

Paragon 1511

Chapter 1511 - 1511: Leaving Planet Blue Jade

After leaving the Dark Space, Klaus decided to spend some more time on Planet Blue Jade, specifically to meet and talk with the Jade Queen.

Since her attempt to make Klaus her disciple failed, building a different kind of relationship benefits them both. Klaus is a rising star, so he will need places to hide out if need be.

From what he had seen on Planet Blue Jade, he knew for a fact that even against Celestials, provided he could get there, he would be safe.

So he made sure that the connection was established.

He also spent some time with Princess Evren. She is a disciple of the academy, so they are bound to meet there one day.

Klaus learned that soon, the 64 academies in the Human Universe would hold a tournament to determine the best academy and top disciples. She had no plans on backing out, but she also didn't want Klaus to not join.

According to her, she would train hard and become a demigod to enter the main event and compete for a spot on the Rising Dragon List.

Apparently, winning the tournament was just the start of everything.

By winning the tournament or being in the top 32, one gets the chance to compete in the Rising Dragon Tournament. That tournament seeks to see who among the upcoming young warriors ranks the best in all of the Human Universe.

That ranking determines the strongest warriors in the Human Universe and how much attention should be given to them, since very soon, the chance to venture into the Ancient Battlefield will be opened.

Klaus didn't know what kind of scheme the Heavens Court was cooking, but he didn't really care much about the tournaments or rankings. In his opinion, he is far superior to most of the best talents in the Human Universe.

But he knew there were some whom even he must look out for. So knowing it would be rude to dismiss her, he accepted the offer and decided to sign up when the time comes.

After spending some time with her, he contacted Lord Flux and made him aware that he had secured the treasure he wanted. He also told him to inform the second Supreme that he wanted to visit them upon arriving at the academy.

Supreme Engineer Winnie is the headmistress of the Engineering Department of the Milky Way Warrior Academy. Since he planned to go there, he might as well meet her in person and see if they could collaborate, too.

Already, Klaus had planned to venture into engineering since his ninth incarnation was a legendary engineer.

Klaus wants to use the academy's resources to create deadly weapons. He knew how valuable such weapons are, so he could not just ignore that part of him.

If he can build weapons, then making more money won't be too hard.

This would even allow him to expand his portfolio even more.

So after making sure everything was in order, they left. Klaus separated from Rory and the others because he planned to go to the academy.

Queen Jade made Lord Emerald take Rory and the others back to Planet Stella while Klaus headed over to Planet Biomat, the homeworld of the academy.

Rory would be going back to Planet Caelmir once they returned to Planet Stella, so he wasn't worried about her. As for Slate, Omen, and Echo, they would return to their training and work towards becoming demigods.

Spending time with Klaus had changed their mindsets. They knew that if they mastered the technique he had given them, becoming a demigod would be a piece of cake.

Naturally, Klaus is already aware of their potential, so he promises to take them with him when there is a new mission. The catch is to become demigods first.

So they went back to training.

Two days later, Planet Biomat came into view.

From its size alone, Klaus could deduce that it is at least 50 times the size of Earth. It had no rings around it, but he saw a translucent shield surrounding it, strong enough to stop a full-on attack from a Supreme without anyone on the planet sensing anything.

"The more I see things, the more ideas I get for Earth." Klaus smiled, fully aware that soon, Earth would come onto the radar, and it was up to him to make sure nobody dared try to mess with it.

He planned to ensure all other planets surrounding Earth were protected, too. This way, before the danger could reach Earth, the several mechanisms he planned on putting in place would handle it.

"I will not let Earth and its people ever be in danger." With a sigh, he watched the planet draw closer.

Just when he was about four million miles out, a voice sounded in his spaceship.

"Identify yourself, unknown vessel."

"It appears since this is my first time, they don't know who I am."

Klaus sighed and responded, "Hi, my name is Klaus Hanson. I am here to register."

"Klaus Hanson, I see no records of your enrollment in the academy. Kindly provide more details to confirm your identity."

Klaus smiled, knowing their request was well within reason. "I was enrolled through a referral. But you are free to let whoever is in charge know that the Renegade Hunter is here to register in the academy."

No voice came after Klaus mentioned his hunter name. A few seconds later, however, he saw a small opening appear in the shield, and the person spoke again.

"Sorry for the questions, Renegade Hunter. Kindly proceed through the channel opened. You will be taken to Flight Deck BA446FT. A representative assigned to you would be waiting for you."

"Thank you, senior, and don't apologize. In my opinion, security is very important in every aspect of life." Klaus is the kind of person who always likes to keep a cordial relationship with anyone he meets.

This way, regardless of how things turn out, there would be those he could trust to at least come through for him.

Entitled brats would have shouted at the guard for wasting their time; however, Klaus had the patience for them. That shows his character, and so while he cannot see it, he can tell the guard would be smiling by now.

Icon controlled the ship toward the channel, and before long, they appeared on the other side of the shield.

The ship soon broke out of the clouds and began descending toward the location he had been told to go. His ship locked onto the coordinates, so it was on autopilot.

While still in the air, Klaus gazed at the beautiful planet, with several buildings and a range of infrastructure that signaled wealth and power.

The Spiritual Qi in the air is even richer than that on Planet Blue Jade.

Klaus deduced that the entire planet has a formation around it that purifies the Spiritual Qi in the air, allowing the students to easily absorb it.

"The Spiritual Qi on Earth is already rich, but if I can add this formation, then even newborns will be as strong as Saints."

He smiled, thinking about all the cool things he would bring to Earth. After all, he planned on building his future family there, so he would ensure it was the safest place in the universe.

A few minutes later, he landed on a deck where a young lady was waiting for him.

"Welcome to the Milky Way Academy, Renegade Hunter..."

Chapter 1512 - 1512: Highly Enthusiastic Tour Guide, Eiko

"Welcome to the Milky Way Academy, Renegade Hunter. I am Eiko, your guide for the day," a young lady with short-cut blue hair, big blue eyes, beautiful facial features, and a petite body greeted Klaus, the look on her face showing she was very happy to meet him.

She was clad in green leather attire designed for students at the academy. On her chest, a green lotus logo was visible.

It was plain as day that she was one of the Renegade Hunter fanatics.

Just like back on Earth, when the Knights of House Klaus worked around the clock defending his name both on the internet and offline, he had already gained the same support, only that this time, instead of thousands, his fans numbered in the billions.

Klaus smiled and reached for a handshake. "I am glad I am finally here, and you can just call me Klaus."

Eiko nodded, very happy to be shaking Klaus's hand.

While she appeared to be in her early teens, Klaus knew she was much older than even him. She was also an Immortal Monarch, which showed that neither her body nor her appearance had anything to do with her strength.

"So, where do we start, Eiko? This is my first time here, so I want to know more, and since you are my tour guide, I suppose you can help me."

"Of course. I know everything about the academy. Whatever you want to know, I will gladly assist you."

Klaus smiled and nodded. "In that case, how about you tell me about the structure of the academy while we walk toward the administration building?"

Eiko nodded and started leading the way.

"The Milky Way Academy has four colleges. We have the Warrior College, the Healers College, and the Engineering College.

These three are made up of several departments. Like, take the Warrior College for example, we have the Offensive Warriors and the Defensive Warriors.

Even within the Offensive Warriors, there are departments like Swordsmen, Mages, Spearmen, and all kinds of warriors specializing in different weapons.

The reason why we have these departments is to better understand a warrior's specialty and better aid them. This way, instead of wasting time learning something else, you can focus on only what would aid you in your growth."

Klaus nodded, a bit impressed by the structure. Someone like him, if he were to join the Warrior College, would have to choose a department to enter.

Already, the universe was aware that he specialized in scythes, swords, and spirit weapons. His battles inside the Jade Nest had perfectly highlighted that to everyone.

