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### Chapter 1521 Pursuing The Vessel Of Apophis II

Eldritch knew that his subordinates will not be able to escape with their opponents being that powerful. He looked at the root of their worries which is the vampire enemy. She was one of the most powerful that he has seen in the game.

Eldritch views her as a problem because she has great battle sense unlike the others that only learned how to fight inside the game. Eldritch could feel the presence of a person that is capable of fighting from her which he only sensed from the paid experts that his family invited to teach him fighting styles.

"She might have great fighting sense, but this is still a game where stats give an edge." Eldritch muttered as he suddenly released a powerful shockwave that knocked Frey back.

"Cry of the Dark Ones!" Eldritch muttered as his staff that has an embryo of an unknown monster suddenly released an eerie scream which afflicted all his enemies with debuffs.

[You have heard the Cry of the Dark Ones.]

[Your Physical Damage has been reduced by 10% for one minute.]

[Your Magical Damage has been reduced by 10% for one minute.]

[Your Physical Defense has been reduced by 15% for one minute.]

[Your Magical Defense has been reduced by 15% for one minute.]

[Your Attack speed has been reduced by 5% for one minute.]

[Your Movement speed has been reduced by 20% for one minute.]

"What the heck!" Lycan muttered as he could feel that his stats were reduced while his ears almost bled from hearing such an ear-piercing cry.

"Caught you!" One of the assassin Followers of the Dark Gods stated as he managed to pierce Lycan's shoulder with his dagger.

[You have been afflicted with an unknown poison.]

[You will lose 1% of your health every minute for ten minutes. This will worsen if not cleansed in under five minutes. The poison will deal double the damage when it is not cleansed within the given time period.]

Lycan could not believe that he was caught off guard by the sudden eerie cry. Despite the fact that the eerie cry not having any damage, the skill actually turned the tides of battle in an instant. The effects might be one minute but that alone would be enough to deal large amounts of damage to people that are low in number.

Kabrakan also felt the effects of the debuff skill on him as the damage that should have been mitigated is now amplified due to him having lower defenses. He is still sturdy enough to tank some damage, but he knows that he will not be able to last if Eldritch has another skill like that.

[You have repelled the effects of Cry of the Dark Ones due to your armor.]

Solstice was the only one fine amongst them as her armor was able to repel a debuff skill every five minutes in its Sun Protection Form. She knew that her team members will not last if she does not move which is why she decided to use one of her upgraded skills that is a major buff for her.

"The New Moon Rises!" Solstice stated as an unknown light suddenly came flying out of her chest and shot straight towards the sky.

A thin barrier membrane is suddenly covering the area around Solstice as darkness descended onto the land. The area was covered in darkness which was due to Solstice skill called the New Moon Rises. She wanted to save this skill if a demigod comes but she must use it now so that she can kill off all of the enemies in front of her.

[You have used the skill "The New Moon Rises".]

[All stats will be doubled for the duration of the skill.]

[All damage will increase by 150% during the duration of the skill.]

[All defenses will increase by 50% during the duration of the skill.]

[All damage dealt to enemies will have a large chance of afflicting them with Bleed.]

[20% of the damage dealt to enemies will heal the user while excess healing will be turned into stacks for the Blood Bank.]

Seam suddenly felt something ominous in front of her which is why she reflexively gave distance. A large amount of darkness suddenly covered Solstice as her golden armor started to melt to become one with the darkness. A black and red shadowy dress suddenly covered Solstice' body which showed her full beauty.

"A hot woman suddenly appeared! This is cheating!" Seam suddenly blurted out as she suddenly felt inferior in terms of looks compared to Solstice.

Seam knew that the so-called Vampire Princess of the Pantheon guild was incredibly beautiful, but she thought that it was only due to editing. Now that she in front of Solstice, even she can admit that she was likely sculpted by the gods themselves. She suddenly felt that the golden armor was giving a chance to others by hiding such a beauty.

"Now... Shall we dance?" Solstice stated as she smiled with such grace and beauty but that did not diminish the fierce look on her face that is accentuated by her fangs.

Solstice suddenly vanished from her location which made Seam panic a little. A few seconds later, a loud cry of a person suddenly snapped Seam out of her state. Seam looked at the direction of the scream and saw one of the assassins that was about to land a critical hit on Lycan lose an arm.

A large spray of blood suddenly came out of the hand of the player, but it did not fall down on the ground. The blood that came out of the players hand floated and gathered behind Solstice as a blood sphere behind her. Solstice did not stop there as she started going around the battlefield and slashing at all the enemies to gather blood.

Kabrakan and Lycan were able to breathe a little until the effects of the Cry of the Dark Ones vanished. Eldritch could only click his tongue as he could not believe that a Legendary skill was negated just like that. He knew that he must change priorities as Frey is no longer the one that needs to be taken care of but the one named Solstice.

"I think I am done playing with you as well. Elder Star Spawn Transformation." Eldritch stated as the whole world suddenly froze as the embryo that was present on his staff suddenly opened its five eyes and stared directly into his soul.

The embryo suddenly emitted a screech and exploded which also made the staff that Eldritch held explode. When the staff exploded, all the guts and blood suddenly swallowed Eldritch. All the people there could only watch as a gigantic cocoon made of unknown flesh suddenly appeared.

With a loud screech, Eldritch came out of the cocoon with a new look compared to the one that he used to battle Adrian with. Back then, Eldritch' form was only five meters tall, but his new form multiplied that by ten. He was now fifty meters tall with a log body that has the length of twenty meters.

Eldritch' new form is a combination of an alien, octopus and whale hybrid. He has a monstrous head that has similar shape to that of a dragon but the texture of a whale. He has ten eyes like that on an octopus on the sides while his mouth is full of large, spiked teeth. His mouth is also extended by twenty or more tentacles with varying length.

He has a humanoid body, but his current form prefers to move on all fours. A good description for his current form is a monster that was born from cosmic horror or a mutant from the depths of the sea that has been left unknown. Not only does Eldritch' form make him very sturdy, but he is also releasing some sort of negative energy that weakens anyone that comes in contact with his body.

Eldritch suddenly emitted a loud roar that sounded like a mix of a whale's song and a dragon's roar. It was so loud that all that heard it was damaged. The loud roar did not distinguish between friend or foe as Eldritch intended because that was a wake-up call to his subordinates. Eldritch looked down upon his subordinates with eyes full of disdain.

"Star Screech!" Eldritch stated with a deep voice that echoed ten times.

A beam of light suddenly gathered in front of his large jaw as he released a sonic attack so powerful that it actually materialized as a beam of light. Kabrakan immediately braced for impact as he needed to tank that attack to protect Lycan and Solstice. Kabrakan was able to hold on at first, but he suddenly felt his shields cracking due to the intense force of the attack.

Solstice could see that Kabrakan will not last long as parts of his armor started to break. She immediately deployed all the blood that has gotten as a barrier for them. In the end, the blood barrier and Kabrakan cannot hold their position and all of them were blown away.

## Chapter 1522 Pursuing The Vessel Of Apophis III

"Holy Sanctuary!" Levin Cloud immediately casted as a golden pillar of light suddenly descended unto Kabrakan, Lycan and Solstice.

Levin Cloud, Peridot, Vayu, Soleil and Creepysoo reached the area where there was battle ongoing. Luckily, they were able to come when Lycan, Solstice and Kabrakan were about to die from an attack. Eldritch' skill called Star Screech is an attack that has the power to destroy stars themselves.

It is a powerful ability that even penetrates the defenses of the enemies hit. It was a powerful skill that could even one-shot tanks. The fact that Kabrakan, Lycan and Solstice were able to hold on despite getting hit by the skill means that they used lots of defensive skills to last long enough for the Holy Sanctuary to be cast.

Levin Cloud immediately appeared next to them as he healed their wounds. Vayu and Soleil immediately went to battle Eldritch head on while Peridot and Creepysoo supported them. Solstice was the first one to recover amongst the three of them as she was able to restore her health using blood.

