

Vampire 591

Chapter 591 Two Mothers Roast Their Children

Lucy's sudden jump surprised Lith slightly but with a smile on his face, he hugged her back.

"You were so cool out there." Lith said softly while caressing her hair.

Lucy had herself attached to Lith like a panda would to bamboo. She didn't know what went inside her head, but she felt this was the best course of action to take when she saw Lith.

Lucy was too stressed the whole time. In the carriage she somehow managed to put herself into character and for a good while, stayed in character. She didn't break even for a single moment despite being made to stand in front of the whole world.

This went on to strengthen her mental fortitude but after she left the throne and was in private with Lith, her character broke and she became her previous stressed self, who was overworked and just needed a break.

Thankfully, as she saw Lith, her mind felt at ease and here she was, in his warm embrace, getting herself the much needed break she deserved.

Hearing Lith's comment, Lucy didn't reply and just hummed in response. She was too tired to say anything and just wanted to be with Lith.

Without having Lucy speak anything, Lith understood that she wanted to be in some peace and quiet.

He walked with her inside the private chambers and sat on the sofa while having her in his embrace.

The two didn't speak and Lith let Lucy relax in his embrace.

While Lith was with Lucy, the ball began in the City Hall.

People from all around the world took the floor and danced together in the massive ballroom with their partners.

In the first round of dances, there were mostly youngsters from all around the world who were heirs of different powerhouses.

They were all from Half Emperor Rank and above houses as authorities weren't allowed to bring more than two people who weren't of this rank.

There were many notable figures who were dancing and many standing at the sidelines and simply watching.

One of the young couples that stood out the most was the pair of heirs from the Dracula Clan and the Crimson Clan — Dennis and Cecilia.

Out of the five Dukes, only four had heirs as Rivera Adelstein, the fifth Duchess, was still single and focused on her work to expand the vampire territories rather than forming romantic relationships.

Dennis and Cecilia, heirs of two big powerhouses mingling together was something people didn't expect. They also were surprised to see that the relationship between the two houses was very good.

While there were so many eyes on the two, Dennis being in the limelight, was starting to feel nervous.

"H-hey Ceci—"

"Stop talking, Dennis. There are people watching. Just dance quietly." Cecilia, the red-haired teen from the Crimson Clan, smiled and said to Dennis.

There were indeed people watching and anything she wanted to say to Dennis, she had to do so with a smile.

"But I can't dance!" Dennis was worried and it was visible from his tone. "Why did you pull me in here?"

"Shh. Quiet. I'll manage." Cecilia said and had Dennis follow her movements.

Dennis really didn't know how to dance and he was messing things up quite often. But Cecilia managed to improvise properly and danced elegantly with him.

Ralph, standing at the sidelines and watching, was smiling as he watched Dennis mess up every single step.

He had a glass of wine in his hand and wore an exquisite white suit that made him appear really formal and noble. His appearance was what all nobles strived to have as he looked perfect with his looks and outfit.

Standing beside Ralph was his mother, Avelyn Asmodeus who was in a pink and white strapless gown that properly matched her hair and eye color. She appeared formal as well and standing quietly at the sidelines, she seemed reserved and cold.

Avelyn was strictly instructed by Ralph to not indulge in conversation with others and walk around in the banquet. That was because she was one of the only seven sins in the world and should show some reservations.

If she didn't, people wouldn't take her seriously and it would in turn act in lowering their reputation.

But Avelyn didn't need to do anything to walk around as people had already flocked towards the other sins. There was no one remaining with whom Avelyn could talk with.

However, just moments later, a black-haired couple walked towards Avelyn and Ralph.

"Hi there." Duchess Fiora, Dennis's mother, waved her hand as she walked close to Avelyn with her husband Duke Reynolds Dracula.

Avelyn, looking at the Duchess coming close to her, smiled and waved back.

"Hello~" She said sweetly.

Looking at the Duke and Duchess arrive, Ralph too greeted them, saying,

"Greetings, Duchess—"

"Aunty would be fine, Ralph." Duchess Fiora said with a smile and patted Ralph's shoulder.

She knew Ralph was her son's best friend and had met him a few times already. She was also aware of his reserved and formal attitude but when in private, there was no need for such formalities.

Ralph stared at Duchess Fiora for a good few seconds, wondering if she was joking or seemed serious about it.

Fiora's expression didn't change and she still had the same smile as before.

'She seems serious about it.' Ralph assessed.

Duke Reynolds Dracula, Dennis's father, a man with a tall and muscular build, walked close to Ralph and extended his hand out to greet him.

Ralph extended his hand as well and said in a formal tone, "Greetings, Duke—"

"Uncle Reynolds." Reynolds said with a straight face and shook Ralph's hand. Just like Fiora, he too knew his son and Ralph were best friends and thus didn't make Ralph be formal with him.

Although he hadn't met Ralph before, it felt better to be called uncle than get addressed formally like all other nobles.

Ralph didn't know what went inside the heads of the two Dukes and could only wonder, 'What's wrong with the vampire nobles?'

Why weren't they formal and reserved like they should be, he also wondered.

Fiora shook hands with Avelyn and greeted her and so did Reynolds.

Fiora then looked at Avelyn and said, "Why isn't Ralph dancing with the youngsters? He should enjoy such moments while he's young, you know?"

Avelyn smiled and replied, "Apparently he doesn't like dancing."

Fiora covered her mouth and giggled. "My Dennis is the same. Look at him, he absolutely hates it but was dragged in there by Crimson's girl."

Avelyn chuckled hearing that. "It's a pity that there's no one to drag my Ralph in there."

Fiora made a surprised expression. "Oh? There's no one? He doesn't have any love interest?"

Avelyn chuckled. "Nope, there isn't any."

"Hoh? That's interesting. The child of the Sin of Lust has no love interest, my, my..." Fiora felt this tea to be really amazing and she began gossiping with Avelyn.

Meanwhile, Reynolds just stood at the side of his wife and drank wine, not engaging in the conversation of the two ladies.

Just like him, Ralph stood beside his mother, being forced to listen to her conversation. He wanted to ask her to stop talking like this but knew it would be rude to interrupt her and thus didn't voice out any complaints.

Avelyn smiled and said, "Trust me when I say this..."

Avelyn leaned closer to Fiora and continued with a whisper, "...he hasn't even had sex and is still a virgin."

"Haww..." Fiora gasped in surprise and covered her mouth.

She then put her hand on Avelyn's shoulder and asked with a concerned face, "Are you okay?"

Fiora knew how big of a deal it was for being the son of the Sin of Lust and still not having sex even once.

Kids of Ralph's age were already having kids of their own and roaming around impregnating multiple people.

She thus felt concerned and asked Avelyn if she was okay because she knew Ralph was abnormal.

Avelyn made a sad face as she was being consoled by Fiora. "I am trying to be."

A vein popped on Ralph's forehead as he heard this conversation. He was irritated by it and if he could, he would've already interrupted them and taken his mother away.

But alas, he could only curse his fate and continue to listen to them.

"There... there..." Fiora lightly hugged Avelyn and tried to comfort her.

She then whispered in Avelyn's ears, "if it makes you feel better... even my Dennis is a virgin. He can't get any girls sadly."

"What?" Avelyn held Fiora's shoulder and pulling her back, asked in surprise.

Fiora nodded her head. "It is true."

She then turned to look at Dennis dance with Cecilia and narrowing her eyes on her commented, "But I don't think it'll be for long. Crimson's girl is too bold with her actions."

Avelyn turned to look at Cecilia and understood the underlying meaning behind Fiora's words.

She could only smile and comment, "Well... they are all kids. We should let things flow naturally and not interfere."

Fiora nodded. "That's true. Even though I know the relationship between Dennis and Cecilia, I've never talked about it with him because I know he'll freak out and feel uncomfortable."

Avelyn chuckled. "I hope it all goes well for him."

Fiora smiled. "I hope all goes well for Ralph too. Speaking of that..."

Fiora turned to look at Ralph and said, "Why don't you dance with someone there? It's not everyday that such grand events are held, you know?"

Ralph shook his head. "I am fine."

Fiora shook her head. "Honey, trust me, you shouldn't be slacking. You've got the looks that ladies will die for. Go pick yourself a date and dance. This is an important event."

"I am fi—"

"Hey look! There's Veranz's daughter. Go ask her for the dance, she'll say yes. Go, go." Fiora lightly pushed Ralph towards the girl.

Avelyn on the side chuckled and waving at Ralph, said, "Good luck, baby. I hope your date goes well. But don't forget the promise you made to me, okay?"

