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Chapter 1991 Sneaking Inside Olympus

"I have completed the task of getting the item to sneak inside of Olympus." Adrian stated.

"If you are ready, make sure to touch my branch. I will easily send you towards the entrance to where Olympus is currently being hidden. The entrance that you will enter is not the front door but a back door which is why you will not be able to control where you go inside of there." The Tree of Life and Death stated.

"I am ready." Adrian stated as he touched the vine that was extended by the Tree of Life and Death.

Adrian suddenly felt his entire body turn into energy as he got sucked inside of the Tree of Life and Death. He then felt a sudden rush that made him sire that he is now traveling via the ley lines. He feels a vast amount of life energy from all around him and he felt that he was part of this energy himself.

"Sooo refreshing!" Adrian stated as he felt pure energy rush his body, but the voice of the Tree of Life and Death snapped him from his state.

"Focus, Equinox. If you do not focus, then the energy of the ley lines will devour you in your entirety. You will become part of the vast energy that this world is currently cultivating." The Tree of Life and Death telepathically stated towards Adrian which made him snap out of his trance.

Adrian made sure to not focus on the pleasing wave of energy but with his current task. He just hopes that the Helm of Darkness would indeed shroud him from the eyes of the gods. Adrian finally felt an expelling force around him as he materialized in a place where there was an incredibly tall mountain covered in storm clouds.

"The entrance to Olympus will be in that ridge there. I believe that you know what to do as you are a demon." The voice of the Tree of Life and Death stated as it trailed off and vanished.

"Thank you." Adrian replied as he can see what the Tree of Life and Death was talking about.

Inside the ridge, there was a place where there is a small opening that leads to another dimension. Adrian was told that Olympus is not like normal divine realms as it is part of the real world as well. It was currently restricted before when the world itself was weak, but it can now fully connect to the world due to having higher energy levels. Adrian also knows of another dimension like Olympus and that is Asgard.

A God King is not a normal god as they can declare their territory in the mortal plane which makes it possible for gods to manifest in that plane. There would still be restrictions if they are out of that place, but the gods would be incredibly powerful in that kind of divine realm. Adrian would need to be careful as he would be in a place where gods can exert their full power.

[You found a small hole that leads to Olympus.]

[The Helm of Darkness is reacting to the divine realm. Do you wish to put it on now?]

[The Helm of Darkness will only be able to use inside of Olympus. It will disappear after one use as is your covenant with the God of Death Hades.]

"Let us go then." Adrian stated as the Helm of Darkness suddenly appeared on his head while he got sucked inside of the portal.

The next thing that Adrian felt is that he is in a pure form of darkness that made him feel like he was in the presence of another goddess. Adrian could clearly feel the energy of the Goddess of Darkness Nox from the Helm of Darkness, but he dismissed that as he was mesmerized by the sight. He was directly sent to the top of a roof inside one of the golden buildings in Olympus.

Adrian cannot believe what he sees as all the buildings were made of gold or white gold. The fountains were made of silver while the pillars looked like they were made of ivory. The entirety of Olympus is indeed a place full of beauty and riches.

Adrian could clearly see that it was not just gods that are here in Olympus as there were beings that can be called as nymphs. There is even a bipedal goat man that are called Satyrs that roam here. Even centaurs can be seen roaming the wide ivory roads here in Olympus. Adrian looked around to see if anyone could see him but there was none.

"I can feel the presence of numerous lesser gods here. Even some demigods could be felt but they are not great in number. With this, I can now say that the Helm of Darkness does indeed obscure me even from the sight of the gods. Still, I do not know how long this would last which is why I must make sure to hurry up." Adrian thought as he floated towards the location of the energy of space he sensed inside of Olympus.

Adrian did not use his wings in fear that his presence be easily seen. Even if he has the Helm of Darkness, it does not mean that he has full control of its abilities. In fact, he can only use the most basic ability of the Helm of Darkness which is 'I am Darkness'. It is an ability that turns him into any form of darkness to vanish from the world that he is currently in.

Fortunately for Adrian, Olympus has many buildings that cast shadows which makes easy for Adrian to traverse. The ability also allows him to transfer to any form of darkness in a ten-

meter radius without consuming mana. He cannot believe that a holy relic could give him such a busted ability.

"Should I swipe more things? I can sense some interesting things that have cool energies." Adrian thought as he tilted his head to the right as he can feel powerful items stored there.

"I do not have the luxury to do so. The quest is what is important. I need that Shard of Chaos." Adrian thought has he became more eager to get the Head of Janus.

Adrian managed to climb to the destination with only the thought of getting the Head of Janus. He did not see that he actually passed by the residences of the most powerful gods that reside in Olympus. The gods did not notice him as well because of the protection from the Helm of Darkness which was granted by the Goddess of Darkness Nox. The power to blend in any surrounding with darkness as if you are the darkness itself.

Even the proud Goddess Hera could not detect Adrian as he invaded their home. In fact, only one goddess out of all the gods that reside in Olympus could detect Adrian if she focused. That specific goddess would not be able to see Adrian without the special flames located at the center of Olympus. This means that Adrian would never be seen as he sneaked inside Olympus.

"I have told you, husband. Do not mess with the mediator! Your brother has already warned you that further meddling will gain the ire of the Daemos." A female voice could be heard as Adrian moved closer to the location where he can feel the spatial energy.

"I do not know what you mean, my wife. I am just exercising my right as the God King!" A robust looking man stated as thunder and lightning could be heard and seen.

"Remember, my husband. I may have made a vow to never hurt you but do not think for a second that the bastards that you have sired would escape my punishments!" The voice of the goddess could be seen.

"Do you think that I care for the bastards that do not show promise?! Kill them if it can relieve your anger of me but never tell me what I need to do." The voice of the robust man stated.

"Do you not feel the repercussions of using that relic!? The space that shields Olympus has started to get distorted! Remember that there are no Gods of Space that can help us as they were either killed or sealed! Even the Head of Janus would not be able to fix the damage that you have done! Monsters would randomly enter our home!" The goddess stated.

"I shall cease use of the Head of Janus for a week so that the barrier can be fixed. Hephaestus can fix the barrier using his inventions. I will personally go and ask for his aide in order to fix the holes in the barrier." The god stated.

"If that is what you will do then I will no longer stand in ceremony with you. Remember that you are a king, husband. Anything that you do will reflect not only for you but also to all of the members of our family." The goddess stated.

Chapter 1992 Head of Janus

"What is that?" The voice of the god stated as he suddenly twitched his eyebrows.

Upon the twitch of his eyebrows, a powerful singular bolt of lightning suddenly hit the area. The area that was hit by the bolt could be seen incredibly charred to the point that its white stone became pure black. The incredibly durable stone pavement is also carved by at least one foot which can only be made if the attack was incredibly powerful.

"What are you doing, husband? The area has been destroyed! You do know that the pavement in this place can only be fixed by Hephaestus. If you trouble him more than this then he might hide himself in his smithery. Forget about fixing the holes in the barrier for ten years if that happens." The goddess stated.

"I briefly sensed a presence in that area, wife. It must have been a small insect that flew inside due to a spatial distortion. It seems that I have truly stretched the relic too far without thinking of the consequences. Now I know why those demons do not even use their abilities too much when they have powers akin to a god." The god stated.

"The proud God King Zeus has finally been opened to the world. Qualities like that will make you the perfect ruler of any domain. If you no longer cheat on me then I might say that you are also the perfect husband." The goddess stated.

"Hera, you may be able to verbally shame me but do not think that I do not get offended." The God King Zeus stated.

"If you were ashamed then you would not have so many bastards. You are my husband which makes me a God Queen. We are equal in terms of power husband as we share the same vow. Do not forget that." The God Queen Hera stated as she was indeed as powerful as her husband.

"Let us move to Hephaestus' Smithery to have him create something to fix the holes in the barrier." The God King Zeus stated as he threw the Head of Janus towards the throne on where he sits.

