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Chapter 701 - Fight Of The Fused

With a massive mana consumption, Jason stood facing the winged two-headed lightning wolf, who towered over him with a height of more than four meters.

It was extremely fast and agile, but so was Jason!

Using all means he had, he sent the combination of his curses and the abyssal effect at the wolf that hit it with full force, weakening it much more than he could have hoped for.

As such, Jason couldn't help but feel glad that his attack worked because he would have been much slower than it otherwise.

The two mana cores within the fused wolf's body were releasing a tremendous amount of mana, creating short bursts of lightning that targeted Jason like small snakes that were lunging after their prey.

Though these attacks weren't as lethal as the wolf hoped for owing to its drastically reduced strength hence, Jason was at least able to evade most attacks that would have injured him.

A protective armor was created around him by Petri's due to which Jason was almost completely unaffected by the lightning that lunged after him.

Thus, he could easily pay more attention to launching attacks instead of acting defensively.

It was more complex than he had initially expected, but while adjusting to his enhanced body, Jason couldn't help but be glad that he had already fought against a few beasts before.

They hadn't been a challenge, but that was not important at the moment.

Rather, the current situation forced Jason to overcome his physical strength that was still not perfect.

This helped him even out everything, easing the entire tension that had been accumulated within Jason's body in the time he had cultivated.

Under normal circumstances, cultivating was not burdensome.

Instead, it was a soothing feeling that helped the practitioner stay relaxed.

Unfortunately, this was not the case for the Mythic Essence technique that caused unbearable pain, the entire time one cultivated it.

As such, Jason was tense for the whole time, and only due to Solaris' soothing flames that were often spread through his body was he yet to encounter issues.

Despite that, fighting against an opponent that allowed Jason to go all out was even better to ease his tension, making him feel as if he had regained his freedom.

Owing to this sensation, Jason didn't even notice that the Celestia aura, which had been transmuted through the fusion with Petri, was enlarging while being swept through with his battle intent.

With a radiant smile on his face that was hidden by the scaled armor that covered his entire body, Jason twisted himself the moment he saw compressed lightning currents that shot towards him.

While he tried evading them, the lightning currents devastated the surroundings, stirring up the soil that flew through the air.

At that moment, Jason got an idea.

Being unable to directly attack the winged two-headed lightning wolf, despite the fact that the race specific weakening curse was up and running, Jason didn't hesitate to test out new things.

Owing to this free spirit of experimenting with all kinds of things, Jason manifested Solaris' wings while being fused with Petri, only to conjure both icicles and fireballs which he threw towards the wolf, who didn't even bother to deflect the attacks.

Instead, it enveloped itself in small lightning bolts that crackled and lunged at everything that entered their range.

This was something Jason had already seen before. Thus, he had already expected this defense technique of his opponent.

Little did the wolf know that this move had been exactly what Jason had wanted to see.

Amongst the icicles and fireballs, there were unique blazing icicles whose tip was extremely sharp and thick.

Ordering the flames inside some of the icicles to explode the moment the lightning hit them, he saw the heavy tip shatter into thousands of shards, distracting the lightning wolf.

This happened to owe to the lightning bolts that were attacking every single ice shard that flew through the air.

Taking advantage of its distraction, Jason appeared in front of the wolf only a moment later, looking up to it before he slashed out at its front legs.

Brandishing the weapon horizontally, he planned to pack a punch with his slash, which was created by using Solaris' flames.

At the same time, Jason enlarged Byakur at the last possible moment, creating an unforeseen situation, which the wolf had to face.

Occupied with deflecting the countless ice shards, the majority of lightning currents were currently shooting out towards the top, leaving the wolf's lower body unguarded.

Despite that, the wolf's reflexes were fast enough to notice Jason, making it flap its wings before it would be too late.

Unfortunately, Jason had already taken this possibility into consideration.

As such, his horizontal slash was altered as he jumped towards the wolf, ignoring the lightning currents that burned through his scaled armor.

Searing through the wolf's chest, Solaris' flames charred its fur, only for a fraction of its essence to enter the wolf's body.

The moment it realised this, blood had already begun to splurt out of the large wound.

Nonetheless, the severe injury it had sustained only enraged the winged two-headed lightning wolf that shot forward with the entire mana that was left in one of the two mana cores.

The mana was more than enough to flood the surrounding three meters with lightning currents that hit every single scale on his body to no avail.

Gritting his teeth, Jason was glad that Petri's scales were much more powerful than he could have expected, which was extremely beneficial for every kind of situation.

They seemed to have an elemental resistance too, which he had never noticed, otherwise, the scales of a Pryr beast at the 9th Lique stage would have never been strong enough to overcome the attack of a Low 1st threshold Prismar stage beast.

Nevertheless, the elemental resistance was not perfect. That would be too advantageous, and fortunate on his side, allowing him to become omnipotent.

Despite not being omnipotent, by fusing both Jason and Petri's capabilities were enhanced which meant that every single body part that Petri manifested had the combined strength of both fused individuals, namely him and his soulbond.

This included the strength of even the smallest capability which was the sole reason for Jason to be alive, as the race specific weakening curse had been enhanced to a much higher degree than usual.

This was the essential difference between a common body part manifestation that was possible with a simple fortified soul conjunction and a true fusion of two beings.

With his scale armor being burned, Jason had to give his utmost efforts to leave the wolf's range, escaping the range of the lightning currents.

Only then was he finally able to take a deep breath before a faint smile emerged on his face.

His scales might have been burned, but that was not an injury worth mentioning.

Instead, the wolf's injury was much worse because it was a severe wound that worsened owing to Solaris' essence flame that was burning the wolf from the inside.

It took some time, but Jason was able to evade the wolf, whose speed was slowing down with time.

As such, once Solaris had devoured the wolf's lifeforce, while burning it from the inside, it succumbed to its injuries, leaving the severely burned Jason behind.

However, just a moment before the wolf died, Jason's charred scales fell to the ground, revealing his unscathed skin.

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After facing the winged two-headed lightning wolf, Jason had become more careful about the opponents he had to face.

Luckily, he didn't have to face another beast, which allowed him to finish the first trial in merely half the given time.

This was mostly owing to the fact that he had burned the forest, while simultaneously avoiding the strongest beasts inside it.

It hadn't been necessary because the mutated wolf had been the strongest beast of the entire forest. It wasn't fearsome owing to its sole strength, but the extraordinarily strong and unique ability to fuse with its brethren was what made it a powerful opponent.

Because of that, Jason was glad that there hadn't been more beasts with a mutation, even less, a dangerous one like the winged lightning wolf had.

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Chapter 702 - Infinite Maze

Jason was not sure if the Preactors had to finish the same Trials as him, but he assumed that they would pass them much more quickly than him.

That would, at least, make some sense owing to the fact that they had been so confident in their own capabilities.

Nevertheless, Jason was not sure how advantageous it would be if the three Preactors would be faster or slower than him.

As such, he could only continue advancing through the trials.

After Jason passed the first trial, the immediate surroundings around him twisted and he was teleported somewhere else as the familiar robotic voice resounded in his head.

[First trial successfully completed. Required time [36H:42M:04S]! Good achievement.

All beasts inside the dome have been defeated. Excellent achievement.]

[Merit points according to efficiency and speed have been added to merit bank.]

[Second Trial starts. Pass through the Infinite Maze. Allotted time [30 Days]]

When Jason appeared in the area where the second trial was held, he saw nothing but grey stone walls.

Standing in the center of a place with more than ten paths that led to different directions, Jason turned in all of the directions, trying to make sense of what was going on.

'I'm in the middle of a maze? That's great!!' He thought, with a bright smile on his face.