Ralph felt annoyed but before he could voice out any complaints, he stood right in front of a green-haired young lady in a black gothic dress and soft hat.

The young lady, noticing Ralph approach her, turned to look at him.

Now having the attention of a noble lady, Ralph knew there was no way out other than talking and socializing with her. He cursed internally for not running before.

But now that he was in this situation, he knew he had to do something or his reputation and his family's reputation would be ruined.

And so...

Chapter 592 Aurora Veranz

Ralph took on a dignified posture and stood straight like a spear. He wiped away the annoyance and a more natural and neutral look appeared on his face.

The young lady in gothic dress was looking at Ralph this whole time and his change in expression also didn't go unnoticed by her.

She was about to strike a conversation with Ralph but he knew that having her make the move first would become a bit problematic.

Thus, he swiftly put his palm on his chest and extending his one hand out, asked in a soft voice,

"Miss, would you like to accompany me in a dance?"

The young lady was taken aback and was put in situation to make a quick choice of accepting or rejecting Ralph.

Her mind processed things and she quickly came to a decision:

"Sure."

She smiled and slowly put her hand forwards.

Ralph took it and went with her to the dance floor, becoming a source of envy to all the youngsters in the hall who were eyeing the young lady of the Veranz Clan but were too afraid to ask her out.

As the two reached the dance floor, Ralph danced slowly with her to the tunes of the music with a neutral expression on his face.

The young lady matched his rhythm and while doing so, wondered when he would start talking.

But a few minutes passed and Ralph still didn't strike any conversation.

The young lady, not being able to hold her curiosity back, asked, "So... do you have any relations with Duchess Fiora?"

She had seen Ralph being pushed by her and this was one of the reasons why she agreed with dancing with him. Thus, she asked what was on her mind.

Ralph looked at her and said calmly, "No, I don't."

The young lady raised an eyebrow in surprise. "Then why did she push you towards me?"

"You should ask her." Ralph showed the young lady where Duchess Fiora was and said.

The young lady laughed lightly hearing that. "You're funny." She said.

Ralph stared at her and wondered what was funny in this.

The young lady then smiled and said, "So... are you not going to introduce yourself to me and just dance?"

She knew that Ralph did have some sort of bond with Duchess Fiora to have himself be pushed by her like that. What it was, Ralph wasn't saying and the girl was smart enough to know she shouldn't push things further.

But of course, she had her pride as well and wanted to know who this person was that she was dancing with. She was the young lady of a Duke Clan, she had already taken the risk of dancing with someone without knowing anything about them.

Ralph, while slowly dancing with her, felt so done with everything. This girl was so talkative. But he knew he had to socialize as that's what nobles did most of the time.

Ralph spun the girl around and bringing her close to him, said while looking in her dark green eyes,

"Ralph Asmodeus. Please refrain from questioning me any further than this."

The young lady smiled and introduced herself, "Aurora Veranz."

Ralph nodded lightly and increased the pace of his dance moves, not giving any care to what was going on in Aurora's mind.

Aurora, while dancing with Ralph, felt a bit awkward as he wasn't speaking anything at all and just dancing. He also didn't seem to have any intention of even dancing but was still doing so very elegantly and in a formal manner.

Aurora had realized who Ralph was from his last name. She had heard that the Sin of Lust Asmodeus had a son as the heir to their family and it wasn't difficult to connect the dots and come to a conclusion that in front of her was the very same heir.

But, as Aurora continued to dance, she sensed a problem.

Smiling and being spun around, Aurora now faced Ralph. She studied Ralph's face now that it was in view and...

'...why is he not making any moves?' This was the problem she came across.

Wasn't Ralph a lust demon? Didn't he ask her for a dance so he could make moves on her? Then why was he not doing anything right now? Aurora had many questions.

Meanwhile Ralph on the other hand, dancing with Aurora, could clearly read what was on her mind by analysing her face.

He was used to this and felt nothing about it. He didn't clarify any of her doubts despite knowing what questions she may be having because he wasn't obliged to and he preferred being reserved and maintaining his distance.

While these two were lost in their own world and dancing, Dennis, dancing with Cecilia, had neared Ralph and Aurora.

"Huh? Isn't that Ralph?" Dennis questioned as he noticed him.

"Focus here." Cecilia pressed Dennis's palm with a bit of force and said.

Dennis's attention shifted and looking at Cecilia he said, "Let me have a look."

Cecilia smiled and said, "No. If you mess up even slightly here, you'll look like a fool to everyone. Better stay focused or your clan's reputation would go down the drain."

Dennis knitted his brows hearing that. "When you knew that I can't dance, why did you pull me here?"

With the same smile, Cecilia replied, "who knows?"

"Tsk. I really hate you." Dennis said. He then turned to have a look at Ralph once again and shifting his attention back to Cecilia, he continued, "Anyway, have a look at that couple and tell me you're seeing what I am seeing."

Cecilia was going to ask Dennis to focus again but since he requested the same thing twice, she felt she should have a look at the very least.

Cecilia looked at the couple and putting her attention back on Dennis, asked, "What do you expect me to see?"

"A tall pink-haired sugar-freak with a stupid looking face. Oh right, just check if his fangs look like a rat's or not. If it does, it's definitely Ralph!" Dennis gave as detailed a description of Ralph as he could to Cecilia, despite being 99% sure that the guy slightly away from him was Ralph.

Cecilia knitted her brows saying that. "Dennis, rats don't have fangs."

"What? They don't?" Dennis made a surprised face.

His attention immediately shifted to Ralph's face and narrowing his eyes and carefully gazing at him, he said, "But he does look like a rat."

"Dennis, stop fooling around and dance properly." Cecilia was starting to get annoyed.

Dennis wrinkled his nose watching Cecilia be annoyed. "Fine, fine. But it just doesn't sit well with me."

"What doesn't?"

"Uhh... how did that rat-faced sugar-freak get a girl... and not just anyone... but Aurora." Dennis put out his thoughts and said with seriousness on his face.

"..." Cecilia stared at Dennis as she heard that.

'Is this guy for real?' She thought to herself.

"By any chance, Dennis. Have you ever looked yourself into a mirror?" Cecilia made a sarcastic remark.

Dennis didn't get the sarcasm and said, "of course. Are you stupid? Why would I not look at myself in the mirror? Everyone does, it's a common thing."

A vein popped on Cecilia's forehead as she heard that. She gripped Dennis's hand as hard as she could in response.

"Ow. Ow. Hey!"

While the two bickered, away from them at the sidelines...

"My, My... look at them having a wonderful time. Our children look so happy." Fiora said to Avelyn.

Avelyn chuckled. "Indeed. They look very happy."

Staring at Ralph and watching him dance, she could very well tell that he was absolutely hating the situation he was in.

"By the way, who is the girl with him? Tell me more about her." Avelyn asked.

Fiora and Avelyn, these two mothers, their personalities immediately clicked together as they met each other and unknowingly, watching their children, they turned into a pair of gossipy mothers.

Anyone who would have a look at the two wouldn't think that they had just met. These two definitely seemed like a pair of old friends.

Having common interests was truly one of the most old school methods of making friends and when you're a high rank immortal, it was very difficult to find someone who shared similar interests.

Fiora and Avelyn both found themselves a friend here in this banquet today, all thanks to their kids being friends.

Gossiping and giggling, the duo continued to watch their kids be embarrassed on the dance floor and suffer while dancing.

To the Demon and the Vampire, watching the cute reactions of their children was great entertainment.

Chapter 593 Pregnancies Are Exhausting

While Ralph and Aurora danced together, Fiora explained to Avelyn about Aurora.

Aurora Veranz was the youngest child of Duke Zeno and Duchess Kiara Veranz and was apparently very intelligent and cunning from what Fiora knew.

Despite being the youngest, Aurora was far more smarter than all of her siblings combined and she was not even a hundred years old yet and was already a Half Saint.

She wasn't an adult yet by vampire standards but many still tried to woo her and were beaten to a pulp by her older siblings who really doted on her.

Avelyn felt this was good gossip and asked Fiora to explain more.

Fiora, having found herself a new friend, chuckled and getting close to Avelyn's ears, said, "Do you know, Zeno is the only guy among us who has so many kids."

"Oh? How many?" Avelyn asked with interest.

"Guess?"

"Five?"

"13!"

"Damn." Avelyn was surprised.

"All from Kiara alone." Fiora dropped another bombshell.

"DAMN." Avelyn's surprise turned into shock as she heard that.

She looked at Fiora and asked, "Are you serious?"

Fiora smiled evilly and said, "I am."

Avelyn felt exhausted hearing such a big number. She was the Sin of Lust and knew more about pregnancies, sex, and everything more than anyone else in this world.

