

Paragon 801

Chapter 801 - 801: Rebirth of the Yin-Yang Sisters (3)

The sky rumbled again. This time, it wasn't a roar. It was a hum, low, eerie, and endless—like a needle piercing foam.

There was no sound, but deep within, you could sense it, the tormented expectation hanging just above. It felt like the underworld was falling from the clouds.

The clouds above turned grey and flat, like a giant storm blanket stretching across the world. The surroundings became eerily moody.

From it, thin lines of light began to fall, one after another. They weren't lightning. They were threads. Thousands of silver threads.

Each thread carried a sharp, cutting force with a rather piercing tip that could pierce anything. They sliced through the air, the clouds, and even the distant mountain peaks.

They were silent, but deadly.

"The second form," Pickle Berry said, narrowing her eyes. "The Trial of the Thousand Cuts. The idea is for them to endure a thousand cuts. If they survive all thousand cuts, they will pass the second tribulation."

"However, I never met anyone who managed to survive that..."

The threads began to fall faster as the seconds went by.

Linx raised her sword, trying to block them. The first thread landed on her barrier and sliced it halfway through. She jumped back.

"This isn't like the beast!" she said. "These threads ignore defences. We can't defend at all."

Jinx already knew.

She was dancing between the threads, flipping, rolling, vanishing, reappearing. But even she couldn't dodge forever. One thread brushed her shoulder. A thin line of blood appeared instantly.

This made Linx grit her perfectly white teeth as her expression turned serious.

"A single touch is enough to cut, and the pain that comes with it cannot be ignored", Pickle Berry muttered, watching with tense eyes. "They're threads of karma. They strike the soul through the body.

So the idea of enduring a thousand cuts is just plain cruelty."

In the air, the twins floated close together, back to back.

"We can't block them. We can't dodge them all either," Linx said.

"Then we cut the source," Jinx replied, looking up. Pickle Berry smiles from the ground. "They are really in sync. I like them even more now."

Klaus chuckled, hearing her. He immediately, from the start, knew that the source must be severed if they wanted to pass the second form of the tribulation.

The sky. The threads. They are coming from a source, and that must be destroyed.

They looked up together. Their eyes locked onto the point where all threads came from.

A glowing circle with a needle-shaped eye spinning in the clouds, weaving the threads endlessly.

"That's the weaver," Pickle Berry, who noticed the gaze of the twins, said. "They destroy that, and the threads would stop."

Klaus nodded and started watching how Linx and her sister would handle it.

"I'll clear the path. You strike," Linx said.

There was no need to communicate anything aloud. The moment they formed the plan, they both thought of the same thing and what to do.

Jinx nodded.

Then, Linx raised her sword. She took a deep breath. Her body shimmered with sword intent, and her weapon was engulfed in white sword qi.

She slashed.

One wide arc of energy blasted forward, clearing a narrow path through the falling threads. The sword aura screamed as it cut thread after thread, burning with radiant force.

"Go!" she shouted.

Jinx vanished.

She leaped from invisible thread to thread, kicking off them like steps. Her daggers spun in her hands. One thread sliced her leg, but she didn't stop.

She continued to move between threads until she reached the weaver.

The eye saw her. It spun faster as if trying to shoot more threads.

However, it was too late for that.

Jinx never planned to get any closer to the eye, knowing that only death would await her if she did. So she resolved to use a skill called [Vanishing Daggers].

Jinx spun mid-air and hurled both daggers.

They flew like comets, straight into the eye.

'Crack.'

A flash of white light came from the eye when the daggers pierced it.

The threads stopped falling. The sky turned quiet.

Then, like a burst balloon, the eye shattered. The threads turned into tribulation runes and were absorbed by Linx and Jinx.

Jinx dropped from the sky as the daggers flew back into her grip.

Linx was there, catching her with one arm.

"I got it," Jinx said, grinning through her pain.

Far below, Klaus exhaled, feeling Asha's hand tighten around his.

"Two down," he said.

He turned to the side and saw Queen Lunara, eyes closed, in a deep state of meditation. Klaus didn't focus on her for long, knowing she couldn't be disturbed.

He then turned to the other side and saw the four Ant Queens currently contracted to Asha, looking worried. Thanks to Asha, they were all now on good terms with each other, and over the weeks, they had grown even closer.

So they were worried for the two who were currently going against the heavens. However, they couldn't do anything for them. The only thing they could do was be there for them.

The clouds trembled, announcing the third form of the tribulation.

The clouds turned red, bringing a rather potent heat.

A deep, burning red, like molten lava in the sky.

Heat rolled down from above, heavy and thick. The air shimmered. The wind vanished. Everything felt still... too still. It was like everything came to a complete stop.

Then, came the powerful and harrowing scream.

It wasn't a beast's roar or a person's cry. It was something in between—a shriek that clawed at the heart and made even the strong flinch.

Linx and Jinx were clearly affected by the scream. Klaus saw this and wondered just how powerful it was to make the two ladies flinch.

This made him start thinking about his own tribulation coming in less than a month's time. However, he didn't know too much about it.

He will cross that river when he gets there. For now, he is paying close attention to the tribulation.

From the center of the red clouds, a figure dropped.

It was human-shaped.

But it had no face. No eyes. No nose. No mouth. One could only wonder where the scream came from, considering it had no mouth.

Its skin was cracked like dry stone, and inside the cracks glowed molten fire.

In its hand, it held a long, burning spear.

"The third form..." Pickle Berry said slowly, her voice tight. "The Flame Judge. It's a tribulation based on guilt. The more guilt they have and feel, the stronger it becomes."

Klaus's eyes narrowed. "How convenient. Everyone has guilt." He didn't even know what to think hearing such a ridiculous tribulation.

The Flame Judge pointed its spear at Linx and Jinx.

Then it moved.

It didn't fly or leap—it simply appeared in front of Linx, stabbing forward.

She barely blocked in time. The force of the spear threw her backward, flames exploding around her.

Jinx dashed in, trying to stab its side. But the Flame Judge turned and parried her easily, swinging its spear like a whirlwind.

A wall of fire chased her, forcing her back.

The two sisters didn't let the bastard have it his way, so they started attacking even faster.

However, whenever they come close to injuring or touching it with their weapon, the Flame Judge vanishes and then comes back stronger.

This made Linx and Jinx realise this too wasn't all about brute attack. They must understand it before making a move. And they must do that fast, considering it was growing stronger by the second.

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Pickle Berry's eyes widened. "This... this one judges everything they've done until now."

Thanks to Jinx's breakneck speed, she kept the Flame judge occupied while Linx started studying their opponent to determine what was causing it to become much stronger after every clash.

Five minutes later, she figured something out.

"It's reading and feeding on our guilt," Linx said as she landed beside her sister. "Every time I doubt myself, the flames get hotter."