The God King Zeus would not easily place the Head of Janus unprotected which is why he created a powerful lightning barrier to make sure no one takes it. Adrian could see that the lightning used to protect the holy relic was indeed powerful. If he touches the barrier then his entire body would certainly be fried.

"If you are worried then I shall call upon Argus to look around here." The God Queen Hera stated.

"No need. Argus is needed more in areas where the holes in the barrier are prevalent. There are no holes in this area for him to look into. If something else slips in, then Olympus might go into a frenzy which would make then doubt me as ruler." The God King Zeus stated as he vanished with the God Queen Hera.

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Meanwhile, next to the spot where the lightning bolt carved the floor was none other than Adrian. He made sure to not move in place as he feared that another attack may come in. He never expected that the God King Zeus to have such powerful senses, but it was also him that made a mistake. Adrian actually touched the column beside him which manifested a part of his hand that the God King Zeus detected.

Fortunately for Adrian, the God King Zeus was not accurate in pinpointing his location. He was able to not be damaged, but it was an incredibly close call. He was only one inch away from the area which also made him feel the power of the lightning that the God King Zeus rained down.

"I almost died but it was worth it! I finally have the Head of Janus." Adrian stated but he has yet to actually dispel the lightning barrier around it.

Adrian looked at the holy relic before him and it was none other than a bust made of platinum. Although, the bust is not a normal thing because there are two faces connected like conjoined twins. The two faces are back-to-back with each other and have different features. One of the heads had the appearance of a gallant young man while the other has the features of a wizened old man.

This was undoubtedly the head of the fallen god or at least a relic that formed from a broken piece of him. The God of Doors Janus is often seen as a twofaced god but not because he has two different personalities but because he really did have two faces. Just as his title, the God of Doors Janus had two faces because he represents the usage of a door.

A door could either be an entrance or an exit depending on which side of the door the being is facing. He is also called the God of Transitions because he represents the middle ground between the concrete and the abstract. Abstract dualities such as beginning or end which is why he is often seen as a god that appears when you need to make two choices that branch out into different ways.

"How should I take care of the lightning barrier? If I dispel it, the god king that throws tantrums would know that something happened to the holy relic." Adrian muttered as he is now thinking of ways to get the holy relic without the God King Zeus knowing.

Just as Adrian was thinking of ways to make sure that he gets the relic safely without alerting the God King Zeus, the Head of Janus suddenly floated. Adrian is shocked when the Head of Janus suddenly floated and its eyes that were just holes suddenly glowed in a powerful purple light. Adrian stared directly at the Head of Janus which suddenly put him in a trance and transported his subconscious into another place.

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"Greetings, Equinox." A voice suddenly stated which made Adrian wonder as he heard two different being speak at the same time.

Adrian knew that he was transported to his subconscious, but this place is not where he usually goes to. This place looked deeper than what he normally goes into which made him look around to see where he is. This is a new place in his subconscious that he has yet to explore, and he has explored a lot. He turned around to see where the voice came from, and he saw a being that looked like an automaton with two faces.

"The God of Doors Janus!" Adrian stated as he cannot believe that an actual god managed to enter his subconscious, but it also made him wary.

"Fear not, Equinox. I am merely a shell of what I was previously. This is but a spark that I have left which is fueled by the fragment of Chaos hidden in me. I am not the God of Doors Janus but merely a remnant will." The remnant will of the God of Doors Janus stated.

"If you are a remnant will then why do you know my name?" Adrian asked even though he knew that this might be due to the game scenario.

"I have already seen that you will come here as even the God of Doors need to be at its path. I merely chose the door that led to the world not getting destroyed but my own. All the other gods of space have chosen this fate with me as well as we know that this is the only way. The only way to give birth to a being that will save us all." The remnant will of the God of Doors Janus stated.

"I do not know why you are telling me this, but I am already having a difficult time as it is. Please do not give me any more burden." Adrian stated as he smells a quest coming.

"I am not giving you a burden, Equinox. You have already voluntarily accepted it, but this will not be two choices that will happen to you in the future. Just know that the fragment of Chaos is something sought after not just by the gods but even those that come from far away in the stars." The remnant will of the God of Doors Janus stated as it finally vanished.

A dark purple whisp suddenly entered Adrian's heart but he did not feel anything different. He felt like he was still normal or rather the same as before. He thought that the fragment of Chaos would give him additional abilities or even stats, but it seems that he thought too much of it. He is also a bit taken aback by the words that the god of doors have given him.

Adrian returned back to reality as the floating Head of Janus suddenly turned to dust. Adrian is shocked upon seeing such a powerful holy relic turn to dust as if it was something created on a whim. This also meant that the lightning barrier 's alert being triggered as the skies above Olympus grew darker.

Chapter 1993 Escape From Olympus

"This is not good!" Adrian stated as he immediately felt the intense bloodlust in the area.

Adrian looked above him, and numerous lightning bolts rained down from the sky. The entire place that he was in is filled with light that came from the furious lightning bolts raining down. The power of the lightning bolts made the entire area be charred in black as the stone was burned. The only things that were not affected were the chairs that the gods would sit on.

"Where is the rat!" The God King Zeus stated as he appeared in the skies above the throne area.

"There was no rat, husband. The relic just turned to dust." The God Queen Hera stated as she looked at the traces of the relic that was destroyed.

"What is the commotion?" The other major Olympian gods asked as they appeared in the area as well since the lightning show could be seen even when they were at the farthest place in Olympus.

"There is nothing going on. Your father just destroyed the place because the Head of Janus crumbled to dust. He overused it a couple of times to the point that cracks were already appearing on it. He thought that there was an intruder when the relic crumbled which is the commotion you are seeing right now." The God Queen Hera stated as she tried to see what happened with the relic but all she could see that it turned to dust.

"Maybe we should let one of the God of Magics to inspect the dust. They may be able to see what happened with the relic. A goddess that held a shield that had a gorgon's head stated.

"It is just one of father's usual occurrence of being hypersensitive. I am going back as the gods of war need to go and talk with each other. War is brewing in the horizon, and we must take part!" The God of War Ares stated as he vanished in flames.

"Should I check the perimeter just to be sure?" A god with wings on a helmet stated.

"No need to do something troublesome. We can just leave it to Hestia to check if someone really did invade our home. After all, she can see the memories of the house as long as it is recent." A very beautiful goddess stated as she smelled like lilac and roses.

"I should be able to see, brother. If there really was someone that touched the relic, then I can be able to show it to all of us." A goddess that looked like she was a teenager stated.

"Please do so, sister." The God King Zeus stated.

The Goddess of the Home Hestia stated as she touched the dust of the relic and magic recreated the scene from earlier. Just like earlier, they saw the Head of Janus suddenly floating and releasing a light before crumbling to dust. They were unable to see Adrian as the memories of the home did not record register him as he was currently purely melted with the darkness.

"I have told you, husband. The relic destroyed itself because of your overuse. We also used it for a long time but the times you used it now made it incredibly weak that it crumbled. You distorted the mortal realm too much that you even created a storm." The God Queen Hera stated.

"I am not going to clean all of this up. I will just fix the broken things but do not believe that I will clean all the floors here." The God Hephaestus stated as he started walking back to his smithy.

"Children, clean everything up." The God Queen Hera commanded.

"Yes, mother." The children of Zeus that was left answered as they started using their divine power to shine the floors.

"Now I know why Ares and Hephaestus suddenly went away." The God Hermes stated as she was using his super speed to polish the charred floor.

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Adrian, the culprit on why the Head of Janus suddenly became dust, is now running away at fast speed towards the nearest spatial distortion that he could find. He actually acted like a deer with head lights, but he was able to escape when he snapped out of it. Fortunately for him, the veil of darkness that covered him did not get released when he teleported.