While he was someone who could wield any weapon, he allowed himself to reveal only this much. This way, one day, when he unleashed mastery over other weapons, it would take everyone aback.

But if he joins them, he doubts there would be anyone there better at using the Scythe than his seventh incarnation, Magnus.

"Which department are you in?" Klaus asked, seeing Eiko look at him as if wanting him to ask her a question.

She smiled and answered, "I am in the Engineering College, specifically the Array Department. I am currently a Tier 7 Array Expert, now working my way to Tier 8 so I can apply and join the Formation Department."

Klaus wanted to ask Icon what a Tier 7 Array Expert can do. However, he decided to ask Eiko since she seemed happier to answer his question.

"Mind explaining the dynamics of Array and Formation Experts?"

"Sure. In the universe, there are various aspects of engineering. Array and Formation are one of them. Unlike before, where we had Array Masters and Formation Grandmasters, we are now measured in tiers.

A Tier 1 Array Expert is someone who can draw F- and E-Class arrays. Tier 2 can draw D-Class arrays. Tier 7, like me, can draw SS-Class arrays. This puts me in a department that builds arrays for SS-Class weapons.

The same goes for Formation Masters. While formations are much more complex, if I were to reach Tier 8 in Array Mastery, then I can become a Tier 4 Formation Master."

"Why is that?" Klaus feigned ignorance and asked.

"Because formations come about by merging many arrays together. Already, arrays arise from merging many array symbols, and sometimes even multiple arrays. However, formations take it a step further.

My mastery as an Array Expert means I can draw arrays, but unless I can integrate them to form complex formations, I would have no foothold as a Formation Expert."

"Then who is the strongest Array Expert in the academy at the moment?"

Eiko paused and turned to look at Klaus. "That would be the Headmistress. She is a Tier X Array and Formation Expert. She is among the few in the human universe to have such mastery."

Klaus nodded, a bit taken aback by the grade she had.

As long as he could remember, mastery ended at Tier 10, where the expert can draw SSE arrays and formations. Tier X was never a thing back when Efad (Star Monarch) dominated the world of engineers.

'Looks like a lot had changed since I was away.'

He was about to ask another question, but Eiko cut him off.

"You have to understand that even the Headmistress is not the best. She is someone who can create X-Class weapons, or as most call them, Doomsday weapons. However, that doesn't make her the ultimate engineer.

The last I heard, in the Dwarven Universe, they had already developed XS-Class and XSS-Class weapons and are now working toward the next class, called XX.

In fact, among the top-ranking engineers in this academy, the top five are all humans who studied under dwarven experts."

Klaus stopped in his tracks, his expression turning pale. "Hold on a minute, did you just say aside from X-Class weapons, there are also XS- and XSS-Class weapons?"

This time, Klaus was struck dumb. He had only expected there to be X-Class weapons, but XS-Class and XSS-Class weapons were just beyond what he expected.

It was as if he had heard the most ridiculous thing the universe had ever produced.

Eiko smiled. "The Dwarven Universe isn't known as the strongest for nothing. Their weapons are legendary and very dangerous.

The last I heard, they tested one of their XS-Class weapons at the Ancient Battlefield and managed to take out a Foreign Race powerhouse at the same rank as the Burning Angel."

"Damn."

Klaus smiled inwardly, though he was still in shock learning that such weapons exist.

'I must be very careful this time around. If there are XS- and XSS-Class weapons now, then X-Class weapons that used to be deterrents in the past will be regular weapons now.'

'It is decided, I must become an engineer and build such weapons. Even if I don't need them, my wives and loved ones would benefit from them.'

Klaus was digesting his thoughts when all of a sudden, the void cracked and three people walked out, the aura of arrogance and demigod strength oozing from their bodies.

The moment his gaze landed on them, he knew they were in trouble.

"Well, well, well, look what we have here," one of them said, his expression showing disdain.

"If it isn't the Renegade Hunter," the second spoke, and the third joined in laughter. Perhaps to make sure everyone heard them, their voices spread far and wide, drawing attention.

Soon, the word spread throughout the academy that the Renegade Hunter had arrived.

More people started gathering around, making the space crowded really quickly. Outwardly, Klaus held a frown on his face. However, sensing the aura of the three students before him, his twisted heart beamed with joy

Chapter 1513 - 1513: If Arrogance Were a Person

Before coming to the academy, Klaus knew he would find trouble, so he prepared well.

As the top academy in the Human Universe, he realized he would be walking into a pool of some of the most talented warriors in the younger generation.

While he is undisputed, he wasn't about to look down on everyone.

But who is Klaus, if not the most arrogant and annoying person the universe has ever seen?

Looking up at the three demigods, a part of him first assessed their strength and realized all three of them are much stronger than the demigods he faced in the Jade Nest.

But that changes nothing, not when he had already defeated them hundreds of times in his head.

'A little bit of show-off to announce my arrival wouldn't hurt anyone.' he smiled inwardly.

If only Klaus knew that, seated somewhere in the academy watching this confrontation, are the Heads of the Three Colleges and some of the top students, perhaps he would have done more than he had planned for these three demigods.

Whatever happened today would be witnessed by everyone, both within and outside the academy. After all, this confrontation was being streamed on both Uniweb and inside the Dark Space.

"After being trashed by the Paragon, I never expected you to show your face here, Renegade Hunter."

"Indeed, I learned you were being arrogant at first, claiming you don't need the academy, that you are a Zorvian heir. However, after you were kicked out by your family and knocked down by the Paragon, you now know where to run to."

"What an arrogant bastard. I wonder if you think you are better than everyone present here."

The three demigods made sure from the start that they would pit Klaus against the entire academy. This way, if he slips up, he would become the enemy of the entire academy.

But they made one mistake.

Klaus is someone who doesn't care about others' feelings. His ego is too large to look up to these bugs. By creating the opening for him, they had now given him the moral high ground to blow his own horn.

He turned to Eiko and smiled. "Let me handle these bugs first, then we can continue our discussion."

Eiko nodded, though Klaus could tell she was shaken by the sudden appearance of the three demigods and several other students.

Rising off his feet, Klaus flew into the air and locked gazes with the three demigods.

"What, do you want to fight?" one of them pointed his finger at Klaus, releasing a bit of his demigod aura.

Klaus smirked and answered, "I don't fight to see who is stronger; I fight to kill, so if you have a death wish, arrange a deathmatch, and I would happily send you off to the afterlife."

That said, today is my first day, so let's try not to shed each other's blood. Though I doubt my blood would be spilled, not if I spill yours first."

The first demigod's face twisted with anger. "Are you mocking me?"

"Isn't that obvious? I have just arrived, yet here you are blocking my path because what, some idiot too high and mighty to face me sent you to test the waters."

Klaus made a thumbs-up and pointed it down. "Too bad, idiots. From where I stand, I see myself as better than everyone. If you don't believe me, you can challenge me to a deathmatch."

Klaus paused and, as if remembering something, he grinned, the look of evil appearing in his eyes. "Oh, if you want to test my strength, we can do so through a deathmatch where I face the three of you at the same time."

At the mention of deathmatch twice in a row, everyone felt a chill run down their spine.

"Is this kid alright in the head? Why does he only want a deathmatch?"

"True, the Dark Space is there to challenge each other. Why opt for a deathmatch instead?"

"Is he secretly a demon prince sent here to kill the prodigies of the Human Universe?"

"That..."

Many started sharing their thoughts both in person and online.

Klaus, who could hear their words, merely smiled and continued with what he wanted to say in the first place.

"First of all, I am here to improve my Engineering Skills, so you losers can rest assured, I had no plans to compete for any ranking. However, if you want to die, you can challenge me to a deathmatch."

"Second, if you want to face me, at least have the decency to come in person or send better opponents. At this pace, you losers are making me look like a bully."