Having even a single child was something very exhausting let alone thirteen.

It is really tiring during pregnancies for a woman because lots of her movements are restricted and she would also need to take great care of herself so that the baby isn't affected.

After that would be the birth process where even with the help of magic, it'll pain to a very high degree during and after birth for a while.

Then comes the stage where the body would recover from the birth process and the pregnancy and depending on the cultivation of a person, it could range anywhere from a year to a thousand years.

Knowing how Fiora was an Emperor Rank, it'll very well take her more than a thousand years to recover.

Avelyn was genuinely shocked to find someone going through this process thirteen times!

Avelyn couldn't help but ask Fiora, "Do they not know contraceptives exist?"

Fiora giggled. "They obviously do. But as you know, to get to such a high rank, one must have some screws loose in their head. Zeno and Kiara had apparently promised each other to have lots of babies once they reached Emperor Rank and when they did, Kiara went ahead and fulfilled the promise."

"Phew. Such commitment." Avelyn said.

Fiora nodded. "Indeed. But they've now stopped after their thirteenth child and don't plan to have more."

"Good for them. Anyway, one thing I don't understand, how come the top ranking vampires are a couple?" Avelyn asked what was on her mind.

Except for Clan Adelstein, the rest of the four clans had two Emperor Ranks each and these two were a couple.

Clan Dracula had Duke Reynolds and Duchess Fiora.

Clan Crimson — Duke Axis Crimson & Duchess Sarah Crimson.

Clan Vernaz — Duke Zeno Veranz & Duchess Kiara Veranz.

And lastly, Clan Violet with Duke Denver Violet and Duchess Vanessa Violet.

It was interesting Avelyn to know that all Emperor Ranks were a couple but despite searching, she didn't find any information as to why that was the case.

Now that she had a hold of Fiora, she tried to fulfil her curiosity.

Hearing that, Fiora chuckled. "Well, it's related to our history and the reason times back to the time when we didn't have the Queen ruling us, but the King."

"Oh? You have my attention." Avelyn said.

This wasn't a classified information but was something that only the old gen vampires knew about. The older ones were very few and Fiora wasn't surprised that Avelyn couldn't find the answer yet.

Fiora explained, "When Her Majesty took the throne, many Vampire Nobles at that time rebelled and angered her. She naturally wiped them out and once there were no more people questioning her authority, she went into seclusion."

"The vampire society went into a period of unrest and chaos as not only the King was gone, even the ruling nobles weren't there. This was when the remaining nobles banded together and worked hard to bring peace and stability into the society."

"It was for the first time that all nobles had worked collectively onto something and during this period, many clans merged together. The stronger ones absorbed the weaker ones and only a few clans remained."

"Some stronger clans made a marriage alliance to get even more powerful and that is the main reason why you see that all Duke Clans have two Emperor Ranks. At first it was solely due to political reasons, but after a while, we were all happy with our marriages and just went with it."

Hearing that brought a smile on Avelyn's face. "Aww, such a sweet story."

Fiora smiled as well. "Yes. Me, Rey, Kiara, all of the current Emperors are from one generation and have known each other since we were kids. That's also the reason why it is only in the Vampire Society that there's no friction among the higher ups."

Avelyn smiled. "It seems that if there's a war between the demons and vampires, we'll be at the losing side, yes? Fufu."

Fiora chuckled. "You and me both know there won't be any war."

"That's true." Avelyn chuckled. Everyone in the world was aware that for some reason, Vampires and Demons had a close relationship together.

It wasn't just the Vampires, apparently the Demons had a close relationship with even the Dragons and Elves. The world still couldn't figure out why such was the case, but the demons were on good terms with these races.

Being on good terms didn't mean they stopped doing demonic things. The demons were true to their selves and wouldn't stop this, but the elves, dragons, and vampires were somehow tolerant of it.

It was a strange balance that was established between the demons and these three races.

Fiora and Avelyn continued to gossip and the ball went on in full swing with the youngsters dancing.

On the Supreme meeting side, discussions were going on what could and couldn't be done with trades and everything.

Lilith, being in this meeting for a while and being a good host to them all, felt it was enough hosting and parted ways with them after asking them to enjoy the rest of the banquet and their stay in Evernight.

Agalea, Mayzin, and Lucifer also went away from the meeting as they wanted to talk with Lilith in private.

The four ladies walked together through the hallway to the private chambers and as they reached, they all saw Alea sitting there and watching the ball happen on a tablet screen.

Alea sensed people arrive and she turned to look at them.

"Alea~" Mayzin walked towards Alea and said with a happy smile.

"Aunty!~" Alea got up and hugged Mayzin as she saw her.

"Alea~" Mayzin swayed side to side after hugging Alea. "I missed you."

"Alea missed you too, aunt." Alea answered with a happy smile on her face.

The three ladies smiled watching the interaction and Lilith chimed in and said, "Are you not going to greet your other aunts, Alea?"

"Aunt Lilith!" Alea looked at Lilith and exclaimed.

Alea broke the hug with Mayzin and went towards Lilith.

She hugged her as well and said happily, "Alea missed you too, aunt."

Lilith chuckled. "Aunt did too. How's my sweet Alea doing?"

"I am happy~" Alea said cheerfully. "How has aunt been?" She asked back.

"Aunt met Alea, aunt is happy too now, fufufu." Lilith said with a smile.

The ladies chuckled hearing that and Alea was all smiles hearing that too.

Her gaze then fell on Lucifer as she broke the hug with Lilith and she said, "Aunty Lucifer!~"

"Alea~" Alea's bright and contagious smile lifted Lucifer's mood and made her get cheerful as well.

As Alea was about to make her way towards Lucifer, Agalea stopped her from doing so as she held her hand.

"Mama?" Alea looked at Agalea and said.

Agalea hugged Alea and staring daggers at Lucifer, said softly, "My dear, aunt Lucifer is bad. Don't go near her."

"What? Why?" Alea was surprised. She turned her head up and looked her mother with an innocent and curious look, demanding an explanation.

"Hey! Stop being a hindrance between an aunt and her cute niece." Lucifer said and walked towards Agalea to get Alea.

Agalea glared at Lucifer and turning Alea to the side, said, "Don't you dare touch my Alea. Stay away!"

"Shoo! Let me be reunited with my cutie Alea!" Lucifer tried to take Alea from Agalea.

"Go away!" Agalea turned Alea to the side again.

"No!"

The two bickered to have the custody of Alea while Mayzin and Lilith watched with a smile.

As for Alea, she was being sandwiched between her aunt and mother and didn't know what to do.

After a while, Alea couldn't help but struggle in Agalea's embrace and said,

"Mama, aunt, stop! Stop! Stop!"

Chapter 594 Lith Meets His Aunts And Cousin

Alea interrupted her mother and aunt from bickering.

Watching her yell so cutely like that, Lilith and Mayzin let out a small chuckle.

The atmosphere was warm and despite Lucifer's shenanigans, Agalea finally gave in and let her hug Alea as well.

Once everyone calmed down, they began talking together and things became lively in the room once again.

The ladies asked Alea how she had been doing all this while and conversed with her for a good while.

After talking with them, Alea looked at Lilith and asked with a smile about a few things regarding Lucy and Lith.

Lilith explained with a smile that they were all doing good and Alea followed up by saying,

"Aunty, I haven't seen little cousin yet."

She was referring to Lith and in her mind, she thought of Lith as someone small, like a toddler.

She knew Lith was very young as her mother had told her and in the Elven Continent, children under thirty years old looked like toddlers or how human kids of eight to ten years of age would look.

Lilith smiled and answered, "Do you want to see him?"

Alea nodded her head. "Yes, yes. I would love to!"

"Alea, you shouldn't meet him." Lucifer chimed in and said while shaking her head. She remembered the time when she got spent with Lith and his shameless personality was almost similar to hers.

This meant, Lith wasn't someone Alea should hang out with or she'll get corrupted.

Agalea glared at Lucifer and replied, "She shouldn't meet you as well. But here she is, meeting you."

"Bi—"

Thwack

"Owf."

"Language." Mayzin hit Lucifer's head and said from the side.

Lucifer looked at Mayzin hatefully and was about to say bitch again but she refrained from doing so as she realized she might get another hit from out of nowhere.

Lucifer, who had plans to call Agalea a cow bitch because of her big milkers, dropped the idea and also let go of arguing with her because she felt it was pointless.

"You should call Lith." Agalea looked at Lilith and said.

Lilith nodded her head. She smiled and replied, "it's about time the children met each other."

She was referring to Alea, Lucy, and Lith meeting each other. They were from the same generation and it was only natural that they hung out together.