"I almost died. I was so mesmerized by the magic formation that I blanked out for a moment." Adrian thought as he saw the magic runes that were incredibly detailed and beautifully created. The God King Zeus was not just an arrogant god that creates children with mortals but a god that has mastery over natural magic.

[You have gained one level.]

[You have gained one Luck stat.]

[Your companion, Piggy Bank, has successfully completed the quest Strengthen Your Helper.]

Adrian suddenly saw the three notifications which meant that Piggy Bank has finally completed the quest. He thought that he would need a few more days but his merchant friend is incredibly skilled. Adrian finally found the spatial distortion that he was looking for and touched it to get outside of Olympus.

[You have exited Olympus without getting seen by any other gods.]

[You have gained the passive skill, Fleeting Steps.]

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Skill Name: Fleeting Steps

Skill Tier: Epic

Skill Type: Passive Movement

Effect:

Makes the user's footsteps light as a feather which would lighten the sound when walking or running. Increases movement speed by 10%

Cast Time: None Cooldown: None

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"I actually got a skill from that. Although, I feel like I cheated a little bit because of the Helm of Darkness." Adrian stated as he touched the Helm of Darkness and it started to vanish into the shadows.

[You have used the favor that the God of Death Hades have given you. You can no longer use the powers of the Helm of Darkness when you enter Olympus.]

[Piggy Bank: I managed to successfully finish the current quest. Can we meet each other so that I can share the last quest with you?]

Piggy Bank called Adrian to tell him that the next quest is already given to him. It seems that the quest buddy must be near Piggy Bank in order to receive the next upgraded quest. Adrian could feel that Piggy Bank was anxious which is why he immediately vanished from the area and returned to Avalon.

Adrian returned to Avalon to see Piggy Bank a little bit worried about something but one could see the helper, Coin, flying around him. It seems that the helper that used to be sluggish has finally become incredibly active. Adrian could also feel that the helper is now emitting powerful divine energy compared to before as if the god inside of it has finally been activated.

"You are finally here! I can finally share the quest! Please take a look at it." Piggy Bank stated as he shared the quest to Adrian.

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Quest Name: Awaken the Divine Soul of the Helper

Quest Difficulty: A

Clear Condition:

Defeat the Money Bag roaming in a Treasure Dungeon (0/1) Capture a Golden Goblin and take all of the items that are inside of its golden sack (Incomplete) Find the Relic of Invisible Hand (Incomplete)

Clear Reward: Awaken your helper's divine soul and more of its hidden memory, Earn Luck +10, Get a Job Class exclusive skill

Failure Condition: Unable to clear the quest within given time duration.

Failure: Unknown Duration: 20 days

Restriction: Only the Merchant that has the Stigma can get this quest and can only be shared to one person.

Note: The partner of the Merchant for this quest will be awarded with One Level per quest clear and an additional Luck point in their stat. This is a chain quest.

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"What the heck!" Adrian blurted out loud as he could not believe that the clear conditions should be completed within 20 days.

"I know. I am already panicking because the quests are not something that should be given to a merchant like me! A Golden Goblin is actually a level 300 monster that prioritizes running away when one encounters them! I have never seen a player actually catching one with the intention of catching one. It even tells me to find a relic that is related to a god! I think I might pass out from the shock." Piggy Bank stated.

"Make sure to breathe. One and three are not impossible as there are ways in getting them cleared. The only one I am not sure about is the golden goblin as they are beings that are incredibly elusive." Adrian stated.

"Actually, I received a skill called I Smell Treasure which lets me track treasures and golden goblins. The only problem is that it always gives a vague direction and not an exact location." Piggy Bank stated.

"Let us clear the first one then. We need to find a Treasure Ticket that can activate the Treasure Dungeon." Adrian stated as he needed to start now since they only have 20 days for everything.

Chapter 1994 Treasure Dungeon I

"To clear a treasure dungeon, one must have treasure tickets. Since there are two of us, we need two treasure tickets." Adrian stated.

Treasure dungeons are special dungeons that can be entered when they have special entry tickets. Adrian has yet to enter one since treasure tickets were items that only had a 0.00001% chance of dropping when killing monsters. It was an incredibly miniscule chance that even Adrian's luck could never give him one.

"Is that so? I have five more treasure tickets remaining. Here you can have one since I have a lot." Piggy Bank stated as he is now a bit calm due to Adrian's calm demeanor.

"Did you buy them? I know that a treasure ticket costs at least 10,000 gold coins to get. The fact that someone is willing to sell them means that you must have paid quite a sum." Adrian stated as he could not believe that Piggy Bank was able to get five treasure tickets.

"Oh! Not really. They were dropped from the monsters that I killed from travelling. I do not get inside the Treasure Dungeon because the monsters are supposed to be stronger than you. I am afraid that I would easily die if I entered by myself, but I am now confident with your around." Piggy Bank stated as he gave Adrian a thumb's up.

Adrian's eye twitched as he could not believe that Piggy Bank was able to get five treasure tickets from random monsters. Adrian has killed a lot of monsters but even he has yet to get one. He actually wanted to ask how high Piggy Bank's Luck stat is to see the difference, but he did not want to be disheartened.

"Then we should enter the Treasure Dungeon then. Let us kill the Money Bag since that is the boss monster there." Adrian stated as he maintained a smile and ripped the treasure ticket.

[You have used one Treasure Ticket. You will be transported to the dungeon after your party members also use a ticket.]

[Your party member, Piggy Bank, has used one Treasure Ticket.]

[The party will now be transported to the Treasure Dungeon.]

Adrian and Piggy Bank suddenly vanished from the area as they were transported to the treasure dungeon. It was a dungeon with an entire mountain covered in gold. One would think that they can mine all the gold for money but that cannot be the case. Treasure Dungeons are not simple dungeons that will wait for you to exit.

[You have entered the Treasure Dungeon.]

[You can now defeat the monsters in the Treasure Dungeon to gain more reward.]

[You have ten minutes to make it into the boss room or you will be forced out of the Treasure Dungeon with only 10% of what you have received.]

Adrian saw the notifications and immediately looked to see Piggy Bank's reaction. Just as he watched on a stream, Treasure Dungeons are time limited dungeons that does not reward anyone that does not clear it within the time limit. People have tried to mine the gold rocks, but they could not do so without expending all the time. In the end, the only way to actually get loot from the Treasure Dungeon is to clear it with less time.

"I can feel it! I can feel a Golden Goblin nearby!" Piggy Bank stated which made him excited.

Adrian did not know if Piggy Bank's luck has to do with it, but they did say that Treasure Dungeons have a 5% chance to spawn a Golden Goblin. The fact that one spawned in their first try meant that most of the quest would be cleared if they succeed in capturing it. Adrian did not wait or stand in ceremony as he immediately deployed Sirius and Charon to capture the golden goblin.

"Let us go! We must make haste. Ignore the other mobs as the golden goblin is our priority." Adrian stated as he was also excited since this is the first time he will catch a golden goblin alive.

Sirius and Charon vanished immediately to start with the search for the golden goblin. Adrian grabbed Piggy Bank and flew towards the direction that the latter was pointing to. They came across monsters called Small Goodie Bags that contain some coins and gems. Defeating those monsters would give anyone the contents inside of them.

They did not kill the Small Goodie Bags as they were focused on capturing the Golden Goblin. Since Golden Goblins are beings that could actually jump through space if cornered. Adrian needed to be there so that he could trap the monster since the quest told them to capture it alive. Sirius and Charon finally gave him a signal that they have found the Golden Goblin, but they were keeping their distance in order to not startle it.

The Golden Goblin could be seen snatching some gold coins and gems that are pouring out from the Small Goodie Bags. It seems to be enjoying the fact that it could easily enter Treasure Dungeons. Golden Goblins also have incredible sensitivity when it comes to bloodlust which is why they often escape with just sensing it.