Making use of his Emperor Eyes, Jason was able to see a rough blueprint of the Maze consisting of the stone walls in a radius of more than 50 meters around him.

This was owing to the difference between energy fluctuations released by materials in comparison to the freely moving cultivation energies.

Jason found this to be useful enough, but owing to his Emperor Eyes, he could clearly see all kinds of traps that had been placed inside the Maze.

At the same time, there were beasts roaming in the Maze, increasing the difficulty to venture through it even more.

Nevertheless, Jason was not worried because the beasts' strength didn't seem to be high enough to kill him in the blink of an eye.

As such, he couldn't help but feel his confidence increasing.

'I can definitely be faster than everyone else in this trial!!!'

With the advantage he had received, Jason wanted to charge up to Jennifer as quickly as possible.

In his opinion, this would be the best because his gut feeling told him so.

The preactors wrathful hue worried Jason.

And even without their unique hue, their combined strength, and what they had been saying to each other before entering the Inheritance site, was definitely worrisome.

However, at the same time, the fact that the Preactors came from far away, just to retrieve something, spoke volumes about the value of the things they were supposed to take back.

Because of that, Jason believed that Jennifer should definitely try to obtain said item, even if it meant that she would have to fight against the four Preactors!

Unfortunately, without additional help, Jennifer would die in that fight, which was the reason Jason wanted to inform her about everything.

Maybe, she would attempt to assassinate them, and defeat an opponent before they could even react.

In the end, this was just something Jason imagined.

It was unlikely that the Preactors would get assassinated so easily.

They held themselves in high regard as they were considered to be prodigies of their race, which meant that they had some treasures that would protect their lives if their reflexes were too slow.

With that in mind, passing the Inheritance trial as quickly as possible before leaving the Preactors behind would probably be the best.

Unfortunately, Jason felt that this was not as easy as it sounded.

Nevertheless, he could and would try his best as always!

Now that his mind had been set in stone, Jason chose one of the many paths before he began to rush through the vast space that had nothing but walls, traps, and beasts.

At the same time, he marked every path he took, trying to create a rough understanding of the maze in order to leave as quickly as possible.

Once he found a dead-end, Jason would simply leave a different symbol to mark the path at the last intersection.

Simultaneously, he would always take the left path in order to know where he had been and where he had yet to go.

This would make everything much easier, and it should allow him to rush through the Maze without any delay.

In the end, he was even able to find out whether some paths were dead-ends before he even entered them, owing to the Emperor Eyes that were currently utilised with a vast, yet, replenishable amount of mana.

Thus, adding the other factors, Jason was able to advance through the Maze without any delay.

Despite running through it for several days, he didn't feel bored at all.

There were all kinds of things he had to pay attention to and thus he was always alert.

Yet, he could simply bypass all kinds of traps that had been laid out. Because of that, his advancement speed was terrifyingly high.

He felt that the maze was perfectly suitable for him, which meant that he was likely to pass it with lots of time on hand.

Unfortunately, that was not exactly useful because he didn't really need to gain the approval of the inheritance site in order to receive the main reward.

This was simply not needed because he didn't have three cultivation veins to make use of the possible reward, to begin with.

Nevertheless, Jason could also hand over whatever he might be rewarded with to Jennifer, if she required it.

Nonetheless, he had yet to receive anything, and Jason hadn't even completed the maze either.

As such, he should first pass all trials before doing other stupid things.

Unfortunately, it was only ten days after the second trial had started that Jason noticed something odd.

He had already passed by many large intersections with constructions in them.

Within these structures, he found all kinds of things, which Jason simply picked on a whim, not minding what exactly they were.

It didn't look any special, but according to his understanding of Inheritance sites, these may contain clues to help him pass the trials.

Because of that, he studied the things he had picked up from the structures.

There were photographs, books, and all kinds of objects, but nothing seemed to be extremely helpful.

Only the seemingly logical fact that the maze was infinite just as the trial had said.

Initially, Jason had believed that this statement was an exaggeration, but that didn't seem to be the case at all.

Instead, it was probably exactly as the trial said, just that the word 'infinite' was misused.

In the end, there had been all kinds of clues showing him something Jason had to pay attention to.

However, it was only until he figured out that he had misunderstood the entire situation.

There were specific things one couldn't control in the Infinite maze, and one of those was the fact that everything looked the same adding to the confusion.

The only difference was the buildings and structures that had slight dissimilarities making them look almost identical.

And this was exactly what had allowed Jason to realise what had been wrong because he compared the items he had picked up inside all the constructions

"All items are the same... is the maze resetting itself?!"

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Chapter 703 - Pass

"All items are the same... is the maze resetting itself?!"

Jason was not sure if his assumption was correct, but if the maze was resetting itself, he would only go around in circles, there wouldn't be an end.

Even years could pass without him passing the trials.

As such, the second trial was not only designed to test one's ability to survive inside the maze, but also rational thinking, as well as the ability to tell glamour apart from reality.

It made one look at all kinds of things in detail, questioning if what was in front of them was real or an illusion.

This impressed Jason, but at the same time, he was annoyed because he had wasted too much time.

Yet, one could say that he had figured out everything much faster than others would probably be able to.

However, that did little to ease his mind because he now had to figure out how to pass the Infinite maze trial.

'If it's always resetting itself, there shouldn't be a destination I can reach just like that.

Rather, it's probably more like I have to fulfill certain requirements for something to change.

Either, the final destination is a physical place or just a portal...if it's the latter, the portal I'm looking for should be manifested through runes, in some way.

So...should I start looking for specific runes now?'

Jason tried to make up his mind, before acting.

Even if he had wasted some time, his Emperor Eyes would help him catch up soon.

That was because he didn't have to search for any clues to pass the trials but specific runes that could create portals.

His confidence grew a little because Jason had seen countless runes thousands of times during the last few months while reading many books stored in his spatial ring.

World bridges interested him the most, which was partially the case because he had yet to take revenge on certain individuals of races that had made his life miserable!

The coordinates of the planets they came from were imprinted on his mind, and even if it might just be an intermediate stop, Jason knew that he could easily find out more information in those places.

However, in order to achieve this, he required more strength.

Reaching the Specta stage would already be a great achievement because Jason assumed that the strongest beings of common races like the Ifrytor race would probably have at least one powerhouse at that stage.

As for higher races, they would have more powerhouses at that stage.

Yet, Jason was not sure how the numbers of powerhouses were at a higher stage, but it would simply take too long for most common and higher races to reach the stage after the Specta stage.

Nevertheless, the My?ldra and Burane race were strong, and Jason knew that his revenge required lots of patience and extreme strength!

Thus, it was even more important to finish the trials with the best possible result, even if the final inheritance was not suitable to him.

Other rewards were still great enough to make him work even harder, while he also had other tasks to complete.

With that in mind, Jason began examining all runes he could find with a distinct look in his eyes.

Because there were thousands of runes, and he had to pay attention to each of them, it took Jason more than three days before the Infinite maze seemed to reset once again.

However, in the meantime, Jason had found the answer to what he had been looking for.

'Each trap is connected to? the other, and the building construction has one particular rune which activates a portal with the energy supplied by the traps?' He asked himself, not sure if that made sense.

Triggering traps would lose all of the mana that had been used to empower them.

As such, if neither he nor any other beast would trigger even a single trap, the supply of energy would be more than enough to activate the rune inside the building construction.

That had to be the case, otherwise, Jason was not sure why every single trap would be connected to the unique-looking house.