Most of the blood spheres that she was able to collect was used to create the blood barrier. The last blood sphere was used to restore her health back to full. She still suffers from the negative effects that the Star Screech skill gives those that are hit by it though.

[You are in a state of Disarray.]

[Your vision will be blurry for two minutes.]

[Your long-range attacks and skill might not activate or hit the target properly.]

All three of them were in this state after surviving the Star Screech skill. In fact, the first thing that was damaged was their hearing as one could see blood dripping on their ear holes. Lycan and Kabrakan has it the worse because they have enhanced hearing compared to a normal person.

"The Followers of the Dark Gods and the Followers of Apophis have escaped. We must chase after them or else all our efforts would be in vain." Solstice stated as she was the first one to notice that only Eldritch was left at the scene.

"If we want to pursuit the other team, we will have to kill him first." Levin Cloud stated as he pointed at Eldritch.

Eldritch was actually locked on all of them as he made use of his great vision with each of his eyes. One eye would mark one opponent which meant that all of them cannot leave without defeating him. Eldritch made use of his big body and appendages that can transform and elongate into tentacles to keep them at this area.

"Heal Lycan immediately so that he can give chase with Vayu. They are two people fast enough to catch up with the opponents that have already left. I will hold off the beast for as long as I can when they are fine." Solstice stated.

"I am already fine. I can fight." Kabrakan stated as he stood up albeit a bit dizzy from the effects of Star Screech.

Kabrakan was able to heal faster because he absorbed his Astral Wilde Soul back into his body which restores 50% of his health and stamina. He was able to tank most of the damage from Star Screech because of this as well. The only problem is that he cannot use his Mountain King Armor as it is now on cooldown.

"Are you sure?" Solstice asked.

"I am positive. I can topple that guy if I have enough stamina." Kabrakan stated as he walked towards the ongoing fight.

"Stall him while I perform my most powerful skill then." Solstice stated as she started chanting and a red magic circle suddenly lit up from below her feet.

"No problem. Earth Rush!" Kabrakan stated as he slammed his two shields on the ground and charged forward.

Kabrakan plunged his shields on the ground which in turn scraped the soil on top of it. This created a layer of soil that became increasingly bigger with the distance he traveled. It did not take long for the layer of soil to turn into a large boulder that is now hurling towards Eldritch along with Kabrakan.

Eldritch noticed this and tried to stop Kabrakan from his tracks but that is no longer possible because he is now immune to any movement status ailment. Kabrakan managed to ram the large boulder unto Eldritch's right side, but it did not look like he was damaged greatly. Eldritch focused most of his eyes on the right side towards Kabrakan as he grew a tentacle from his right abdomen.

The tentacle was aimed towards Kabrakan, but it was blocked by his two shields. Peridot did not miss her chance as she crushed a Lighting Magic Stone and summoned three strikes of lightning to hit Eldritch. Eldritch felt the lightning coursing through his body and groaned from the pain it gave him.

Creepysoo saw this as a chance and immediately used the Lesser Necronomicon to summon Spectral Chains that held down Eldritch's left hand. Vayu made use of the energy that was still present when the lightning struck to empower his attack as he used Storm Slash. He was able to cut Eldritch' right arm with that power.

Eldritch' right arm fell with a loud thud but the person losing it did not look a bit concerned. Eldritch just released another roar as another arm actually grew immediately. The team did notice that Eldritch lost 5% of his maximum health when he forcefully regrew the arm. The arm that was cut off suddenly wriggled as it actually broke into small sinews and tentacles.

"Shwah!"

The sound of numerous worms like beasts could be heard at the location where Eldritch' arm fell. The arm that was cut off from Eldritch' body separated into numerous worm alien monsters. Soleil noticed this and immediately casted Flame Storm on them to incinerate the nasty worm alien monsters.

Eldritch was about to do another Star Screech when he suddenly heard something that he could not believe. The Dark Gods that were in an alliance and working with him are suddenly making a fuss. They said that Grandmaster Lason and the Witch of Flesh and Carnage Edora has fallen in battle.

He knew that the dark gods would not make this fuss unless those two demigods were able to reconstitute their body. He thought it was not possible for those two to lose as they were the most cunning of the demigods working with them. They might not have the most powerful combat abilities, but they were cunning enough to kill demigods more powerful than them.

"Did the other side have demigods as well? If this is the case, then I must hurry and kill these people. The ones that killed Grandmaster Lason and the Witch of Flesh and Carnage Edora might be in pursuit of the Vessel of Apophis." Eldritch thought.

"Mind Break!" Eldritch stated as his voice echoed ten times once again.

Eldritch' large tentacled mouth suddenly opened wide to reveal a large eyeball that was hiding inside his body. The eyeball looked like a large human eye that is bloodshot and strained. All that gazed upon it will be affected by the status ailment Mind Break.

[You have been afflicted with Mind Break.]

[Your Intelligence stat will decrease by 50% momentarily for five minutes.]

[You have been afflicted with Confusion.]

[Your vision has become hazy, and your mind is now jumbled due to the effects of Confusion.]

Almost all of them were afflicted by the status ailment while only four were unaffected. Creepysoo was unaffected because he was an undead and they do not have living brains that react to stimuli. Peridot was unaffected as well because she was now a pool of blood on the ground. Levin Cloud was unaffected because he was not looking at them while Lycan was still unconscious.

"Greater Madness!" Eldritch stated as he released a powerful dark and sinister aura around the battlefield. This took the form of mist which made all that inhale it be afflicted with the status ailment of Greater Madness.

[You have been afflicted with Greater Madness.]

[You will not be able to differentiate between friend or foe.]

[You will attack indiscriminately for the next minute.]

"Star Screech!" Eldritch stated as he once again started gathering energy into his throat.

One could see that Eldritch is now gathering more time in his attack as he intends it to be deadly. He is actually using the minute that he was able to buy himself by using the skills that made his opponents go mad. Creepysoo was unaffected by the status ailments, but the others were not and is attacking him indiscriminately like zombies.

"Big Bro! Can you cleanse them?!" Creepysoo shouted so that Levin Cloud could hear them.

"I can try!" Levin Cloud stated as he stopped healing Lycan and casted Greater Area Cleanse on his friends.

[You were unable to cleanse the status ailments of the target. Greater Cleanse is insufficient to clear their status ailments.]

## Chapter 1523 Bloody Queen Of The Night

"I cannot cleanse the status ailment! I would need to use High Cleanse but that takes at least 30 seconds of chanting." Levin Cloud stated as he started to chant.

As soon as Levin Cloud started to chant the High Cleanse spell, the team members affected by madness started to go towards him as if they were being controlled despite their status ailment. This was intentional as Eldritch could manipulate all beings that were affected by his status ailments which is a perk of being a Follower of the Dark Gods.

Eldritch' throat could be seen being fully charged as a white light could be seen being emitted from it. With a mix cry of a whale and a dragon, Eldritch released the full power of the Star Screech skill.

The sonic attack manifested into a beam of light due to how powerful the energy and fast it was in hitting the target.

"High Cleanse!" Levin Cloud shouted as he was able to use the High Cleanse just before they get hit by the Star Screech skill.

"Guardian's Sacrifice!" Kabrakan immediately shouted as his body released a silhouette of him.

[You have activated Guardian's Sacrifice.]

[All damage will be negated from your team members as it will be transferred to you.]

[All defenses have been increased by 500%.]

"Undying Guardian!" Kabrakan added as he knew that he will not be able to tank this attack.

[You have used Undying Guardian.]

[All damage that is dealt to you for the next ten seconds would be converted to non-lethal magic damage.]

[You will not die when under the effect of Undying Guardian.]

[If you receive massive fatal damage then you will die after the effect of the Undying Guardian ends.]

An aura manifestation of Kabrakan appeared in front of all the friends as he used his two shields to block the attack. The aura manifestation tanked full power damage of Star Screech and Kabrakan protected all of his team members. Eldritch thought that something was wrong since he has no notification that he has killed someone as Star Screech' duration ended.