Klaus raised his hand and gestured down.

"Heavens Engine."

BUZZ

BOOM

The three demigods crashed to the ground, their knees and arms digging into it. All three layers of the heavens engine were activated, forcing them to their knees.

"I have only lived for 24 years, but at every turn, I face losers like you who think just because your daddy said you are the best, that it is true.

News flash, your Daddy lied to you. In my eyes, y'all are lacking."

A green Immortal Ring borrowed from one of his Beast companions appeared, and Klaus exploded it with a clench of his fist, sending the energy into the Heavens Engine.

The sudden addition of the essence caused the three demigods to lie flat on their bellies. Bones in their bodies started to break, sending chills down everyone's spine.

"In the vast universe out there, there are people like you, and there are people like me born to look down on you lot. So the next time you want to look down on me, ask yourself, can a loser like Supreme Elder Juo look down on the Burning Angel?"

Klaus flicked his white hair back and wore a smug expression. "Even Big Brother Burning Angel looks up to me—"

"Ouch—"

Klaus muttered, his right hand touching his cheek, where a light cut had appeared. Turning his gaze to the left, he smirked and turned away.

Somewhere in the void, the Burning Angel and Lord Victor also smirked before vanishing away.

It appeared he had decided to look out for Klaus until he reached the academy before leaving for wherever he planned to take Lord Victor.

Meanwhile, all over the academy, every student was left in shock, some shivering and trembling as they watched the three demigods lie flat on the ground.

The pressure coming from the Heavens Engine made many take a few steps back.

Klaus flew down and stopped just when he was a meter from the three demigods. The pressure from the Heavens Engine had no effect on him.

"Remember this, I didn't come to the academy to recover my image. I am here to make people like you look good. I have to admit the Paragon had knocked me off my high horse, but until we meet again, nobody can really tell who among the two of us is the strongest.

That said, none of you qualify to challenge me, so find your corner and hide there like little bitches. Disobey, and I would happily accept your deathmatch."

As if to make matters worse, Bloodwork appeared, and at once, a potent blood aura filled the space, causing many to turn pale.

Klaus turned, looked at his unruly scythe, and smirked. "No killing today, Bloodwork."

"Oh, that is unfortunate," Bloodwork muttered, dissatisfied, and vanished back into Klaus's soul sea. It was after he left that color began to return to everyone's faces.

"It would be wise to free those three before they actually end up dying," a voice came from the void, accompanied by rains of pink lotuses that made everyone sigh in relief, the fear on their faces vanishing.

The void cracked, and a pink-haired lady clad in a flowing white dress, a headpiece, and a gentle smile walked out, each step landing on a pink lotus flower.

Chapter 1514 - 1514: The 5th Jade Princess

Watching as the pink-haired lady walked down, each step manifesting a lotus, Klaus's eyes narrowed.

Suddenly, he felt a presence probing his mind, looking to send him into an illusion. Klaus knew it was the lady, and so he allowed himself to be ensnared by her.

A part of him wanted to resist, but his curiosity to see the nature of the illusion got the best of him.

His mind plunged into an illusion where he had a chain around his neck, crawling behind the pink-haired lady. Klaus didn't know whether to laugh or cry at such a sight.

In his many lives, he had never once bowed down to anyone.

Now, inside the illusion, he was on his knees, crawling after someone he could easily kill with a single slap.

Naturally, he recognized the danger level of the pink-haired lady. For her to possess the power to push him into an illusion, she was no simple opponent.

Klaus could even tell that this wasn't her full power yet. That alone showed what a terrifying person she was. However, Klaus, who had more than enough mental strength to resist her power, became amused when he saw the nature of the illusion.

Just then, the pink-haired lady stopped five steps away from Klaus.

Around them, everyone recognized the pink-haired lady, and so they knew Klaus had landed himself in big trouble.

"He hadn't even registered yet and was already meeting face to face with this monster. This Klaus guy sure is a magnet for trouble."

"Indeed. I wonder what kind of illusion he has found himself in."

"I bet he is on his knees begging to kiss her feet. I heard the last time someone challenged her, they dropped out the next day and have since vanished from the public eye."

"How pitiful. I was kind of looking forward to seeing more of the Renegade Hunter."

Just as words started spreading, the pink-haired lady smiled and said to Klaus, "Free my subordinates."

Klaus nodded and took away the Heaven's Engine. Those who witnessed this sighed, some disappointed at how things had turned out.

In the Milky Way Academy, this lady could be considered among the top 50. She is Princess Knelly, the Fifth Jade Princess, sister to the 7th Jade Princess, whom Klaus met in the Jade Nest.

She is also the only Mind Cultivator in the academy to reach the top 50 on the academy ranking chart.

Because of her status as a Jade Princess, many respected and feared her. Making her an enemy was a death wish, and so many chose to stay far away from her or avoid speaking up against her.

As a result, she could do whatever she wanted without repercussions.

Today, just when Klaus arrived, some of the guards under her payroll informed her. She was the type of person who liked to prove herself to everyone, making sure they feared and submitted to her.

So she sent the three demigods to look for trouble with Klaus.

What she never expected was that Klaus would not only destroy her minions like they were bugs, but he would also utilize the moment to announce his arrival to the entire academy.

That was just not something she expected, and so she chose to come and handle things herself.

Watching as Klaus freed the three demigods, she smiled. In her head, Klaus had fallen under her spell, and so she could do with him whatever she wanted.

"Drop to your knees and crawl toward me."

She commanded again. However, to her shock, Klaus didn't even move a finger. This made her frown. However, she pressed her power further, repeating herself.

"Drop to your knees and crawl toward me."

This time, one could sense a wisp of divine essence emanating from her body. She had touched divine qi, meaning she is already reaching the Pseudo-god unofficial stage.

Everyone expected Klaus to drop to his knees and apologize. However, what happened instead left them all staring in shock.

Klaus threw his head back and burst into uncontrollable laughter.

"Hahahahahahaha!"

To make matters worse, he snapped his fingers and manifested three more copies of himself, each in a different posture as they laughed alongside him.

One held his stomach, his laughter echoing like thunder.

Another tried to shield his mouth but was failing miserably.

The last pointed one finger at the Princess, his laughter directed straight at her.

Everyone was left stunned, some even wondering if Klaus had lost his mind. Others wonder just what kind of monster had finally arrived at the academy.

Princess Knelly's expression turned ashen, waves of angry sweat forming on her forehead as she watched Klaus and his three clones laugh at her.

After a few minutes, Klaus managed to reel in his laughter. He wiped the tears from his eyes and turned to his three clones.

"Thanks, guys."

They nodded and bowed toward him before turning into smokes of air.

After they left, Klaus's expression turned cold as he faced Princess Knelly.

"The only reason why you are still standing there without a handprint on your cheeks is that you are Princess Evren's sister. She and I are life-and-death comrades, so because of that, I will spare you.

However, let this be the first and last time you try to play mind games with me. While killing you is out of the question simply because you are a Princess, I can make you experience a different kind of pain so horrible that you would wish death would come for you, but it never will.

I am merely here to improve my engineering abilities, so if you stay out of my way, I will stay out of yours. Of course, if you want to die, be sure to challenge me to a deathmatch. I am sure killing you there would be well within my rights, and not even the Jade Queen could penalize me."

After saying that, a tattoo on his left arm glowed, and a red leviathan roared to life, exuding the power of ice, only that this ice carried a tyrannical aura.

Klaus jumped onto its back and turned to Eiko. "Let's go, Eiko. There is nothing left for me here."

The petite lady nodded and jumped onto the back of the leviathan.

Klaus looked at Princess Knelly, who was left frozen in place, all kinds of emotions bubbling within her chest.