Thus, he rushed towards it, the moment the Infinite maze reset, without triggering even a single trap before he activated the well-hidden rune. Somehow, it was as easy as that, which caused Jason to wonder whether he had just wasted his time, or if everything was different than it seemed.

But that didn't seem to be the case because every single trace of energy gathered inside the house, only to fully activate the rune.

Through this, the traps were now void of energy while a small blue shining portal appeared in front of Jason.

He was not sure how others were supposed to find the rune inside the small house, let alone find out that every single trap was connected to it, providing the necessary energy to create the portal.

However, that was not his problem, rather, it was his fortune because it was clear that the others would take longer to finish the same trial.

With that in mind, he leaped through the portal, entering the third trial without any hesitation.

[Second trial successfully passed. Time required [14D:2H:15M:59S]. Extraordinary achievement!

150% necessary energy supplied/No trap triggered. Excellent achievement!]

[Merit points according to efficiency and speed have been added to merit bank]

Hearing the voice inside his head, Jason didn't even feel uncomfortable anymore.

Instead, he grew accustomed to it, listening to everything intently, while eagerly awaiting the next message about the third trial.

Yet, he was surprised to receive the next message.

[Third trial will start soon. Teleportation towards the gathering point was delayed due to unforeseen circumstances in the trials of other participants!]

Jason was not pleased to hear this. Instead, he couldn't help but feel a little bit worried.

From the looks of it, the Preactors had either done something they shouldn't, without caring about the aftermath, or they had passed specific trials by unfair means.

The trials were supposed to test someone according to their suitability to specific inheritances.

However, at the same time, most inheritances were simply testing the overall capabilities of certain individuals, and as long as they crossed the threshold, they passed.

Jason didn't know the exact requirements, but he knew that passing the trials with a better score was logically considered to be better than passing it by narrowly crossing the threshold.

As such, it might even be better to do their best if one wanted to receive the final inheritance.

However, this was exactly what confused Jason because the Preactors were obviously trying to retrieve what seemed to have been taken away from them.

As such, they were likely to try to pass the trials with the highest possible score.

In the end, Jason didn't know what had caused the delay, and he could only wait.

He was not sure how much time had passed, but it didn't feel long as he received another notification into his mind as the robotic voice rang through his head.

[Third trial has started. Demonstrate your talent and unique features within the following hours. After everything is shown, the third trial will be concluded!]

Jason was not sure what exactly he had expected for the third trial, but he hadn't expected to hear something so vague.

As such, he couldn't help but feel a little bit astonished as he summarised the requirements to pass the trials until now.

'First combat strength, and survivability, then logical thinking, and perception, and now talent and trust to reveal my secrets? What else will this inheritance test me...my honesty or what?!

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Chapter 704 - Superior

Jason felt uncomfortable with the choice of words the robotic voice had used to announce the third trial's task.

'After everything is shown' implied that he had to reveal all of his hidden traits, which was definitely not what he wanted, even to pass the trial.

However, this was only a small issue in face of the multitude of hand-sized spheres that were levitating inside the room he had been teleported to.

The three orbs in the center stood out from the rest and one of them looked eerily familiar to Jason.

"Mana mastery orb!" he blurted out only to realise what the orbs right next to it were.

'Don't tell me I need to insert spirit force and primordial energy into the orbs to let my mastery in those two cultivation veins be tested?'

With 'everything is shown' it was given that he had to reveal his talent in all three cultivation paths because to enter the Inheritance site, he was required to have all three veins.

However, in his case, this had been different because Jason was able to enter the Inheritance site just because of his heritage, or at least that was what he understood based on the first messages he had received from the robotic voice.

There were all kinds of other things he had to pay attention to right now, but revealing all of his secrets wouldn't be a child's play in comparison to showing something he didn't even possess!

For a short moment, Jason felt desperate, asking himself how he was supposed to leave the Inheritance site if he could not even pass the third trial.

There was also no countdown which meant that he wouldn't be thrown out if he failed the trial because there was no indicator of what a failure in this trial even was!

This was bad, to put it simply, and Jason couldn't help but acknowledge that he felt a little bit anxious.

However, just a moment later, the thought of Spyro and Petri came into his mind, which made him smile lightly.

Wasting no time, he quickly summoned his soulbonds who looked at him in confusion before Jason explained the entire situation neatly.

Afterward, Jason approached the orbs, whose content was clearly visible to him due to his Emperor Eyes.

Sharing his sight with both, he enabled them to see everything about their own mastery orb clearly.

Through this, they could think of an approach to pass their mastery orb, and Jason did the same.

That was important because the mastery orb in front of him was extremely difficult to solve owing to the countless knots it had.

He had never seen something as complex if he were to exclude world bridges. As such, he realised that he had to pay more attention to passing the test.

That was, even more, the case because Jason couldn't rely on Petri, let alone Spyro to pass the test, even if they had enough time.

Because of that, Jason was the first to begin, showing his soulbonds how it had to be done as he shared every single experience and detail he perceived and saw!

In the end, it took him more than two hours to finish the test, and it was only then that he noticed that both his soulbonds had already started with their own mastery test.

A few more hours passed in which Jason continued to share the inside of both orbs while guiding Spyro, who was struggling the most.

It was a newborn Spirit, after all, and Jason couldn't simply expect it to be perfect from the day it was born.

As such, once all three mastery tests were completed, he was not astonished about Spyro's Spirit mastery result.

[Mana mastery- Superior; passed!]

[Spirit mastery- average; failed!]

[Primordial energy mastery- above-average - passed!]

Both of his soulbonds had still not matured and were growing. This meant that their control over Spirit force and Primordial energy was still improving.

He might have failed one test, but even if that was already enough to make him fail everything, he would have at least found a way out of the third trial!

Nevertheless, the fact that Petri passed the test was already shocking to Jason because the Basilisk had perfectly employed the information he had been provided with.

As such, it had been possible for Petri to reach an above-average mastery in an extremely difficult test.

In the end, the three tests had evaluated the time required to fully untie the knots of intertwined strands of energy.

With that in mind, Petri might have finished the task barely sometime before he reached the maximum time limit, but that did not matter, having passed the test was the essential point!

Even Jason couldn't help but feel that it was tens of times more difficult than the most difficult mana mastery orb he had solved.

However, that was not exactly impossible to happen because the last time he had tested his mana mastery was on Argos at the liberation tournament!

As such, it was surprising that he received a Superior mana mastery at a test that was supposed to be extremely difficult to pass.

In the end, it would be frustrating to leave the Inheritance site right now without having met and reported everything to Jennifer. But, the worst-case scenario at least gave him the opportunity to leave, which was better than being imprisoned forever!

Because of that, he couldn't complain as he continued to reveal his Celestia aura and Stigma, unleashing them to the fullest extent.

Following that, he used the curses and his abyssal ability, only to add their combined force.

Even after doing all of the above the third trial was still requesting him to reveal more.

This was annoying, thus Jason simply revealed all his remaining capabilities.

Fusing with Petri, he simultaneously summoned Solaris, and Byakur, only to release his entire mana that was not only much stronger than others but also four times more in quantity.

Yet, despite having shown everything, the trial was still not done and the robotic voice didn't resound in his mind.

Thus, he summoned Artemis, who was in her cocoon, followed by his entire soul world which he manifested inside the space around him.

Right now, he just wanted to pass the exam and leave.

As such, he revealed his soul world that had reached a size Jason didn't even know.

Jason only knew that it was gigantic, and still growing, which was why he had never bothered about figuring out the exact size.

Its size had never mattered to him, after all!

After the soul world had been summoned, the entire space around him twisted, because the small dome he was in was too small to accommodate the soul world in its entirety.