Eldritch ended Star Screech and saw Levin Cloud and the others still alive and well. That is only for the next ten seconds though as Kabrakan's body started turning to particles of light. Kabrakan was able to protect his team members, but he was not able to protect himself from the aftereffects of the Undying Guardian skill.

"Take care guys. I had done my job." Kabrakan stated as his body vanished.

The other members did not cry or show any negative emotion, but they were stunned. Eldritch' attack was able to destroy one of the most powerful tanks in the game. Kabrakan might not be the best tank player, but he was one of the most resilient.

"We should attack while we have the chance." Vayu stated as he was about to charge forward and attack, but Levin Cloud stopped him.

Vayu wondered why Levin Cloud stopped him, but Lycan could be seen standing among them as he has already regained his consciousness. Levin Cloud immediately told Lycan and Vayu what they needed to do as defeating Eldritch is not their objective.

"Go! We will deal with him." Levin Cloud stated as Vayu and Lycan nodded their heads and dashed towards the location where the Vessel of Apophis is headed.

Eldritch saw this and wanted to stop the two from escaping his guard but both of them used skills that made them faster and more elusive. Lycan's body suddenly turned into a shadow which became

intangible and easily passed through Eldritch' tentacles. Vayu turned himself into pure air and just glided right through their enemy.

"Grand Meteor!" Soleil and Peridot shouted in unison as they both used a combination skill.

A large flaming rock suddenly started to descend upon the sky with the target radius being Eldritch' area. Eldritch could no longer focus on Vayu and Lycaon as he would need to defend himself from the attack that is about to come hurtling towards him. Eldritch suddenly used another skill that is similar to Star Screech, but it did not look like a beam.

"Screech of Destruction!" Eldritch stated as he released powerful sound waves towards the Grand Meteor.

The Grand Meteor that was about to hit Eldritch is suddenly disintegrated into dust. It was such a powerful soundwave that it immediately destroyed the Grand Meteor as if it was nothing. Eldritch laughed at the attempt made by his enemies because Elder Star Spawns like him could destroy moons if he so wished.

The power of Elder Star Spawns is only beneath the Great Old Ones. Destroying a piece of rock that came hurtling from the stars above was easy work for Eldritch. He then looked towards Levin Cloud and the others as he just needed to kill all of them and chase after the two that got away.

[You cannot revive the target as he was affected by an unknown energy and his soul has already departed straight to the afterlife for reconstruction.]

Levin Cloud tried reviving Kabrakan, but something is blocking him from doing so. This is the not the first time that his happened as he has seen this before. This happens when the soul of the one that he is going to revive is already tainted with too much energy from the dark gods and needed to be quickly sent to Limbo to cleanse it. If the soul is not cleansed in time, then it might get reborn into a being that is close to the entity that corroded its soul.

Eldritch charged towards the group as he planned to kill them upfront as he did not want them to escape like the other two. Eldritch' speed was not expected of something a huge beast like entity should possess as he reached them in under a second. His speed might also be affected by his strides that were bigger but all of them are dumbstruck to suddenly have Eldritch right in front of their faces.

"Die!" Eldritch stated as he slammed his two large fists made of tentacles towards the group.

The speed of the fists was also quite fast which made Levin Cloud shudder as his Sanctuary skill will not catch up. Just as the group thought that they would get pounded into meat pastes, five red pillars suddenly erupted from the ground that was dyed with blood. The red pillars pushed Eldritch' hands away but that does not mean he was knocked back.

The blood red pillars were able to give Levin Cloud and the others enough time to escape as Eldritch was still able to slam his hands on the ground. The whole area trembled as Eldritch created a force similar to an earthquake. His attack created shockwaves that destroyed all the trees in the area.

"What is this?" Eldritch muttered as he saw some of the blood suddenly clinging on his arm.



"Bloody Queen of the Night!" Solstice' beautiful voice rang throughout the area as a feminine figure started to rise from the pool of blood that she created earlier.

Solstice emerged from the pool of blood with a blood red dress that has both allure and grace. She is also wearing a crown made of blood that is constantly being fed with the blood from the ground. Solstice entire aura also changed as if everything is under her feet.

"Devour!" Solstice stated as the blood stuck on one of Eldritch' fists suddenly started to vaporize it.

Eldritch could see his arm being visibly eaten alive by the blood as it started to melt. Eldritch tried to heal his arm but the blood was more terrifying than he could imagine as it turned his fists into blood. The transformed blood is added to the blood field to strengthen Solstice even more.

Seeing his fist gone, Eldritch took drastic measures as he could see the blood devouring the rest of his arm. Without even a second doubt, Eldritch immediately cut off his whole arm as it was devoured by the blood to become part of the blood field. Eldritch immediately stepped away from the blood field as he could see that it was all part of the body of the vampire in front of him.

"As expected, you are the toughest opponent here." Eldritch stated as his arm recovered immediately again but his health dropped by 5%.

"Let me show you the powers that I got from devouring the heart of one of the Queens of the Damned." Solstice stated as she suddenly raised her right hand.

The blood field that was initially calm and acted like a puddle of water suddenly bubbled. The blood field reacted to the whims of the Bloody Queen of the Night as hundreds upon thousands of blood weapons were created with just a simple command. As soon as Solstice pointed towards Eldritch, all the blood weapons that were created suddenly pointed towards him. Without even uttering a word, all the blood weapons flew towards Eldritch.

## Chapter 1524 Bloody Queen Of The Night II

Numerous blood weapons flew towards Eldritch as Solstice commanded with just a point of a finger. Some of the blood weapons were destroyed by the tentacles that suddenly sprouted from Eldritch' body. The tentacles that hit destroyed a blood weapon would then melt into a pool of blood as it has the effects of the blood that Solstice did earlier.

This effect is none other than the Devour ability which was granted to Solstice when she devoured one of the hearts of the Queens of the Damned. The Queens of the Damned are the former Vampire Queens that rejected hiding in the shadows and decided to terrorize mankind which led to the humans hunting down the Vampire species.

They are coined the Queens of the Damned because even the Gods of Life and the Gods of Death have abandoned them due to the things that they have done. The Queens of the Damned loved to feast on the blood of the pure hearted. Due to the Gods of Death and the Gods of Life abandoning them, the Vampire Queens and those that followed them were given the Curse of Thirst.

The Curse of Thirst basically made all of the Queens of the Damned and their followers to only live by drinking blood of the living. If they were to not drink blood, then they would turn to ash and vanish from the world without a trace. They would not even reincarnate when they die as they were no longer welcomed in the afterlife.

A unique characteristic of the Queens of the Damned is the fact that they could sleep for thousands of years to stave off starvation as they are the ones that need the most blood. One could say that they hibernate in order for the humans to repopulate. Solstice was able to kill one of the Queens of the Damned called Valencia.

Valencia had the special ability of turning organic material into pools of blood. She was awoken by the Followers of the Dark Gods in order to strengthen their powers. All the vampires in Solstice' faction went to her for aid as she was the only one qualified to kill off a Vampire Queen since they would just be compelled to do her bidding.

In the end, Solstice managed to kill the Queen of the Damned Valencia with the help of Lycan and a player with the job class of Vampire Hunter. She then devoured the beating heart of the Queen of the Damned Valencia as she could be revived if proper sacrifice has been made while her heart was still preserved. She gained the Devour ability which made the Queen of the Night skill evolve to the Bloody Queen of the Night.

Eldritch could not believe that another being so broken has been created by the game. He thought that this world was his playpen, but he is now thinking that this is not true. He was against another player capable of going against him in terms of skill. She might not be able to truly defeat him, but his physical body would be in danger if he stops what he is doing right now.

He could also feel the damage piling up from the other people that was hitting him with skills. The blood swords were not stopping while Levin Cloud and the others used damaging skills to chip off the large pool of health that Eldritch possesses. One could say that they are now at a stalemate, but it is a very delicate one at that.