"I feel it too," Jinx whispered. "It's feeding my fear..."

The Flame Judge floated back, still silent. Flames burned at its feet, spreading across the sky. It was as if the twins figuring it out wasn't something it was worried about.

Linx closed her eyes.

She took a deep breath. She knew what had to be done, for she understood what would have to go into defeating this beast of a person.

There are two ways of defeating this tribulation. One being, they must endure until there is no more guilt to feed on. The moment the Flame Judge has devoured all forms of guilt, it will be able to kill it.

But it's just too long for them. Who knows how many regrets they have in their life? They may be beasts, but they aren't monsters. So they most definitely have guilt.

This was why Linx chose the second option.

"Then we face it together. Not as perfect warriors. Not as flawless sisters. But as who we are—imperfect, but united."

Jinx looked at her.

Then she smiled.

The concept of yin and yang doesn't mean they must be perfect. It just requires them to be united, in sync with each other, and perhaps not falter in the face of danger.

The moment this understanding came in, they knew what had to be done.

They clasped hands.

The fire surged again. The Flame Judge raised its spear high. A storm of fireballs formed above it, ready to fall.

But the sisters didn't flinch.

They let go. They choose to fall into their guilt and accept it as a part of them. The concept of being guilt-free can come in two ways.

Washing all forms of guilt from their lives or becoming one with it. The twins choose to become one with it, and as such, their yin-yang started to sync based on their emotions.

Linx raised her sword.

Jinx raised her daggers.

Together, they channeled their energy, not against the Flame Judge, but into themselves.

Their bodies began to glow—Linx with a calm white light, and Jinx with a flickering shadow.

The lights swirled around them—yin and yang forming the Perfect balance.

The fireballs dropped, bringing a scorching heat with them. Klaus and the ladies on the ground narrowed their eyes at such a powerful attack coming from the Flame Judge.

Linx stepped forward and slashed the air with her sword. A wave of pure yang energy shot up, freezing half the fireballs mid-air.

Jinx spun through the rest, her daggers cutting trails through space, redirecting the flames away.

The Flame Judge moved again, as fast as lightning.

But it stopped just when it was getting closer to the ladies. This wasn't because it wanted to attack from that distance. It was more like it saw something that froze it in its steps.

Between the sisters, a symbol appeared in the air.

Half black. Half white. A circle with two dots.

The Yin-Yang Seal. The seal spun, and a beam of light shot out, travelling as fast as the eye could handle. Before the flame judge could see what was happening, it pierced its forehead.

The Flame Judge trembled.

Its flames flickered.

And then, like a candle in the wind, it vanished. Just like that, the third form of the Tribulation was cleared in a rather anticlimactic way.

The sky cooled.

The red clouds faded to gray.

Silence.

Linx and Jinx sighed in their hearts, knowing they were close to failing the third tribulation, which, in any case, meant death for them, for the only way to fail was to die.

"I keep liking them more as the seconds pass," Pickle Berry said, watching Linx and Jinx stand in the air, gazing at the clouds as they waited for the fourth tribulation.

"Spill it," Klaus said, knowing Pickle Berry most definitely had something she was hiding. Her fascination with Linx and Jinx clearly had some hidden meaning.

"You will know after the tribulation. For now, watch and observe all seven forms of the Yin-Yang tribulation to the best of your abilities.

Trust me, you will need it one day." Pickle Berry, instead of spilling the beans, managed to take Klaus's mind off what he wanted to know. Of course, Klaus knew she was just being cheeky.

However, he didn't have the time to focus on her. His mind was running in overdrive, looking for the outlier where he would be forced to make his move.

Paragon could only watch for now.

The clouds churned again as the fourth tribulation appeared. The moment the fourth form of tribulation emerged, all sound inside the Insect Domain was sucked out.

The sky turned dark again.

Not storm-dark.

Not fire-dark.

But deep, shadowy, dark—like a cave where light couldn't even dare to penetrate, the eeriness was palpable.

The air was thick, breathing felt harder, and the world felt farther away. Even sound grew quiet, muffled under an invisible blanket.

Klaus and the other onlookers became puzzled, feeling their voices blocked by an invisible force. Although they weren't the ones taking on the tribulation, they seemed to be affected by it.

The sky turned darker. The blanket of pure darkness covered the three moons in the sky, blocking all light coming from them.

Then, the stars disappeared.

One by one, they blinked out until nothing was left above but a black sky with no end.

From the heart of this darkness, something crawled out.

It had no legs. No arms. Just a body that slithered and writhed like a ribbon made of living shadow.

Eyes opened across its skin—small, large, sideways, upside-down—constantly blinking, watching everything.

It didn't roar. It whispered—words filled with dread.

Linx and Jinx heard it at the same time.

"You are alone. No one will come. No one will save you."

"The fourth form," Pickle Berry said, wearing a serious expression, "The Whispering Dread."

Klaus frowned.

The name sounded eerily familiar; however, no matter how hard he tried, he couldn't recall where this feeling was coming from.

Chapter 803 - 803: Rebirth of the Yin-Yang Sisters (5)

"This form attacks the mind. For these two ladies to pass this trial, they must fight a mental battle, one that wouldn't be easy on them."

In the sky, the shadow-beast twisted around Linx and Jinx like a giant serpent made of ink. It didn't touch them, but it surrounded them. Its whispers crawled into their thoughts.

Jinx gripped her daggers tightly. Her breathing became shallow. The assault on her mind was palpable and tormenting, considering the beast had already entered her mind.

It got into both their minds.

"Why are you still trying?" the voice asked her. "You've always been the weaker one. You only stand because of her."

Jinx flinched. Her daggers shook.

"You're a shadow," the whisper said. "No talent. No gifts. Just a follower."

The eyes around them began to glow faintly purple. The sky pulsed. Linx's grip on her sword weakened.

Jinx dropped to one knee, feeling the weight of the tormenting voice entering her mind. The feeling wasn't pleasant at all.

Below, Klaus felt Asha clench her fists around his, but didn't move. She clearly didn't like the turn of events, and while she would love to help them, she couldn't afford to.

Even Klaus knew he couldn't interfere. Until it came down to it, he wouldn't lift a finger. So he could only hold Asha's hand, making her know he was still there for her.

"They must overcome it themselves," Pickle Berry said. "No one can fight this for them." She noticed Asha's expressions too, so she made sure she understood what was happening and what she could and could not do.

In the air, Linx shut her eyes. But the voices got louder.

"You failed your family."

"You'll fail her, too."

"You should never have been born."

Tears formed in her eyes. The assault on her mind was just too much. Perhaps the Voice noticed Linx was the greatest threat among the two sisters, so it focused more on her.

However, that was its first mistake. Leaving Jinx to focus on Linx gave Jinx more time to make a move. Meanwhile, Linx continues to suffer under its torture.

