

Seth only had the time to quickly turn around, before Velgor's hand penetrated right in the middle of his chest. That attack was supposed to hit him from the back, but since he turned around, he was struck right at the point of where his heart was.

Thud!

Velgor felt his spiraling darkness penetrating Seth's chest and smiled. He was certain that Seth was done and he was enjoying the feeling of getting a fatal advantage over his mortal enemy. The feeling of his entire arm getting drenched in fresh blood from a person that deserved to suffer a painful death, was nothing but what he wished for. But suddenly, he felt that something didn't seem to be so right.

However, he was only able to realize his senses hadn't failed him, when Seth's left hand swiftly grabbed on his wrist, refusing to let go of it at any cost.

The hand penetrating Seth's chest, wasn't able to reach his internal organs, stopping right before his ribcage. But even if it had reached his heart area, Seth wouldn't have died that easily, since he didn't have a heart to begin with. Instead of that crucial organ, there was a red light where an internal dimension existed, pumping his crimson blood all over his body.

But since Velgor wasn't even able to rip his musculature open and destroy his bones, his internal organs were still perfectly fine. But now, he had the Demon Emperor locked within his reach.

Velgor tried to use his powerful Mana Sovereign middle-stage cultivation to pull his hand away, but Seth's physical strength had transcended that level already and nothing he did, was able to set his arm free.

Since the Demon Emperor realized he wasn't able to get his hand released, he started to gather energy into his other palm, quickly generating a powerful orb made of darkness and thrusting it into Seth's chest area.

Bang!

Darkness exploded right in front of him, making Seth's blood churn inside of his body and he was forced to let some of it out.

Pah!

Seth spat some blood, but even though a severe dark storm had just hit him upfront, he forced himself to stay in that place, not moving even a single step back. He didn't let go of his grip over Velgor as well, making the Demon Emperor get a very bad feeling.

The corner of Seth's mouth suddenly went up and he said: "Hope you liked the feeling of being able to injure me twice, since it is going to cost you a lot."

Right after he said that, crimson flames exploded all around his body, spreading to the whole area around the place they were in, swallowing both of them inside an ocean of fire.

When that crimson fire was about to reach his skin, Velgor immediately activated his strongest protective shadows, covering his whole body with them. But he didn't think that those strange red flames would be so aggressive, to the point that his shadows wouldn't be able to isolate him for more than a few seconds, before they were consumed by it.

Sizzling sounds marked the beginning of that process, exposing Velgor's skin to those flames and completely corroding his protective ability.

Velgor felt that his only option to leave from that place before he was burnt, would be striking Seth with an even stronger skill than the one he used before, but quickly producing an ability of that level would require a lot more time

and efforts. But since all of his attempts of pulling his arm away were futile, so he decided to attack with his full force instead.

Since his hand was still in contact with the wound he opened on Seth, Velgor instantly concentrated a huge amount of Mana there, even going as far as weakening the Mana he was using to defend himself, exposing his body to a risk he judged as necessary.

Right at the center of Seth's chest, darkness started to consume his flesh and spread to his innards, but before Velgor could deal any fatal damage to him, Seth's crimson flames finally started to do their job. His crimson flames acted at least two times faster than what the Demon Emperor expected.

"Argh!"

Velgor felt as if his whole body had been marked with a hot iron bar and many burning marks started to appear around his skin. Seth made sure to concentrate his strongest flames, around the arm he was tightly holding, making the Demon Lord experience the searing pain of being burned alive by his flames of corruption.

Velgor felt the skin, muscles and bones of his arm burning, turning into ashes right in front of his eyes. In just a few seconds, he lost connection with that arm, since only a mangled and burnt member that was still catching fire remained.

The worst part of it all, was that he felt a crimson energy entering his body from there, trying to reach for his bloodstream in order to connect to the rest of his organs and he immediately realized what it was. Despite having to deal with one of the worst pains he had ever felt, he had to act quickly, or he would be sentenced to death.

If he wasn't the Devil Emperor and if his will wasn't hardened to the highest degrees, he wouldn't have noticed that fatal danger. But since he noticed it, he

quickly decided to abandon that arm, swiftly infusing darkness into his other hand and using it to sever his own arm at his shoulder length, completely cutting the connection the corruption was trying to establish inside of his body.

Right after that, he quickly channeled his Mana into the dark teleportation technique, reappearing outside that red ocean of flames. He was lucky that Seth's Crimson Inferno had shrunk a lot and with a single teleportation he was able to leave its area.

Velgor fell into the ground while holding his shoulder in pain. There were hundreds of shallow burning marks on his skin, but each one of them were hurting like hell. At least the Corruption wasn't able to infiltrate his body from those areas.

However, Velgor wasn't preoccupied with that, because none of those injuries were more painful than the feeling of humiliation he felt at that moment. He was the Devil Emperor, yet he was forced to give up an arm and flee in order to keep his life.

Right after Velgor left from the area of his skill, Seth's knees lost strength and he was forced to take support on his greatsword, pinning it on the ground. In the middle of his chest, there was a big hole from where a lot of blood and darkness were mixed together, almost as if attacking each other. Fortunately, his Evergreen Essence was able to control that situation.

A light green light immediately started to shine on that injured area, slowly sealing his opened veins and making his bleeding stop. However, it would take a lot of time for him to heal from an injury caused by a Mana Sovereign cultivator, especially a wound done by the direct contact of his elemental abilities. That's why most of the time he needed to get to top condition again, would be to exclusively drive that dark elemental energy away.

Both Seth and Velgor had been gravely injured and right in the middle of their frantic battle, for at least five minutes, none of them moved from the place they were.

Seth's situation wasn't that good and if not for his enhanced body, he would've been at least unconscious now. But his physical constitution was tough enough to support an injury like that and still make it possible for him to stay completely awake.

Velgor, on the other hand, didn't feel hard to stay awake, actually the problem lied on that fact. The Corrupted Crimson Flames were definitely not normal flames and a burning injury cause by them, would hurt ten times more than if he had been injured by Lilian's Phoenix Flames for example.

But even though he felt like he was thrown right in the middle of a painful burning hell, what his mind couldn't stand, was the humiliation he was feeling. That sensation served to deepen his hatred for Seth, altering Velgor's judgements and making him decide on doing something he shouldn't.

Since that time that he killed a weakened Shadow Demon in the forbidden territory inside the Demonic Shadow Royal Clan Castle, Velgor had been keeping its source blood as a way to increase the number of Shadows under his command on the future. But now that the Banshee Crystal Core was purified and broken, he wouldn't have the opportunity to concrete that plan.

Since his ambitions were long gone and his ability to visualize the future had been lost, he was down to do this crazy thing.

Now, what he wanted the most was to extinguish Seth and for that purpose, that source blood would be very useful.