"Found you!" Adrian stated as he suddenly appeared in front of the Golden Goblin.

The Golden Goblin is shocked to suddenly be grabbed by a demon as it did not feel any sort of bloodlust. Adrian did not release any bloodlust because he was not going to kill the Golden Goblin anyway. Adrian made sure to grab the Golden Goblin by the neck in order for it to suffocate a little since it might be able to escape.

"Take the golden sack immediately!" Adrian stated as he tossed the golden sack towards Piggy Bank.

"Cursed humans!" The golden goblin stated which actually shocked Adrian since he did not think that it was able to speak like a normal human being.

"I am a demon. Also, your attempt to escape is basically impossible when I am around. You cannot escape through a wormhole when a being that could control space itself is before you." Adrian stated as he looked at the golden goblin menacingly.

"You are here to kill me! I already knew that other beings are envious of my golden skin!" The golden goblin stated as it suddenly struck poses as if it was modeling its golden skin.

Adrian and Piggy Bank was speechless upon learning this fact that the Golden Goblins think that they are above everyone else because of their golden tint. They are actually also ostracized by their own kind as goblins born with the golden skin are usually exiled from their hideouts. The goblins believed that goblins born with the golden skin are cursed since they are said to attract trouble.

It was only Adrian that knows why some goblins were able to mutate into golden goblins upon birth. It is said that that goblins back then were the devoted followers of a god of space. Seeing that they would offer anything to their god even though they were poor, the god of space took pity and gave a blessing to a goblin. This goblin would then have golden skin and the ability to jump through space.

The Golden Goblin was then able to traverse through places and get treasures where he would then sell to other beings. The Golden Goblin has become the savior of the goblin race as they gave them riches. Still, the greed of other beings could not be contained as time passed where the real legend of the golden goblin is lost. Coupled with the disappearance of the gods of space made it even more difficult for them.

As such, the golden goblins were immediately cast out from their tribes when one is born. If not for the fast maturity of goblins, the golden goblins would not even be in forms that are mature. Adrian did not know why they were told to capture a golden goblin but that thinking is for later.

"We have its golden sack and we captured it. Let us now proceed to clear this dungeon. All of you, wreak havoc! Also, do not forget to get all the drops along the way." Adrian stated as he activated Limit Break: Summoner to summon all of his soulbounds.

The golden goblin thought of escaping but suddenly found itself embedded on the roots of Wisteria. It was permanently embedded on the turtle shell with thick roots that can also stab it if it moves a little. Adrian also made sure to seal the space around the Golden Goblin to prevent it from suddenly jumping through space.

"Behave and you will be set free." Adrian stated but the Golden Goblin did not believe him one bit.

The clearing of the dungeon proceeded at an incredibly fast rate as all of Adrian's soulbounds are out. They did destroy some loot as their power would often disintegrate enemies instead of slashing or cutting them. Still, they were not there to loot the entire dungeon but to defeat the boss monster of the dungeon which is the Money Bag.

Chapter 1995 Treasure Dungeon II

They were able to reach the boss monster just before the time limit. The party is suddenly in front of the largest bag of coins that they have seen. The boss monster, Money Bag, is literally a living bag of money that has eyes and a tongue.

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Monster Name: Money Bag (Boss Monster)

Monster Type: Living Golem

Monster Tier: Epic

Level: Unknown

HP: 100%

MP: 100%

Description: A large bag that gained some sentience and life via an unknown phenomenon. It is said that it grows more powerful when it ingests more money into its body. Be careful as it is said to rain down money everywhere when it is agitated.

Monster Thought: I am beautiful because money is beautiful!

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"Destroy it immediately but make sure to not use any energy attacks. We want the treasure that it releases every time it gets damaged." Adrian stated as he actually cried a little when a gold coin would melt when a breath attack or lightning would hit it.

"I should also join the battle. I want to at least have contribution." Piggy Bank stated as he buffed himself by burning some of his money.

"Go ahead." Adrian stated as he knew that Piggy Bank participating might increase the drops.

The boss monster was not difficult as the treasure dungeon is basically like a reward dungeon for players lucky enough to get a treasure ticket. Instead, Adrian made sure to check on their captive as he did not want the golden goblin to escape. He was able to see something interesting in return for observing the battle.

Whenever Piggy Bank uses a skill, his helper would turn into a normal coin and flip. If the result of the flip was heads, Piggy Bank's skill damage would gain 10% more damage. If the result is tails, the skill damage would be reduced by 5%. To Adrian's surprise, Piggy Bank would always have the coin facing heads which increased his damage.

"His Luck stat must be incredibly high for him to get that kind of chance every time." Adrian thought.

In the end, the Money Bag boss monster fell down and released the tide of coins that it hid inside of its body. The entire room could be seen to be filled with numerous coins that are bronze, silver, and gold. Even the golden goblin could be seen shocked with such large amounts of money. There were even some precious gems mixed in with the loot.

When Adrian and Piggy Bank was finally able to get all the drops, they exited the treasure dungeon. Adrian thought that the golden goblin would also vanish when they exit the dungeon, but it did. Surprise could be seen written on Adrian's face as this was not something he thought of happening. He thought that they had to capture another one, but he was relieved that they did not have to.

"So, why do we need the golden goblin?" Piggy Bank asked now that they were no longer fighting in the treasure dungeon.

"I do not know." Adrian stated as Coin, Piggy Bank's helper, suddenly did a flip and landed on top of the Golden Goblin's head.

Coin suddenly touched head of the Golden Goblin and a bright light suddenly entered the latter. The golden goblin suddenly became bigger while the golden sack that was inside of Piggy Bank's

inventory came out. The golden sack and the golden goblin suddenly fused together which suddenly created an auspicious event in Avalon.

[A forgotten species has been unlocked which triggered the Money Rain event on Avalon.]

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**Event: Money Rain** 

Rules:

Money will start to rain down on the territory. Collect the gold coins that rains down. You will be able to keep 10% of the gold coins that you have collected. Maximum of 1000 gold coins can be collected per person. The first being to completely collect 1000 gold coins will gain the privilege of keeping all of their spoils.

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Just as Adrian was thinking about this sudden event, the entire territory suddenly twinkled as golden coins rained down. The gold coins that rained down made everyone freeze for a moment before scrambling to gather the coins raining down. Some people tried to wait for the gold coins to pile up on the ground, but the gold coins would vanish if it touched the ground.

Seeing the gold coins vanish upon touching the ground, the collection of the golden coins became a free for all. Adrian could even hear the laughter of Elder Ascalor in the distance as he is the one that likes money the most among the elders. Adrian could only sigh as he just told all the guards to increase surveillance as some might get injured.

The golden light that fused the golden goblin and the gold sack has finally died down. Adrian and Piggy Bank could now see the being that was created upon their fusion. Adrian would have called it an evolution, but it was more of a monster fusing with an item it already had to change its form.

"Greetings, Master Piggy Bank." The golden goblin or rather the Golden Hobgoblin stated as it bowed to Piggy Bank.

"Me? Master?" Piggy Bank stated as he pointed to himself while a notification stated that he acquired the pet called the Golden Hobgoblin and that he had to name it.

"Uhmm... I do not know what is happening but I got a pet so I will name you. I think the name Alfred would be good since you look like a butler." Piggy Bank stated as he looked at the Golden Hobgoblin in front of him.

The Golden Hobgoblin looked humanoid enough to pass as a human if not for its pointed ears and golden skin. It also wore a typical butler uniform which made it look like an esteemed servant of a royal family. Even Adrian did not know what to make of this, but it seems that the Golden Hobgoblin was able to converse with Coin, Piggy Bank's Helper.

Chapter 1996 Golden Hobgoblin

"Alfred! Such a splendid name. I am very glad for that, master." Alfred, the golden hobgoblin stated.