Lilith called Lith to her private chambers and when she got the confirmation from him that he was on his way, she began talking with the ladies and Alea once again.

Meanwhile, as Mayzin heard Lith's name, she had flashbacks to the times she was playing chess with Lilith and remembered the bets she lost.

'Why am I remembering that...' She thought to herself.

Everytime she heard Lith's name or something related to him, she would remember the bet and how Lilith and Arya both had said that she would be the one to get conquered by him.

She wondered how a small kid would possibly do that and it felt very intriguing yet also weird to her.

She would get into a relationship with a kid? How would that be possible? She would think to herself many times.

Mayzin shook her head and tried to put aside those thoughts. The more she thought about it, the more likely it was that she would probably mess up things while interacting with Lith.

She was an Empress, she should have better hold of herself and always be calm and collected.

Unknowingly, everyone in the room currently had thoughts of Lith in their minds, Agalea included.

As she heard Lilith confirm that Lith was coming here, her mind would think of the time Lilith had mentioned about getting intimate with Lith.

She wondered how Lilith even ended up doing that and how the whole interaction would be between the two at that time.

Surprisingly, she had an easy time with Alea because the stupid otaku had interfered a while ago but with Lilith, there was no such thing.

It made Agalea curious knowing how the interaction would've been between Lilith and Lith that ended up getting the two to do the deed.

Did Lilith not feel awkward? Was the whole situation not weird? Such thoughts would pop up in her head one by one.

As for Alea in the room, she wondered how her little cousin looked like and was making guesses for the same in the meantime before Lith arrived.

Was he shorter than her? Was he cute? Did he have chubby cheeks like small babies? Will he call her big sis when he sees her and run around her and play? Many such thoughts appeared in Alea's mind.

A few minutes passed.

The curiosity the ladies had, it was finally going to be fulfilled as they heard approaching footsteps.

The door of the room opened up and in came Lith and Lucy, with Lucy hugging Lith's hand from the sides.

Lucy's gorgeous dress and her regal figure amazed the ladies as they saw her in person and not from far away.

As for Lith, he appeared extremely handsome with his well toned body fitting perfectly in the custom made suit.

Mayzin and Agalea were surprised to see him look so grown. His demeanour also appeared mature and it made them wonder how Lith grew so much in such a short time.

Meanwhile, Alea, looking at Lucy, got up and said with a smile, "Lucy~"

"Alea!" Lucy let go of Lith's hand and said with a smile.

They both walked towards each other and Alea hugged Lucy tightly.

"I missed you!" Alea said with a happy smile.

"I missed you too!" Lucy repeated.

Their reunion looked like two sisters had met each other after a very long time and made the ladies along with Lith smile.

After Alea was done hugging Lucy, she pulled back and asked her innocently,

"Lucy, little cousin didn't come with you?"

Hearing that, Lilith chuckled from the side and the ladies had a smile on their faces as well.

As for Lucy, she was confused and didn't understand what Alea meant.

Lith also was wondering what this girl in the room was asking.

As soon as he came into the room, he figured out who was who.

It wasn't difficult to guess Lucifer and his mother. As for the other three, one had pointy ears so he guessed it should be his aunt Agalea and the one who looked similar to her should be her daughter and his cousin Alea.

As for the remaining one, it should be his last aunt Mayzin, who is the Dragon Empress.

But despite him figuring it out, Alea was still clueless and couldn't guess.

She failed to notice a child in the room and although Lith looked similar in appearance to Lucy and Lilith, she wasn't able to connect the dots.

Lilith chuckled hearing Alea's question from the side and pointing towards Lith, said to Alea,

"That is your 'little' cousin."

"Eh?" Alea was surprised as she heard that.

She immediately walked towards Lith and scanned him up and down, side to side, and saw his every nook and cranny.

She also poked his cheek lightly and his sides and still not understanding, she looked at Lilith and asked,

"Are you sure, aunty?"

Lilith giggled. "Yes, my dear. That is your cousin and my son, Lith."

"Haw!" Alea gasped hearing that.

It seemed her aunty wasn't joking!

She had a good look at Lith once again and asked him, "Are you really my little cousin?"

Lith didn't know what to say as he heard that. 'Is she really older than Lucy and me?' He thought to himself.

From what he knew about Alea, she was older than Lucy by around two hundred years. But even though there was such a big age gap between him, his sister, and Alea, the three belonged to the same generation.

But Alea's attitude made her appear like a kid to Lith and he could only wonder if she was older than him or not.

He cleared his throat and said to her, "I don't know about little, but I am indeed your cousin. Hi, I am Lith."

He extended his hand after saying so.

Alea's face was in an 'o' shape as she heard that. This grown up guy apparently was indeed her little cousin.

She didn't expect him to be so old. But after the doubts were cleared and looking at him extend his hand, she smiled and put her hand forward as well.

"Hello~, little cousin." She said, completely forgetting that she had doubts about it a few seconds ago.

As soon as Lith's hand touched with Alea's...

[Ding!]

[Mystic Yin Ice Lotus aptitude found!]

Chapter 595 Mystic Yin Ice Lotus Physique

[Mystic Yin Ice Lotus aptitude found!]

'Hmm?' Lith was surprised to hear a notification from the system out of nowhere.

But he kept it aside for now and let go of Alea's hand.

"Let's have a seat and talk." He said calmly.

"Okay~" Alea was as cheerful as always despite the problem that occurred a while ago.

As they took a seat, Mayzin's gaze was fixed on Lith and she was staring at him intensely, what was going on in her head, only she knew.

Lith could feel her stare and as soon as he sat down, he looked at her and asked with a smile,

"Aunt Mayzin, right?"

Mayzin was caught off guard as Lith brought her name so suddenly. But being a Supreme Rank, she composed herself and clearing her throat, said,

"Yes. How are you, nephew Lith?"

Mayzin tried to be as calm and collected as she could. She knew that although she had ideas regarding the bet and everything, Lith definitely didn't know it and was in the dark.

He was also just a child and Mayzin felt she shouldn't overthink so much and make a fool out of herself in front of Lith. Thus, she tried her best to make a normal conversation with Lith.

"I have been good. What about you, aunt? Is being an Empress stressful?" Lith tried to do small talk with his aunt.

He had just met her for the first time and was fulfilling formalities of talking about random things with her. If he didn't talk, it would be a bit awkward.

Mayzin replied to Lith normally as he questioned her and on the sidelines, Alea began talking with Lucy and Lilith talked with Agalea.

Lucifer was left alone but she invited herself into Lilith and Agalea's conversation and bothered them.

The flow of the conversation was natural with his aunt Mayzin and there was no awkwardness between the two.

To not stretch the conversation for long, Lith soon brought his mother into the picture and had her talk with Mayzin and got himself out of it.

Now it was the ladies talking amongst themselves and at the side was Alea and Lucy.

As Lith got a break, he sat quietly at the site and summoned the system panel in his mind.

As Lith checked, he noticed that apparently Alea had the aptitude for Mystic Yin Ice Lotus Physique.

What it was, Lith was going to get into it but before that, he had a question in his mind.

'What triggered the notification?'

[Answering Host...]

The system answered right away as Lith asked that.

[As Host comes into contact with different people, the system analyses them and notifications are triggered.]

'Alea had touched me before, how was the notification not triggered then?' He asked.

[Host needs to be the one to make physical contact for the duration of at least a few seconds.]

Okay, that somewhat made sense to Lith. But then he thought, 'Does that mean you analyse each and everyone?'

[Answering Host: No. An infinitesimally small fragment of Host's own spiritual power is sent out to the person Host is in contact with. This fragment is then called back and analysed.]

'So this means... you aren't checking up on their bodies but checking my spiritual power that went into them and came out?' Lith asked, a bit curious about this process.

[Yes. System cannot analyze someone else autonomously. Host's input is required.]

'I see.' Lith thought to himself.

So basically, the system cannot scan a person in front of Lith unless he asked it to. But, it can understand them slightly if Lith makes contact with the person by reading Lith's own spiritual power that went inside the body of the other person.

Lith felt it was some genius mechanism and commended the person who may have made this system.

After his curiosity was fulfilled, he checked what the notification was all about.

From what the cultivation manuals Lith had in the inheritance library of Grand Lust Sovereign said, Mystic Yin Ice Lotus Physique was something extremely rare to find.

It was so rare that there was no availability of it even in the divine planes, was what was written in the manuals by Grand Lust Sovereign.

It took him hundreds of thousands of years to find such a physique and when he came across one, he ensured to study it properly.