The stalemate just proves how powerful Eldritch is as an individual because he is dealing with six players at the same time. The members of the Pantheon guild could not believe it because they only know one person that could do the same and that is their guild leader. They might have Frey with them but even she is exhausted from fighting earlier as well.

"How can I contribute when I cannot use my Goddess Descent skill?" Frey thought as she looked at the skill icon once more, but it was still grayed out.

She was praying to the Goddess Freyja when she was at the Temple of the Sun God, but she was not getting any answers. She could feel her connection with her goddess, but it was incredibly weak. Even the Valkyries that trained her were not sending her messages which meant something must have happened to them. She wanted to find out what happened to the other Valkyries, but she was given an oracle with just two words.

"Destroy Snake!"

The oracle given to her was to defeat the Shadow of Apophis and she must obey. She needed to put the search for the Valkyries on hold, but she now realizes her weakness. Frey realized that she was too used to getting power boosted by her connection to the Goddess Freyja that she ignored the other parts of her kit. Without the Goddess Descent, she could only deal miniscule damage to Eldritch that has transformed.

"Star Screech!" Eldritch stated which made all of them look towards him as he blasted the area in front of him with the skill.

"Block it!" Solstice stated as her beautiful voice commanded the blood pool below her.

A large tide of the blood pool suddenly appeared in front of Eldritch which tanked all of the damage that the Star Screech skill created. A large part of the blood pool disintegrated due to Eldritch' Star Screech and that is when he realized that it also had a separate health bar. The blood pool that was giving him difficulty actually counted like a separate entity as it must be destroyed to make it vanish.

"Tch." Solstice reacted as she could see that Eldritch has found out the secrets of the blood pool.

"Weapons!" Solstice commanded as she used the remaining blood pool to create more weapons that launched towards Eldritch.

Eldritch did not dare to block the blood weapons with tentacles like he did before as he knew that he would only add more blood to the blood pool. Eldritch released a powerful screech which made all the blood weapons pop in mid-air into drops of blood. He might have been able to destroy the blood weapons since his attack was not powerful enough, but he did learn that he could stop them.

Solstice raised her hands once again as she collected all the blood once again to create a gigantic blood spear. She knew that Eldritch would just repeat that screech once again which will make creating smaller weapons impossible.

"Everyone, can you incapacitate him?!" Solstice stated as it is taking a while to collect all of the remaining blood.

"No worries. Forest Grasp!" Levin Cloud stated as he plunged his two arms onto the ground.

Levin Cloud's hand transformed into tree barks as numerous trees suddenly started to grow around Eldritch. The trees grew in a frenzied manner as the branches and even the roots stuck to him. Some branches even poked his body, but his skin was tough enough to not get damaged by them. What he could not do is move as the trees coiled around his body.

"Grudge of the Dead!" Creepysoo chanted as numerous tombstones suddenly emerged from the ground.

The numerous tombstones released skeletons that rushed towards Eldritch and clung towards his body. It might not be effective if it was only one, but he was able to create ten skeletons per tombstone and the number he summoned was in the thousands.

"Flaming Cage!" Soleil stated as Regulus transformed into flaming rings that surrounded Eldritch' body. The flaming rings restricted his movement but also dealt some damage as well.

"Stony Grasp!" Peridot stated as she destroyed an earth elemental crystal.

Pillars of spiky stone suddenly emerged from the ground which pierced onto Eldritch' body. The stone pillars made him unable to move his body. Eldritch could see that the people in front of him were different from the ones that just randomly formed a group to kill him. The people aiming to kill him had synergy and they can flawlessly work together despite their differences.

Eldritch might not want to admit it but he was jealous of what they have because he can never have it. Eldritch started to laugh which made Levin Cloud and the others question if something is wrong with him. Eldritch suddenly stopped laughing and stared at them with all of his eerie eyes.

"It is now or never." Solstice stated as she launched the large blood spear towards Eldritch.

The large blood spear headed towards Eldritch, but he did not even struggle to move. The Pantheon guild members did not think that Eldritch accepted his defeat because they know that he was not like that. They learned from Adrian that he was a determined narcissist and would not back down until his opponent is destroyed.

"Call of Kulu!" Eldritch muttered as a loud unknown roar is heard which shook the entire world.

## Chapter 1525 Call of Kulu

A sound of the world suddenly breaking could be heard all throughout the area. The sudden roar that sounded like a static whale song flooded the area. Eldritch's entire being started to disintegrate in front of them but he was not dying.

The group thought that Eldritch was dying at first, but it was different as he was being reformed. The shadow of a large monster with the head of a dragon and an octopus could be seen covering the entire sky. Levin Cloud and the others saw this silhouette and felt that something inside them screamed to turn their eyes away.

The blood spear that was shot towards Eldritch did not even touch him as it was actually absorbed into him. Solstice could not believe that her attack was just like that, but she was not going to stop. She pulled some of the blood from her attack so that she will have something left.

All of them could not gaze at the large silhouette as looking at it for a long time would give them the Madness status ailment. They all instinctively knew that the being that Eldritch summoned was not a mere being but something equal to a god. They could not believe that Eldritch actually had something more powerful than becoming an Elder Star Spawn.

Eldritch's body turned into dust as it started to converge to become some sort of chrysalis that is not of this world. The chrysalis that was created looked like a distorted being that has multiple mouths, eyes, and tentacles. The large shadow that Eldritch summoned then entered the chrysalis which created a powerful shockwave that blew everyone away.

Eldritch finally emerged from the chrysalis and looked completely different from his other form. Eldritch is now at the same size of a normal human but his current form is only humanoid in shape. His face is covered by a plain white mask, and he is dressed in a robe with unknown runes.

His whole body might be covered with the robe, but it cannot fully conceal the body being hidden inside of it. Inside the robe are a mass of tentacles that are only combining because of Eldritch's own will. If one looked at the ground below his feet, then one might see that these small tentacles were creeping on the ground as if infecting them.

The small tentacles look like smoke if viewed from a distance, but one could see that it is not when up close. Just looking at Eldritch's new form made people slowly get affected by Madness. Eldritch then looked at the direction of his enemies which created a surge of eerie energy being sent towards Levin Cloud and the others.

[You are stunned for one second due to the Vessel of Kulu staring at you.]

"What the..." Levin Cloud and the others thought as they could not believe that a simple glance would make them unable to move.

"You guys are extremely lucky because I do not show this form to anyone else. This is the form when a god possesses the body of a mortal." Eldritch stated but his voice is now different.

In Eldritch' Elder Star Spawn form, his voice would echo ten times. In his Vessel of Kulu form, his voice no longer echoed but is instead followed by static noise as if the universe itself could not translate what he is saying.

[You have heard the voice of the Vessel of Kulu. Your stats would be decreased by 1% for five minutes.]

"This guy is insane." Levin Cloud thought as this is the first time that he saw a player decrease another player's stats with just their speaking voice.

"All of you will die here anyway so why am I even bother explaining." Eldritch stated as he suddenly raised his arm.

The robe that hid his body suddenly exploded in this sinister energy that swept everything in front of it. The energy was unlike anything that they have felt as it was sticky and heavy. Since Kabrakan is no longer with them, the group can no longer rely on someone tanking the damage for them.

"Get behind me!" Frey stated as she slammed her spear on the ground and created a shield in front of them.

Frey's shield was made of his own mana which means when her mana is gone then the shield will come with it. Solstice knew that she also needed to do something which is why she used the remaining blood to create a shield in front of them. Soleil also participated and surrounded them with a flaming shield.

All the defenses that they have created were all blasted in just a matter of seconds. Levin Cloud knew that they would die if he does not do something which is why he used his remaining stack of Sanctuary on their area, but something happened that he did not expect. He was able to create the area for Sanctuary but the golden light that was usually invincible actually started to crack.

Eldritch smiled as he knew that Levin Cloud has a skill that can negate any damage in an area, but his current form does not conform with the rules of this world. The golden area created by Sanctuary is swallowed by the sinister energy and was destroyed after a minute. The destruction of Sanctuary created a powerful reaction as this sinister energy and holy energy from Levin Cloud collided.