Adrian looked at the golden hobgoblin and saw that it was now connected to Piggy Bank's soul. It was now bound to him via his soul which meant that it was a pet for life. Adrian did not think that the second requirement was getting Piggy Bank a pet.

"You seem intelligent. You must have been evolved for a reason or else the god that is hidden inside the helper would not use their own divine power to do so." Adrian stated as he could clearly feel that the divine energy that Coin possessed has lessened.

"Benefactor Equinox is correct. I have evolved and unlocked the wisdom of the past Golden Goblin Lords. All of the lineage wisdom has been transferred to me as well as the necessary relic that my master needs to complete the current quest." Alfred stated.

"You know where to get the Relic of the Invisible Hand?" Piggy Bank asked in shock as he was actually ready to accept that he will not be able to get the relic.

"Care to tell us then?" Adrian added.

"If I will tell you then an origin story should be needed since it was not only a god of space that blessed us golden goblins. We were blessed by another god which is why we have the golden skin that we have now." Alfred stated.

Alfred then proceeded to tell the two that the golden goblins were blessed by the god of space because of their devotion which is evident of their ability to jump through space. Their golden skin was another detail entirely as it was given by a god of wealth. The first golden goblin was not actually gold until he started to pray to a god of wealth.

The god of wealth was touched by the goblin's honest prayer to always make the goblins be bountiful even if it is not money. The god of wealth would then bless the first Goblin Lord which turned his skin to gold that enabled them to sense where treasure is present. This made the first Golden Goblin Lord enrich the nation as they can now jump through space directly to the treasure location.

Alfred then proceeded to tell them that the first Golden Goblin Lord was also tasked with the protection of the relic of the god of wealth that gave them their blessing. A relic that looked like it was a floating gold coin, but they would see misty hands once they looked closely. The relic that Alfred was talking about is none other than the Relic of the Invisible Hand that they need to get in order to complete the quest.

"Do you know where it is located?" Adrian asked.

"Unfortunately, Benefactor Equinox... the relic is not in this current world. It should be in a world that has rivers where gold freely flows as the relic is so powerful that it could be used to control the flow of money itself. The First Golden Goblin Lord jumped through multiple dimensions in order to hide it." Alfred stated.

"Do you at least know which dimensions he jumped to before reaching the last place?" Adrian asked.

"Yes. I have it all in my memory as I have inherited the will of the Golden Goblin Lord." Alfred stated.

"If that is the case then we have no problem. We can retrace the steps of the Golden Goblin Lord and arrive at the same destination it did." Adrian stated as he was a being that could easily cross dimensions.

Adrian could even bring others with him which is not like the golden goblins that can only jump by themselves. Alfred looked at Adrian as if questioning if it was possible, but the former knew that it might be possible. There is actually one thing that the golden hobgoblin is worried about.

"Is there something in your mind, Alfred? You can be honest with us since we need to be ready before going there." Piggy Bank stated.

"The First Golden Goblin Lord might still be guarding the relic as of now. The reason why the goblins were no longer powerful is due to his disappearance after stepping down from the throne." Alfred stated.

"That should be impossible as even demigods die unless they ascend to become gods. They can prolong their lifespan by absorbing divine energy but that is measly increasing their lifespan by a few years. If the First Golden Goblin Lord is a god, then I would agree but it seems that he was a demigod at best." Adrian stated.

"Yes, and that should be natural, Benefactor Equinox. The only reason that I have entertained this thought is the fact that the First Golden Goblin Lord has an artifact that always gives off divine energy. The Relic of the Invisible Hand is a powerful relic that can produce divine energy as long as the market is still active." Alfred stated which shocked Adrian.

A relic that can produce divine energy as long as trade and money is being circulated is extremely powerful. Any god would love to get this relic as it would give them divine energy every time. Gods do not have a lifespan as they are no longer mortals which meant that this divine item could turn a lesser god into a high god within a certain time frame.

"No wonder this relic was sealed." Adrian stated.

"If the relic is that powerful then why did they not destroy it instead?" Piggy Bank asked.

"If it is a relic that represents something then destroying it will inevitably affect reality as well. Relic like those were not created by ordinary gods as they used the sea of reality to form them." Adrian stated.

Adrian was referring to relic created to substitute gods as a focal point as some concepts in the universe are unable to be easily governed. These relics were often called Reality Relics as they symbolize a concept itself.

Chapter 1997 Jumping Through Dimensions I

Just as Adrian was learning what kinds of dimensions were needed to go through to land on the area where the relic is, reports of a massive storm could be seen and heard from all over the central part of the central continent. Some said that a god was throwing thunder and lightning in a fit of rage, but most say that it might be a phenomenon where a raid boss might spawn. Most territories right now are no longer like before as seasons are now random.

The expansion of the world has affected all places which made even the seasons change abruptly. There are only few places that are not affected as there were special things in them. Adrian's territory is one of the places unaffected by the abrupt season changes due to the Tree of Life and Death. Other territories that are not affected as much are those that have the Church of the Twin Gods as their main religion as this is a buff given by the gods of life and death.

"I felt the divine energy of that foolish god of wealth! I am unable to see through the veil protecting the one that is trying to revive him!" The Angry God King Zeus stated as he hurled lightning once again.

"Calm yourself, husband. The other gods are now investigating the causes of your disturbance. We must remain resolute or else they will think that we are in turmoil." The God Queen Hera stated.

"Apologies, father. Even my chosen oracle could not see through the veil that is protecting the one that you want to find." A god that is shining like the sun stated.

"That is alright, Apollo. We just need to call upon the mother of the said god. Bring my sister to me. I want to talk with Demeter." The God King Zeus stated.

"I have tried to contact her, father. The gods of life have sealed their divine realm even for messenger gods. Only they can get in or out of their divine realm due to this." The Messenger God Hermes stated.

"Why have they sealed the divine realm! Even my brother told me that all the death realms will be sealed from other gods as well!" The God King Zeus stated as he tried to bottle up his anger.

"It seems that the God King Odin did something in the death realms that made all the gods of death furious. Uncle said that the reason for the ban is due to a god interfering with another death realm. Uncle was a bit coy, but I can tell that the death realm that was breached was Tartarus. I verified the claim by talking to Cousin Zagreus." The Messenger God Hermes stated.

"I shall talk with my brother if it involves Tartarus. The Titans might start to move once more if it really involves them. As for my sister, make sure to monitor her and stop her if she is about to aid the hidden mortal." The God King Zeus stated as he told all the gods under him to be vigilant as well since even a death realm was breached.

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"So, the first dimension where the First Golden Goblin Lord jumped is a place desolate and filled with ice and snow. If I am not mistaken, then that would none other than Niflheim. I can portal towards there, but we must find out the next location before going." Adrian stated.

"Why? Is the place dangerous?" Piggy Bank asked.

"The place is not dangerous. It is deadly cold to the point that you will turn into a popsicle if you are not resistant to absolute cold." Adrian replied.

"I might be able to extract more information from my bloodline, Benefactor Equinox once we jump to that location." Alfred stated but Adrian is not convinced that is the best course of action.

"Yeah. I am not going to gamble and die from transporting us to an alien dimension. I might be able to sense the entrances to other dimensions but there is also a chance that they all look the same. We need a better option and I know where to get it. Tell me, are you afraid of sleep?" Adrian asked Piggy Bank.

"Me? Of course not! I love sleeping!" Piggy Bank answered which made Adrian smile.

"Is that so? Follow me then." Adrian stated as he grabbed Piggy Bank and teleported somewhere. The golden hobgoblin, Alfred, could be seen creating a golden key and inserting it in empty space which created a door for him to jump into.

When Adrian and Piggy Bank landed, they could be seen in a place that looks like it was always dusk. The silent and calm area would actually lull anyone to sleep if they were tired. Adrian brought Piggy Bank to the Temple of Dreams where the followers of the God of Dreams Morpheus reside. This is actually a temple that is difficult to reach unless you are unable to fly or swim.