"Send them to the infirmary. I am sure in six months' time they will be as good as new, this time with enough respect toward me." Klaus's eyes narrowed as he added, "While I cannot kill you, the same cannot be said for them."

After saying that, the colossal leviathan, which nobody knew where it had come from, flew away, heading toward a building about two million miles away, with Klaus and Eiko standing on its back.

Within a few seconds, they were gone from the scene, many finally regaining their composure.

When they did, murmurs began to spread, many wondering just what had happened. One moment, Princess Knelly had Klaus under her spell. Next, she was the center of his mockery.

As many began to digest the situation, it soon became clear to them that, from the very start, Klaus had never been under her spell.

In fact, he had been fully conscious the entire time and had only acted that way to mock her later.

This only added to the shock when people finally understood something critical.

"Renegade Hunter is no simple warrior at all. At this rate, I think he can be counted among the top 20 of the academy."

"Top 20? I think he qualifies for the top 10."

"Damn, I wonder if he would be willing to partner with me and the others when the Genesis Dungeon opens."

News of Klaus's arrival, accompanied by his domineering entrance, soon spread across the academy and the rest of the universe, with many wondering if the time had finally come for the Milky Way Academy to reclaim its number-one spot in the entire universe.

Chapter 1515 - 1515: Officially, A Student

After his domineering entrance, Klaus and Eiko made their way toward the administration building, leaving everyone who had witnessed his dominance or seen him pass by wondering just what that Leviathan was.

They saw that it had no cultivation, like how most beasts do.

Despite being gradeless, everyone who saw it could tell it was a threat to their lives.

What they didn't know was that while most elements grow based on their owner's understanding, Klaus's forbidden elements had a second growth path.

Aside from growing stronger thanks to the elemental comprehension of their owner, as Klaus grew stronger, so did they. In fact, now that Klaus had become a monster in human clothing, they could also be measured to be on his level.

This meant that, aside from Klaus himself, the chances of anyone defeating them were next to none.

What was even more alarming was that his elementals were all sentient. All of his elemental affinities were intelligent, having formed elemental spirits.

While nobody knows they belonged to him, the universe had already witnessed the power of his flame elements. He had made that element his Criminal Incarnation's elemental affinity.

Those four elements are humanoid in nature.

Because of that, he chose to keep his other elements in their beast forms for now.

Paragon had already taken the darkness element and one aspect of his lightning element, while Klaus got to keep the other.

He did this so that people would not try to connect him to the Paragon again. If they both had elementals that could transform into humanoids like his four flame elements, people would start talking.

So he kept them in their beast forms to make things simple for himself and everyone else.

Klaus wasn't the only one with sentient elemental affinities.

There are numerous others out there with such intelligent elements. Once a warrior's understanding of their element reached the Perfect Harmony Stage, some could form elemental spirits and gain sentience.

However, unless they have Klaus's unique cultivation method, those spirit flames would be much weaker than his own elements.

Klaus is the only wielder of forbidden elements since the forbidden universe is no more. And because his elements had gained sentience, he wasn't really scared to show them. Nobody would sense their forbidden nature, not even the heavens.

Now, as they flew toward the administration building, a trail of ice following in their wake, every disciple could only suck in a cold breath.

Klaus deliberately used the [Abyssal Ice] to send a very powerful message. If his ice element alone was this powerful, then what about the man himself?

"Eiko, what would be required of me at the administration?" Klaus asked, turning to Eiko, who was in a daze.

Hearing Klaus's question, she snapped back to her senses and answered, "They just need your name and signature. Since you have been referred by someone ranking high in the academy, you wouldn't have to undergo any tests."

"Oh, that is cool, I guess. However, I learned there is a way to determine if I am the Paragon or not."

Klaus had, in the past, fallen into many traps set by the Heavens Court, so he wanted to know if there was such a thing here.

In the past, his identity as the Paragon was always revealed after he fell into traps he never knew existed. Had it not been for that, he would have lived some semblance of a peaceful life.

Not that he was worried.

The current him had no Paragon power, even though he was the main body of the Paragon. He could use Paragon powers, but he could not be detected as the Paragon because his bloodline had yet to awaken.

No trap would ever catch him, even if he were here as the Criminal Incarnation. With multiple bodies, he could move his Paragon power around to evade detection.

Eiko nodded at Klaus's question. "That is indeed true. However, since you haven't died yet for being on this planet, you can rest assured that no other test would yield any results."

"Oh, so this planet is the test, huh?" Klaus was a bit taken aback.

"Indeed. If the Paragon were to come here, he would be struck down by a power even a Supreme cannot defend against."

"Damn, that is solid, I suppose." Klaus smiled, making sure his happiness didn't show on his face. Inwardly, however, he beamed with joy.

'That is one step closer to figuring out what they are hiding.'

With that in mind, they soon approached the administration building. Eiko led him inside, and in less than 10 minutes, he was done registering himself.

The process was rather simple. Klaus just registered his name, signed some documents, and provided his bank details for what the school claimed would be used to credit his account.

After that, he was provided a uniform.

Klaus learned that uniforms came in different colors, each signifying an individual's rank.

The lowest-ranking students had blue uniforms, while the highest-ranking had black uniforms with white stripes. Eiko, who had a green uniform, showed that she ranked in the hundreds of thousands.

One could say she was a low-ranker, given that after blue came brown and then green. However, if the entire academy population were taken into consideration, someone ranking 897,400 would seem to be a decent student.

Klaus was given a black uniform with red stripes, a clear indication that he was a Unique Disciple, so he wasn't required to wear the same uniform as everyone else.

After he became an official disciple, Klaus's next objective was to go to the Engineering College to register, as well as to see Supreme Engineer Winnie.

He had 14 more months before the mission he was assigned by the Mission Hall expired. Klaus planned to head there in two months' time since the longer he waited, the more people would be put in danger.

Already, his Criminal Incarnation, Rhazor, was two weeks away from the Devil's Maw, so he had to make sure he settled in well before leaving for the mission.

But aside from that, he wanted to establish himself in the academy. The two months he had set for himself sounded like the perfect amount of time to do that.

What Klaus never expected was that, right after he and Eiko came out of the administration building, three Supremes, one of whom he recognized, would be blocking their way.

He recognized Supreme Engineer Winnie since they had met during his duel with Rouni.

The second Supreme, a man with flowing blue hair and feminine features, smiled at Klaus, his eyes sparkling for some reason.

Klaus sensed some form of danger coming from him, not because he was a powerful warrior, but more because Klaus feared for his innocence, considering the kind of aura coming from the man.

'How can a man have such a lustful aura around him?' Klaus screamed inwardly, averting his gaze from the man.

Seeing this, Supreme Healer Gideon covered his lips with a fan and giggled, a sound Klaus would never forget even if he wanted to.

The last Supreme, also a woman, Klaus didn't recognize her, but he knew one thing... if 100 Supremes faced her in battle, she would cut them down in less than ten seconds.

As someone who had fought powerful foes in the past, Klaus had a good read on people. When he looked at his wife, Queenie, he saw a deadly sword, one forged in the blood of her fallen foes.

Now, as he gazed at this woman, he saw a deadly sword, one sharp enough to cut the void and sever the lines of fate.

Klaus swallowed and locked gazes with the lady.

"You are terrifying," he muttered, a smile appearing on his face. "I like terrifying people."

He added, to the shock of Supreme Engineer Winnie and Supreme Healer Gideon.

Chapter 1516 - 1516: Supreme Warrior Sayuri

Klaus wasn't the kind of person who could be easily impressed by someone else's strength. In his past lives, he had met many deadly warriors, but most were merely bugs before him.

However, he had met remarkable ones, too.

The Red Fury (Lily), the Shadowless Assassin (Nia), the Asura Queen (Queenie), the Endless Sword Domain swordmaiden (Aoi), and several others had managed to impress him.