"Your sister never wanted you."

"She wants you gone."

"You are the talented one, and so you stole her life."

"She hates you and you know it."

The voice kept speaking into Linx's mind, making the white-clothed swordsman feel as if her heart and mind were drowned in a wave of sorrow, heartbreak, and fear.

Suddenly, a warm hand touched her shoulder.

Jinx.

She stood beside her now, eyes wet, body shaking, but her face calm.

"I'm here," she whispered. "You're not alone."

The whispers paused.

Linx opened her eyes.

Feeling her sister's touch and world, her mind was pulled back from the darkness it had stepped into.

She nodded at what her sister said.

The two sisters stood back-to-back once again. This time, they are ready to end the battle before the creature turns them mad.

They closed their eyes—not to escape, but to focus.

In their minds, the darkness still clawed at them.

But now, instead of succumbing, they choose to answer.

"I'm not perfect," Linx said inside her heart.

"But I grow every day, learning to do the best I can."

"I'm not gifted," Jinx whispered within herself.

"But I fight for those I love."

The creature ahead stepped back as the darkness around Linx and Jinx cracked.

A single spark of light formed between them and started taking form.

Then another.

And another.

Until stars that were covered by the darkness returned to the sky, one by one.

The Whispering Dread hissed, feeling the change in its surroundings, and started moving back. It thrives on darkness, so feeling its domain getting suppressed, it had to move back.

However, Linx and Jinx's determination didn't waver. The light stung it, touching its mind.

The more the girls stood tall, the brighter the stars became.

The shadow creature screamed in silence, twisting in pain.

Then, it shattered, breaking apart like dust caught in the wind. It couldn't withstand the light anymore, so it was consumed.

The moment the abomination was dealt with, the world returned to normal. All forms of darkness were washed away, replaced by light.

Air rushed in. Sound returned. The sky turned grey once again, considering the tribulation still isn't finished.

Linx and Jinx floated side by side, their faces calm, but tiredness could be seen in their eyes.

The sky began to change again, signalling the arrival of the fifth form of the tribulation.

But this time, it didn't roar or whisper. It breathed. The fourth formed heard a roar come from a mouthless being. However, this time it was merely a breath.

A soft wind blew. Then another.

Then it stopped.

Suddenly, the world turned weightless. The clouds above twisted into golden swirls. Lines of light began to form in the sky, shining patterns that glowed with symbols unknown. Each symbol pulsed like a heartbeat.

The situation unfolding was just too bizarre. The first was a scream that penetrated the mind, but the second was silence filled with only air. A rather calming sound.

The earth beneath trembled. The clouds split open.

And from that crack, a figure descended.

It looked human.

But it wasn't.

Its skin was gold, smooth like polished metal. Its eyes were empty. No pupils. No warmth. Just white light. In one hand, it held a scale. In the other, a book with blank pages that flipped on their own.

When its feet touched the air, a voice rang out—deep and ancient. The instant the voice came, Linx and Jinx felt their souls touched by something profound.

"This is The Fifth Form," Pickle Berry spoke, "It's called The Arbiter of Truth."

Pickle Berry turned and looked at Klaus. "This... this one judges everything they've done until now."

Hearing the name and description of the 5th form, Klaus turned and looked at Linx and Jinx, who were clearly affected by the eyeless presence in the air.

"So their soul is in danger now, huh. Looks like this yin-yang tribulation is much more dangerous than I anticipated." Klaus sighed and then looked at Asha's worried face.

"They will be fine," he said to her, making the worried insect queen smile.

Chapter 804 - 804: Rebirth of the Yin-Yang Sisters (6)

From the start of the tribulation, Linx and Jinx went from one trial to the next, testing every aspect of their nature.

It showed how yin and yang worked and how to overcome the limitations that could prevent them from growing stronger.

At every turn, they faced an obstacle that had to be overcome. They went from a mind test to a soul test, and while they might have said it was simple, the truth was that it was anything but easy.

First, they had to avoid being overwhelmed, or their minds would break down during the mental attack.

But when it was a soul attack, they had to prevent their souls from being overwhelmed. It was a harrowing battle of nature and aspects.

The fifth form of the tribulation was designed to test their souls, focusing on every doubt.

Every lie. Every act of hesitation. Every time Linx or Jinx hesitated, failed to protect, or acted selfishly. Even moments they had forgotten were written clearly.

This was recorded in a blank book held by the figure that appeared in the fifth tribulation. The more it was filled, the heavier the burden became—until they couldn't carry it anymore.

That would be when everything would end for them.

Thankfully, the two sisters knew how to share each other's burdens, so while one couldn't carry everything, if they became one, they could help each other.

That worked, allowing them to pass the fifth form of the tribulation.

However, the moment they passed the fifth, the sixth appeared, and while Klaus expected something simple, the heavens had different ideas.

If the fourth tested their minds and the fifth tested their souls, then the sixth tested their fate. It targeted their bond, and the weapon it used was trust.

The outcome of the sixth tribulation would depend on how strong their bonds were. In fact, the main purpose of the sixth tribulation was to shatter those bonds.

And to make it literal, the sixth tribulation arrived with a sudden shatter of the heavens.

A jagged line split the sky from one end to the other, and through that opening, a silver mist poured down. The world turned pale. Color drained from the air. The trees below shimmered as if fading from memory.

Even Linx and Jinx's clothes began to blur. The same effect spread far and wide, covering even Klaus and the onlookers who weren't part of the tribulation.

Of course, while this was just the true nature of the sixth tribulation, Queen Lunara, who was seated and comprehending the laws, felt something click within her.

This immediately caused her to enter a state of enlightenment, bringing a smile to Pickle Berry's face. However, she said nothing, considering the sixth tribulation was still manifesting its true form.

The air lost weight. Sound vanished again.

Time itself slowed or appeared to slow down.

And from the crack, a single figure emerged. This was the true form of the sixth tribulation.

A figure appeared, and she looked like Linx.

Same face. Same sword. Same eyes.

Then another figure followed.

It was Jinx.

But colder. Sharper. Her daggers dripped with shadow.

These weren't illusions. They were reflections. It was created from them but with a touch of divine energy.

Without much delay, the new arrivals attacked the two sisters, forcing Linx and Jinx into action.

The sixth tribulation was meant to test their bond. It wanted to see how united they were, how much they trusted each other, and whether they could leave their backs to one another.

It was a fierce clash that lasted ten long minutes. Linx and Jinx could only endure the brutal attacks from their reflections.

However, thanks to the bond they shared, they managed to come up with what had to be done—and that was simply a promise.

The concept of yin and yang goes hand in hand.

This meant that the moment they broke the connection they shared, they would never be connected again. So, their promise was never to break this sacred connection.