"Where is this?" Piggy Bank asked.

"This is the main temple of the Temple of Dreams. This is where they spend their days in a perpetual state of sleeping but I learned that that work in shifts. Sleeping too much is bad for the body after all and even the God of Dreams Morpheus knows that." Adrian stated as he noticed that Alfred was able to follow next to them.

"Such a splendid place, Benefactor Equinox. My blood is tingling as I can feel that there are numerous treasures in the area." Alfred stated as the special blood talent that he owns did not vanish upon fusion evolution.

"Calm your hands unless you want to be cursed to never sleep or sleep forever." Adrian stated as he can guess that the treasure collection skill of Alfred might have been increased in effectivity upon the evolution.

"Champion Equinox, we have been expecting you. Our god has told us of your arrival." A voice in the heads of Adrian and Piggy Bank stated.

"Woah! Is this telepathy!" Piggy Bank stated in excitement as this is a first for him even though the player chat is actually considered telepathy by the standards of the NPCs in Pandemonium.

"Please lower your voices as this place is very close to the land of dreams and other followers are also having their devotion prayers." The voice stated.

"Wow! A temple where sleeping is devotion. If that is true in real life, then I might actually sign up." Piggy Bank whispered to Adrian.

"You know that you can just think what you want to say." Adrian stated via telepathy as he looked towards Piggy Bank.

"Cool!" Piggy Bank replied as he also tried doing what Adrian did.

"But... why are we here?" Piggy Bank added as he can now use telepathy.

"We are here to see the memories of your new aide. I do not want to jump dimensions recklessly since I might lead us straight to a black hole if we are not sure. The Temple of Dreams is a place where you can actually visualize and live through memories that are forgotten.

Dreams are said to be memories that have been reorganized by the brain. Also, the God of Dreams Morpheus have ways to see inside memories as well since he also controls that. We can have Alfred dream about the places that had been jumped at." Adrian stated.

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## Father's Day Short

"Dad, how did you celebrate Father's Day with grandpa?" Adrian asked his father while they were at dinner since his dad wanted a family dinner cooked by his wife.

"I or rather we did not celebrate it much when I was already your age, but I remember that we usually did fishing. Your grandpa and I would fish all day long then have a family dinner. I did not like going out much or throwing lavish parties back the since that is the only time where me and your grandpa can spend time together." Richard stated.

"Why?" Mina asked.

"Well, your grandpa was incredibly busy that he rarely spent time with us. I was lucky as I was the most spoiled which my siblings hate me for, but they were just jealous that I got to spend more time with him."Richard stated.

"How about you, mom? How did you spend Father's Day with grandpa?" Mina asked.

"We also did fishing." Maria stated as she remembered that she and her father would go in fishing trips, but it was not in any body of water.

"Well, did you catch things when you go fishing?" Adrian asked.

"We can catch about five medium sized fishes if the weather is good." Richard stated.

"We usually only catch one, but they were incredibly big. Also, they have nasty personalities and often terrorizes the community. It was a good thing that we are catching them or else the area would be in danger." Maria stated.

"Is the fish like a giant catfish?" Richard asked.

"You can call them that as they are slimy individuals." Maria stated as she had a vivid flashback before returning to eat happily.

Chapter 1998 Jumping Through Dimensions II

"Please lay down the person that will be subjected to the Dreamscape." The follower of the Church of Dreams stated as a floating cloud could be seen flying towards them.

"Alfred, if you please. This is safe, right?" Piggy Bank stated.

"It is completely safe as we are merely viewing the memories passed down. It would be up to the dreamer if they want to sleep longer. But make sure to please focus on the memory that you wish to view." The follower of the Church of Dreams stated.

"It would be fine, master. I shall dream of the way in order for you to complete the quest." Alfred stated as he laid down with grace on the cloud bed.

Adrian could really feel the difference of personalities from the previous golden goblin that they have capture. Alfred is more mature than before as the golden goblin was very brash and mischievous. Alfred still has that hint of mischievousness but also has this refined aura in its body.

Alfred laid down on the cloud bed and actually did not pass through. The cloud bed made it look like it was just colored smoke, but it was actually very delicate and good to the feel. Even Adrian had to admit that sleeping on this bed would make him sleep like there is no longer a tomorrow.

"Do you sell this bed? I would love to have it in my pocket dimension house." Adrian stated.

"The cloud bed is courtesy of the God of Dreams to this church. It is his power that makes it a reality for it to easily manifest in the mortal realm. If Champion Equinox wishes for a cloud bed, then he should ask our god for one himself." The follower of the Church of Dreams stated.

"Thank you. I hope he would." Adrian added.

"Please view the memory here." The follower of the Church of Dreams stated as he pulled on a part of the cloud bed which made a monitor.

"Oh! There are even sounds from the dream. It is like watching a movie." Adrian commented as they were immersed.

"First, I travel to the harsh winter lands of Niflheim. I must be quick as even I cannot survive here for too long. I must jump to another place that is connected here." The voice stated.

Adrian was correct in assuming the first dimension was indeed Niflheim. He could hear that the voice in the memory must have been the First Golden Goblin Lord. It was much pitchy compared to Alfred's current voice. It seems that the First Golden Goblin Lord was young at heart and a free spirit even before he became the leader of the goblins.

"I have arrived at a dimension that is now opposite of the one that I have come from. It is a land of fire and lava that makes me sweat just by breathing. I encountered a god here and he wished to take the relic, but I immediately jumped to evade him. Fortunately, I was able to learn the name of this place and it is Muspelheim." The voice of the First Golden Goblin Lord stated.

"At least we now know where to jump next." Adrian stated as he continued to watch.

"All these worlds are so interesting! Are there people there? If so, could they want to trade with us?" Piggy Bank stated as he was more interested if he could conduct business there.

"There should be some beings that live there but I do not know if they have any trading culture." Adrian replied.

"I finally reached the realm that is suited for the sealed location of the relic. I do not know what this place is, but it is so barren and deserted as if something has happened to it. This would be the perfect place to hide the relic as the barren area would hide the divine energy emanating from it." The voice of the First Golden Goblin Lord stated.

Just as Adrian and Piggy Bank thought that the memories were over, the First Golden Goblin Lord suddenly used some sort of prayer. The relic suddenly created a breach in time and space in order to connect to the main world. It would then gather faith from there and release small miracles using the collected faith.

The small miracles that would occur is something like a small merchant that worked incredibly hard would gain the attention of a noble that will promote him. The miracles are not just tied to good though as the relic has no god that can control it. It would even grant the miracle of a shady blackmarket deal to expand. The blessings created were not just for good people but for all people as trade is not limited to honest businessmen.

"It is a relic created from the Sea of Reality which is why it is not choosy when it comes to handing out blessings. Only gods can choose to give blessings while relic like the one we are searching for are not." Adrian stated.

"We might have found the last destination, but do you know where this place is? The First Golden Goblin Lord did not even mention a name as the place is basically deserted." Piggy Bank stated. Nôv(el)B\\jnn

"We will know when we reach Muspelheim as I am sure that the dimensions will be limited in number from there." Adrian stated.

"Thank you for your services. Please accept this humble offering of us for your services." Adrian stated as he paid the follower of the Church of Dreams.

"Thank you, Champion Equinox. You are welcome to visit us anytime for our services or if you just wish to be in a good sleep with a good dream. Sweet Dreams!" The follower of the Church of Dreams stated as he slowly woke up Alfred from sleep.

"I had the best sleep of my lifetime, master. Can we come here again if I am unable to sleep?" Alfred stated which made Piggy Bank laugh.

"I would have to trouble, Equinox. You can still rest like this, but I cannot provide the same comfort to that of the cloud bed. We should find the relic first and maybe we can have a good rest." Piggy Bank stated as this adventure has made him even more weary. He really prefers being a merchant than a full-time adventurer.