The blast sent them flying backwards but it was also helpful to them as they were not immediately swallowed by the sinister energy that Eldritch created. This did not mean that they will not be afflicted by it as this sinister energy was still trying to reach them. The first one to be reached by the sinister energy is none other than Frey as she was the vanguard that protected them from the first wave of sinister energy.

Frey's body started to become covered by this sinister energy as it crept from her feet until half of her body was covered in a span of a few minutes. Frey was only the first one to be afflicted but the others were soon caught as well. Each of them has varying levels of affliction but Levin Cloud was the one that is unique.

Levin Cloud's body seem to repel the sinister energy which Eldritch was not surprised about. Eldritch already knew that holy energy from the gods of this universe does not mix well with the

energy of the dark gods. One could say that the energy from the dark gods is some sort of contamination that any holy energy from this universe would repel.

"As expected, I need to kill that priest first." Eldritch muttered as his priority now shifted to Levin Cloud as he will now be the only one to counter him.

"Star Spawn Creation." Eldritch stated as some tentacles left his body to create two star spawns.

The two star spawns looked like a smaller version of Eldritch's own form but the face is just plain tentacles. The two star spawns charged towards Levin Cloud as he is the only one that could move compared to the others. Levin Cloud noticed the two monsters spawned by Eldritch which is why he decided to fight back instead of running away.

"Purify!" Levin Cloud shouted as he released a burst of golden light from his pendulum that actually weakened the sinister energy afflicting him and the others around him.

The skill also made the two star spawns wary of him as they were actually burned with the holy light that was created by the Purify skill. The star spawns did not want to get close to Levin Cloud, but their orders were to destroy their target. Levin Cloud might not have effectively destroyed the star spawns, but he did notice that the sinister energy affecting their surroundings were repelled by him.

"Why is he not moving?" Levin Cloud suddenly thought as he could see that Eldritch did not move from his area ever since he transformed.

"Nature Spirits!" Levin Cloud stated as he swung his pendulum in an arc.

Numerous small beings that are green in color and have the wings of bugs came out of his pendulum. These are none other than small Nature Spirits or lesser nature elementals that spread Levin Cloud's holy energy in his surroundings. Eldritch saw this and immediately commanded the two star spawns to block the small nature spirits.

Levin Cloud took notice of this interaction because he thought that Eldritch would just move from his spot but he did not. Levin Cloud followed this up with another skill which was Holy Smite. The area that he selected was none other than the area that Eldritch is rooted. Eldritch saw the cloud of holy energy building on top of him and immediately sent a wave of sinister energy to destroy it.

[Your Holy Smite skill has been disrupted and failed to activate due to an unknown energy counteracting it.]

"He cannot move." Levin Cloud muttered as he smiled.

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Levin Cloud noticed that Eldritch has not moved from his location ever since he was there. Seeing this, Levin Cloud immediately prepared to use a High Area Purify skill to help his other team members. Levin Cloud's team members are now fully infected with the sinister energy as they are now wrapped in cocoons of this energy.

"I just need enough to cast it, but I do not have any other skills that I can use to distract him." Levin Cloud thought as he gazed wondering of Peridot that has her whole body covered with this sinister energy that looks like tar.

The other members of the Pantheon guild excluding Levin Cloud are actually permanently trapped in the tar like cocoon. Their health is also reinforcing this sinister energy, but the good thing is that they are not dying immediately. They could still be saved as long as Levin Cloud could use High Area Purify.

"Where do you think you are looking at?!" Eldritch stated with his static induced voice as he released another wave of sinister energy towards Levin Cloud.

Levin Cloud wanted to escape or dodge but he could see the two star spawns charging at him in different directions. If he dodged, then his friends would get afflicted by the sinister energy once again which increases the potency of their corruption. If he does not dodge, then he could potentially become like his friends.

"Gaea's Field!" Levin Cloud shouted as his pendulum suddenly dropped to the ground as if it was a seed.

The pendulum vanished into the ground and a flowery field that is about ten meters in radius is created with Levin Cloud at the center. He knew that this skill might not be able to stop the sinister energy, but it would help lessen its effects on the area as Gaea's Field increases Levin Cloud's holy magic depending on his Devotion.

[You will have 500% increased power when it comes to your holy magic.]

"This should be enough to at least decrease the damage that I will receive. Purify!" Levin Cloud stated as he activated the most basic but mastered Purify spell.

[Your Purify spell has been increased by 500% of its normal power.]

Purify usually only covers the target with holy light but it did not have the same effect when Levin Cloud usually uses it. The Gaea's Field resonated with Purify as all of the flora that spawned inside it glowed with golden energy as the whole field casted the spell. Since all of his friends are also inside the Gaea's Field, Levin Cloud basically casted Purify on them.

[You have slightly purified the sinister foreign energy affecting your ally, Solstice.]

[You have slightly purified the sinister foreign energy affecting your ally, Soleil.]

[You have slightly purified the sinister foreign energy affecting your ally, Creepysoo.]

[You have slightly purified the sinister foreign energy affecting your ally, Peridot.]

[You have slightly purified the sinister foreign energy affecting your ally, Frey.]

Some of the tar like cocoon actually receded when they were afflicted with the Purify spell. Earlier, all of their bodies were covered with this tar like liquid, but parts of their head are now released which means they can now use some spells. Frey, Solstice and Peridot coughed as if they were holding their breath because they were.

When they were covered by the tar like cocoon, they were also unable to breathe properly. Soleil and Creepysoo had no problem because they do not breath at all since, they are different beings. Elementals are like spirits which means they do not breathe in air. Undead are just walking dead which means they just live without breathing.

Levin Cloud is glad that his attempt actually lessened the effects of the sinister energy on his team members. The only problem he has now is to continuously cast Purify while Gaea's Field is active. The wave of sinister energy that Eldritch released was partially weakened by Gaea's Field but one could see that the flowers became less lively after that attack.

Levin Cloud's Purify was able to protect him from the attack as well but that does not mean it would always be effective. The two star spawns took a step inside Gaea's Field and they could be seen to show signs of weakening but not to the point that Levin Cloud can kill them by himself. Each step that the star spawns took, they released a small amount of sinister energy on the ground.

"Purify!" Levin Cloud shouted once more as a burst of golden light scattered throughout the area.

[You have slightly purified the sinister foreign energy affecting your ally, Solstice.]

[You have slightly purified the sinister foreign energy affecting your ally, Soleil.]

[You have slightly purified the sinister foreign energy affecting your ally, Creepysoo.]

[You have slightly purified the sinister foreign energy affecting your ally, Peridot.]

[You have slightly purified the sinister foreign energy affecting your ally, Frey.]

[You have dealt damage to a Lesser Star Spawn.]

[You have dealt damage to a Lesser Star Spawn.]

Levin Cloud was able to damage the two star spawns but that was not enough to stop them from coming close to him. The two star spawns were not the end though as another two were created by Eldritch just now. He seems to be able to create star spawns after a passage of time and Levin Cloud could see that he is also contaminating the ground below him.

"If this goes on then I would just die." Levin Cloud stated as he looked at the skill icon of the Purify skill while it was on cooldown.

"Rain of Madness!" Eldritch stated as he raised his two hands to the skies.

From inside of his robes, two pillars of sinister energy that looked like tar filled the skies. A dark cloud suddenly started to cover the entire battlefield. A few seconds later, droplets of water started to pour down, but it was not ordinary water.

[You have been afflicted by Rain of Madness.]

[You will have reduced defenses by 10%.]

[Your mental resistance has been decreased for 30% while under the effects of Rain of Madness.]

"This is not good." Levin Cloud muttered as he could see the sinister energy growing in power.

[Your Gaea's Field is being affected by the Rain of Madness.]

[The effects of your Gaea's Field skill will be reduced by 20%.]

Levin Cloud was not liking the notifications he is receiving and also what he is seeing. The flowery field that had bright colors started to die as if the rain itself was poison to them. Levin Cloud used



Purify once more to try and see if he could reduce the effects of the rain, but it would get washed away in a few seconds.