Of course, while it was merely a promise, they had to mean it—and for them, that wasn't too hard.

When Ant Queen Remy made them, they were the only two who came out different. Their existence was special because, while thousands of ants were born, they emerged unlike any other.

This showed that they were special from the very beginning, and the bond they shared since day one helped them pass the sixth tribulation.

Their promise, the bond they share, and everything about them helped them pass the 6th trial.

However, while they would have loved to celebrate, the arrival of the seventh—and final—tribulation made their faces pale. That was also when Klaus knew he had to make a move.

The seventh tribulation descended, and high in the sky, a massive scythe made of lightning appeared, slowly cutting toward the two ladies who were locked in place.

"The Destiny-Severing Scythe," Pickle Berry said, narrowing her eyes at it. "Though this is just a replica, it's still a scythe that severs destiny itself."

But that shouldn't be possible. It has never appeared in a yin-yang tribulation. In fact, it shouldn't appear in a tribulation within an unawakened world."

"That's the thing, Pickle Berry—the heavens never learn." Klaus wore a mocking smile as he stared at the sky.

He then turned to Asha, who was panicking, seeing that Linx and Jinx were frozen in place, unable even to defend themselves.

"Don't panic. I already told you, with me here, the heavens don't stand a chance." Klaus took out the cauldron and handed it to Asha.

"I'll lend you my ultimate weapon for today. You already know what needs to be done."

The heavens had made one mistake, and that was allowing the tribulation to happen inside Asha's domain, where, just by thought, she could alter anything.

Now, with the cauldron in her possession, she simply willed it, and it appeared around Linx and Jinx, completely shielding them from the scythe.

The heavens roared, but since they had already broken the rules, they no longer had the right to act. So the scythe fell—and the cauldron blocked it, making the two sisters sigh in their hearts as they felt the final burden lift from their chests.

At that moment, they rose into the sky as a yin-yang diagram appeared beneath them, forming a black and white cocoon around their bodies.

Linx was wrapped in a white cocoon, and Jinx in a black one.

The tribulation was over.

The rebirth ceremony had begun.

Chapter 805 - 805: The Yin-Yang Sisters

Two large cocoons were left suspended in the air as the tribulation clouds dispersed, signaling that the tribulation was over.

The seventh form of the tribulation was clearly intended to split the two sisters. Though the chances of killing them were high, the main goal was to divide their destiny, bringing an end to the force they were soon to become.

Unfortunately for the tribulation, the Paragon had seen this from a mile away and knew what had to be done to prevent it. Klaus made sure they succeeded, and now, high in the air, the two ladies were undergoing their breakthrough.

"They have yet to form their soul bodies, but the aura coming from them is already this strong," Pickle Berry said, staring at the cocoons.

"I guess my blood is much more powerful, huh?" Klaus said, and Pickle Berry could only nod. The idea of turning any beast or monster he resonated with into a divine beast was just too much to take in.

However, the results were already clear. Kathy and Nari were a testament to this. So, for all they could expect, the two ladies would also become divine beasts.

However, while their situation was unique, something else was at play here—and it wasn't just Klaus's blood.

Klaus, who seemed to be sensing something else coming from the cocoons, narrowed his gaze at them. It felt like the foreign presence he had sensed from Nari when she was undergoing her tribulation.

It was as if a much more powerful presence was entering the ladies—or had been awakened—and it was affecting them.

But since he couldn't tell for sure, Klaus had to wait for the process to end. A day later, cracks appeared in the cocoons. They quickly spread, and before long, the shells shattered, releasing two heaven-defying beauties.

One was a whitish-blue-haired beauty, while the other was a dark-haired beauty.

Linx and Jinx had finally completed their breakthrough, stepping into the ranks of Void Stage experts.

However, while that was commendable, something else caught Klaus's attention. Their appearance seemed almost unbelievable.

They looked completely human, which Klaus knew was thanks to his blood. This also meant they had a human form—and likely other forms as well.

Before focusing on that, his attention was drawn to the halo-like ring hovering behind the two sisters. With a glance, he knew they were divine weapons, something similar to his Lightning Source Diagram.

They each have the ring behind them. Linx's is what, and Jinx's was black.

Linx was clad in white armor that covered her body but left some alluring spots exposed.

The fact that Klaus noticed it was enough to show that it was serving its purpose.

She had a long sword sheathed on her back—both the sword and sheath were white. A half-mask covered the lower half of her face, stopping just beneath her nose.

This left her eyes exposed, allowing Klaus a clear view of her beautiful blue eyes. Her brows were also whitish-blue. She was breathtaking.

Jinx was no less stunning. While her sister carried a sword, she held a dark scythe that needed no introduction—it was clearly a soul weapon.

But that wasn't all. Her armor matched her sister's in design but was entirely black. More notably, five daggers were sheathed in various parts of her body.

She had one strapped to each leg, two at her waist, and one on her left arm. She gripped the scythe firmly, her deep black eyes gleaming under the dim moonlight.

"Ladies," Klaus said, prompting them to fly toward him. As they moved, the ring-shaped halos behind them followed in sync.

"Congratulations on your breakthrough," Klaus said once they landed on the ground.

"Thank you." They both spoke

"None of this would have been possible without your help," Linx replied, sounding more human now. They were once beasts—but now, they had become divine beasts, each with strength that could rival even a Level 2 Void Stage expert... even in their human form.

"I don't have much time to waste, so why don't we get down to it. Can you share your gains after your breakthrough?" Klaus asked.

Since they had now evolved, they needed to share their experiences and gains so Klaus could better understand his Star Monarch bloodline. This would also help him learn more about them.

He created seats out of ice, and they all sat down. Asha joined the twins, smiling with joy. Pickle Berry, however, leapt onto Klaus's lap.

Linx chose to speak.

"First of all, we awakened a bloodline called [Primordial Yin-Yang Ant]. This bloodline allows us to take on human form, which is the form we are in now.

"It also grants us control over the powers of light and darkness. Beyond that, we awakened an innate body constitution that comes with the bloodline. It's called the [Jade Yin-Yang Body].

"We still need to examine it more closely before we can determine exactly how it works. But from what we already understand, this body allows us to harness Yin and Yang energy more effectively."

She paused for a moment, then continued.

"As for your blood—it was granted to us as a second form."

The two sisters began to change. Their armor gained golden enhancements, similar to Nari's. However, unlike her, they didn't receive a new class.

Instead, their current abilities were amplified.

While in that form, all of their effects were enhanced threefold, and their duration increased to five hours instead of two.

"But while we didn't get a new class," Linx added, "we received something else... something we don't fully understand yet." She extended her hand, revealing a golden key resting in her palm.

"According to the information we received, this is called the 'Key of Reincarnation'."