Because of that, Jason had to retract it a moment later, followed by allowing his soulbonds to leave with the soul world, where they returned to.

However, even after all of this, the trial was still not completed, which made him angry and confused at the same time.

"What else is there for me to show? It's not like I concealed anything...My eyes, the soul world, my soulbonds, the Celestia aura, all Stimas, my highly compressed prismatic crystal, the curses, what else is unique about me?!"

Utterly confused, Jason required almost a whole hour before he realised that he had forgotten something he had learned a long time ago.

'Don't tell me it's the pressure I comprehended??'

This shouldn't be the case, but Jason nonetheless released his pressure without using a single mana particle.

Yet, this didn't seem to be the right answer, only to give Jason a hint that caused him to frown.

"It cannot be the chaos attribute, or the soul fraction of the mysterious beast, right? The chaos attribute shouldn't be counted as my unique feature...."

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Chapter 705 - Back Together

I don't believe that it really was the chaos attribute that I had to reveal...how the hell is that supposed to be my own trait?!

After revealing the chaos attribute, Jason had exposed every single secret, or at least the Inheritance site accepted that he did so.

As such, he was once again enveloped in white light as the space around him twisted.

Only a moment later, the already familiar robotic voice returned.

[3rd trial has been completed successfully. The number of unique traits exceeded the highest threshold. Congratulations; Superior achievement attained!]

[Teleportation to the 4th, and second last trial, has been initiated.]

[Fourth trial; Endure the ever-increasing pressure until you lose consciousness!]

The message of the fourth trial astonished Jason a lot because he didn't expect the trial to have anything to do with Pressure.

'Pressure again? Why are so many trials even focusing on this?...it's not like I can use it well in order to fight stronger opponents... But this time it probably includes all three energies releasing pressure...could this be a technique handed out to those that pass the trials as a reward?'

This would make sense, but at the same time, it was not worth being the main Inheritance. At least, Jason was pretty sure that a technique on how to release pressure was worth being the most valuable reward in an Inheritance site, yet not the main inheritance!

For the main reward in an inheritance, there were only a few things worth enough to be mentioned, including the forceful alteration of one's body structure!

As such, those Inheritances were one-of-a-kind, or at least very close to that!

However, in the end, none of that should be an issue for Jason, because his Celestia aura and Emperor Eyes were proficient in dispersing pressure around him as long as he wanted that to happen!

He was not sure how well this would work for all three energies, but he was not worried about it at all.

Yet, what made him feel a little bit iffy was the fact that the Fourth trial would only end when one lost consciousness.

With that in mind, Jason couldn't help but feel that something bad was about to happen.? His eyes fell on Jennifer's silhouette further away from him, the moment he appeared at the location where the fourth trial was held.

No sooner had he appeared, the pressure of three intertwined energies enveloped Jason, forcing him to his knees before he could even react.

His muscles groaned and his joints creaked, and it was only when Jason was finally able to release the Celestia aura, followed by inserting mana into the Emperor Eyes that the pressure dispersed.

He knew that this was only a temporary solution, but it would definitely help him stay conscious for more than a week.

That should be enough to pass and enter the last trial.

Yet, this was not why he had entered the Inheritance site of the three energies, to begin with.

His reason had been Jennifer and given that she was endangered due to the sudden appearance of the Preactors.

As such, he had to report everything to her. He knew he wouldn't be a match for their strength but he at least hoped to stay by her side and possibly help her figure out how they could defeat the Preactors.

What he lacked in muscle he made up with strategic thinking so he hoped he could find a way out without being heavily injured, let alone dying in the same attempt.

Because of that, Jason got up from the ground, only to notice that the pressure on him was not completely dispersed.

However, it was not high enough to make him feel like he was suffocating.

Thus, he didn't bother to insert more mana into his Emperor Eyes.

Instead, Jason quickly approached Jennifer, who was fully concentrated while trying to endure and simultaneously comprehend the three merged pressures that filled the area around her.

Jason felt that the pressure in Jennifer's immediate surroundings was extremely strong, which was a bad sign, considering that she was likely to be facing four opponents that had similar combat prowess to her, soon.

The moment Jason appeared around Jennifer, her silver eyes opened instinctively as her reflexes took over.

Within an instant, her fingers curled around the two daggers in her hand, as she got up from the ground.

She released all three of her energies and disappeared from his sight.

A quarter of a second later, Jason felt a cold blade graze his neck as he heard a question.

"Who are you, and why are you taking on the appearance of my friend!?"

At first, Jason didn't understand what Jennifer was doing.

However, after a few seconds, he realised that she didn't believe that he could enter the Inheritance site owing to its requirement, which was logical.

Yet, it made the current situation a little bit more difficult to solve.

As such, he tried to speak, which was hardly possible owing to the blade that cut into his neck, causing a few droplets of blood to trickle down.

"Jen....mana fluctuations..."

Not being able to say anymore, Jason hoped that Jen would at least stop exerting pressure on the blade she held against his neck. Jason knew it pretty well that the strength she used was not something he could easily endure, let alone block.

He might have advanced to the Prisma stage, but he had a long way to go to reach her strength!

Hearing Jason's voice and his words, she couldn't help but look at his mana fluctuations.

However, that made her only more suspicious because Jason's mana fluctuations were truly exactly the same as she recalled.

Despite that, he shouldn't have been able to enter the Inheritance site, to begin with!

Yet, somehow, she felt that it was odd, and she retracted her dagger a little bit as she asked.

"If you are really Jason, how did you even enter the Inheritance site? This was impossible for you earlier!!"

Jason had expected her to ask a different question that only he could know the answer to in order to verify his identity, but that was not what Jennifer asked.

Because of that, Jason didn't answer for a moment only to blurt out, "After advancing to the Prisma stage, the Celestia aura swept through the temple and I felt the same suction force you felt. However, that was not enough reason for me to enter the temple inheritance because I don't have the innate talent of possessing three cultivation veins.

As such, I had planned to leave and search for my own inheritance, until four Preactors arrived, entering temple owing to their three cultivation energies!"

Being able to speak properly once again, Jason made proper use of this opportunity, giving her a brief summary that caused Jennifer to halt in her tracks.

'Celestia aura? Preactors....three cultivation energies?'

In the end, Jennifer was utterly confused, but it was only now that she sensed his aura once again, and a moment later, Jennifer's eyes locked with Jason's as he turned his head towards her.

They were glowing in the overly familiar colors, and deep within them, Jennifer could detect kindness and all other emotions that had been hidden in the depth of his soul.

In her entire life, she had only come across a few people in her life whose eyes were the entrance to their soul, hiding or revealing certain emotions, and Jason was one of those few.

Adding his dense mana fluctuations, the unique aura he released, and the golden glow, she couldn't believe that he was not an illusion, let alone someone from a different race trying to mimic his appearance and every single characteristic. No matter how proficient one was, it was simply not possible to do something like this to near perfection.

As such, Jennifer completely retracted her daggers, giving Jason some space to breathe, only to hear him complain.

"Do I have to endure something like that every single time, I want to save you from a miserable death?!"

Jason's complaint confused her, but at the same time, she recalled what he had said earlier.

"What did you mean with the Celestia aura? That's not your aura, right? And who or what exactly are the Preactors? Did you see them, and how are you so sure that they will pass all the trials up to the fourth? The first three trials were already difficult, and I almost didn't make it out of the maze!"

Listening to her, he couldn't help but feel confused because she didn't even wonder how he had passed the trials while saying that the others wouldn't pass them easily.

Either she didn't notice that he had passed the same trials, or took him to be much stronger than he had believed Jennifer would.

In the end, this was not the important factor, and he also ignored the question about his aura, as he explained everything he had noticed about the Preactors.