Frey, Solstice, Soleil, Creepysoo and Peridot started to get covered up with the tar like cocoon. This time, Levin Cloud is also getting covered by it as well as he could already see his feet getting rooted in place. Levin Cloud started to try and use Greater Purify while has the chance as it only had a five second chant, but the star spawns did not let him.

The star spawns that Eldritch created are empowered under the Rain of Madness. The star spawns also gain an annoying ability which is the increased distance to launch their tentacles. Ten tentacles are shot towards Levin Cloud and each of them punctured his body.

The tentacles that punctured his body not only dealt damage but also infect him with the sinister energy that they are made of. Levin Cloud screamed in pain as his holy energy and the sinister energy started fighting inside of his body. Levin Cloud swore that he will have his revenge as he is only losing now because half of his powerful skills are now gone due to fighting Grandmaster Lason.

"He is not even begging for it to stop? All of the holy players that I did this could not even take the pain as it is amplified when they get infected. This is not fun." Eldritch muttered as this is not the first time that he used this tactic against another high level priest player.

The other priest players would often cry and beg for it to stop in about half a minute, but Levin Cloud was different. Eldritch was not getting the same reaction that he gets which suddenly soured his mood. He was greeted by a glare full of contempt instead which he hates the most.

"He is looking down at me! I will make you die a very painful death." Edritch muttered to himself as he started gathering power from the core that is inside him.

Eldritch suddenly slammed his two hands to the ground as he corrupted the earth itself. The ground could be seen being terraformed by him as it transformed into a tar like liquid. Some mouths, eyes and even tentacles started to manifest as well.

"Let us see how you can endure this." Eldritch stated as he has already contaminated Gaea's Field.

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Gaea's Field has been tainted into looking a corrupted version of it. Instead of vibrant flora and fauna, squirming tentacles and eerie eyes are seen. Levin Cloud could feel his own holy energy becoming bleak as if he was getting swallowed by the sinister energy.

Levin Cloud already accepted that they have lost but they have put up a good fight. Vayu and Lycan should have enough time to deal with the group that escaped. Levin Cloud believed that Vayu and Lycan could stop the Followers of Apophis from escaping back to the western continent.

"Vortex." A familiar voice suddenly rang in the area as a black hole appeared on top of them.

The black hole not only sucked in the sinister energy but also the contaminated Gaea's Field. Levin Cloud and the others started to get rid of the sinister energy warping their body. Eldritch tried to destroy the black hole as it also sucked up all the star spawns that he has created but he could not do so.

A golden beam of light suddenly shot towards Eldritch which he blocked using a curtain of his sinister energy. A gigantic wolf then leapt from the shadows and aimed his claws at Eldritch' body but the latter just released a powerful shockwave that blew away that the former. A gigantic white bird with tails of rainbow then came down from the skies and released burst of light that washed away at the sinister energy infecting Levin Cloud and the others.

"Sorry if I am late." Adrian stated as he flew down towards Levin Cloud and the others.

"You were just right in time." Levin Cloud replied with a sigh of relief as all of them were saved thanks to Adrian's timely assistance.

Adrian might have arrived but Eldritch has full control of the area. Sirius could not even get a hit in on the enemy while Kanlaon's breath attacks or any elemental spells would be blocked by his curtain of sinister energy. Saena released them from the effects of sinister energy but that does not mean they are immune to it.

"Can anyone catch me up to speed?" Adrian asked.

"We should defeat that guy first." Solstice stated as she took out two blood weapons and charged towards Eldritch.

Frey, Soleil, Creepysoo and Peridot also followed her since they know that Eldritch will kill them if he gets the chance. Eldritch will no longer play with them anymore since Adrian has arrived. Even he knows that he should be careful around the Demon.

"I will catch you up to speed." Levin Cloud stated as he continued to support the others with his heals and buffs.

Adrian was given all the summarized information like what happened to the vessel and such. He was also told about the unknown gigantic being that was sucked inside of Eldritch when he assumed that form. Adrian told Levin Cloud that it might have been a god that entered Eldritch' body because he could sense the energy of a lesser god in him.

Despite all of his enemies being free from his grasps, Eldritch remained calm as he still has the upper hand. He has yet to release 50% of the power of his current form as he was also testing the waters on how much he could control. He borrowed the power of the Dark God Kulu as it was residing in his body.

Eldritch is the Envoy of Azathoth which means all gods under his patron could be used for his bidding. The God Kulu is a lower family member of his patron god which mean he could use his ability to call upon their name. Once calling the dark god, they would then be housed inside Eldritch' body and the strength he can pull will be dependent on his willpower and body.

"Stream of Madness!" Eldritch stated as he released a powerful wave of sinister energy from his body.

The wave of sinister energy erupted like a geyser and flowed in all directions. Any living being that is touched by this energy wave would undoubtedly be afflicted by Madness. All of them needed to evade the attack as Adrian's black hole has already dissipated and could not absorb the sinister energy.

"Wave of Death!" Levin Cloud shouted as his being suddenly morphed to that of a dark elf looking individual.

Levin Cloud released a wave of death energy that is in the form of a black mist. The black mist came in contact with the Stream of Madness and created a powerful explosion as they repelled each other. Levin Cloud was confident of this because Adrian is now with them which means their synergy activates.

Levin Cloud wanted to use death energy earlier, but he knew how volatile it was when it comes into contact with foreign sinister energy. If life energy could purify the sinister energy, then death energy destroys it. He cannot use it when his friends are afflicted with this sinister energy as he might kill them if he was not careful.

The two energies clashed but it was clear who was the victor. The sinister energy pushed back Levin Cloud's death energy due to Eldritch being more powerful than them. Adrian saw the interaction and immediately stopped from using his domain.

If he used his Nether Domain, then this area will be flooded with nether energy. The place has already been afflicted with Eldritch' sinister energy which means catastrophic things would happen if he introduced a more volatile energy into the area. The least of his problems would be blowing up the area they are in.

[Your party member, Lycan, has died.]

[Your party member, Vayu, has died.]

The group is shocked with the news as they thought that the two would have been enough to deal with the ones that escaped. They were about to ask them what happened when they received the last message that Lycan has given them.

[Demigod!] Lycan entered in their group chat a few seconds before he died.

Adrian, who was the most perceptive of all of them, could feel the incoming large amount of energy towards them. He knew that this must be the demigod that they have been warned about. He found it unfair as demigods from the side of the dark gods are moving yet they have no one on their end.

"Game Dev! This is unfair!" Adrian shouted to the sky as he immediately summoned his Mirror Armament.

Adrian created multiple mirrors that absorbed all of his friends as he planned to escape with them. He knew from the energy of the demigod coming near them that they will not stand a chance. They might have a chance if he still had the Chaos Pierrot form, but he does not. The incoming demigod was also vastly different compared to the two that he just killed.

Adrian was able to transport his friends next to him and he started to prepare a teleportation spell for them to escape. Adrian wanted a bit more time so that he could be successful, but the demigod came in much faster than he anticipated. As soon as the demigod arrived, the space became erratic as it was affected by his large amount of mana.

"So, this was where you were Eldritch. I thought that you have been killed like Edora and Lason but it seems that you are still alive." A man that has the appearance of an ugly fat man stated.

"It is good to see you too, Toggua." Eldritch stated with a sarcastic tone but he made sure to not anger the demigod before him.

Eldritch might now want to accept it but Toggua is the most powerful demigod that they have in their faction. Eldritch does not want to offend him not because he is stronger but because he knows the real identity of the demigod before him. The demigod before him is actually a god that devoured his vessel's soul.

The demigod is in fact a god that is just being restricted by the flesh of a mortal. If Toggua really wanted to then he could try to become recover some of his lost power to become a lesser god but that would also mean he would slumber. He has stepped foot into the limelight because the offer of the Distorted God Apophis is too delicious to ignore.