'I knew it,' Klaus thought, his eyes locked on the key in Linx's hand. He had suspected something like this when he sensed that unfamiliar presence during their breakthrough.

"What does it do?" Jinx asked, pulling out a similar key of her own.

"It's very simple, actually," Klaus replied. "Just press it to your forehead. However, don't do it now. Let's finish discussing everything first."

They nodded in agreement and continued sharing everything they had earned after becoming Void Stage Divine Beasts.

Chapter 806 - 806: Getting Ready To Leave Earth

Not only are Linx and Jinx the reincarnations of two powerful beings from billions of years ago, but they also have five forms.

Their human form is the form they naturally take, which is their first form. It would allow them to blend in like how Pickle Berry, Nari, and Kathy are doing.

Then, there is their second form, which is their enhanced human form, in which everything about them is enhanced by three times for five hours every day.

Just like with Nari, in this form, all wounds would be healed, regardless of how badly injured she was in her human form.

Their third form is their demi-beast form, which they call their Extreme Yin-Yang form. According to them, this form allows them to become one with their respective energies.

Linx becomes one with the yang energy, and Jinx becomes much colder thanks to her yin energy.

Then, there is the fourth form, their divine beast form. In this form, they are 3-meter-tall, elegant ants with bodies harder than metal. They even have metallic wings that allow for both combat and flight.

Their weapon of choice will be a Sword for Linx and a Scythe for Jinx.

Naturally, this was meant to become their trump card... individually, simply because their capabilities transcend the normal limit in their true beast form, the Primordial Jade form.

However, their true trump card is their fifth form, the True Yin-Yang form. In this form, Linx and Jinx will merge and become one, combining their powers.

Also, in this form, their powers will rise three times. Of course, while it is the same as their enhanced form, it is actually much more impressive than that.

In their True Yin-Yang form, their strength wouldn't only rival that of a 4th-level Void stage in their current state, but they would also gain two lives. Meaning, if they die once, they wouldn't die.

They would have to die twice before they could be killed. But while they have yet to awaken it, the moment the True Yin-Yang seal awakens, their dying will become the least of their troubles.

Basically, aside from awakening spirit weapons, which in Jinx's case, she awakened six, they also awakened three skills each, five different forms, and an innate body constitution.

"Looks like I can leave Earth knowing it will be in good hands," Klaus smiled, happy to have two new and incredibly powerful beings join his ranks.

"Now, you two just have to help your queens become Void stage divine beasts too," Klaus said, turning to the four Ant queens.

"Since you are contracted to the same person, you can help them during their tribulation. Though your presence will make things a little harder, it's better to have a Void stage expert helping than a Great Sage." The sisters nodded.

"In that case," Klaus turned to his elf form and extracted five drops of blood, freezing them in ice. He then handed them to Asha.

"You should take one as well. Now that Linx and Jinx are Void stage experts, they will help you absorb it faster," Asha nodded, receiving the blood.

"How long will you be gone?" she then asked.

"Two months tops."

Asha nodded, "Then by the time you return, I will have four more Void stage experts on my side. I wonder if you can rival that."

Asha laughed, watching the ladies around him. They would soon become powerhouses in their own right, which, of course, filled her with great joy.

"Let's not get ahead of ourselves. But good luck with your companions. I will be sure to see what you have to show me when I return." Klaus walked toward Queen Lunara, who had woken up a couple of hours ago.

"How did it go?" he asked.

"Couldn't make much progress, but if I were to fight the Level 4 Ant King again, I could kill it four times faster." A rare smile appeared on her face.

"You managed to comprehend some aspect of the law of death," Klaus smiled, saying that.

"Just an insignificant part, but that alone has boosted my strength to the point where I can kill a Tier 4 Void stage much faster."

"Well, congratulations," Klaus said before turning to Pickle Berry, who arrived behind him after thoroughly examining Linx and Jinx's bodies.

"Now is the best time to absorb Big Brother's blood. And don't worry—I will teach you a method that will allow you to keep absorbing even in your sleep." Pickle Berry smiled.

"I wouldn't want you to miss the view on your journey to Mars." At this point, everyone in Klaus's life recognized Pickle Berry as someone older than her age, so Queen Lunara wasn't too shocked when she heard what Pickle Berry said.

"What now?" Queen Lunara asked.

"Nothing much. I will just spend the next couple of days with my mom. The moment the ship is done, we will leave." Klaus said to Queen Lunara, who nodded.

"Then I will stay here for the next couple of days and train with the twins."

Klaus shook his head. "Good luck then."

He turned to Pickle Berry. However, he didn't need her to speak to know she wouldn't be going back with him.

The brat wanted to spend time with the ants and perhaps help them learn a few techniques she had picked up from the stolen secrets.

"In that case, I will be leaving." Klaus left the domain and returned to the real world with his mom. He started spending time with her, considering he planned on leaving for two months straight.

While he planned to ensure she didn't miss him and worry too much, Klaus would rather use the time to make sure she understood he was no weakling by taking her to a Tier 7 forbidden zone to watch him effortlessly slay monsters.

After making sure she understood he was indeed capable, she finally calmed down. Afterwards, she made sure his handsomeness transcended the mortal limit by changing his hairstyle dozens of times.

Klaus wasn't displeased with her obsession with hairstyling, considering she had been doing his hair since he was young.

He basically was her styling doll for the better part of his life, so this wasn't discomfoting at all to him.

A few days later, Inaki called Klaus and informed him they were done. Klaus had to go into the Insect domain and fetch Queen Lunara while sending his mom there.

Queen Lunara also consumed his blood, which Klaus calculated would take effect in a month's time. That was enough time for him to have his tribulation and help her with hers.

After saying goodbye to everyone, they left and went to the military base where the spaceship was waiting for them.

Chapter 807 - 807: Off To Mars

"We managed to incorporate all the runes into the cooling system, bringing it to the zero-degree level we wanted. Thank you for opening our eyes to such a profound solution," Inaki said, smiling at Klaus.

He and his sister were genuinely grateful for Klaus's help, which, of course, led them to the decision they were about to make.

Anaki and Inaki knelt in front of both Queen Lunara and Klaus, surprising them.

"What are you two weirdos doing?" Queen Lunara asked, staring at the twins. This was a rather usual behavior coming from them.

Hearing her question, they just smiled and focused on Klaus.

"Please, Klaus, we want to become your disciples/students and learn Rune Magic from you," Anaki said, and her brother nodded.

Klaus, who was on the receiving end of their request, smiled because he had already calculated this situation.

One downside to his Hivemin was that he could make all kinds of predictions based on every small, probable observation.

When he was drawing the runes a few days ago, he saw the reverence in their eyes, and he knew they would make a request like this. Not that he was mad or anything at their sudden request.

"You two do know I am not a rune master, right?" Klaus asked.