This took him less than 10 minutes, and when he was done, Jennifer looked at him in doubt.

"So...you want to tell me that four Preactors at the peak Prismar stage, with three awakened cultivation veins, entered the Inheritance site that was created by one of their traitors, who stole something.

Other than that, it was just their punishment which forced them to obey their superior, who sent them to the Inheritance site to take their treasures back to their home planet that is also much better than Manyr?

...That sounds...very unique..."

Jennifer didn't even question whether he was stating the truth or not, and simply accepted everything Jason had said.

"Yes, and they're extremely dangerous because they seem to be filled with wrath, and act impulsive, otherwise, they wouldn't have attacked and killed prodigies at a gathering event...."

That is under the assumption that what I heard was true!"

Jason felt like adding this because it was the major reason for him to follow Jennifer into the Inheritance site.

He didn't want her to be injured, let alone die because of the Preactors.

As such, he had planned to finish the trials and leave them as quickly as possible.

However, from the looks of it, the fourth trial was shattering his plan because they were unable to leave without losing their consciousness.

At that moment, Jennifer smiled schemingly as she said,

"If that's the case, let's kick their butts. If we cannot kill them, let's force them to lose their consciousness the moment they arrive...that is, if they're really as confident as you said!!!"

GOD'S EYES

Chapter 706 - Seals

Jennifer's confidence caused Jason to look at her in doubt.

Even though she was strong, they were talking about knocking out four beings that originated from an even greater planet, with roughly the same combat prowess as Jennifer!

That was not something they could do just because Jennifer deemed it easy, and Jason couldn't help but think that she was underestimating the threat.

However, her next words were not something Jason expected to hear.

"If you use your chaos attribute just like last time, you should be able to release a similar effect as you did with Prince Leo, right?"

Considering that you are much stronger now, even I shouldn't be unfazed by the combined attack of your curses, the abyssal effect you told me about, and the chaos attribute!"

These words caused Jason to stiffen because he didn't expect that Jennifer was seriously considering his participation in this fray.

However, that was not all because it looked like she wanted to gamble on him and see whether he would be able to achieve the same feat as before.

Seeing the dumbfounded look on his face, Jennifer couldn't help but smile weirdly as she asked,

"Can you not do that?"

She didn't sound mad or annoyed at all.

It was more like Jennifer knew that the chaos attribute was not exactly his own, just a weird additional trait that he had within him, and could control it to a certain extent.

Because of that, she had secretly hoped that Jason could do the same feat over and over again, as long as he met certain requirements.

Yet, from the look on his face, it seemed to be a little bit more complicated.

This caused her to feel that executing her earlier plan was more difficult than expected. Thus she had already begun to think of other solutions to stay inside the Inheritance site without being killed or losing on the merit points she had accumulated.

However, it was not necessary to completely scrap her earlier plan because Jennifer's idea had been decent!

"I can use the chaos attribute, but I'm not exactly sure whether or not this will be enough. I don't feel as angry or emotionally affected as I was feeling at that time..."

It was already a good sign that Jason was confident to use the chaos attribute once again, but the second half of his line pertaining to his emotions was rather disadvantageous.

Not knowing how strong his attack truly was, it could either be enough or a complete disaster.

This uncertainty was not good, but Jennifer thought that it was better than nothing.

As such, she would be the last one to complain, owing to the fact that she was the reason Jason even entered the Inheritance site.

Despite him being evidently weaker than the four Preactors, he wanted to help.

This seemingly simple gesture made Jennifer feel warm in her heart which made her smile vibrantly.

Jason, who didn't realise what Jennifer was thinking about, could only look at her in doubt, wondering what made her smile in a tricky situation like the one they were in.

Thinking about his own capabilities, Jason realised that there were many minor seals he could destroy.

Before, his cultivation speed had been too slow to even consider breaking one minor seal without possibly endangering him.

However, that wasn't the case anymore.

Rather than cultivating too slowly, the number of seals on him seemed to be too much. What this meant was that Jason had never truly thought that he would be able to increase his cultivation speed to the extent that allowed him to break multiple seals at once.

But that was now happening, and the thought that he would never be able to break all seals that were put on his bloodline disappeared too!

Yet, it was exactly this that caused Jason to feel that the Celestia bloodline was even more dangerous to a human halfling like him than he had initially thought.

There were thousands of minor seals on his body, some were bigger, some smaller, and Jason could faintly tell that those that were deeper within his bloodline were stronger.

However, right now, he had only destroyed a few of them.

This hadn't bothered him before because he had never put much thought on the seals, but after clearly inspecting the helix in the depths of his conscience, Jason felt that Luna's reaction about his revelation of being a Celestia was suitable.

'Every single seal I release will strengthen my Celestia aura, the Stigma, possibly even my soul world, my sensitivity towards mana, and much more!' Jason realised. His mind subconsciously began pondering over the question of who the mysterious being that had sealed his bloodline truly was.

The being, whose soul fraction was imprinted into his mind, had to be an existence whose power is either on par with the Celestias, or its power was simply perfectly suitable to seal Jason's bloodline.

In the end, the answer remained hidden, and Jason's mind returned to the more important question.

"How many seals can I break, and how long will I be able to lock the four Preactors in their place, giving Jennifer the necessary time to act?"

Jason voiced out his concern loudly without noticing. This caused Jennifer to look at him in confusion.

Yet, before she could even say something, Jason averted his gaze, locking his eyes with her as he asked,

"If they cannot move, how much time do you need to knock them out?"

Jason didn't even try to think about killing them because they were likely to have automatic protective mechanisms, like specific medallions that would protect them if they were about to die.

As such, knocking them out would be the easiest way to force them outside the Inheritance trials.

Afterward, the Preactors might wait outside the temple in order to ambush them, but during that time Jennifer could receive the inheritance, and become much stronger that would help her in defeating the four Preactors.

At least, that was the plan Jason had put together within a few moments.

There was nothing special about his plan, but he felt that it was the most suitable.

"If they're rendered incapable of defending themselves, let alone move from their place, I need two seconds, at most three, and that is already the maximum!!"

Jennifer answered reluctantly, not sure if she was demanding too much, but seeing Jason simply nod his head made her worries disperse in thin air.

"I don't know if I can shackle them down for three seconds, but two seconds are feasible!

They won't be able to budge, so kick their butts and knock them out once they arrive."

In the end, neither Jason nor Jennifer were sure if the four Preactors would arrive at the exact same time or the same location, or if all of them would even make it through the first few trials!

Jason didn't think that they would face all the trials in a group, but the possibility was still there.

As such, enduring the pressure around them, both Jennifer and Jason created multiple plans.

Several days passed, and they had already started to focus on their other task, which was to endure the pressure.

At the same time, Jason was cultivating, trying to make use of the extremely dense, pure, and high quantity of mana around him.

If he wanted to be on par with Jennifer, he was required to cultivate more, longer, and faster than she was doing.

His cultivation speed might be faster than hers, but Jennifer would soon undergo her first bloodline awakening, of both bloodlines, at the same time.

If she were to overcome this painful experience, her strength would skyrocket, and reach a level that was similar to her cultivation speed.

As such, Jason wanted to reduce the gap between his strength and hers as much as possible before Jennifer advanced to the Ascension stage.

He was also not sure what kind of Aeus and Devir her parents were, but according to her cultivation speed, they had been extremely talented.

This made him wonder what exactly Jennifer's story was because she seemed to hate both the Aeus and Devir race equally which was weird.

'Just what happened to you, Jennifer?'

GOD'S EYES

Chapter 707 - They're Here

The pressure enveloping both Jennifer and Jason had increased substantially.