By studying, it meant that the Lust Sovereign dual cultivated with the inheritor of the physique day and night for many hundreds of years.

He understood the whole essence of the physique properly and how beneficial it was.

Eventually, as he continued on with his life, he found two more people with such a physique. One of the two ended up having a conflict with him and the Lust Sovereign extracted the physique out of her and killed her.

He then put it in his inheritance and just like the Mystic Yin Ice Lotus Physique, there were a few more such things available in the inheritance and when the right inheritor would be found by Lith, he would have access to it automatically.

Until he came across a person with such an aptitude, the physiques would be locked and Lith wouldn't have an access to it.

Lith was surprised to read all of it in the cultivation manual and he thought to himself,

"This guy... he wrote everything about it except for what the physique itself is. Where is the explanation about the functions and uses of the physique?"

Lith then cursed the Grand Lust Sovereign in his mind as the more Lith read the manual, the more it was like a diary than a manual.

Finally, in the last few pages, he found some functions of it and how to have it be inherited to the other person who may have an aptitude for such a physique.

At the end, there was a note that read:

"Don't let this go to waste. Cultivation with someone of this physique is really sweet. Not only will it feel amazing, the benefits to both parties involved would be tremendous."

Lith didn't know what to say about this but then as he read a few functions of the physique in the back pages, he felt it was indeed a lot of benefits.

For instance, Lith and the party involved both would see an exponential rise in their cultivation. Both could rise above others and secondly, Lith's own yang essence would become really potent for others and the ones who would have an access to it would benefit a lot as well.

Lith wouldn't lie, this thing sure had his attention and interest now.

'How can the physique be inherited by the said person with aptitude?' He asked the system.

[Host needs to perform a ritual. It is as follows...]

The system then gave a list of things Lith would need to do and reading all of that made Lith surprised.

'Damn...' He thought to himself.

He then turned to look at Alea who was smiling innocently and talking with Lucy.

Lith had met Alea for the first time, but with the small interaction he had with her and watching her talk so cutely with his sister, he could tell that she definitely wasn't the sharpest tool in the shed.

Her maturity levels were way below even Dennis and although it wasn't a bad thing, Lith didn't feel like tainting her innocent soul for his own selfish reasons.

Having Alea inherit the physique would mean she would need to constantly do the thing with him and there was another problem with it.

Lith had no interest in Alea and although she was indeed cute and innocent, he didn't have any romantic interests in her whatsoever.

It was obvious because he had just met her but then as Lith recalled the benefits due to the physique, they were so much that he just couldn't ignore it.

Not only would Lith grow by leaps and bounds, even Alea would be doing the same. And it wasn't just Alea, all his ladies would grow as well along with him.

It was a chain of reactions and it would only start if Lith had Alea inherit the physique and dual cultivated with her.

But then Lith shoved aside this thought from his mind. It felt wrong to use someone like that and he wasn't a scum to do such a thing.

'I am gonna let things flow naturally.' He thought to himself.

He remembered the days when he was in the academy. He didn't do much and things flowed naturally, eventually having him develop an interest in his wives Arya and Emilia.

He flirted with them and eventually the flirting went on to lead them to date and then marry. It was all natural.

'Maybe I should hang out with her more and then see how it goes.' Lith thought to himself.

He didn't want to selfishly use Alea but he also couldn't ignore the benefits that came with the physique. It wouldn't just benefit him, but Alea too.

So, he made up his mind to spend some time with Alea and get to know her better. If things work out... They work out. If they don't, well, Lith could look for someone else who could inherit it, there wasn't a problem.

Lith thought this would be for the best and for now, kept things at hold. He then joined Lucy and Alea in their conversation and began talking with them, blending in with the lively atmosphere.

Chapter 596 Politics Of The World

The conversation went on for a good while with Lith not talking much and just listening.

Lucy and Alea were talking about their everyday things. They had met after a long while and listening to their conversations made Lith understand what 'girls talk' was.

There was no essence in their conversation, just them gossiping together and having a good time.

On the other hand, it was different with his mother's group.

His three aunts were apparently talking about politics and how the overall situation was in the world, with his mother and Lucifer occasionally adding something into the conversation.

From them, Lith got to know the viewpoint of the top brass of the world.

They saw things much differently than how normal people perceived things. Not only that, they somehow were aware of a lot of things regarding the internal matters of many parts of the world.

They talked about one race after another and got profound knowledge straight from the mouths of the rulers.

The Dragons were apparently stable and were having the time of their lives. They had three rulers and each ruler was so capable that the Dragon race had left behind even everyone by a far margin to become the biggest economy of the world.

They were super rich and prosperous. After Arya became a Supreme Rank, their overall wealth soared as Arya ended up bringing lots and lots of things into the continent that not only gave the Dragons entertainment, but also jobs and other things, eventually making their wealth rise.

Poverty was gone from the face of the Dragon Continent and even the most poor person was above average in the world in terms of wealth.

After the Dragons, the talk was about Demons. Mayzin and Agalea criticized Lucifer for not looking at what was happening in her continent.

The gap between the rich and the poor was increasing in the Demon Continent by an alarming rate and the strong were becoming stronger and the weak, weaker.

The population was also declining among the lower demons as they were constantly being hunted by Humans and various other adventurers in the world.

As for the situation with Devils, it was the only thing that was stable in the Demon Continent as they didn't have direct access to the world and stayed in a dimension that Lucifer made for them.

After Lucifer was made aware of the things and criticized heavily by Mayzin and Agalea, they went on to discuss the situation about the Angels, then Werewolves followed by Witches, Humans and Elves at last.

Things were stable among the Angels, Werewolves, and Witches. But the situation was slightly unstable in the Human Continent as the Human Emperors had grown in number.

Humans were the only race that had the most number of Emperor Ranks in the world. They had a whopping sixteen in total, far ahead of everyone. Although out of the sixteen, only twelve were known to the public because the Humans didn't want to 'show off' their might and wanted to stay humble.

Mayzin and Agalea were well aware that it was a hoax and the only reason the four Emperor Ranks weren't in public was because they were too dangerous for the general public.

The four didn't care about the lives of their fellow Humans and wanted to create a dictatorship and become the sole rulers. They went ahead to even try assassinating their own Supreme Rank but eventually this didn't happen and they are now imprisoned.

In any case, if Darren wanted to use them, he could cast a spell and have a strong army led by sixteen Emperor Ranks.

But that was something that wouldn't happen as Mayzin and Agalea were of the opinion that the Humans weren't too stupid to march their way forwards to their own demise by trying to fight with the other races for no apparent reason.

War aside, the situation in the Human Continent was unstable because of the infighting among the Emperor Ranks and although it wasn't evident on the surface, tensions were happening all over that nobody except for the select few at the top were able to see.

Listening to such an analysis made Lith surprised. He had plans to cause turmoil in the continent but didn't know that the stage was set and only a slight spark was needed to cause a wildfire there.

Once the talk about Humans was over, Mayzin and Agalea talked about the Vampires and Lilith joined in on the conversation this time.

The Vampires were doing fine as always, nothing too flashy or over the top or too low. They could be said to be the most stable among all the other races.

Mayzin, Agalea, and even Lucifer were still surprised and didn't know how the Vampires ended up achieving such a state. They asked Lilith again for the nth time but Lilith's answer was the same — they were self-reliant.

The three ladies couldn't understand how even the concept of self-reliance worked well with the Vampires but not with their own race.

They had tried doing what Lilith had done but that only ended in failure and the three had to work slightly to overcome the situation that had worsened.

Lucifer, to this day, still tried to have the Demons be self-reliant because she didn't want to work in governing them. The result was as mentioned before and what led to her getting criticized by Mayzin and Agalea.

The ladies gave up knowing the secrets to self-reliance and went ahead to discuss things related to the Elves at last.

From the discussion that happened, Lith got to realize that the Elves were apparently the most unstable currently.

It surprised him and led him to think, 'someone is even more unstable than Humans? Wow.'

His interest piqued and he continued to listen to what they were saying.

Among the Elves, there was civil unrest because of the current government that ruled over them. Although there were no losses yet as Agalea had worked hard enough to not let such a thing happen, the same couldn't be said about the future.

Agalea's move of making a parliament and having the Elves get out of monarchy and get into a semi-democratic political situation was not working well with the top authorities among the Elves.

The low level Elves would always question the top Elves in the parliament and no thing would get done. This was making the top officials angry and eventually was the reason for a civil unrest as well.

From what Agalea knew, if the situation was let to be as is, a coup d'etat was bound to happen and although the people wouldn't be able to do shit if she interfered, things shouldn't escalate to such a big event.