All these people had left their names in the history books, so one could only wonder what kind of monsters they truly were. To be remembered long after you were gone meant you were extraordinary.

So if someone gained Klaus's recognition, it meant they were impressive.

The lady staring at him with a calm yet sharp gaze had impressed him.

What many didn't know was that all the people who had managed to gain Klaus's recognition in the past had either defeated him before or come close to killing him.

The main reason was that when they met, Klaus saw only an immovable wall. One good thing about being a Paragon was the ability to see who posed a threat to his life.

Klaus saw no weakness in these people, and that made him recognize them as worthy opponents and threats to his life. In his opinion, all who can contend with him must at least have fewer than 5 weaknesses.

The lady before him was a threat to his life. Klaus saw it, and he knew he had to be careful. However, things don't always go as they were meant to.

She wasn't the greatest beauty. While she ranked among the top ten beauties above the god-grade Klaus had seen so far, she paled in comparison to Supreme Queen Mirabel and even Supreme Engineer Winnie.

However, her looks were enhanced by her sword aura and curves, especially the fullness of her chest.

She had an athletic build, one perfectly accentuated by her curves and rather round butt that made Klaus wonder if she had been doing squats to maintain that shape.

Her breasts, which were perfectly highlighted by the green leather clothing she was clad in, made Klaus narrow his eyes. Those round breasts were clearly struggling for attention, yet she pretended nobody would admire them.

'Ah, what I wouldn't give to see those monsters free from their restraints.'

Klaus shuddered, his spine tingling as he sensed a fierce gaze land on him.

Supreme Healer Gideon seemed to have understood what had just happened, so he laughed. However, Klaus and the lady ignored him.

"You must be the Renegade Hunter," the lady said, her expression calm, though Klaus knew she had taken offense at the way he admired her body, especially her chest.

"You can call me Klaus Hanson."

"Join the Warrior College and train under me."

There was no pause in her tone. She had come to recruit Klaus after learning that he planned to join the Engineering College.

Someone with Klaus's talent would elevate the academy's image, which in turn would make the Warrior College look good.

However, Klaus had already made up his mind.

"I am afraid I plan on joining the Engineering College. This decision cannot be changed since I intend to explore other options aside from my career as a warrior."

"You are making a big mistake, Klaus. I know you are a great warrior, but by joining the Warrior College, you can further sharpen your experience.

I have already witnessed your battles, and while I see no flaws in them, you can still do better than that."

Klaus smiled and nodded. "That is indeed true. However, I still won't join the Warrior College."

The lady narrowed her eyes, a bit dissatisfied. "I am Supreme Warrior Sayuri, rank 202 on the Supreme Ancient Chart. Do you really think I do not have something I can teach you? Or do you think being the heir of the Zorvian Race makes you better than everyone else?"

Her tone grew sharp, a clear sign she was angry.

For some reason, Supreme Healer Gideon and Supreme Engineer Winnie moved back, even Eiko sneakily stepping away.

"Let me tell you this. While it is true that someone from that family is no ordinary person, in the past, most warriors from that family were defeated simply because their arrogance led them to see everyone as beneath them.

You may be leading now, but trust me, when it comes to the warriors on the Ancient Charts, don't even bother counting yourself among them. Having some wins under your belt doesn't make you the best.

Most importantly, killing a few demigods while only a True Immortal isn't that impressive, not when the people involved were below average."

The more she spoke, the sharper her voice grew, and the sharper her aura became, forcing everyone to back away.

Klaus stood there, his expression calm, and at some point, a smile formed on his face.

Seeing this, Supreme Warrior Sayuri became even sharper with her words. However, after she managed to say what she had to say, a frown appeared on her face.

"Why are you smiling?" she asked, her brow knitting.

"I just realized you look like a friend of mine. She was hot-tempered, and whenever she gets mad, her personality flips, turning her into a vixen."

"Are you calling me a vixen?"

Klaus felt his body lock in place, but he didn't feel threatened.

"No need to get mad at me, Supreme Warrior Sayuri. I am actually impressed by how you managed to control your anger. Kitty clearly never had that much grasp over her emotions, which ultimately led to her own death."

Klaus grinned and snapped his finger silently, causing a green light to flash across Supreme Warrior Sayuri's eyes.

For a moment, her aura changed. However, before anyone could fully sense it, it vanished.

"I won't join the Warrior College. However, I will come there to train with the disciples and even fight for you if you want. Also, until you find someone who has five law affinities, including elemental law, and can wield any weapon, know that I am indeed better than everyone."

Klaus rose into the air, and his leviathan appeared, taking both him and Eiko away. Before leaving, he turned to Supreme Engineer Winnie.

"I will be waiting for you at the Engineering College, Headmistress."

Klaus was gone, and the three Supremes were left standing there.

A few seconds later, Supreme Healer Gideon giggled and said,

"What an interesting and handsome guy. I want to play with him so badly."

His body stiffened when Supreme Warrior Sayuri suddenly shot him a sharp look.

"Chill, Sayuri. No need to direct your anger toward me." A fan appeared in his hand, and he used it to cover his lips.

"If anything, blame Winnie for snatching a gem from you."

A revolver appeared in Supreme Engineer Winnie's hand, gleaming with lightning essence. A deadly bullet formed from Ice appeared right inside the barrel.

"Gideon, even if I can't take on Sayuri, know that I can still riddle your body with holes if you dare throw me under the bus. While I am glad such a monster chose my college, I have no plans to monopolize him."

With a smile on her face, Supreme Engineer Winnie turned to Supreme Warrior Sayuri.

"Sayu, fear not. I will make sure the kid comes around often to train in your college."

Supreme Warrior Sayuri stood there for a few seconds before a smirk formed on her face.

"No need. Whether he comes or not, I don't care."

With a sharp turn, she flew away, leaving the two Supremes to sigh, Supreme Healer Gideon even wiping sweat off his forehead.

"She scares me," he muttered, a giggle somehow blending into his words.

"What a monster," Supreme Engineer Winnie also muttered.

What none of them saw, however, was that just as Supreme Warrior Sayuri turned away, a smile formed on her face.

Chapter 1517 - 1517: The Elites Coffee shop

Supreme Warrior Sayuri quickly made her way back to her residence, which was located on an island. She was the only person who lived there.

As the headmistress of the warrior college, she had the privilege of living on one of the islands that had a much denser concentration of laws.

If a god were to live in such a place, deepening their understanding of the laws would become three times easier.

At times, her elite students, who were planning to ascend to godhood, were allowed to spend a few decades there, comprehending the laws.

Today, she was the only person there.

However, when she landed on the island, she activated a formation that shielded her from all forms of surveillance. If someone were spying on her, this formation would block them.

But as if that wasn't enough, she retrieved an SSS-Class item and activated it as well, causing the entire island to plunge into the water. In no time, the entire island sank, and the water covered everything.

Still standing outside, she lifted her head and saw that a dome had formed around the island.

It was then that she exhaled.

Then, a look of shock, guilt, happiness, and all forms of emotions flashed across her eyes. She used her hand to cover her face as tears rolled down her cheeks.

She dropped to her knees, and a few seconds later, sobbing sounds could be heard.

While she cried, memories of her past life continued to flood her mind, intensifying her tears.

Eventually, the memories stopped, and one that she now remembered so vividly flashed through her mind. It was the memory of the day she died...

[The Era of the Paragon of Death - The Day the Paragon Died]

A petite lady clad in a tank top and tight leather jeans stood atop a wall, her fists clenched. Beside her stood two other ladies, one clad in green cloak armor and the other in red tight-skin leather armor.

"Kitty, are you really sure about this?" the red leather-armored lady asked. "From what you told me, your brother was captured by the Heavens Court 30,000 years ago. How sure are you that he is still alive?"