Apparently, Jennifer had also entered the fourth trial only a week before he did, which was interesting.

As such, he had been much faster than expected, giving them one, possibly two more weeks until the others would arrive.

However, this calculation was slightly off because the worst-case scenario Jason had imagined, truly happened.

To their great misfortune, the four Preactors had been thrown into the exact same trials with each other by their side. This gave them the chance to fight much stronger opponents owing to their numerical advantage.

Because of that, their first trial had been a joke, and the second trial was something they quickly got the hang of as well.

They weren't as fast as Jason had been, but still faster than Jennifer, who had to comprehend the essence of the maze all by herself.

Yet, what took the four Preactors the longest was to reveal all of their hidden cards.

Apparently, they hadn't wanted to disclose everything, and the four of them forgot a simple, yet strong point about themselves, which they didn't show either- their Wrath.

Under normal circumstances, wrath was an extremely bad trait to possess.

However, that was not exactly the case for the Preactors, who were strengthened the more they released their accumulated wrath.

This was extremely terrifying, and one of the most basic traits Preactors had, but in their haste to complete the trials as quickly as possible they forgot to showcase it to the Inheritance site.

Thus, it took them several days before they passed the third trial, only to emerge in the fourth trial, a few days after Jason had.

Without the delay, they would have finished everything before Jason's time, but the two young halflings' fortune was simply too great in this regard.

Jason had already accumulated lots of mana, and hundreds of liquefied mana drops had been gathered within his body.

There were multiple ways to cultivate while being at the Prismar stage.

Either, one gathered mana, liquefied it before compressing it directly, or one waited before compressing the entire required amount of liquefied mana drops.

This was what Jason tried to do, knowing that he couldn't completely focus on creating the foundation of his second solidified prismatic crystal.

Right now, he had to also focus on his surroundings, and be ready to react the moment the Preactors arrived.

As such, his attention had to be split which was not feasible during the solidifying process of prismatic crystals.

Rather, it would harm him if a mistake were to occur.

Meanwhile, Jennifer was trying to comprehend the pressure of the three energies, as it was something that could help her in the future.

She was extremely interested in it, and only when both felt something weird, they stopped whatever they were doing.

Getting up from the ground, Jason and Jennifer walked towards each other with serious expressions as they nodded their heads.

Both knew that the Preactors were about to arrive, and oddly enough, Jason felt that he knew where exactly they would appear.

Owing to this prediction, he turned to face a particular direction, which Jennifer noticed.

Even she felt a sensation to what Jason suddenly felt, as faint energy currents manifested on the exact spot Jason was eyeing.

'How did he know?' Jennifer wondered, but there was no time to ask. As such, she readied herself to fight once she saw the gray skin of the first Preactor that emerged, followed by the other two.

They were exceedingly calm, and looked around confidently, only for their eyes to widen the moment they encountered both Jennifer and Jason.

Not expecting to see someone else in the Inheritance site, they were taken off-guard and Jennifer used the moment to appear in front of them.

Before they had time to know who was in front of them or what was happening, Jennifer lifted her right leg, kicking out at the neck of the closest Preactor, whose reflexes took over his body.

He wished to evade the kick before initiating a counter attack on the young woman who released tremendous energy currents of three intertwined energies and the repulsive darkness and light affinity.

Yet, before he could even take a single step or twist his body, the Preactor saw a bright golden light shining from behind the young woman. Instinctively, his eyes were drawn to Jason, who seemed to devour the oblivious Preactor's entire being.

The moment Jason realised that all four Preactors were teleported at the same time, and in the same spot, he couldn't help but smile lightly.

It might have been a one-sided fight had he not sensed anything, but owing to his Emperor Eyes and distinct senses, Jason had foreseen where the teleportation would occur before anyone else.

As such, he didn't hesitate even for a single moment as he opened all the loose seals that were put on the Celestia bloodline.

Jason didn't count them, but there had to be over 20 seals that were broken at the same time.

Through this, an enormous amount of energy was released, followed by the remnants of the chaos attribute that had maintained the seals for a long time.

His body began to bulge owing to the energy that swirled through him. Yet, instead of being released outside, it remained inside his body, sweeping through every single cell within him, only to strengthen them.

At that moment, Jason unleashed his Celestia aura that began to flare up, enveloping a huge radius spanning several meters around him.

Following that, his Stigma was fully unleashed even without him actively doing something. Through this, Jason felt how his entire body began to itch due to the ginormous energy waves as he led them towards his eyes.

Inserting every trace of excessive mana, the chaos attribute, and other remnants of whatever had been used to seal his bloodline, Jason's eyes began to glow in a vibrant golden color.

Yet, the more energy filled his eyes, the higher the pressure he felt became, and he noticed that blood leaked from his eyes.

However, instead of minding this, he simply ignored the pain that began to suddenly spread through his body.

Having released every single seal until his body couldn't take it anymore, Jason's strength skyrocketed as his physique was refined over and over again, only for the distinct aura to envelop his entire body.

Through this, Jason looked like a being entirely clad in a golden color with silver, divine streams radiating from him. These streams gathered above his forehead as a faint halo emerged.

At that moment, he released the entire stored energy as he exerted the petrification, and race specific weakening curse, in addition to the abyssal curse that was overflowing with the chaos attribute. All of this was released in one massive attack that ravaged every single being he targeted, affecting them immediately.

Jennifer had only felt the sudden surge of energy behind her, which had shocked her greatly.

However, knowing that it was Jason's doing, she didn't mind it.

Yet, the moment she wanted to kick out at the Preactors, a shocking scenario occurred.

...How?...

GOD'S EYES

Chapter 708 - Overbearing

Just as Jennifer was about to kick out at the first of the four Preactors their body appeared to petrify before their eyes turned black as they disintegrated into countless manifested energy particles.

They hadn't been killed, but forcefully expelled from the Inheritance site, yet, she hadn't done anything to achieve this.

As such, Jennifer couldn't help but feel odd.

At that moment, a thunderous roar reverberated in the entire space around them, as the ground began to violently shake, which caused her to turn around to Jason.

'Did...Jason deprive them of their consciousness??' She assumed in shock, only to see that his appearance had drastically transformed.

"Just what did I request him to do?!" Jennifer blurted out subconsciously, her eyes trained on Jason.

His aura enveloped him tightly, merging with Jason, and making it seem as if his skin turned partially golden-silverish.

Blood leaked from his eyes that had turned pitch-black, while the chaos attribute swept over, creating torment waves of energy that pushed Jennifer, forcing her to take a few steps back.

Never had she sensed such terrifying energy, even less from someone with a much lower cultivation base than hers.

Because of that she was already shocked, yet that was not everything about Jason's appearance that had changed.

While his Celestia aura had become even stronger, materializing in a distinct golden color that had silverish strands, his Stigma seemed to have enlarged too.

However, that was not all because the most apparent change in Jason's appearance was the halo that had manifested slightly above his forehead.

It released unfamiliar energy waves which Jennifer could only faintly recall from somewhen in her past. Despite that, she was not sure if her memory was even correct.

'Is that...divine energy?'

Confused about everything she could see in front of her, Jennifer's only thought was that Jason must be bearing a huge burden, just to defeat the four Preactors.

This was not an easy feat, and considering that he looked like he had just ascended to God-hood, only to bleed profusely out of his pitch-black eyes, the situation seemed to be not as great as one could hope for.

The Preactors may have been defeated, but the energy leaking from Jason didn't subside.

As such, Jennifer wanted to help Jason by all means.

She was not sure why exactly she wanted to help him by all means possible, but her head and heart told her to do so.