Mayzin, Lucifer, and even Lilith were surprised to see that there were people planning a coup right under Agalea's nose and even though she was aware, she didn't do anything about it yet.

"Bi—"

Thwack

"Language." Mayzin smacked Lucifer in reflex and said even before she could say the word out loud.

There was Alea in the room and she didn't want any corruption to go to her in any form.

Lucifer knitted her brows but she felt it was well deserved for her to get hit. She shouldn't say bad words in front of Alea, Lucifer understood.

"Agalea, what are you, stupid?" Lucifer changed her words and said. "Just beat those guys up and show them who the ruler is. Why bother playing all this democracy game?"

Lilith and Mayzin didn't retort Lucifer's comment. They believed she was correct in asking why Agalea was doing the democracy thing in the first place.

Agalea didn't get angry hearing her question. Instead, she replied calmly, "The Elves... they are mellow and happy creatures."

"During the time when I wasn't there, they weren't in such a state and there was lots and lots of conflict. After I became a ruler and governed them for a while, I realized that they still weren't truly happy by following what I was commanding like a dictator. They did look happy on the surface, but internally they weren't."

"Thus, I took the decision of letting them do things on their own and through their own conscious efforts, run themselves. This is what democracy eventually is and although the people at the bottom are somewhat better than before, the ones at the top aren't able to digest well the fact that they have to now listen to the ones at the bottom."

"The nobles are ticked off and since they are the strongest Elves, even little movement from them is causing unrest in the Elven Society."

Listening to all of Agalea's conversation, Lith thought to himself, 'Damn...'

It was truly a mesmerizing experience to have a direct look at what a ruler thought and how they did things. Although his mother was one too, she didn't do things like Agalea and it was his first time actually watching how governance worked in this world.

But while Lith was amazed, the same wasn't the case with Lucifer.

She knitted her brows and got up from her chair. She went towards Agalea and turning her chair around and making her face her, she put one foot at her side and raised her chin to look her straight in the eyes.

Her demonic eyes peered into Agalea's emerald green ones and with seriousness on her face, Lucifer said,

"Listen, you dumb cow. I don't know how you forgot this, but always remember this one motto that I, and those two dummdums follow. It being..."

"Violence isn't the answer..."

Agalea blinked and stared at her, wondering why Lucifer, the person who thought with her fist, would say such a thing.

Mayzin and Lilith were the same as well and even Lucy, Lith, and even Alea were thinking the same.

Lucifer didn't look at the reactions of the people in the room and continued,

"Remember, Violence isn't the answer. It's the question."

"The answer is yes."

Chapter 597 A Good Opportunity

Silence ensued in the room as Lucifer said that.

Everyone was dumbfounded, not because of Lucifer's comment, but because of themselves.

For a few seconds, they all thought that Lucifer was serious and was going to hand out some good advice, but in the end...

It was all for naught.

Being at the forefront of the advice, Agalea got up from her seat and looked Lucifer eye to eye, standing in front of her and...

SMACK!

"Ow."

"Stupid." Agalea said.

"Bit—"

Thwack!

"THE F—"

Thwack!

"..."

Lucifer got hit thrice on her head in the span of just a few seconds.

Agalea hit her once and Mayzin hit her twice while Lilith, Lith, Lucy, and Alea watched from the side.

Lucifer was at a loss and although she had many grievances now, she didn't say anything and just knitting her brows, went to to her seat and looked at Agalea and Mayzin hatefully.

Lucifer knew that if she spoke any further, she would get hit.

Sitting down, she thought to herself while hatefully looking at the two, 'these bitches... They'll regret not heeding to my advice! Humph!'

Agalea and Mayzin ignored Lucifer's reaction and went back to discussing things.

While their discussion continued and Lith listened, he thought to himself:

'An unstable political situation and a turmoil in one of the world's largest societies... Hmm... this smells like a good opportunity to learn.'

Lith looked at it in a practical way. He was forbidden from cultivating at the moment as his body wasn't strong enough for anything.

He had thoughts about training his body to make it stronger, but from the system and from his mother, he got to know that doing so would only cause him get crippled.

At present, his body was weak and there was a surge of energy in him that forbade him from cultivating. The vessel, that being his body, wasn't strong enough to hold all of the excess energies.

At the current stage, the vessel was in a very sensitive state. It was growing slowly and the excess energy within him was slowly being stored and absorbed within it.

But if Lith tried to provide any external stimuli to the vessel, it may cause it to break. Eventually leading Lith to get crippled and at worst, lose all his cultivation and even die.

Once Lith died due to this, the only way out would be reincarnation. Meaning he would need to be born again and Lilith would need to give birth to him once more.

This was very bad and also awkward. Although Lith was sure his mother wouldn't feel anything from it, Lith himself would be super ticked off from the whole situation.

It was better to not go through that and just wait for a couple more decades.

In the meantime, since Lith couldn't even temper his body, he could learn various other things.

Although sleeping was an option to pass time, he didn't want to do it because that would mean he would be cut off from his wives.

Now sensing an opportunity, Lith felt he should learn the things regarding governance and administration.

He knew the situation within his own kingdom and was aware that the Vampires were a lot more different than others and also self-reliant.

The only way Lith could learn in this situation was if he was King himself but currently that post is being held by his sister and she was also at a stage where she was learning things.

Lucy spent five hundred years simply cultivating and it was only now was she working on improving other aspects and becoming an overall strong person.

Dragon Society wasn't an option for Lith as they were very stable and same was the case with the other societies except for the Humans and Elves.

Lith had already made his way into the Human society through Neo and the last remaining option was the Elven Society where he had a chance to learn.

Plus, if he went to the Elven Society, he would also get to know his aunt and cousin better, which was a good thing since he could talk to them about the Mystic Yin Ice Lotus Physique without causing any drama or trouble.

Lith sat quietly in his place, listening to the conversation going on and once he felt there was an opportunity to join in, he cleared his throat and said:

"Aunt."

Agalea, Mayzin, and Lucifer, all three looked at Lith in unison as he said the word.

Feeling their stare, Lith thought to himself, 'Oh shiz... I should've specified which aunt.'

Lilith chuckled looking at Lith mess up but didn't say anything.

"Do you want to add something to the conversation, little nephew?" Agalea asked, looking at Lith stare at her.

Lith nodded. "Yes. Aunt Agalea, you're a Supreme Rank, you can easily handle the unstable situation in your society, right?"

Lith tried to not show that he had messed up and to stay clear of causing any awkwardness in the conversation, he went straight to the point.

Agalea lightly nodded her head. "I can."

She didn't know why Lith had asked her that, but judging from his face that he had more to say, she simply answered his questions and waited to be asked more.

Lilith, Mayzin and Lucifer stayed quiet and listened to Lith and Agalea converse with an interested look.

Lith nodded as well hearing her reply. He then said calmly, "Well... it's not everyday that such an unstable situation occurs. I am interested in..."

Chapter 598 Getting Accepted Into Elven Administration

Lith politely explained that the current situation in the Elven Continent made him feel interested. He then asked her if he could join the Elven administration and have a look at things on the ground level.

Lith's explanation and him politely asking such a question fascinated Agalea. Not just her, even Mayzin and Lucifer were the same.

Lucifer was surprised to see that Lith apparently wasn't as shameless as she thought of him to be. He fit the profile of a reserved noble but without any hint of arrogance or haughtiness. Just plain curiosity and the willingness to learn more.

Lucy and Alea's attention was on Lith as well now as they heard him say that.

As for Lilith, she was just looking at him with a smile and not bothering herself in between the two's conversation. Whatever the two talked about, it was between them.

Agalea, before answering Lith, turned to look at Lilith sitting beside him and said with an amused expression,

"I have to say sis, you've raised both of your children really well."

She commended Lilith for her upbringing. Lith was so polite with everything and wasn't arrogant. His tone didn't carry even a hint of authority despite him being the son of the strongest being in the world.

Lith was down to earth and humble despite being just a child. Agalea liked that. His impression in front of her improved greatly.

Lilith chuckled and pinching Lith's cheek from the side, said, "He's a cutie, isn't he?"

Agalea chuckled in response and Mayzin flashed a small smile as well from the side.

Lucy and Alea were all smiles too, except for Lucifer who was suspiciously looking at the mother-son duo, being fully aware that they had done forbidden things before.

Everyone ignored Lucifer though and went on with their conversation.

Agalea turned to look at Lith and said with a smile, "I am happy to see that you're so eager to learn new things and you're my only nephew, I can't possibly say no to you, can I?"

Lith put his palm on his chest and bowed slightly in courtesy while still being seated. "My gratitude to aunt."