"Are you ready? I will create the portal now if you are ready." Adrian stated.

"Ready!" Piggy Bank stated while Alfred did a gentle bow.

Adrian then proceeded to use Paradox to create the portal which immediately connected to Niflheim. Adrian was able to control the portal carefully as he used Paradox as a medium. The cold winds that were present on the other side are not able to penetrate this side of the portal. It also means that no one can use the portal without Adrian's permission.

"Follow me. I shall go first." Adrian stated as he entered the portal and the cold wind immediately blown over towards his face.

Adrian entered the portal and immediately felt some shiver in his body despite it being able to bear the coldness in vast space. The cold that Niflheim induces is incredibly slow, but it is bone chilling if you stay for too long. As soon as the cold started to permeate inside of Adrian's body, he summoned Kanlaon to create an area to fight the cold. To make him even warmer, the Heart of Flames that he was given by the Vermillion Bird activated as well.

"It is cold!" Piggy Bank stated as he started to shiver even though Kanlaon already created a zone with warmth.

"Please have this blanket, master." Alfred stated as he handed a blanket to Piggy Bank even though he was also shivering from the cold but made sure to maintain the gentlemanly behavior.

"I will prepare the next portal. I just need to look at the space streams." Adrian stated as his eyes suddenly looked like it was large vortices that swallowed space itself.

"It seems that this place is connected to one more realm including ours. I can see the land of perpetual fire and lava! I will pull the coordinates now for us to transfer immediately. Paradox, help me immediately." Adrian stated as an overload of information is also occurring to his brain.

Adrian thought that he would just need to find the coordinates, but he did not expect that the information of that world would pour into his head. He rarely uses this ability as he often finds some rift in space to transfer between dimensions. Paradox immediately stepped up and analyzed all of the data which assisted Adrian in creating another portal.

The portal that Adrian created was not perfect as the hot temperature of Muspelheim passed through. The portal itself looked relatively stable but Adrian would not be able to control who gets in or who gets out. Seeing that Adrian was struggling, Piggy Bank gathered the courage and entered Muspelheim.

Chapter 1999 Jumping Through Dimensions III

[You have reached Muspelheim.]

Adrian immediately closed the portal as it was taking him more mana than he thought. The world of Muspelheim is what they could see which is fire and lava. Kanlaon has to regulate the temperature here as well because it was the reverse of Niflheim. If Niflheim was extreme cold, then Muspelheim was extreme heat.

As soon as Adrian arrived, he immediately tried to see the connections of this world. He was a bit perplexed because this world is only connected to two other worlds. One of the worlds connected was already Niflheim which meant that they already knew the last destination. He would have created the portal to the next dimension if not for the intricate dimension pathway.

"I can see the next dimension that we need to jump towards to." Adrian stated.

"Great! You can open a portal to it then!" Piggy Bank stated with great excitement as he did not want to stay in Muspelheim any longer. He was sweating buckets in this place and that is his state when Kanlaon is already making sure that the temperature is not that hot.

"Unfortunately, I cannot open a portal at our exact location. It is not stable here which is maybe the reason why I had a hard time stabilizing the portal earlier. We need to get into an area where mana is not this jumbled and even, I am having a difficult time perceiving where that area is." Adrian replied which dampened Piggy Bank's mood.

"At least you are immune to the extreme heat. I might become a roasted piggy if I do not get out of this place." Piggy Bank stated as he can feel his skin tingling from the heat.

"Kanlaon, make sure to just support Piggy Bank with the cold. I can bear the heat on my own from here. Saena and Sirius, scout the area for a place where mana is not in complete disarray." Adrian commanded as he summoned the two of them to look around.

"Be careful!" Adrian added as Saena flew in the skies above and Sirius melted in the shadows in order to make sure that he does not get a case of overheat.

Since staying in the same area was not a good decision, Adrian decided that they should move in the forward direction where Saena and Sirius were searching. This would make it much easier for them to catch up just in case the two soulbounds founds the area that Adrian described. The group could be seen walking slowly and carefully, but Adrian has this weird feeling that he was being watched.

Adrian felt that it was him that was being watched and not his other companions. He can feel the slight prickly feeling of divine energy being directed at him as if someone was probing him. The worst part is that Adrian cannot get a read on where the divine energy was being sent from. He felt the divine energy from everywhere.

"This is bad!" Adrian thought as he now felt that he is in a difficult position.

If he cannot trace the divine energy, then that only means one thing. The area that he was in is in fact a divine domain ruled by a god. He did not now which god this is, but he knew that he was stepping inside of their territory. The reason he cannot teleport away is due to the fact that the mana in the air has also mixed with the divine mana that the god released.

What terrified Adrian more is that this mana signature can easily be felt miles away. It meant that whatever god has control of this area would undoubtedly be at the very least a Greater God that is about to become a High God or is already one. Adrian did not openly show his panic as it might trigger the god observing them from passive to active.

Gods often viewed mortal lives as something to look into for entertainment. They can either see the journey of the believer so that they would not be bored for their long life or ruin the lives of mortal to satisfy their sadistic tendencies. Adrian is just happy that the god or goddess is only observing them move inside their territory.

Adrian did not inform Piggy Bank of the current problem as he might faint at the mere sentence of a god observing them. He made sure to act the same as he arrived and just walked forwards without even attempting to decipher the location of the god or goddess observing them. Adrian made sure to put that on the back of his mind as ignorance is after all bliss.

Adrian was not crazy in thinking that a god was indeed observing him because he really was being observed. The godly being that observed his is none other than what they call the Fire Giant Surtr. The actual ruler of Muspelheim immediately detected the presence of mortals in his own territory as soon as they entered.

The Fire Giant Surtr did not show himself or even attacked as he observed because he knew the divinity supporting one of the beings. The Fire Giant Surtr might have been away from the main realm for a long time, but he knew the divine energy signatures of the Twin Gods. Any godly being that has a death wish will never attack the Champion of the Twin Gods when he did nothing offensive.

"The Twin Gods actually chose a demon to be their champion! Interesting! I want to test his battle sense as I can feel that he is a good fighter. I have been bored for so many years that my sword is itching for a fight." The Fire Giant Surtr stated as he suddenly thought of an ingenious way of having his wish come true.

The Fire Giant Surtr knew that the mortals were not here for something in his territory. They were more likely to be passing by seeing that he saw the demon earlier trying to create a portal in an unstable mana field. The Fire Giant Surtr gripped his sword as it burst into flames before suddenly vanishing in an explosion of fire and smoke.

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"Wait!" Adrian immediately shouted as he felt the incredible rush of divine energy in their location.

"As expected of the Champion of the Twin Gods, you can easily sense me." A voice that is deep yet fiery in anticipation stated.

"We greet the god of this realm." Adrian stated calmly as he prepared to bow down while also pulling Piggy Bank down for him to show respect as well.

"You have been taught well and showed manners which is why I shall also treat you well." The voice stated as a figure suddenly manifested in flames in front of them.

"I am the Fire Giant Surtr. Welcome to my realm, Muspelheim!" The Fire Giant Surtr stated.

Piggy Bank almost uttered a question that is offensive, but Adrian made sure to tell Kanlaon to tie his friend's mouth up. Kanlaon gagged Piggy Bank's mouth with the tip of his tail which made the latter unable to utter the sentence that might doom him in this fiery inferno. Offending a god is not something a mortal should do as they are incredibly shallow beings that take offense seriously.

"We greet the rule of Muspelheim. We are asking the great fire giant for permission to pass through as we will need to go to another dimension after your fiery realm." Adrian stated.

"I know that you are just passing through." The Fire Giant Surtr stated as Adrian observed him closely.

Unlike the moniker of Fire Giant, the godly being in front of them looked like a well-built, red skinned old man who carries a flaming sword twice the length of his body. He might have the same height that Adrian and Piggy Bank have right now, but Adrian knew that gods could appear any size that they want. Minimizing their body is sometimes a way for gods to limit the energy that they are expending.