"We do. However, we still want to become your disciples or students. Either one is fine, as long as you will teach us rune magic," Inaki responded.

"Very well. But while I would be lying if I said I can teach you everything, the most I can do is help fix your problems, like I did with the cooling system."

"However, that is just for now. Perhaps in the future, I will gain the means to teach instead of just helping with complex problems."

Even Klaus was puzzled by how he was able to help them, so while he knew how to draw runes, he didn't have the passive understanding to enable him to teach them.

"We are okay with that," both Anaki and Inaki said, making Klaus nod.

"Very well, I will take you as my students," Klaus said. The two smiled and bowed three times, despite Klaus telling them not to.

"Now that we've got that out of the way, can we get going?" Queen Lunara asked, causing the twins to shrug and open a hangar, where the sleek, bullet-shaped spaceship came into view.

They had used dark blue paint, so watching it sit ominously in the hangar made Klaus smile, knowing his Mars mission was a go.

"The distance from Earth to Mars is estimated to be 140 million miles. Thankfully, the ship can travel up to 1.5 million miles per hour, which means your journey will take four days at most.

However, the Void drive allows the ship to jump 12 million miles forward every two hours.

So, factoring that in, and other variables, you will reach Mars in under a day or a day and a half, depending on how fast you're traveling."

"Can we select how fast we want to go?" Klaus asked.

"Yes. The ship is operated by an AI called Kiki. She uses deep learning to understand the changes in space and know when to go hyperspeed or ultra-hyperspeed.

But of course, you can tell her to go at any speed you want. Also, when in space, you can ask Kiki to give you a view, during which the ship will turn transparent for you to see the outside space."

"That is great, then," Klaus said before turning to Queen Lunara.

"Are you ready to leave?"

She nodded. Klaus turned to the twins, and they gave him a nod before commanding the ship.

"Kiki, time to leave Earth," he said. The ship responded with a low hum as the engines powered up, and a nanotech-operated door opened.

Klaus let Queen Lunara enter first before following.

"Then see you when we return," the twins waved before the door closed. Inside the ship, there were two chairs made of the most comfortable leather.

However, that was just on the pilot side.

The rest of the ship had an open space with a comfortable resting chair that could fit three people, along with a view that, when the ship turned transparent, allowed them to sit and watch outside.

The inner design looked simple yet elegant.

"Hello, I am Kiki, and I will be your pilot and assistant for this journey. Kindly sit and strap in. Once we enter hyperspeed, you can unstrap and explore the rest of the ship.

Also, if you need anything, you can ask me anytime."

A hologram of a lady appeared on the dashboard, where the controls were supposed to be. Klaus and Queen Lunara nodded to her words and strapped in.

The moment they did, the lights inside dimmed as the ship began to rise. Since the hangar did not have a roof, it ascended above it and soon was in the air.

All over the military base, everyone was watching the elegant ship rise into the air and slowly disappear into the sky until it was lost from sight.

It took just a few minutes to break through outer space and escape Earth, speeding into the distance within a second. This rapid speed kept increasing as the seconds ticked by.

Inside the ship, Klaus and Queen Lunara were still strapped in, watching as the speed rose from the thousands and slowly entered the millions.

"We are entering hyperspeed in 3, 2, 1..."

Before Klaus and Queen Lunara could feel anything, the speed exploded, reaching 1.3 million miles per hour.

They didn't feel anything aside from a gentle pull that went and came in under a second.

"You can now unstrap and relax. I will inform you of any changes." Klaus and Queen Lunara unstrapped and walked to the seat that looked rather comfortable for resting.

They sat down, and a few minutes later, the ship entered ultra-hyperspeed. The speed exploded to 1.5 million miles per hour.

Meanwhile, back on Earth, Anaki and Inaki were now seated, breathing a sigh of relief as they tracked the various numbers showing on their screen.

They were all green, indicating the ship was indeed perfect and ready to be mass-produced. They looked pleased with what they had achieved.

"Off to the next one, I guess," Anaki said, pressing a button on her watch. The ground shook and opened, sending them slowly flying down.

After falling for close to 12 km, they appeared in a large lab, where three humanoid robots were hanging in the air.

One had arms made of a blade. The material used seems rather durable, considering just looking at it shows it can cut through anything.

The second held a bow that, at a glance, showed it would fire energy-based arrows like human archers.

The last is much taller and holds a colossal axe in its hand. Looking at the three robots was enough to say that even at their current state, they could rival the Overlords and Grand Elders.

And now, the twins gain a rather sick enlightenment from reading Klaus's runes, meaning they are just getting started.

"This must be done in 4 months. Since we have the runes, creating a fusion core shouldn't be too taxing. We must have something to show Master Klaus when he returns."

The heavens clearly didn't expect to see something like this, especially when an evolved machine beast was soon coming to Earth with their master.

Chapter 808 - 808: The Hypothetical What If

"Kiki, kindly lower the shades so we can see the outside," Klaus said to the advanced AI piloting the ship after he sat down in the comfortable chair away from the pilot area.

Queen Lunara sat beside him as Klaus poured them a drink.

The twins made sure the ship was equipped with everything that would make the journey enjoyable. At his request, the shades came down, turning the ship transparent.

Though it had turned transparent, anyone outside could not see those inside. It was like a one-way view that only those inside the ship could enjoy.

Space became clear for them to see, and since they were moving at hyperspeed, the stars in the distance created a rather mesmerizing view, making the two who were experiencing their first space travel smile.

"This is nice," Klaus said, watching the outside world.

"It's indeed nice," Queen Lunara nodded in agreement. "I never knew I would be traveling through space in this life or the next," she added.

"Technically, you've lived in space your entire life," Klaus said, observing the excited look in Queen Lunara's eyes. She was clearly very pleased with the experience she was embarking on.

She turned to look at him and then asked, "Why go to Mars for a tribulation? Is Earth not having enough space for you to have your tribulation?"

She had been meaning to ask.

Earth is pretty huge for a tribulation, so why go to Mars when he could just do it there? It just didn't make any sense if one had to ask.

Klaus smiled, knowing where her question was coming from.

"I am going to Mars for two reasons," Klaus said, raising one finger. "First, I didn't want to destroy Earth during my tribulation accidentally."

Queen Lunara looked at him with a puzzled expression. She looked deep into his eyes, checking if he was just messing with her. However, she realized Klaus was dead serious.

This caused her to ask a follow-up question.

"Why would your tribulation accidentally destroy Earth?"

Klaus smiled, shaking his head.

"If I tell you, I'm afraid we'll have to fly the rest of the journey to Mars in silence." He knew telling her he was a paragon and had reincarnated many times was a recipe for disaster, especially when Earth hadn't awakened yet.

According to the seniors, Earth is a forbidden world, so the moment it awakens, the heavens would lose their influence over it. This means he could then tell those close to him his true identity, or in this case, his true identities.

