin god is capable of it. The shard of power is also invisible to other beings.

Apparently, he was wrong. Even if the dragon spirit doesn't know exactly how he created his dragon heart, it knows enough to push him toward a dangerous situation where the odds are stacked against him. So he either has to create another miracle that will benefit the dragon spirit or he dies, which will also benefit the dragon spirit. It was indeed a win-

win scheme for the dragon spirit.

Legion-8 lamented, "I guess I am in trouble."

Mother High Heaven confirmed it. "You are in big trouble. The dragon spirit definitely has its eyes on you. It will not be easy for you to escape from it."

Legion-8 was not discouraged or cowered. He said, "I expected dealing with the dragons to be difficult. This has not changed my expectations of it."

A/N: This is the bonus chapter for 1400 power stones goal. We still have for the 100 golden tickets goal. I will release that one tomorrow.