This was a semi-formal way of saying thank you as Lith couldn't make it too formal because she was his aunt and also not too informal because he had just met her for the first time and didn't know how close they were.

"The hell? I didn't get such thanks before when I taught you things." Lucifer chimed in and spit venom into the sweet conversation.

Lith looked at her and knitted his brows remembering the way she had taught him things.

But then his brows eased as something struck him and he said with a smile, "Ah, I didn't properly say thank you? No worries. Meet me later in private, aunt. I'll ensure I properly show my gratitude to you."

Agalea, Alea, and Lucy, these three didn't understand the underlying meaning behind Lith's words as they weren't in the know of Lucifer's relationship with Lith.

As for the ones that did know, Lilith smirked in response while Mayzin thought what shameless thing could the two possibly do together?

Lucifer eyed Lith suspiciously and said, "For a second I was sold out for your good boy image."

Lith rubbed his non-existent stubble on his chin and said with a curious look, "What do you mean, aunt? I don't understand."

"Forget it." Lucifer shook her hand and said.

"Anyway..." Feeling the conversation between Lucifer and Lith was over, Agalea chimed in.

She turned to look at Lith and asked, "So nephew Lith, when will you be joining me? And do you have any position in your mind?"

"Hmm..." Lith, being in the thinking position as before, now seriously was pondering over what position should he be in.

At this moment, Lilith put herself into the conversation and said with a smile, "I think being the your aide would be the best place for him to know everything."

"Oh?" Agalea asked curiously.

Lith too looked at his mother curiously, not understanding why she would put herself in the conversation at this moment out of all.

Lilith, with the same smile as before, continued, "let him handle all your work. He'll learn faster and also understand the stress someone at the top goes through. Making him your aide gives him the same responsibilities you hold."

"He can make decisions for you and tone down your work. All you have to do is execute and implement his decisions. This not only gives him an overview of all things, it'll also have you be free from the unstable situation and you get to spend more time with Alea."

"Win-win from both sides, if I say so."

Agalea nodded her head as Lilith's reasoning made sense.

Lith didn't have anything to say to it because his mother was right but then, he also wasn't sure if he could properly handle everything.

As for Lilith, she had her motives for putting Lith in that place. She was internally smirking knowing the future would be spicy and entertaining and she couldn't wait to watch Lith do things in the Elven administration.

After giving things a thought, Agalea said, "All that you said makes sense, sis. But, are you sure he'll be able to make proper decisions? I mean, he's a child and not an adult by even the Elven standards."

Lilith chuckled. "You don't have to worry about it. Just give it a shot. After two or three times if you feel his decisions aren't making sense and the situation is becoming more unstable, you can take the baton from there."

"Alright." Now this made more sense to Agalea.

'Well, my mother sure knows what lies in my best interests.' Lith thought to himself.

The conversation then went on for a good while and Lith now decided to part ways with them and meet his friends in the party.

Lith said his goodbyes to the people in the room and was about to leave when Alea suddenly said,

"Little cousin, wait! Don't go!"

Chapter 599 Cecilia And Aurora Are Shocked

As Alea called him, he stopped and turned to look at her.

"Is something the matter, sis?" Lith asked calmly.

He addressed Alea as sis because it was awkward when he first called her 'Miss Alea' and got looks from everyone in the room.

Alea walked towards him and holding both his hands, said, "Let's hangout some more... don't go."

Alea had seen Lith for the first time and she was curious and interested to know how her little cousin was. She wanted to play with him and have fun because she didn't have any relatives other than her aunts and two cousins.

The ladies smiled in response as Alea cutely asked Lith to hangout with her.

"Do you have urgent work?" Lucy walked close to Lith and asked.

"You could say so." Lith answered. "Ralph and Dennis are attending the banquet and I haven't met them yet. We are the host and can't leave guests unattended, right?"

"Oh." Lucy understood the matter.

Lith nodded and turned to look at Alea. He bowed slightly and said, "I apologise for not being able to stay for long."

Alea's smile turned upside down into a sad one and she said, "It's okay."

She was excited to know more about him but could understand where he was getting at.

Although she understood, it still couldn't help her mood get uplifted.

"There, there, my dear." Agalea patted Alea's head and said with a chuckle. "You're going to meet him later anyway."

Lith nodded. "We'll see each other later for sure."

Alea's mood was starting to lift as she heard. She nodded her head and said, waving her hand, "meet me soon."

Lith smiled and nodded again.

He took his leave from the room after saying farewell to everyone one last time and finally went to meet Ralph and Dennis.

The ball was continuing in full swing and a happy atmosphere was there in the City Hall.

Youngsters went away from the main stage and the elders took the spot and continued to dance slowly on the soothing music that was playing.

Lith made his way to the common area where everyone was and his looks and aura attracted quite a crowd.

Even without him knowing, from just the way he walked with his calm look was enough to exude an aura of regality. One didn't even need to guess that he was royalty as it was very much evident.

Many wanted to walk close to Lith and talk to him but felt greatly insecure to do so. The elders were away and it was mostly the youngsters around the common area.

The lads of different houses unknowingly awoke an inferiority complex within them as they looked at Lith and as for the lasses, they felt they weren't worthy to even approach him.

There were a few hot noble ladies, both single and with their husbands, taking a break from the dance and standing at the sides. They got attracted to Lith as well but sadly, they knew they couldn't approach Lith because it would be weird.

Not because it would cause problems to their husbands, but because people would think ill of them and their reputation would be ruined for approaching someone much younger than them.

Lith felt lots of hungry and thirsty gazes on him. He had a feeling that if given a chance, the ladies, be it young, single, or married, would pounce on him immediately to take a bite out of him.

But he ignored the gazes and continued to walk in the direction of Ralph and Dennis.

As he neared them...

He saw them have some company, which surprised him.

He wasn't surprised to see Dennis with Cecilia, but Ralph with a green-haired girl.

'Did he finally get himself a girl?' Lith thought to himself as he moved towards them.

As Lith walked close to them, Ralph and Dennis noticed him and so did Cecilia and Aurora.

Avelyn and Fiora, who were standing close to their children, were amused to see the Vampire Prince himself make an appearance here in the common area.

They stopped gossiping together and waited quietly to meet him.

While these two ladies waited, Cecilia and Aurora both thought to themselves:

'The Prince...'

Both were shocked to see the Prince himself walk towards them. They had no idea why he was approaching them and their mind was in chaos as they struggled to think of what they should do in this situation.

Both were young girls and although Cecilia had seen Lith before, it was at the time when he had just awoken his core. Now from the looks of it as Lith walked close to her, he looked anything but a kid.

Aurora was shocked and panicking too but she tried to remain calm and covered her nervousness.

Lith, having no idea what was going in the minds of the two girls, finally reached them.

As soon as he did and stood before Ralph and Dennis...

"Greetings, Your Highness!"

The two girls immediately bowed a full ninety degrees and said in unison, afraid that they may somehow offend the Prince if they didn't show their respect properly.

Dennis from the side smirked as he watched Cecilia become fidgety and nervous. He could easily make out from her tone how her condition was.

As for Ralph, he had no opinion of the two bowing. It was common courtesy, he felt.

Lith, looking at the two girls, felt slightly awkward. This surely didn't feel right and too forced. It was as if he was oppressing the two and made them force to do such greetings.

But being used to such cases, Lith was calm and didn't show the fact that he felt weird from the greeting.

He simply said, "greetings," and made his way past them, towards Dennis and Ralph who were behind the two.

The girls, watching the Prince go past them, got up and heaved a sigh of relief, thinking he was gone.

But just then...

"Sup boys. Enjoying yourselves?"

'Huh!?' The two girls were surprised to hear such words and immediately got up and turned to look behind them.

But the scene they saw shocked them once again and they were left stunned and speechless.

"Ah, Your Highness, the banquet is amazing as it could be. But do you know—"

Crack!

"OW!"

Ralph hit Dennis's ribs from the side via his elbows as he saw him turn into a gossipy and informal person the moment he saw Lith.

He then put a palm on his chest and bowed slightly, gesturing to Dennis to do the same while doing so.

"Greetings." Ralph said calmly.

"Ah... My apologies. Greetings, Your Highness." Dennis realized his blunder and bowed.

He forgot for a second that he was in public and not private. This was a formal event and he should be more formal.

Normally he would've cursed Ralph and hit him back but this time, he was thankful to Ralph for reminding him of the etiquettes.

Lith flashed a small smile watching the two and said, "Greetings."

Fiora and Avelyn made their way to the front as they saw their children greet Lith.

"Greetings, Your Highness."

"Greetings, Your Highness the Vampire Prince."