But for now, he couldn't. Telling her will invoke the heavens' wrath and even go as far as blessing her with a lot of bad Karma.

However, he underestimated Queen Lunara's curiosity.

"If you're going to Mars for two reasons but can't tell me the first, then what's the second?"

"I'm going there to bring back one of my subordinates." This time, too, the queen stared into his eyes, knowing that was the only way she could determine if the brat was lying.

"You are being serious?" she asked with a serious expression. She could tell Klaus wasn't joking, which sounded strange considering this was their first time going to Mars.

If that was the case, then what in the world would he be going to Mars to fetch his subordinate for?

Klaus knew she wouldn't stop considering he had piqued her curiosity. Of course, this was exactly what he was aiming for. Since their journey would take close to a day, they could at least clear the air around them.

He felt something from her, and as such, he wanted to use this chance to get a better understanding of it. He didn't want to keep guessing for long.

"Let's say, hypothetically, I once foresaw a great calamity, and in order to prevent it, I left five insurance policies. Let's say one of these insurance policies was a being as powerful as they come, and for many years had been waiting for me.

Would you believe me?"

The only way was to speak in a tone that didn't suggest anything yet conveyed a whole lot. Klaus knew that was the only way to speak to her.

Thankfully, Queen Lunara was a quick learner, so she picked up on his statements. This caused her to narrow her gaze at him. However, it wasn't that she didn't believe him; it was more like a realization struck her, and this caused her to look at Klaus differently.

"This explains a lot. I wonder what else there is to know about you," she said, shaking her head.

"Actually, you may not believe it, but I think we were once lovers in our past life," Klaus laughed.

"As if anyone would want to be your woman," Queen Lunara just shrugged.

"How else then would you explain the sudden connection that formed between you, Lulu, and Amelia? I think you also suspected what I said.

I know this because I have this connection with you that I just don't seem to understand. Of course, I can only speculate now, but I believe we share a bond."

Queen Lunara became quiet, hearing all Klaus had to say. Not that she wasn't taken aback, considering she also felt the same connection with him.

But she never pegged them as lovers from their past life. Even Klaus was just speculating based on his experiences from the lives he had lived so far.

However, he couldn't help but feel that way. Naturally, he knew that if his suspicions were validated, he would find out soon enough.

"Just don't think too much about it. Everything will make sense one of these days," Queen Lunara nodded, knowing the question had to be asked.

'What if he was right? Was I really his lover from our past lives?' she wondered.

'But what then are past lives? Does it mean I had a different life I will one day remember?'

Her mind spiraled as she started asking herself questions. She could only try to regain her resolve before moving on to the next topic.

Two hours later, the Void Drive activated, and they jumped 12 million miles ahead. Soon, they had traveled several million miles but still had millions more to traverse.

Chapter 809 - 809: Welcome To The Red Planet

"We will be entering Mars' atmosphere in an hour," Kiki, the AI piloting the ship, said to Klaus and Queen Lunara.

They are still seated in the resting area since they don't have any business flying the ship.

Klaus had been resting his head on Queen Lunara's lap for the past few hours, talking about random things and, at times, shameless topics.

Not that the queen minded.

Well, she minded at first, considering resting his head on her lap wasn't something she expected him to casually do. But she started to adapt.

Klaus was bolder than she thought, and given how she was feeling about him, she needed the closeness to see if the brat was serious about everything he said.

In the end, her hand was brushing his hair as they flew through space. One could say that was progress on both fronts.

"Kiki, do you have a read on the nature of Mars?" Klaus asked, knowing that the best option was to learn more about Mars before entering its atmosphere.

"I can't sense that far since the distance I can operate is limited. However, the moment we enter its atmosphere, I can gather information," Kiki responded, and Klaus nodded.

He turned his head on Queen Lunara's lap and faced her.

"I know you would want to come to my aid many times during my tribulation; however, even if I am dying, don't. I can't easily be killed, and while I would want your help, you doing so would mean your death.

So stay away from me during my tribulation."

The queen let out a deep sigh, knowing what Klaus said wasn't something she could easily do. However, watching the seriousness in his eyes, she could only nod.

"Then what should I do in the first place, considering we are going to an empty planet?" she asked.

"We don't know if it's empty or not. We humans thought of the moon in the same way until we discovered otherwise. So we should expect the same, considering we are basically clueless about that place."

Klaus didn't want to jinx it, but he knew better than to think there wouldn't be anything on the planet they were going to. In fact, he knew better because he trusted himself.

The reason being, Nyxthar, the Death Knight that came to him through Asha, mentioned there were five of them.

He said he was on Earth, while the others were spread across the other planets, possibly acting as guards for the planet their master was on.

So if that was the case, then shouldn't that mean he knew of life on those planets before sending them there? First, Nyxthar mentioned his strength was at the Ascendant stage when he woke up.

This meant the others would be in the same situation.

But if that was the case, shouldn't that mean they would need energy, and the best way to gain it would be to kill more? If there are no living beings to kill, how would they grow?

"But then again, there might not be a single life aside from my subordinate, so anything is possible. However, it would be fun to meet new people there," Klaus said, trusting himself both ways.

He assumed there would be life mainly because of how abnormal his incarnations were. They didn't seem to like peace, so he knew that the version of himself from the past wouldn't travel to the future to leave his subordinates in a safe space.

'Maybe I was different back then. Maybe the me that brought them is much more peaceful.' Klaus could only speculate.

"Don't worry, if there are living beings there, I will do my best to protect you," Queen Lunara said, noticing the complicated look that appeared in Klaus's eyes.

"I am not worried about myself. After all, I will be inside a tribulation, so unless they want to die, the last thing they will do is enter my tribulation.

This means instead of protecting my life, you will be protecting yours."

"I can protect myself from them. Just focus and complete your tribulation," Klaus said with a smile, feeling the confidence oozing from her body.

But of course, she had to feel that way. She practically captured some aspect of the law of death; as such, her strength was now on a new level.

Protecting herself, at least, that much she can do.

"If you can't handle them, retreat back to the ship and move away. Don't worry about me, I will be fine."

Queen Lunara nodded and continued to brush Klaus's hair as they sped toward the red planet. As they drew closer, Klaus decided to become battle-ready. He lifted his head and prepared himself.

Queen Lunara did the same. However, while they were at it, back on Earth, Anaki and Inaki were paying attention to the data coming from the ship.

"They are entering the Mars atmosphere," Anaki said, staring at the graphical map on the screen. The smile on her face said it all; she was proud of their creation.

"Mars is the first stop. When they get back, we can improve the proposal system, and with Master Klaus's help, we can go even faster.

This way, the other planets can be explored." Inaki was also enthusiastic about the prospect of improving the ship so they could explore other planets.