The Fire Giant Surtr is also clad in armor made of cooled lava, but Adrian knew that was just an aesthetic. The armor that he was wearing is definitely something in the Divine Tier as it was emanating pure divine energy. The only reason why Adrian and Piggy Bank did not turn to dust right now is the fact that the Fire Giant Surtr was limiting his strength.

"If the Ruler of Muspelheim gives us permission then we would be definitely on our way." Adrian stated but he was actually starting to get nervous. Nôv(el)B\\inn

"Do not worry, Champion Equinox. I am not here because you suddenly entered by domain. I am here to propose a challenge to you. The reward is none other than giving you permission to cross into other dimensions without the interference of my divine energy. Do you wish to accept this challenge? I will not kill you if that is something that you are worried about. I just need to test your mettle." The Fire Giant Surtr stated.

Chapter 2000 Fight Against Surtr I

"You want to fight with me?" Adrian stated as he pointed towards himself as he did not know whether it was serious, or the godlike entity was joking.

"Yes! You are the Champion of the Twin Gods! A fighter meant to represent the two most powerful gods in this universe. Show me how the chosen being of the two fights!" The Fire Giant Surtr stated with anticipation as he was bored beyond belief.

"This god is bored beyond belief, and he is not looking at me as if I am the best source of entertainment he has for years." Adrian thought and he is actually correct.

Adrian looked like he was contemplating because he knows that a battle against a god like the Fire Giant Surtr would end his life without even a chance to fight back. He can entertain the idea of fighting, but he does not like getting destroyed one-sidedly. Even the Fire Giant Surtr must be thinking of the same circumstances as Adrian which is why the former let him think.

"As much as I would like to fight the Fire Giant Surtr, I believe that I am very much outclassed when it comes to power alone. I would not be a great combat partner as I will most likely die with just one hit from your sword." Adrian stated honestly as he knew that combat with a god of the Fire Giant Surtr's level is basically suicide at this point.

"If that is what you think then I shall limit my own power to what you currently have. I will humble myself in order to see what the fighting capabilities of the Champion of the Twin Gods have when it comes to being that is at the same power level as him. That is my offer that I wish you do not refuse." The Fire Giant Surtr stated with all seriousness.

"I guess I cannot weasel myself out of this when his determination is hot like lava. This is why I do not like gods of the fire element as they are rather passionate or hot tempered. Were they the origin of why fire is considered passionate, or they became like that because they are fire gods?" Adrian thought as he can only resign to his fate.

"If the Fire Giant Surtr is willing to humble himself for someone like me then I shall accept the request for a spar." Adrian stated as he knew that they will not get out without the Fire Giant Surtr's approval.

"That is such fiery music to my ears. Make sure that you give it your best as I shall make sure to give my best given my own sealed abilities." The Fire Giant Surtr stated as Adrian already knew that this was his goal all along.

Adrian might feel the divinity so powerful emanating from the body of the Fire Giant Surtr, but he also sensed that it was already sealed to be at the same power level as him. The Fire Giant Surtr was actually anticipating that Adrian would decline on the notion of their different power levels. It is also the reason why both Adrian and Piggy Bank did not turn to ash as soon as they saw the body of the Fire Giant Surtr.

[The Fire Giant Surtr wishes to spar with you. Do you wish to accept?]

"I accept." Adrian stated as an area made of fire suddenly erupted from the ground.

The lava created a large arena that cooled down instantly as soon as the Fire Giant Surtr was satisfied. Seats were even made as beings made of either lava or fire suddenly appearing in the seats. The residents of Muspelheim started to crowd the arena in a matter of seconds as their ruler called upon them.

"Are the viewers really necessary?" Adrian asked politely.

"Of course! This is to ensure that you will not hold back and embarrass yourself in front of many people. This is to also make our fighting spirits burn!" The Fire Giant Surtr stated.

"As long as the Ruler of Muspelheim is happy then I shall accept." Adrian stated even though he did not want an audience because he already knows that he will be losing.

"We can start anytime that you are ready. I am giving you the privilege of the first move." The Fire Giant Surtr stated as Adrian's eyes suddenly changed from normal to battle mode.

Adrian vanished from his location and appeared behind the Fire Giant Surtr in just a split second. One could also see that Adrian was holding onto a sword as he summoned an armament in that short amount of time. The Fire Giant Surtr did not find Adrian's sudden ambush cowardly as he actually enjoyed it because this was a serious fight.

The Fire Giant Surtr easily lifted his sword and it clashed with Adrian's sword. As soon as the two swords clashed, Adrian backed down as a powerful burst of flame suddenly erupted upon contact. Adrian was able to safely distance himself from the burst of flame, but his hands could be seen to have been slightly burned. The burn was easily healed as it was incredibly minor, but it also made Adrian a bit wary of the Fire Giant Surtr.

"You stopped time in order to summon your sword in such a fast sequence. As expected of a demon, time and space are at your folly. I will surely enjoy this!" The Fire Giant Surtr stated as it was now him that charged towards Adrian.

The Fire Giant Surtr raised his sword and it gleamed with a red aura that can even ignite air itself. Adrian saw this and immediately used his Twin Star Form. Adrian's single blade suddenly became two blades and increased his speed. Adrian no longer needed to rely on Blink in order to evade the attack that the Fire Giant Surtr used.

Adrian merely did some footwork and aimed for the Fire Giant Surtr's head. He thought that he might actually win at this rate, but he did not expect that the Fire Giant Surtr would burst into flames. The flames that he generated would then coalesce into another location that recreated the Fire Giant Surtr's entire body.

"That is a bit unfair." Adrian stated as he thought that his attack would connect.

"I have to even the playing field a little bit seeing that my enemy is a demon that can easily traverse space." The Fire Giant Surtr stated with a laugh.

Adrian did not say anything and immediately activated Chrono Shift towards him. Adrian's increased speed astonished the Fire Giant Surtr, but the latter was resolute. The Fire Giant Surtr did not even use any skill to buff himself, but he stomped his foot on the ground. With just a stomp, a slight shockwave rearranged the very ground itself which actually made Adrian lose some footing but that cannot perfectly stop him.

"Chrono Lag." Adrian stated as his body that was supposed to fall face flat on the ground suddenly made a slow-motion action.

"Chrono Shift." Adrian added as soon as he was in the perfect position.

With a kick of his right foot, Adrian shot towards the Fire Giant Surtr like a bullet with his swords on both sides of his arms. The Fire Giant Surtr saw this and laughed heartily as if his battle spirit was ignited. The Fire Giant Surtr did not do anything else but to also charge forward to meet Adrian's charge. The two of them inevitably clashed against one another and a powerful shockwave engulfed the area.

All of the crowd watching suddenly erupted in excitement as the two beings sparring in front of them could be seen knocked back. Adrian was knocked back five meters while the Fire Giant Surtr was knocked back by about two meters. The distance from where they originated may have been different but that does not mean that both have the same result. n/ô/vel/b//in dot c//om

## Crack!

A small cracking sound could be heard, and its source was none other than the armor that the Fire Giant Surtr was wearing. Shock could be seen in the face of the audience as they did not see what happened clearly. Even the Fire Giant Surtr did not observed it properly as well, but he knew what

Adrian did. As soon as both of them clashed against each other, Adrian only used one sword to meet the Fire Giant Surtr's weapon.

With the clashing of the weapon of the two, Adrian immediately did three things. He applied Chrono Shift on himself again, applied Chrono Lag onto the Fire Giant Surtr, and stopped time in order to use his other sword to deal damage. Adrian only had a small timeframe to do this, but he managed to pull it off with his determination. Piggy Bank was looking at Adrian and he saw that his friend was smiling but the smile did not resemble the Equinox that he knows. It was a smile that looked as if he was enjoying everything that is happening now.