The petite lady, who went by the name Kitty, turned to Makani, the red leather-armored lady.

"He sent his signal, big sister. He and I share a signal, so I know it was him. Big Brother is still alive."

"Still, even if he is still alive, how sure are we that he is still the same person he was? For all we know, he has been brainwashed and is being used to lure us out, and Lord Paragon..." Seiki, the green-cloak armor lady, questioned, her voice devoid of emotion.

Kitty glared at her but didn't snap like one would expect her to, considering her temper.

"Even if he were being controlled, I would still save and heal him. He is my brother. After mom and dad died, he protected me and made sure I grew up in peace. I won't abandon him, not when he needs me."

"Ahh, what a headache. Lord Paragon told us not to get into trouble until he returns. However, here we are, going looking for trouble despite knowing all of this is a trap." Seiki, one of the greatest archers in the universe, straightened her posture and turned to Makani.

"So, when are we leaving?"

Makani smirked and replied, "Since we are probably going to end up dead, why don't we try Uncle Bob's cupcakes one last time? I have a feeling my head will be severed by the close of tomorrow."

"Death flags, Makani. Lord Paragon warned you against throwing death flags all over the place."

Makani chuckled and cupped Kitty's cheek. "We only have one shot at saving your big brother, so make sure your sword is as sharp as your tongue. If you end up dying before I do, I might just go mad and kill everyone."

Kitty nodded, a smile appearing on her face.

The scene changed, and Kitty found herself on one knee, her body supported by her sword. On her left, Seiki lay dead, a spear stabbed through her chest.

On her right, Makani's headless body lay on the ground, her entire body littered with all forms of gruesome cuts.

Looking forward, she saw a dark-haired man wielding a spear as he faced off against tens of thousands of gods, thousands of supremes, and over a hundred celestials.

Behind that man, thousands of gods and supremes lay dead, while a few celestials barely held on to their lives.

What was shocking, however, was the fact that this dark-haired man was merely a demigod. He hadn't even reached the realm of [God Ascension] yet.

However, such a man had already killed thousands of gods and supremes. Naturally, that man was the Paragon of Death, one of the most dangerous incarnations of the Paragon the universe had ever seen after the death of the Asura God.

Kitty clenched her fist, tears rolling down her face.

This was all her fault. If she hadn't insisted on saving her brother, who happened to be the one leading the charge against Orion, the Paragon of Death, none of this would have happened.

"I-I am sorry, Big Sister Seiki... Big Sister Makani... I am sorry..." Her tears flowed freely.

Looking up, she saw an arrow stab through Orion's chest, sending him crashing down. However, just when a celestial thought he had Orion cornered, a smirk formed on the demigod's face as he pointed the index finger of his right hand.

"Underworld Death Finger."

A black beam shot from his finger, and that was how the first Celestial fell. The others halted in their advance, some taking several steps back.

Just then, Orion turned and looked at Kitty.

"I will see you in the next life, Kitty. Until then, watch how I go out in style."

Just as he said that, he dropped his spear and formed a series of hand seals.

"RUNNNNNN-"

The Celestial, Kitty's big brother, who was leading the charge, screamed, his voice spreading everywhere. Thousands vanished into the void, others flew out of the planet, while some became locked in place.

"This ends the chapter of the Paragon of Death." Orion's smile grew wide as he lifted his right hand and snapped his fingers.

"Doomsday Art: Eternal Damnation."

Kitty, who had already crossed the gate of death, saw a pitch-black darkness emerge from Orion's finger and swallow the entire world. No sound was heard, but she knew thousands screamed, and some probably cursed.

But in the end, none of it changed their fate...

The Great Annihilation, one of the many unfortunate events that had rocked the Heavens Court, was born, and it cemented the end of an era, one where the universe got to witness a Paragon who simply wouldn't die, no matter how many times he was killed.

Supreme Warrior Sayuri remained on her knees for ten minutes before she stood up. Still with tears in her eyes, she walked inside and instantly connected to the Dark Space.

She appeared on a busy street where thousands of people, going about their daily routines, walked to and fro.

Supreme Warrior Sayuri quickly found her destination and made her way there. A few minutes later, she stood before a coffee shop with a sign that read 'Elites Coffee Shop.'

She sighed and pushed open the door.

The moment she entered, her gaze locked with the Barista, who smiled and wiped her hands.

"Well, well, well... look what the cats dragged in."

Chapter 1518 - 1518: Sisters Reunited

To the rest of the world, the Elites Coffee Shop was just one of many establishments that served coffee all day round. After all, it was always open, and whether inside the Dark Space or the real world, their coffee tasted great.

Many love their coffee, and by extension, respect and admire the twins who run it.

What many did not know was that 600,000 years ago, a pair of twins was born to a small-scale farmer. They decided to abandon the life their father intended for them and chose to become warriors instead.

One chose to wield a spear, while the other chose a bow.

At first, as beings who lived on a planet where the strongest existence was merely a Saint, many didn't really think much about them. However, it soon became clear what kind of monsters this small world had given birth to.

With the twins covering each other's backs, they fought harrowing battles, and when their planet was threatened, they defended it, using every strength they could muster to protect all life in their world.

The day the World Awakening was conquered by the two of them, memories appeared in their minds.

Within those memories, the bow wielder saw a life in which she was called Makani, a very powerful archer whose arrows could traverse several light-years and take to reap the life of her targets

In that life, she saw that she had two sisters, one named Seiki, who lacked emotions, so whatever she felt like saying, she wouldn't hold back. However, her spearmanship was the second-best Makani had ever seen.

The other sister was a sharp-tongued lady by the name of Kitty, whose sword was as sharp as her tongue. She had witnessed on multiple occasions how, with mere words, Kitty had made gods bleed from their eyes due to sheer anger.

On the other hand, her twin sister also saw her life as Seiki and how she was very happy despite lacking the feelings needed to understand what happiness felt like.

That day, when both of them opened their eyes, their cultivation bases, which were at the peak of the Nirvana Stage, rose all the way to the Immortal Lord Stage.

Many were stunned to witness this. However, they didn't know that the twins they all knew weren't the same anymore.

They had changed, and that change was due to the dark-haired man who had saved all three of them and raised them like his own sisters.

They admired, loved, and respected him to the point of being willing to do anything to make him happy. So, with their memories back and themselves alive once more, they decided to go out there and search for their third sister.

It took them many years, but they eventually found her, only to be shocked to the core.

Despite their sister ranking fifth on the Ancient Demigod Chart, the ranking for the strongest warriors on the foreign battlefield, she didn't seem to remember them.

They tried many times to help her regain her memories. However, all attempts failed. Depressed, they decided to keep their distance and strengthen themselves instead.

They finally became the Supremes 10,000 years ago, but because they couldn't become Celestials in this universe, they decided to take up a hobby while they waited for their big brother and love interest to be reborn.

They also left their third sister a message saying that when she finally regained her senses, she should come to their coffee shop.

Countless emotions flashed across Supreme Warrior Sayuri's eyes as she locked gazes with the barista, who, despite her slightly different appearance, she knew was her Big Sister Makani.

Makani, who now went by the name Xenia, smiled and walked out from behind the counter. She spread her arms, motioning for Supreme Warrior Sayuri to come for a hug.

The customers in the coffee shop looked on with smiles on their faces as Supreme Warrior Sayuri jumped into Xenia's arms.

For a moment, the air in the coffee shop was filled with love.

Many could tell this reunion had been set in motion for a very long time. So, as the two sisters hugged, they all had smiles on their faces.

There was nothing better than sisters reuniting, even if it was on a virtual plane.

Suddenly, a door on the side opened, and Xania walked out, her smile blossoming.

"Oh, looks like little Kitty has finally snapped back to her senses."

Xania may have been reborn, but emotions still eluded her.