Meanwhile, the Bullet Ship entered the Mars atmosphere 25 hours after it left Earth.

Klaus and Lady Lunara sat in the pilot's seat as they gazed at the red planet, which came into view even from thousands of miles away. It looked like it did in the satellite images, but it was much more beautiful.

The color was not entirely red. It was more like a blend of red and orange, with touches of yellowish spots. Although it was significantly smaller than Earth, it didn't pale in beauty compared to Earth.

"We are here," Queen Lunara said, staring at the red planet excitedly and impressed.

"Indeed, we are," Klaus said as the ship flew slowly toward the planet. They wouldn't be landing the ship, considering anything could happen.

So, it will orbit the planet from a distance and take some images while they settle down. Slowly, they began approaching the planet.

However, in the world of Mars, a figure clad in metallic armor sat inside a raging lava flow. His head was covered by a helmet, with two angular-shaped horns extending from the sides.

Behind him was a bow, ablaze with flames, acting as a ring of energy. He sat calmly in the fire, cultivating as though this were a routine he had been following for years.

The aura emanating from him was that of a Void Stage being sitting at the 5th level. In fact, if one were to compare him to the Peak Void stage Spider Demon Klaus killed, this being was much more impressive.

His aura was scorching hot and overwhelmingly potent.

Suddenly, the dark shades in the helmet lit up in flames as he lifted his head upward.

"Finally, Master has arrived." The space around him exploded as he shot into the sky, speeding toward outer space.

Chapter 810 - 810: Veylor, The Infernal Bowmaster

The ship was moving slowly toward the red planet when suddenly, a powerful presence washed over the ship and its inhabitants.

Klaus and Queen Lunara immediately exited the ship and commanded it to fly away. It was better to keep the ship safe; otherwise, it would be a long flight back home.

Of course, he could just send the queen into the multi-dimensional cube and use the Harem connection to get back to Earth in an instant.

However, it would be best to return the ship in perfect shape, considering it was the only prototype on Earth that could travel through space.

The moment the ship entered hyperspeed and left, a powerful presence began rising from the surface of Mars.

This prompted Klaus and Queen Lunara to get into battle-ready mode as they waited for the presence to arrive. They were cultivators, so the concept of gravity was basically non-existent for them.

This allowed them to move freely in space without any discomfort.

"The person is strong." Just from the aura he felt, Klaus deduced the strength level of the person approaching, and he knew he wasn't a match. However, he wasn't alone.

The moment stretched for only a second, but from the surface of Mars, a powerful figure bathed in flames appeared, causing a shockwave to ripple through space.

Queen Lunara raised a shield around him and Klaus, blocking part of the shockwave.

The person who appeared was clad in metallic armor from head to toe. However, despite his attire, he showed no sign of discomfort.

This demonstrated that he could move perfectly. His helmet had angular, curved horns and was covered with a dark hood line embroidered in gold.

Though his face was concealed beneath the helmet, his eye sockets glowed with flames, revealing how intense his connection to the flame truly was.

Klaus narrowed his gaze, and from the look of his chestplate, he knew without a doubt that the figure had some connection to phoenixes, considering there was a phoenix drawing on it.

A long metallic bow was hovering behind him, creating a ring of fire as he stared fiercely at Klaus and Queen Lunara.

"State your business," the figure said, showing no signs of hostility but also no sign of allowing them to pass.

"I was hoping I could pop down there and have a quick tribulation if you don't mind," Klaus replied, looking at the Bowman calmly despite his rather shameless and playful words.

"What if I said no? What then are you going to do?" the Bowman asked, causing Klaus to smile.

"Very simple, actually. I will let my sweetheart here engage you in a quick battle while I use 30 minutes to break through the bottleneck I am at.

Then I will take over and call down the tribulation. Naturally, your joining me will be good for me and bad for you. So either way, I will have my tribulation.

Now, the question we should be asking is how we can cooperate without stepping on each other's toes."

Queen Lunara didn't know if she should take over the negotiation, considering Klaus wasn't doing a good job. Of course, to her, this being was one of many beings down on the planet.

She came to this conclusion because when she tried scanning the surface of Mar, something blocked her, and it wasn't the being in front of them.

So, Klaus joking with such a person wasn't really something she was happy about. However, she allowed him to handle it.

The worst that could happen was for them to clash with this being and others to come—if there were even others down there..

"I can allow you to pass, but to get that chance, you must first defend against one attack from me," the Bowman said.

Klaus narrowed his gaze at the Bowman, sensing something dangerous about him. However, no matter how hard he tried, he couldn't figure it out.

This caused him to hesitate in answering. Of course, he had to turn to the senior, considering he was the expert here.

[The danger is coming from his flame core], the senior said, causing Klaus to arch his brow.

'Flame core, huh?' Klaus said inwardly, a smile tugging at his lips.

'That means I am screwed.'

[You are fucked, brat. He had already moved through the five stages of elemental cultivation and had formed a core.

This means he is at a stage you can't compare to now, and judging by the ring of figures behind him, he had already started comprehending the Fire Law.]

The senior didn't polish his words. He laid it raw for Klaus to know the fucke up state he had found himself in.

Flame core is when a cultivator with fire affinity transcends the limit of elemental cultivation.

Anyone who has awakened their elemental affinity is automatically at the common stage.

Then there is the Refine stage or rank, which follows after one's understanding starts to rise.

It's also at this stage that most awaken their elements.

Then there is the Realm stage, where the element undergoes an upgrade and creates a realm where one can begin comprehending the elemental laws.

However, after these three stages, there are two important ones any cultivator would kill for. The 4th stage is known as the Transformation stage.

At this stage, after one understands what the law is, the first thing they can do is transform their flames.

Klaus is at that stage with his flame element and lightning element. Many at this stage transform their elements to create weapons, armor, and many other things.

Klaus created dragons and wings.

Then comes the ultimate stage, which is called immunity.

This stage is where one forms the core. Those with the fire element call it the Flame core, and those with lightning call it the Lightning core.

The moment the core is formed, one starts walking the path toward what is called Elemental Harmony. It's the ultimate stage in Elemental cultivation.

This Immunity stage has seven levels/ranks.

The being who just challenged Klaus is at the first stage, called Initiate. This means he has already transformed his fire element, formed a core, and transcended, entering the immunity stage.

Asking Klaus to take on one of his attacks, knowing full well he will unleash the attack using his flame core, is just asking for too much.

"Why not?" In the end, Klaus could just accept and hope for the best.

Deep within, he knew he wouldn't be able to defeat the Bowmaster standing across from him if they were to fight, so he must heed his words and accept the challenge.

"Very well. Then allow Veylor, the Infernal Bowmaster, to show you one of his skills." The bow hovering behind him moved and entered his grip.

Instantly, a powerful Infernal energy washed through the space.