Unfortunately, just as she took a few steps to approach Jason once again, she made the mistake of lifting her head and looked straight into the pitch-black eyes. Somehow, she was transfixed to the spot as his eyes seemed to devour her.

Only a moment later, which had felt like an eternity, Jennifer was released from this sensation. It was then that she noticed that her legs had given in, causing her to slump to the ground without being able to resist it.

She hadn't even been the target of Jason's attack but had almost lost her consciousness, just like the four Preactors.

As such, Jennifer realised that not only was Jason's strength much higher than she had assumed before, but also the burden of unleashing this strength was too much to handle.

In the end, Jason had to face the consequences for acting the way he did.

This was something he had been fully aware of, thus, he gave his utmost efforts to endure and overcome the destructive effect of the suddenly released energy.

While distributing the attack on all of his four targets uniformly, Jason realised that the chaos attribute that had been used to maintain a few seals was not enough to defeat all four Preactors.

At the same time, Jennifer's strength was too unreliable so if he had been unable to shackle down all four of them, the results would have been devastating for them.

As such, he had given it his all, ignoring everything else, to protect himself, and Jennifer, who he had grown fond of.

If Jennifer wouldn't have been close to him, Jason wouldn't even have bothered to rescue her, let alone enter the Inheritance site. But, despite knowing that there were four opponents, who were likely to kill them, if they were to encounter each other he took the risk.

It was just that both Jason and Jennifer didn't realise how important they had become to each other.

As such, while Jason had used every single trait of his to protect the two of them, Jennifer now wanted to help Jason by all means, knowing that he was under tremendous pain.

Approaching him slowly, Jennifer realised that the energy released by Jason was slowly being regulated.

Or, at least, that was what it seemed like because Jason didn't expel the energy anymore.

Instead, he did something crazy the moment he noticed that Jennifer was affected and almost thrown out of the Inheritance trials due to him.

Using his energy to strengthen every single cell inside his body once again, Jason forced the remaining chaos attribute under his control as he enveloped it with the Celestia aura.

Jason didn't care whether the chaos attribute belonged to the mysterious being whose soul's fraction was imprinted into the deepest part of his consciousness, or someone else; the moment it was released into his body, he should have taken it as his.

This should have been obvious, but Jason hadn't done so. Instead, he had pushed away from the chaos attribute, only using it to enhance the abyssal effect of his Emperor Eyes.

Yet, Jason's opinion had changed, and he would annex every ounce of the remaining chaos attribute that was uncontrollably leaking through his Emperor Eyes, without an exception.

Closing his eyes, he concentrated on doing so and the uncomfortable and eerie sensation around Jennifer vanished, only to leak around the area of Jason's head, or to be precise his eyes.

Forcing it to stay inside his eyes, the Celestia aura started to annex the Chaos attribute by using the overwhelming characteristics of a true Celestia, and a small margin of the remaining energy.

At the same time, the other part of the remaining energy was still utilised to be circulated through his body, invigorating Jason, while simultaneously causing him unbearable pain.

By unleashing more than 20 minor seals that had been put on his body, the energy that would normally be used to maintain the seals, and the Bloodline had been released at once.

As such, it was already a wonder that Jason was able to control everything freely as if he was not even noticing the pain as his insides were being torn and twisted.

In the end, he felt it, but that didn't mean he had the time to pay anymore attention to it.

Instead, using every trace of energy to annex the remaining chaos attribute, while further strengthening his entire being, Jason was slowly growing stronger. He was also growing accustomed to both, the overbearing energy and the chaos attribute that was slowly intertwined with paper-thin golden threads.

He was not sure how much time had passed, but what Jason realised was that the golden halo made out of the purest energy didn't disintegrate.

As such, he wanted to actively destroy it in order to use the energy to further strengthen his body.

Jason knew that it was not yet time for him to receive his first halo, thus he had to wait a little bit longer until he was truly ready for it.

Just as his hand reached out for the halo, Jason noticed that someone was extremely close to him, giving him warmth and making him feel safe and secure, reassuring him that everything was fine.

This was something he hadn't felt in a long time, and it caused a faint smile to emerge on his face, as he recalled a memory which he had thought to have long since forgotten.

It was the memory of the person he had loved the most, hugging him tightly- his mother's tight embrace.

GOD'S EYES

Chapter 709 - Young Girl At Heart

Despite not knowing what exactly it could do, Jason knew that he was not ready to possess a halo yet.

As such, he grasped it tightly before shattering it to pieces, while feeling the warmth of another person whose embrace reassured him that everything was fine.

He wanted to know what was going on, but after he shattered the halo, the purest energy was released.

Jason had to absorb it before it would dissipate.

This took quite a while in which Jason also continued to strengthen his entire body.

Afterward, he adjusted himself to his seemingly new physique that was now more refined and better equipped to fight than it had been before.

The strength that coursed through his entire being had received a vast increment, and if Jason had to provide a rough estimate of his current strength, it would be on par with a being that had solidified a total of five prismatic crystals.

And, this would be after excluding the soul world's amplification, or other unique characteristics.

Due to this, Jason was satisfied with the result of having released more than two dozen seals, even if his body was still aching.

However, just at that moment, Jason felt a sudden weakness spread through his entire body as he became more exhausted.

His entire head felt like a mashed pulp, and he knew that he would fall to the ground, or possibly even collapse.

Fortunately, none of the above happened, and Jason only felt that the warmth around him increased, giving him the necessary strength to open his eyes.

What he saw astonished him greatly, and a faint rosy color crept up his cheeks.

"Jen? What are you doing?" He suddenly exclaimed, causing Jennifer, who had hugged him while releasing her three cultivation energies, to retreat at a rapid pace. His question alarmed her and she stuttered while trying to answer him but it sounded like a mix of incomprehensible words.

"I..j-just wanted to..to help!! You seemed to be in pain...a-and my mother always s-said that hugging someone while releasing the three cultivation energies in a gentle manner will have soothing and minor healing properties!"

While saying this, she saw him slump to the ground as Jason's legs were unable to hold his weight and buckled in.

Thus, Jason looked at Jennifer while lying on the ground, with his tired, golden-silverish eyes.

They had returned to their usual color, just like everything else, and it was just the Stigma and Celestia aura that were stronger than before, owing to the unsealed bloodline.

Jason could also tell that his soul world had enlarged but that was not something he could be bothered about.

His cheeks were burning, and he couldn't help but shake his head while trying to make sense of what had happened. He continued to stare at Jennifer, who seemed to be extremely embarrassed about the situation.

However, that didn't really make him feel any better.

'Am I really a loser? Can't I get hugged by someone without feeling embarrassed?!

Jason felt that he was being ridiculous, but at the same time, it was Jennifer they were talking about.

As such, he sighed deeply before trying to focus on the more important things.

Unfortunately, this was easier said than done, and Jason had momentarily forgotten about their entire situation, the fact that they were inside an Inheritance trial, where the pressure around him increased consistently, let alone know where exactly they were.

'Just what is this weird feeling?' He wondered as he touched the left side of his chest, where his heart was palpating wildly, thinking that it was different from how he had admired Malia

A moment later, he recalled that Jennifer had said something about her mother, but from the looks on her face, it wasn't hard for him to know that it was a slip of the tongue and she hadn't meant to say it out loud.

Even now, she was flustered about her behavior because it was different from how she acted under normal circumstances.

As such, she was blabbering things that Jason could neither make head nor tail of.

However, somehow, he felt like smiling as he continued to see Jennifer acting girly, instead of her usual seriousness.

It was a sight he would remember for a long time, and unknowingly a word slipped off his tongue.