Hearing her voice, Supreme Warrior Sayuri broke free from Xenia and jumped into the arms of the emotionless lady, who held a smile on her face even though she felt nothing from it.

She knew she was supposed to be happy, but while her body reacted, her heart remained cold. Yet the smile on her face alone was enough to tell everyone her true feelings.

A few minutes later, the three ladies topped everyone's coffee before retreating to a room inside the coffee shop.

"How have you been?" Xenia, Makani's incarnation, asked.

"Never better." Sayuri paused and took a deep breath. "I remember everything. I saw how it all ended."

Another sigh escaped her lips, and under the stunned gazes of the two ladies, Sayuri dropped to her knees.

"I am sorry, Big Sisters. It was all my fault that led to your deaths. I am sorry."

Xenia reached for Sayuri's hand while Xania smirked.

"To think I died from the very weapon I wielded. What a disgrace."

Seiki had died from her own weapon. Her spear had been used by a Celestial to kill her.

She patted Sayuri's back.

"Fear not. Your brother is still alive and different. Somehow, I think he has recovered his memories and might even be a mole planted in the Heavens Court by Lord Paragon."

Sayuri's eyes widened.

"What?"

Xenia smiled.

"Xania is telling the truth. Your brother is now super terrifying, but also an angel. Somehow, he inherited or awakened an angel bloodline."

"But that is impossible. The only way that would have been possible is if someone had helped him."
Sayuri's eyes widened.

"Now, I know you have just recovered your memories, so allow me to tell you the legend of the Paragon. After we died, he reincarnated as the Paragon of War called Magnus, a vampire.

"Then he came back again as the Paragon of Elements called Kaden, and lastly, he returned as the Paragon of Beasts, hailed as the Star Monarch.

"From what we managed to gather, although he was a Beast Tamer, his blood could evolve even normal humans. This is known only to the Paragon's inner circle.

"I think he met your brother and managed to save him. We met him once, and he recognized us, meaning he had Lord Paragon's blood running through him."

Sayuri nodded, a tear falling from her eyes. She wanted to ask more questions about her brother, whom she had wanted to save back then, which ultimately led to their deaths. However, she stopped herself...

"I met Lord Paragon," Sayuri said, and the twins nodded.

"We know. He had recently snatched a treasure from a rising star called the Renegade Hunter. As expected of Big Brother Orion." Xenia and her sister smiled.

Sayuri narrowed her eyes at the twins and spoke firmly.

"Uhm, you don't understand, sisters. The Renegade Hunter is Lord Paragon."

"WHAT?!"

Their expressions burst open in shock, and Xania, who felt no emotion, felt her heartbeat rise.

Just when they were about to ask more questions, alarms started blaring outside. As Supremes, they could send a part of their consciousness into the Dark Space while their bodies continued functioning normally outside.

"What is happening...?" Sayuri asked as her island rose back to the surface.

Chapter 1519 - 1519: The Mad Hunter (1)

[15 Minutes Ago]

As Klaus and Eiko made their way to the Engineering College, word of the Renegade Hunter joining the Engineering College instead of the Warrior College spread like wildfire.

Many were left dumbfounded, unsure why Klaus had made such a decision.

In their opinion, Klaus was supposed to join the Warrior College and fight for the College King's position. The College King was the academy's strongest disciple.

The academy, huge as it might be, only had demigod students and below. Once a student reached the God Stage, they were sent out to temper themselves in active battles.

So, the current College King, a student of the Warrior College, was expected to clash with Klaus at some point to determine who was stronger. Many knew it would be a fierce battle, considering Number One wasn't someone to underestimate.

Unfortunately, that wouldn't be happening. That position is only contested by warriors in the warrior college.

Many became disappointed, while others beamed with joy and anticipation. They had already seen Klaus's power as a warrior; now, they wanted to see him as an Engineer.

Klaus heard whispers as they moved through the air, leaving behind a freezing cold trail. After five minutes, they arrived at the Engineering College and quickly headed inside to register.

Klaus soon emerged from the administration block after registering and was scheduled to take an evaluation test the next day to determine his current tier and which class he would be placed in.

Knowing he wouldn't be doing anything for the day, he asked Eiko to show him around. She gladly accepted, and so they started their tour.

A few minutes into their tour, they found themselves in a large hall where over a thousand students were drawing all kinds of schematics on large screens.

When Klaus appeared in that space, a sense of familiarity overwhelmed him. It was as though he had returned to being that sly little monster who had created the first-ever X-Class Weapon in the universe.

He felt happy, as though he had arrived somewhere he truly belonged.

However, before he could approach any of the screens, the news playing suddenly changed to breaking news. When Klaus saw the name that appeared on the screen, his body shuddered.

"Breaking News.

Word reaching us from the camp of Heavens Court is that they have located the most wanted fugitives who fled the face of the universe 20,000 years ago and have finally been found.

"Folks, the Mad Hunter has been found, and he is with his wife, the Princess of the Death Angel Race, alongside his five notorious sworn brothers, the Five Blood Guards.

"The Heavens Court has already dispatched the 25th Heavens Army to bring them in dead or alive. Aside from them, many bounty hunters, mercenaries, warriors, and even hunters have already departed to work together to bring these criminals to justice."

"No way..." Eiko muttered, turning to look at Klaus, who held a calm expression on the outside while burning with rage on the inside.

"Don't tell me you don't know who the Mad Hunter and the Princess of Death are," Eiko asked, prompting Klaus to turn and look at her.

"I know they are the Paragon's parents."

Eiko nodded.

"That is indeed true. However, aside from that, the two of them, especially the Mad Hunter, were legendary figures 20,000 years ago, from what I have read.

"In fact, I don't know if his blades were dull, but from what I know, he was one of the most dangerous beings this universe had ever seen." She paused and reevaluated her words. "Well, aside from the Asura God and the Paragon of Death."

She smiled, almost as though she had seen her idol.

"They said that in his prime, when he had just become a True Immortal, he could kill demigods and had even killed a God before. By the time he reached the Demigod Stage, even Universe Gods cowered before him.

"Also, he is the Crown Prince of the Blood Demon Race, one of the deadliest demon races and a member of the Neutral Faction. They can be both friend and foe depending on how you approach them.

"As for the Princess of Death, or as they used to call her, the Angel of Death, she was also a menace. She rivalled the Mad Hunter, and some even say she might have been stronger than him.

"That has never been confirmed, but I have come to believe that today, we will finally see who among them is stronger."

Eiko sighed and spoke in a hushed tone.

"I just hope they don't die."

Klaus said nothing but raised a brow.

"You sound like a fan of the Paragon and his parents."

Eiko smiled and replied, "I may not look like it, but I am a junior member of the Knowledge Tower, so I have access to more knowledge than many others. While I don't support the Paragon, I don't hate him either.

"I believe that if he were given the chance, he would prove that he isn't the monster people think he is."

Klaus smiled and pulled Eiko to sit with him.

"That is left to be determined. For now, let's watch and see who walks out alive today. The parents of the Paragon... or the Heavens Court."

Seated inside the SSS-Class Obsidian Spaceship as it sped through the Dark Universe Channel, Klaus's Paragon incarnation suddenly jumped to his feet, a chill running down his spine.

"Asmodeus."

A mist appeared, and Asmodeus walked out from it, his back straight. He could sense that his master was angry, and so he didn't dare joke around.

"My Lord, you called?"

"Can you still utilise the mark you left on my uncle's?" the Paragon asked.

"Yes. However, it would take at least half an hour to fully open a portal."

"Get on it right away."

The spaceship emerged from the Dark Universe Channel and slowed down. The Paragon paced back and forth, carrying all the emotions his other bodies couldn't.

Klaus was at the academy, so showing emotions wouldn't do him any good. Rhazor was on his way to the Devil's Maw, so he too was out of helping range.