"Even if you have borrowed my brother's aspect, you cannot defeat a bunch of weaklings. Then again, some of them are not that weak." Toggua stated as he looked at Adrian.

"If you have moved earlier instead of being a bit lazy then I would not have done such a thing. Lason and Edora should have been alive till now." Eldritch argued but he did not dare raise his voice.

"The vessel has already been transported into the boat. You would go with them as an escort so that nothing unexpected happens during the voyage. Go now as I will be the ones dealing with these just like what I did with those two ants." Toggua stated as he looked down at them.

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"Why should I be the one to escort them when you could have done it yourself?" Eldritch stated as he did not want to escort the others.

"If there was someone more competent then you would not have been chosen. Remember that it is you that will get more from this exchange." Toggua stated.

"Fine." Eldritch stated as he lifted his transformation and returned to his original form.

Eldritch looked at Adrian and the others with eyes of contempt as he was not able to finish them off. He wanted to kill all of them for making his job more difficult and not even entertaining him. Eldritch left without looking back as he disappeared in a beam of light.

Adrian and the others looked at the demigod before them as he was different than the rest they have encountered. Adrian knew that Toggua was indeed different if he was able to order Eldritch around like a lackey. He knew that Eldritch would not accept orders from just anyone and he learned the reason when he saw the soul inside of the mortal named Toggua.

Adrian's eyes could not believe that a soul that huge could fit inside of a mortal body. The soul inside of Toggua did not come from a human but a herculean monster that has the silhouette of a toad and a dragon combined. Adrian's eyes are even straining when staring at the soul as if he should not be using his sight.

"I have seen a soul like this before. It is the soul of a dark god." Adrian muttered which made Toggua smile.

"Correct! As expected of the Champion of the Twin Gods. The one who holds the boundary of the dead while the Envoy holds the boundary of the living." Toggua stated as he flew down.

Every one of them saw the demigod descend and held their breaths because his mere presence made everything heavy. Some of them could hardly breath when they should not need to breath. The sheer presence of the demigod before them means that he is cut different from the rest.

"He has the same presence as Old Man Pann when he becomes serious. Even I will not be able to escape when he is locked into me." Adrian thought as he looked towards his allies that almost look like they are about to pass out.

"So, you are the Champion of the Twin Gods, Equinox. As expected, you are different from the rest of them as you are already at the second stage of your Persona. Even when I am making my aura explode, you can still stand up straight without any shaking unlike your other friends. " Toggua stated.

"What do you want?" Adrian asked as he knew that demigods as powerful as Toggua could kill them in under a minute if he wanted to.

"I am sure that you already seen my soul. Can you guess what I am? If you guess correctly then I shall lower my presence so that your friends could breathe a bit better." Toggua stated.

"Do you actually believe him?" Levin Cloud stated as his face could be seen turning pale, but he is faring better than the others.

"Demigods might be arrogant in nature due to them standing at the peak of mortality but lying should always be something that they abhor. Demigods are beings that turn law into strength and strength into ideals. If they rely more on tricks, then they would become a god that will be associated with trickery instead of their own strength." Adrian stated as Pann once told him things about demigod level beings.

"Correct! As expected of the one being looked after the World Carer Pann. Then... do you know what I am?" Toggua asked as he smiled wide that it showed his sharp teeth that looked monstrous.

"I already have an inkling of what you are, but I did not think it was possible, but I have already met a Dark God that has the flesh of a mortal being. You are just the first one that I have seen that has the body of a human or something close to a human. That human body must have already morphed into a different being since your soul has been occupying it for quite some time already." Adrian stated which made Toggua laugh.

"As expected of the one that oversees death and a demon! You are correct! I am a dark god that has possessed the body or rather taken over the body of my own vessel." Toggua stated as he did decrease the pressure that his being bored on them.

"Still, I am wondering why you are helping the Distorted God Apophis in getting its vessel. You should know how powerful one becomes when a god could physically stay in the mortal realm. Do you think that you could defeat the Distorted God Apophis when it is equivalent to one of the twin gods when combined?" Adrian stated as he knew that dark gods do not like working or helping each other especially when it comes to ruling the world.

"Do you think that you could trick me into stopping the Followers of Apophis?" Toggua stated in a rather aggressive tone as he felt that he was being looked down upon.

"It seems that you are also thinking of devouring the Shadow of Apophis when it fuses with the vessel, but you are extremely naïve if you think that is what is going to happen. We have seen firsthand how the Distorted God Apophis itself could descend unto the world with the sacrifice of tens of humans.

Presenting the vessel would just make the Distorted God Apophis permanently descend unto the world. I should tell you that the only reason why it could not truly descend is due to the Western Continent Gods battling it every night. What do you think would happen when the Distorted God Apophis has a permanent residence in the mortal realm? Could you actually defeat it?" Adrian stated.

Adrian's statement is a mixture of his observations and guesses for the worst-case scenario. Even he does not want the Distorted God Apophis to descend and only have the Shadow of Apophis fuse with the vessel. That is Adrian's hope but even he started to believe the words coming out of his mouth.

Adrian firmly believed that the Distorted God Apophis would likely descend unto the mortal realm using the vessel. Sacrificing thousands of lives would not be difficult so that the Distorted God Apophis to descend permanently. Toggua looked at Adrian and his anger could be seen somewhat fizzling out as even he started to believe what the latter has told him.

"You cannot fool me! The Distorted God Apophis already told us that it would be its counterpart that will swallow the vessel. With that information, I would have the Followers of the Dark Gods defeat the vessel with the Shadow of Apophis and devour them to recover some of my strength." Toggua stated but even he could see that he is only saying that to himself so that he could really believe it.

"Are you actually stupid!?" Adrian suddenly stated which made Toggua angry.

A powerful surge of energy suddenly came crashing down upon the group when Adrian made the comment. It seems that Toggua is not someone that likes to be looked down upon, but Adrian really made a realization that what he said might be what comes to fruition. Gods should stay true to themselves which is why even they should not lie but Distorted Gods are different.

"You made a deal with a Distorted God! Not a Dark God or a god from this universe but someone corrupted by the Void. Do you really think that the Distorted God Apophis would stay true to its word when it is a snake?" Adrian stated with all his being as he knelt down and spat out blood.

Toggua sensed that Adrian's words started to make sense and realized that everything that the latter said is extremely plausible. Dark Gods and Distorted Gods are different in nature with one another despite sometimes being grouped as the same. True to their name, Distorted Gods are gods that have been twisted by something.

Toggua also knew some Distorted Gods that ally themselves with the dark gods but even he stays away from them due to their nature. Godly beings that do not need to conform to what a god should be but still have the same or even more power than them. Toggua immediately took out a talisman that looks like a tablet with the mouth of a beast.

"Eldritch! Tell me what is happening?!" Toggua talked towards the tablet, but a reply only came though after a minute.

"The Followers of Apophis! They betrayed us. We were attacked at the harbor when we were about to depart. I am going after them!" Eldritch' frustrated tone could be heard as the mouth on the tablet moved.

#### Chapter 1529 Betrayal Of The Followers Of Apophis

Eldritch reached the harbor where he met with Seam and Porom. The ship that will be used for traversing the seas was prepared by the Followers of Apophis. All the seafarers that are in the ship are all mind controlled by the Distorted God Apophis.

"Eldritch, do you think that there is something wrong?" Seam asked as she could feel that something is not right.

"I also feel something, but I cannot put my finger onto it. It feels like they are watching us." Porom whispered.

"Just make sure that we arrive at the western continent to get what we need. Since your master has already died, Porom will be the one that will get the reward intended for her." Eldritch stated but he did feel the tense atmosphere at the boat.

Eldritch did not want to say that even he finds the situation precarious. The leader of the Followers of Apophis was actually shocked to see Eldritch arrive. The leader of the Followers of Apophis looked and acted like she did not want Eldritch to be there.

