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Chapter 960 Time

Something about Alice changed. It was hard to put into words, but whatever magical feeling spread through her was great.

Their lips parted, and they smiled at each other.

"I think that feels right," Alice mumbled while Michael pulled her into a tight embrace.

"It does."

The couple had a lot to talk about and even more to catch up. Alice might not remember their past relationship, but that factor wasn't enough to destroy their future relationship. The memories might not be there anymore, but the chemistry between the couple was as extraordinary as it used to be before the Supreme Human Alliance separated them.

At first, Alice fought against the attraction, but she gave in to it at last. The following week was nice and comforting for the couple. Michael and Alice got to know each other again by spending every minute of the day together. Everyone looked at them, some amused, others excited, but the pair didn't pay any attention to them. They focused on each other and ignored everything else.

The week was packed with cute dates, nights filled with endless talking, cooking sessions to learn everything about their tastes and dislikes all over again, and watching TV series together—something Michael never thought he would do with all the pressure on him—and much more.

It was interesting how much they packed into a single week and did so many new things. Michael and Alice never cooked together or even considered watching a TV series. In their opinion, it was a waste of time, yet they were curious about what normal couples looked like.

The duo realized that TV series weren't all that bad, but they would much rather focus on getting stronger or talking to one another. Their talking sessions were longer than anything else. They had so much to talk about—Michael did most of the talking while Alice asked questions, both about their relationship in the past and about other stories related to the Tritan Alliance or Michael. Some questions were difficult, especially with Alice lying in his arms, but Michael remained honest. He didn't want to start lying or leaving out some information at the start of their relationship. Their new relationship should be built on trust and honesty.

Despite revealing some rather tricky information, things Michael was unsure how to tell Alice without driving her crazy – or maybe he just thought that Alice would be overly jealous, contrary to her usual behavior – but it worked out fine. He told Alice about Maria, the instances during the Battle Exchanges, the Interdimensional Flag War, and much more. He didn't hide anything, and Alice appreciated his honesty, although she wasn't entirely immune to jealousy. Some things were too much for her, and she ushered Michael to slow down and give her enough time to digest the information.

Overall, Michael was happy with the situation. Joining Alice back to the Tritan Alliance helped them reunite properly. Maybe their love was not as strong as it used to be, but it was only a matter of time before their love would burn as fiercely, if not fiercer than before. Michael felt different

around this time. Maybe their love didn't feel as strong as before, but Michael felt better. He would be with Alice for the coming years and could spend almost every day with her. They could be together inside and outside the Origin Expanse. Nothing could separate them anymore. Nothing could take away their happiness!

Their days in the Tritan Alliance had to end at some point, but neither Alice nor Michael were sad. Michael had already installed the Portal Relic using most of the Racial Achievement Points accumulated by the Tritan Alliance, which Alice and others could use to travel around easily. If not for that, Alice would have hesitated more before returning to the Nest with Michael. But traveling back to the Nest with Michael was necessary because she would soon advance to Tier-6.

Once she reached Tier 6 with two 7-Star Soultraits, two 6-Star Soultraits, and two 4-Star Soultraits, it was only a matter of time before the Torn Firmament would react to her. Furthermore, Alice would advance faster than most members of the Tritan Alliance. She would ascend to a Divine Lifeform before the Torn Firmament would be repaired. She would be locked into the Origin Expanse if her Runic Gate was anchored in the Tritan Alliance as a Divine Lifeform.

Finally, she wanted to stay by Michael's side. After Alice gave in to her love, she was unwilling to part ways with Michael. She didn't want to leave him anymore.

They returned to the Nest with a Return Token, set up their Runic Gate Anchors, and escaped into the Origin Expanse after ensuring the Nest fared well against the Supreme Human Alliance. Michael's help was not yet needed in the large-scale war.

Thus, he could focus on growing stronger and...creating a family.

Time passed slowly, yet also oddly fast in the Origin Expanse. Michael and Alice were together and ruled the Untamed Jungle together. They watched Hiraku as he clashed with his ex-fiancée and witnessed the reunion of Frederik and Jacqueline. The latter had been together before, but seeing them together in the Origin Expanse was different.

Slowly but steadily, a calm and steady rhythm integrated into their lives. No more imminent threats approached them, but they prepared for the inevitable nonetheless. Everyone prepared for the large-scale battles awaiting them in the future. Still, time passed, and everyone grew closer...and stronger.

Jacqueline got pregnant by Frederik and gave birth to a baby boy a year after their reunion in the Origin Expanse. They chose to raise their child in the Untamed Jungle where it received enough origin energy to manifest a War Rune before it reached maturity. They would have to use a Teleportation Token to bring their baby outside the Origin Expanse until the little boy could manifest a Runic Gate independently, but that was fine. They didn't plan to leave the Origin Expanse anytime soon. If anything, they were too busy to leave. Raising a child while growing stronger wasn't easy. n/ô/vel/b//in dot c//om

That was when the kindergarten and its baby version jumped into action. More children were born in the following years...including a little baby girl with golden eyes and silky black hair.

Maybe Alice didn't recover her memories, but she didn't regret anything. They fell in love all over again, this time stronger than ever.

Their love was much firmer than it used to be, and a little girl was born.

Michael and Alice were overwhelmed with their little girl. It was said to be more difficult for Higher Lifeforms and Divine Lifeforms to get pregnant, but it worked much faster than they could have anticipated. They didn't try for a child, knowing that the Supreme Human Alliance was still alive, but...it happened.

Their little girl formed a War Rune less than one year after her birth. A trace of the Nature Heart's Divinity, a minuscule portion of its power, had been transferred into the child's heart, protecting her from harm and strengthening her heart, soul, and mind.

Lucia would be a powerful Awakened in the future, just like her parents.

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