"Cute.."

Jennifer heard this, but before she could even react, her expression stiffened, while the same occurred to Jason as the robotic voice resounded in their heads.

[Unique situation detected and evaluated. The fourth Trial will be canceled, and each participant will automatically be awarded with the highest score!]

[Fifth Trial will be initiated, Honesty! Stay honest to yourself!]

This was confusing, but instead of complaining, Jason was just relieved that he didn't have to continue enduring the pressure of the three merged cultivation energies.

It would have torn him apart, and, in the end, thrown him outside the Inheritance site in the next few days.

At that time, the Preactors would have still been inside the temple, awaiting them, filled with wrath and the desire to kill both him and Jennifer.

As such, passing the fourth trial was a fortunate event, causing Jason to smile as he was teleported away.

The last thing he could see was Jennifer's expression that had turned serious once again.

There was no sight of the flustered girl he had seen only a moment before.

However, that was exactly what made Jason believe that Jennifer was both a young girl at heart and a powerful warrior.

Now that the fourth trial was completed, they were separated once again.

Jason was not sure if the four Preactors had been able to travel through the trials because they had entered the portal together, or if there was a different reason, like an specific item their race had created to overwhelm the Inheritance site of the traitor.

In the end, this was not exactly important, to begin with.

Yet, what Jason found important was that he and Jennifer should be able to leave together because it could become dangerous for either of them.

Not being able to break any more seals without seriously damaging his body, left Jason with too little strength to kill the Preactors.

He might have annexed the remaining chaos attribute, but it was not enough to knock out the four of them.

As such, he had to rely on Jennifer, even if he didn't like that.

It was annoying, but even Jennifer required his help to defeat the fourth Preactors, and even then it was unlikely for them to survive.

Thus, they had yet to find a different way to leave the Inheritance trials once everything was completed.

However, for now, the fifth, but also last trial was the first thing Jason and Jennifer had to complete.

Five trials were not considered a lot, and Jason felt that it didn't even take long to complete everything.

Yet, at the same time, the dangers had been extremely high, while the requirement to even enter the trial was not easy to meet either.

With that in mind, Jason was eager to figure out what exactly the honesty, the fifth trial required was!

GOD'S EYES

Chapter 710 - Honesty

"That's it?" Jason subconsciously blurted out, the moment he appeared in a new room that looked just like a classroom.

He was completely alone, without anything but a chair, a huge stash of files in front of him, and a seemingly ordinary pen right next to it.

This felt weird, and after reading the first two questions, Jason couldn't help but feel odd.

[What type of cultivation vein did you awaken, and at what age?]

[Where were you born?]

If the demanded honesty only included questions about himself, it would be extremely easy, and not a challenge at all.

Yet, the third and fourth questions were already something more personal that allowed Jason to understand that the questions would become more difficult to answer with a guilt-free conscience.

[Who are your parents?]

[What do you regret the most?]

[How many innocent beings did you kill?]

[Why did you kill innocent beings?]

[Describe yourself in three words!]

The questions about his regret and the deaths of innocent beings at his hand were supposed to increase his guilt about something he couldn't change.

There were many things he regretted, but in the end, there was no way he could go back in time and correct his mistakes.

This was the bitter truth, but Jason nonetheless wrote his biggest regret on the answer sheet.

[My biggest regret was not being able to see my mother even one last time!]

Writing it down made him feel sad and a little bit depressed, but the next question was similar, and Jason struggled to find a proper answer.

He had already forgotten about the incident with Jennifer, and even if it would have bothered him, the questions in front of him were enough to drive all those thoughts out of his mind.

'How many innocent beings did I kill? Foreign races...none! All of them attacked us on Argos, or inside the Mansion, so none of them was innocent!...Beasts? thousands? More? Less? I don't know...'

In the end, he had no answer, but instead of writing down just any number, he decided to remain honest, as requested.

[Too many to count...]

Somehow, this question was even more depressing than the rest because he hadn't really thought about the number of beasts he killed before.

Whether they were innocent or not, he did not know, but he had only killed most of them because of a monetary gain.

Jason knew that it was wrong, but at the same time, it was the only way to become stronger, to survive, and to prevent those close to him from being injured, crippled, or possibly even killed.

Even though he didn't want innocent beings to die, if they had something he required to save those he loved, he would kill them mercilessly.

That was something he had learned during the last few years- The strong keep becoming stronger while the weak suffer.

As such, he had to become one of the strong, to at least protect his soulbonds from being forced to sacrifice themselves, just to save him.

This was the bare minimum amount of strength he was required to have, and not even a minuscule degree less!

Jason knew that this thought could turn him into a vile being in the face of others, but that was not something he could care about anymore.

When he had entered Manyr, only his soulbonds had been important to him, however, with time he had encountered other humans who were suffering, but learned to ignore their plight.

Being too weak, there was no way that he could change anything, and even if he could have, there was no need for him to do anything because none of the humans on Manyr were close to him.

They were not even trying to escape the clutches of the Aeus and Devirs either.

Because of that, he didn't even think about helping them.

Instead, he had encountered Jennifer, a halfling, just like he was, who he got attached to.

She was honest but never revealed her true emotions. Only on rare occasions would she show how she was truly feeling.

Just as it had been a few moments before.

In the end, Jason didn't even realise when she had become so important to him, and the same applied to a few people around her.

They were not as important as Jennifer, but still enough for him to care about them to a certain extent.

He may seem merciless sometimes, even more so by relentlessly trying to improve his strength by fighting because he very well knew what it meant to be on the losing side.

As such, he was sometimes deemed as cold despite his kindness that even swept through his aura.

Thinking about the people he had learned to care about, Jason's earlier thoughts about his crude behavior towards the weak dispersed.

Everyone was greedy to a certain extent, and it was only fortunate that the beasts on Manyr didn't seem to be as wild as those on Argos.

Otherwise, there would be much more violence than there was already.

Shaking his head, Jason tried to regain his composure, and avert his attention back to the files in front of him.

With the criteria that he should remain honest, the entire fifth trial shouldn't be too difficult.

At least, as long as one was able to cope with the consequences of one's own thought, or if one had to lie to oneself.

There were many occasions in which one would say, "I would definitely help", only to deny the moment the given scenario occurs.

As such, Jason knew that even the easiest questions had to be carefully thought through.

Thus, the last trial was seemingly easy, yet extremely difficult at the same time.

Sometimes one's heart tells one to do something, only for the rational part of the mind to stop them from doing exactly that.

Hence, one had to be absolutely certain about oneself before answering all those questions.

Jason was not sure if he knew himself perfectly, because that was simply too difficult.

He couldn't even describe himself properly, without feeling like he was exaggerating.

Who was he even, to begin with?

Did he have heroic traits, or was he more like a misunderstood villain? Maybe both, or possibly even none of them.

Was he kind, or cruel? In the end, he could be everything, and it was just that the correct questions had to be asked to get the desired answer.

Answering the question was not difficult, but being 100% honest to oneself was.

Jason never expected this to be the case, and he had to skip dozens, if not more than a hundred questions first because he had to think about them in-depth.

Mindlessly scribbling anything that came to his mind was not the best idea, and he didn't have a specific timeframe in which he had to answer the questions either.

As such, given that he had more than enough time, there was no need to stress himself.

He hoped that Jennifer was doing the same because it was important for her to pass the trial, just like it was for him.

Jason didn't need the main inheritance, but he just wanted to survive first, and get a reward later.

In order to ensure their survival the moment they stepped out of the Inheritance site, they had to be prepared for everything, including the onslaught of four peak Prismar Preactors that had all three main cultivation veins awakened!