Eldritch and the other followers of the dark gods were at the help of the boat as instructed by the leader of the Followers of Apophis. When the anchor was hoisted up, all the Followers of the Dark Gods were suddenly blown away from the deck of the boat. Some died from the explosion of the spell, some were blasted overboard and there were some that managed to block in time.

"As expected of Eldritch, you were not killed nor blown away." The leader of the Followers of Apophis stated.

"What do you think that you are doing?! Your god took an oath." Eldritch stated as he knew that the Distorted God Apophis took an oath to not betray them.

"Did you really think that our god would be tied down by the universes' measly rules!?" The leader of the Followers of Apophis stated as she gathered energy unto her palms to blast Eldritch away.

"Do you really think that I cannot kill all of you here!?" Eldritch stated but he suddenly heard Porom's scream as his head rolled down on the deck of the ship.

The one who cut off Porom's head is none other than Seam. She did not make Eldritch prepare anything as she immediately created large needles and shot it towards Eldritch. The leader of the Followers of Apophis then released a powerful attack that created a torrent of darkness. She shot it towards Eldritch as his back was turned around.

Eldritch has already used some of his more powerful skill which is why he could only rely on skills that can deal adequate damage. He created a barrier to block the attacks from two direction, but Seam has already penetrated it with her soul weapon. Seam's large scissors could be seen plunged towards Eldritch' stomach.

"I always thought that you would betray me. I just did not know when, but do you think that I did not prepare for this!" Eldritch stated as he immediately transformed into a lesser star spawn.

Eldritch swung his arm which sent Seam flying away and turned towards the leader of the Followers of Apophis. Eldritch wanted to make quick work of the enemy leader but he did not expect that the dark energy she released took the form of a black snake. The black energy snake then bit Eldritch and carried him towards the shore.

Eldritch managed to destroy the black energy snake but the boat was already far away. The boat also disappeared from view as if an invisibility spell was cast upon it. Eldritch could only rampage in the area until his anger died down and thought to follow the boat when Toggua suddenly called.

"The Followers of Apophis! They betrayed us. We were attacked at the harbor when we were about to depart. I am going after them! Seam and her Distorted Goddess has also betrayed us as well." Eldritch stated as he cut communication and followed after the boat.

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Toggua heard what Eldritch stated and suddenly burst out in anger. He not only destroyed the communication tablet that he has but his head transformed into a monstrous being. His head transformed into the face of a frog and dragon hybrid.

"It seems that you are in a bad mood." Adrian stated but his statement only made Toggua's anger greater.

Toggua did not control the pressure he exerted and used full power. All the others except for Adrian were now kissing the ground due to the unbearable pressure that the demigod unleashed. Toggua wanted to kill them, but he knew that wasting time here meant that the Followers of Apophis would escape into the area of the Western Continent.

"Consider yourself lucky as your words rung true." Toggua stated as he suddenly rushed towards the port and left Adrian and the others.

"Huah! I can finally breathe!" Levin Cloud and the others stated as they took a deep breath.

"How did you know that they will betray each other?" Frey asked.

"I did not. I just took a guess, but I honestly hoped that what I said was not true." Adrian stated.

"Since we are now at the worst-case scenario, we should head to the western continent immediately. Teleport us there." Levin Cloud stated as he collected himself.

"You are correct." Adrian stated as he started to create the portal when a notification suddenly popped up.

[You cannot Teleport directly to the Western Continent.]

"What the heck?!" Adrian stated as the others could see that his portal suddenly fizzled out.

"Why?" Solstice asked.

"I cannot teleport directly to the Western Continent." Adrian exclaimed.



"Let us ask Cairo what is going on." Peridot stated as she messaged Cairo in the guild chat. A reply immediately registered, and it was not something that they are happy about.

[An intense mana storm is currently enveloping the entire Western Continent. The Followers of Apophis are actually making their god descend.] Cairo informed the guild.

#### Chapter 1530 Western Continent Mana Storm

A mana storm is a phenomenon when a vast amount of mana suddenly floods an area, but it does not usually happen at a scale that it affects the entire continent. Adrian told them that they needed to return to Avalon first as he would need to ask the elders for help. All of them returned with him to the territory with all the demons suddenly being deployed.

"I thought you would never come. I have already told you that you must return immediately when a mana storm rises." Ascalor stated as he suddenly appeared before Adrian and his friends.

"I can as soon as I could, but this mana storm is not something that occurred naturally but induced by humans." Adrian stated as Ascalor's face suddenly turned sour.

"What is a mana storm?" Frey asked as she was not that familiar with it and has only been told in passing by the Valkyries. The others were curious as well which is why Adrian told them to listen to his explanation while they go to the central control area.

"A mana storm is something that occurs when special circumstances occur in nature. We have already experienced a mana storm before when the world limit was broken when the Gate to the Silver City was opened. The mana storm that resulted in opening Heaven's gate was not that great as we were helped by the gods." Adrian stated.

"What is different from a natural one and a man-made one then? Ascalor's face changed when you said that it was induced." Levin Cloud asked.

"If this mana storm is created by humans by summoning a god forcefully then we will not do anything about it. If it is a natural occurrence because of gates and spatial fractures, then we will move. If it was created by humans, then we will not do anything and let karma be their judge." Adrian stated.

"What about the innocent people that were just caught up in it?" Peridot asked.

"They are unfortunate people as we do not move for the populace but the stability of the realm. If a few thousands of people die, then that is their fate as it was fellow humans that created the misfortune. Everything in the world has an effect as the world itself uses Karmic forces to keep it balanced." Adrian stated.

"Is that really fair? Do you agree as well?" Frey asked as she wanted to know what Adrian thinks of the situation.

"Let me put it in perspective then as it seems you are thinking of me as heartless. Anything that humans did should be solved by humans themselves. I would say the same if they are elves or any other race because that is how the world creates strong characters.

Us, the Daemos, are merely beings that need to keep everything in order so that everything else does not fall apart. Like now, a mana storm being created in the western continent means that a lot

of spatial fractures would occur where worlds under dark gods and distorted gods get connected. We make sure that we keep all those that are not supposed to be here out of this world.

If the beings in this world chose to become extinct then we will not do anything to save them. We protect the stability of the dimension and we have been doing so since the beginning of time. We might be able to help everyone if we are many but the Daemos only number in the thousand." Adrian explained as they reached the tent.

Frey understood what Adrian told her as even the Valkyries have duties. She is also not the heroine that saves the day at every instance. She thought that Adrian and the Daemos were extremely powerful as they could bend time and space but only realize now that they also bear the most burden.

"Equinox is already here. Let us now start the meeting on what we all will do." Koronn stated.

"I would like to make a suggestion first." Adrian stated.

"Let us hear it then." Bronx stated.

"I would like to deal with the Vessel of Apophis before the Distorted God Apophis fully descends." Adrian stated which made the others raise their eyebrows.

"Explain." Ascalor stated.

"The mana storm is due to the fact that the Distorted God Apophis is descending into the mortal realm. If a god that huge descends then numerous spatial rifts would occur every second but we can put it to an end if we kill the Vessel of Apophis." Adrian stated.

"So, you are saying that you will eliminate the source of the conflict? That is not a bad idea for me." Koronn stated as he did not like troublesome things.

"You do know that we also need your help in maintaining the dimension. This mana storm would destroy a large chunk of the dimension when it grows stronger. We would need to cover all directions of the western continent to keep the dimension stable." Ascalor stated.

"Your friends could do what you wanted to do. We need you in stabilizing the dimension. The other demons have already started to fly towards the western continent as we speak. We cannot teleport to an area that is near the western continent because we would just add more damage than restoring it." Bronx stated as he also did not like Adrian's idea.

"I think that we should let him do it, but we can give you twenty minutes at most." Koronn stated which made the other two elders stare at him.

"Twenty minutes might not be enough, but we would use it as much as we can." Adrian stated.

"Make sure to get in your position once your twenty minutes are up. Let us go then. We would need to move now or else the mana storm might rip a hole in the fabric of reality." Ascalor stated as he created a gate as he is the only one that has the most stable spatial magic amongst all of them.