Efad hadn't recovered yet from entering the Void Realm to see what had happened to the Void Gate that had been sealed by the first Celestials.

As for Kaden, he had a role to play. In fact, Klaus was counting on him, for if his parents were to have any slim chance of survival without exposing trump cards like the Burning Angel and King Alric, Kaden had to succeed in his mission.

Thanks to Lady Elysia, Klaus's mother, who insisted on buying devices to connect them to the Uniweb, the moment the breaking news appeared, they saw it and instantly directed their ship to leave the Dark Universe Channel.

"How did they find us?" Hunter asked, his expression turning cold.

They had been careful and made sure every stop they made was clean and free of suspicion. So how had they been tracked?

"They will be here in five minutes," Uncle Ziggy said, his hand moving to his revolver.

Uncle Mark summoned his shield.

Uncle James held his boomerangs in a firm grip.

Uncle Jojo rotated both hands, his gauntlets exuding ice.

Uncle Xian placed the handle of his axe on his shoulder.

Meanwhile, Lady Elysia held her sword, a cold look plastered across her face. Ten strands of Divine Qi moved around her.

She turned and looked at Klaus's father.

"Hunter."

Klaus's father turned and looked at her, a smile forming on his face.

"It seems they think I am still the same person I was 20,000 years ago."

A black sword that exuded the power of a Demigod appeared in his hand as he released a soundless chuckle.

"Let them come. It's been a long time since I bathed in the blood of my enemies."

Five minutes later, the first ship arrived.

Chapter 1520 - 1520: The Mad Hunter (2)

[Demon Universe - Planet Blood Star - Red Castle]

Planet Blood Star was the homeworld of the Blood Demon Race. Their elites lived there, including their leader, Supreme King Alastor. He was a powerful king and a terrifying warrior.

Even Celestials showed respect before him simply because of his overwhelmingly powerful nature and invincible battle prowess.

Alastor inherited the throne 4 million years ago, and since then, he has elevated the name and power of the Blood Demon Race by leaps and bounds.

First, he pulled the Blood Demon Race out of the Demon Faction and joined the Neutral Faction, making sure neither the Heavens Court nor the Demon Court could control them.

One might think that a single race leaving an entire alliance of demons would trigger a backlash powerful enough to swallow them whole. However, the opposite happened.

Out of the 64 demon states in the Demon Universe, 12 joined the Blood Demon Race after they left the Demon Court.

This action triggered a battle. However, single-handedly, Alastor proved to the entire Demon Faction that he could wipe them out if they dared lay their filthy hands on his people.

While it would have brought his destruction and the destruction of the entire Blood Demon Race, his massacre would have given the Heavenly Faction the opportunity to finally eradicate the entire Demon Race.

So, they reached an agreement, and since then, the Blood Demon Race has remained in the Demon Universe as a separate entity with 12 vassal races.

Alastor had seven children, four males and three females.

The youngest and most talented among them was Hunter, now surrounded on all sides by enemies ready to kill him simply because he chose to protect and father the last Paragon.

His talent was the greatest the Blood Demon Race had ever seen. He was being groomed to replace his father as king when he came of age. Many even claimed he was destined to finally elevate the image of the entire Demon Race.

However, one egg and the decision to keep it had turned him into the most wanted fugitive and enemy of the Heavens Court.

At that moment, a red-haired man with handsome features, an athletic build, and an aura of royalty sat on a red jade throne forged from the rarest Blood Jade, said to have existed only during the Blood Era.

This man was Alastor, the strongest Supreme in the Demon Universe.

Below him stood a 6'5" man with red hair as well. He possessed an athletic build and perfectly sharp cheekbones that accentuated his handsomeness.

His hair flowed down his back, with two braids hanging on both sides of his face and touching his shoulders. His name was Azai, a Celestial and the fourth-born son of King Alastor.

Despite Azai being a realm higher than his father, the look of respect on his face was unmistakable as he looked at his old man.

"Azai, you do realize that what you are asking of me is impossible, right? If you were to aid your brother, the neutrality we have hidden behind would break, and our people would be plunged into unwanted chaos.

"Already, that bastard is eyeing our people, looking for a way to pull us under his wings. This is too dangerous."

"I know, Father, which is why I plan on leaving the Blood Demon Race and becoming a mercenary."

King Alastor furrowed his brow, realization dawning on him.

"You really came prepared, huh?"

Azai smiled.

"Indeed, Father. Hunter is the best of us. His destiny is much bigger than all of us combined. If we turn our backs on him in this time of need, I am afraid we will regret it. He may be the enemy of the Heavens Court, but in my eyes, he is still my baby brother. As the big brother, I must protect him at all costs."

Azai paused, and in his head, a projected image of a scene where a man clad in red armor stood atop a mountain, with thousands of swords suspended in the air behind him.

The man was Hunter as a Celestial, and every sword behind him was a Celestial weapon. Below him lay billions of bodies, their blood flowing like a river.

Aside from being a skilled spearman, Azai also possessed a Clairvoyance ability. He hid it from everyone except Hunter.

In fact, what many didn't know was that the reason Hunter went to the place where he met the Angel of Death was that Azai had guided him there.

He had seen glimpses of the future and countless possibilities. In one of those futures, he saw Hunter standing side by side with the Paragon, their expressions calm as they gazed down upon hordes of beings, some powerful enough to shatter entire planets with a mere wave of their hands.

This future made him realize one thing.

Hunter, his baby brother, was destined to become the father of the Paragon of Nine Stars, and as beings whose ancestors were of the Asura Race, they were obligated to protect the Paragon and his allies at all costs.

So, he worked behind the scenes to ensure that this future would come to pass.

King Alastor sighed and nodded.

"Fine. Make sure you never return to this place, or else I will personally hand you over to the Heavens Court."

Azai nodded and smiled.

"Rest assured, Father. Unless you hire me as a mercenary, I would never step foot in this godforsaken place."

Azai bowed and vanished into thin air.

Alastor smirked.

"Tsk. Do you think I wouldn't know it was you who pushed Hunter to go to that place?"

He shook his head and turned to his left, where a door opened, and a redheaded woman walked out, a smile playing on her face.

"Azai had always loved his brother more than even himself," the woman, Queen Renna, said as she sat on a throne not far from King Alastor.

"I just hope he and his brother don't start another bloodbath like what they did on Planet Quak years ago."

King Alastor smiled and looked at the screen where Hunter could be seen seated on one of his swords, a relaxed expression plastered on his face as thousands of demigods and several gods surrounded him.

As he watched how calmly Hunter sat there, a bad feeling filled King Alastor's heart.

"Very sad, really. Here we are under assault from foreign races, with thousands dying every day, yet the Heavens Court still has the manpower to send these people to their deaths."

He sighed and leaned against the armrest of his throne.

"After today, they will finally become aware of something very critical. In this universe, the only person qualified to be the father of a Paragon... is my son, Hunter."

Hunter sat there while Uncle Ziggy, Xian, Jojo, Mark, and James stood beside him. Lady Elysia sat on a throne formed from over a hundred swords, each possessing the power of a Demigod.

Around them, over a thousand Demigods had drawn their weapons, their gazes locked on the seven people who, 20,000 years ago, had killed over 100,000 warriors from the Heavens Court merely to protect an egg.

"You have been surrounded on all sides, Hunter. There is nowhere to run." A god clad in green armor bearing the crest of the 25th Heavens Army spoke, his hand pointed at Hunter.

"Better surrender and let this end peacefully. Resist, and you will not live past today."

Hunter smiled and slowly lifted his head before speaking.

"Ah, well, I never knew that in the 20,000 years I had been away, the Heavens Court and the Celestial Supreme had become even dumber."

Lady Elysia covered her mouth, pretending she wasn't laughing.

The five Blood Guards burst into uncontrollable laughter.