Fiora and Avelyn both bowed and said out of courtesy.

Lith was from the host family and they knew they had to be courteous and respectful.

Even if Avelyn was an authority and at a high position in the Demon Society, she still had to follow some etiquettes at such formal gatherings.

Lith felt slightly weird having the mothers of his two best friends greet him like that. But he knew he would need to get used to it.

"Greetings, Mrs. Dracula and Ms. Asmodeus." Lith formally addressed them and didn't take their first names.

Fiora was surprised to have herself be called so respectfully. She really wasn't expecting it and in her mind she felt the Prince would address her as 'Fiora'.

When Lucy had met her, she had called her Fiora and she was expecting the same from Lith. But this was beyond her imaginations and she felt strange amusement from it and was happy.

As for Avelyn, she had no such thoughts. She had met Lith before and he had called her 'Aunt'. This time he addressed her formally and it was only the rightful thing to do as they were in a formal gathering and he was the authority here, not her.

Dennis and Ralph didn't feel anything about their mothers' interaction with Lith, but the same couldn't be said about the two girls standing a bit away from them with an agape mouth, completely in shock.

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Finishing the formal greetings, Fiora said with a smile, "It's an honour to have a chat with the Prince."

This was said out of genuine respect from her as she was happy to see Lith show her respect and be so respectful.

This was also a common phrase nobles said when they were starting a conversation with someone of a higher status.

Lith, although knew that these were formalities, still felt awkward as Fiora was Dennis's mother. It would've been fine by him if it were any other lady, but his best friend's mother saying something like that didn't click well with him.

However, he had to act according to his status and couldn't bother to ask her to not say such things.

Lith simply smiled and replied, "I am happy that Duchess Fiora feels this way."

Now he was addressing her with her title because saying Mrs. Dracula all the time wasn't appropriate in such formal events.

Being a noble was a hassle because there were too many little things that one needed to take into account. It was something Lith had realized growing up.

Fiora smiled in response as she heard such a swift and respectful reply from Lith.

She didn't say anything further as she was aware that the Prince was here to see his friends and not to have small talk with her.

Lith turned to Ralph's mother and without saying anything, just nodded his head, gesturing to her that he was aware of her presence and would love to talk to her, but not here in this gathering.

Avelyn smiled and nodded back, understanding Lith completely.

Lith then turned to look at Dennis and Ralph and said, "boys, let's go somewhere private. There are too many eyes."

The two nodded their heads and Lith left the area with the two of them.

As they walked away, Cecilia and Aurora were still standing there with agape mouths like fools. They were shocked previously to see the Prince be so respectful but then their shock further intensified as Lith said the word 'boys' and took Dennis and Ralph somewhere private.

Fiora, looking at them, chuckled and walked close towards the two.

She took a sip of wine and said softly, "Close your mouth, you two. People will misunderstand otherwise."

Avelyn at the side giggled as she saw this and the two young girls became embarrassed and felt ashamed for losing their composure and being called out like that.

However, just a second later, Cecilia collected herself and asked Fiora, "What's the relationship between His Highness and Dennis?"

Aurora's ears perked up as she heard that. She wanted to know it too and looked at Fiora.

Looking at the two girls from different clans ask such a question, Fiora smiled. "You do understand that you shouldn't be asking such a question, right?"

"I mean... yeah. But..." Cecilia didn't know how to argue with those words.

It was true. She shouldn't be asking this as what the other clan did and what connections they had, it was none of her business to know. But curiosity was curiosity and took the better of her.

She felt it was worth risking things to get an answer to this question.

Fiora smiled and said to the two, "Me answering you will have its consequences, since it's an evident breach in privacy. Are you two fine with it?"

The two girls froze on their spots. Cecilia, no matter how bold and carefree she was, didn't want to face the repercussions of things and get into trouble with a Duchess. Same was the case with Aurora.

Looking at the two girls pale, Avelyn walked close to Fiora and giggling, said, "Cut them some slack, Fi-chan. Don't torture the poor lasses like that."

'F-F-Fi-chan!?' The two girls thought to themselves in shock.

Since when did Duchess Dracula and the Sin of Lust know each other to be so informal!?

From what the two girls knew, each Duke Clan had a rough idea about the connections of the other four and these two girls were aware of the connections of the Draculas.

But it completely caught them off guard to see the Sin of Lust talk to Duchess Fiora as if she were her close friend.

Fiora covered her mouth and giggled as she watched the further shocked reaction of the two girls. She knew full well what was going on in their minds. She turned to look at Avelyn and winked playfully.

The two ladies, although were old, were still playful and they were just trying to tease the two young girls who were supposedly going to be their future daughter-in-laws.

Although Ralph hadn't shown any interest in Aurora, Avelyn knew that if he met her again a few times, the ship would sail. It was because their personalities resonated together and they were a good match.

As for Fiora, it wasn't a surprise for her to know that Cecilia would become her daughter-in-law because Cecilia didn't hide the fact that she was interested in Dennis. If Dennis didn't make a move, she sure would and their marriage was inevitable.

Fiora stopped giggling and looking at the two girls, said, "His Highness is good friends with the two. There's no other reason."

"What?" Cecilia was surprised to hear that. "How did they become friends? How did I not know about it?"

Fiora chuckled and looking at Cecilia playfully, said, "Dennis never shares things about his private life to anyone. Even me, you know?"

"..." Cecilia was speechless hearing that.

Fiora, Avelyn, Cecilia, and Aurora then began conversing, while in the meantime Lith and his two friends successfully walked past the crowd of nobles in the common area.

Reaching the private courtyard of the City Hall, Lith, Ralph, and Dennis took a seat together.

Dennis slumped back on the chair and said, "Pheww... it was such a pain to dance so formally like that."

"Yes." Ralph couldn't agree more. It was so annoying to dance so much.

"Oh? You two danced?" Lith asked the two, seemingly interested.

Dennis shook his head and said while slumping on the chair, "Don't ask, Your Highness. I was forced against my will by Cecilia and she showed no mercy and made me dance like a puppet."

"Yes, same." Ralph agreed once again. He too was made to dance against his will.

"Huh?" Lith was confused as he heard the response of the two. He faced Ralph and asked, "Why did Cecilia force you to dance? Do you even know her?"

"What?"

"What?"

Ralph and Dennis both instantly turned their heads to look at Lith and asked in surprise.

"What?" Lith couldn't help but ask.

With confusion visible on his face, Dennis asked, "Yeah, what? Why would Cecilia force Ralph to dance?"

This time Lith was confused. He spread his hands and said with visible confusion on his face, "How would I know? I don't even know how Ralph and Cecilia met or became so close with each other."

"WHAT!?" Dennis stood in surprise. He looked at Ralph and asked, "When did you meet Cecilia!? And what the fuck? You guys are close!? How did I not know!?"

Lith nodded from the side. "How did I not know too? When did this happen?" He questioned as well.

"..." Ralph was dumbfounded and truly speechless. Just what the heck was this conversation?

He stared at the two guys with pure amusement and wondered how the convo got to this stage.

It wasn't his fault to think like that. It was a normal thing for such a mess to occur as the trio shared a collective of three brain cells together — two of them being with Ralph himself.

Ralph looked at Lith and Dennis and said, "I don't know what's happening, but I have to clarify, I haven't seen Cecilia before. This banquet was the first time."

"Oh, nice. And in just one meeting, you two danced?" Lith asked.

"What? When did that happen?" Ralph couldn't help but ask.

Dennis was confused as well now. "What are you asking, Your Highness? When did Ralph dance with Cecilia? She was with me the whole time."

"Yeah, what?" Lith was confused now. He looked at Ralph and continued, "If she was dancing with Dennis, when did you get an opportunity to do so?"

"Afxhjshshsjhs!" Dennis jumped between Lith and Ralph and did a small dance by raising his two hands in the air and made a weird sound.

"Stop! Stop! This conversation is too stupid!" He added. "Let's talk about something else."

Lith rubbed his nose and said, "Well, that's okay but... why did you have to dance like that?"

"I don't know!" Dennis exclaimed. "Now let's not talk about it anymore, Kay?"

"Mkay."

"K."

Lith and Ralph nodded.

"Thank you." Dennis said and marched back to his seat and got seated.

He slumped back on the chair and closed his eyes. Feeling mentally exhausted due to the conversation, he said, "What a tough day..."

The conversation finally ended after Dennis sorted it out.

Although the outcome of it was still that Lith and Ralph both had no idea when Ralph danced with Cecilia and when did they meet.

But that was an issue for another day and they left it at the side.

Lith looked at the two and changing the topic, said,

"You two... I have something for you."