

Unlimited Power - The Arcane Path (COMPLETED)

745 Chapter 741

"Not yet... this isn't enough. If I can use this energy freely

then..."

'Leon decided to refer to the afterlife as the void

and if in the void where the place where souls would eventually crumble away and disappear

perhaps he could find some souls there. Just like his own soul had memories

the others would have as well

and he would use them. The creator of the system slaughtered billions of monsters and peoples after summoning them to the final battle

so it was obvious that they should have arrived at the same time

if not a little earlier than Leon.'

'Expanding his energy

Leon began to look for those souls. Yet

even though his energy could expand quite a lot

it had a limit

and within that limit

Leon didn't find anything. The void was the place beyond the physical realm

so it was only obvious that it was infinite. Even if billions of monsters and people were forced to go there after death

it doesn't mean that finding them would be easy.'

"Let's see if I can move myself here now that I have energy... if I can feel things

then that should be possible."

'Using his knowledge and experience in using mana

Leon tried to control his body and move to the side. Even a little bit was enough. Little progress was progress in the end. Yet... he failed. Leon couldn't apply the logic of the physical realm in the void.'

"What a massive pain the ass... I don't have time for this."

'Despite his anger

Leon still managed to focus on the task ahead of him. If he couldn't apply the physical realm's logic in the void

he could always try something new. If he managed to obtain a new type of energy

then something like that should be possible for Leon as well. At least in theory...'

"Why the path in front of me is always so complicated... I know I'm trying to do something insane here

but man... give me a break."

'After a lot of struggle

Leon realized that there was only so much he could in the void. Thinking

controlling his energy

avoid losing more memories

and constantly using the memories of his time in the void to increase his energy. However

after a while

he had an idea. Instead of expanding his energy around him in a perfect circle

he decided to create a single and very thin line... a line that would keep advancing toward the ends of the void... at least that was a general idea.'

'Although it was hard to make his energy turn into a stupidly long needle due to the concentration required

Leon's efforts soon were paid off. Amidst the darkness of the void

he felt the presence of something. It wasn't clear as himself

but he could that it was a soul.'

"Hey

can you hear me? If you can understand my words

react in some sort of way."

'That presence was the very thing

so thin that Leon couldn't pinpoint if it belonged to a monster or a sapient creature. Leon was sure that he could pass his feelings through his energy

but he didn't feel anything despite all that. Considering the nature of his energy

that soul was supposed to react in some sort of way when Leon's energy touched it. Yet

there was no response. That soul was thin for a reason. It was because it was about to disappear.'

"No luck on the first try

huh. Well

it doesn't matter... if you lost your sense of self

then I'm sure that you won't be bothered if I take your remaining memories."

'Leon couldn't forcefully take the memories of a soul in the void

not yet she didn't have the necessary proficiency. However

the very moment a new piece of that soul begun to crumble away; it was the moment Leon used his energy to forcefully absorbed these fragments. However

he didn't have time to wait for the soul to disappear slowly. So

he enveloped it with his energy

and forcefully pulled it toward him.'

"So

I can do this much with weaker souls

huh. Maybe my proficiency with his energy increased

or perhaps there is another factor that I'm unaware of..."

'Strangely enough

when Leon tried to mix his soul with the other one

he didn't feel anything repelling each other. In fact

they mixed quite well and easily

to the point where Leon could see the new memories as if those had been his from the very beginning.'

'The memories of a Gremlin... Leon didn't expect that he would absorb the memories of an annoying monster like that so soon. Yet

there was much to witness there. Leon only saw himself in the body of the monster burning everything and anything to the ground. Those were the sole memories that the monster had. Weirdly enough

even though Leon received ten years' worth of memories

he didn't feel anything when he experimented all that in a single moment.'

"My energy increased a little bit since those memories are quite intense. I see now... the more troublesome the soul

the more energy I will obtain."

'Even if the soul was about to disappear

even if it belongs to a relatively weak monster

the power within couldn't be measured by mana alone. Leon confirmed that his plan perhaps wasn't as insane as he thought. He still had a long way ahead of him

but Leon would never stop

and he would accomplish his goal

no matter the cost.'

746 Chapter 742

'The assimilation system creator watched every single being that has mana in the universe explode without feeling anything. Yet

when those few thousand warriors that managed to scratch died

he felt disappointed. Not sad

just disappointed.'

"I suppose it was only obvious considering that the origin of their power is me. I have all the knowledge related to mana; I can use all the techniques they also developed. Not to mention

I have a vastly superior nervous system. Yet... it intrigues me that not a single one of them decided to abandon their old bodies and became limitlessly powerful."

'The system's creator watched for a while the massive red cloud of flesh and blood that was quickly freezing in the outer space. The creator of the system realized they weren't like him. Those little creatures didn't suffer so many mutations over thousands of years to obtain their current form. They inherited from the ancestors what seemed to be the strongest body their species had obtained for many years. Yet... they didn't evolve at speed as the creator of the system. Nor did they have the urge to abandon their old bodies... not even when their fellow allies by the droves. It was only natural

the creator of the system thought. Even though they didn't obtain the power of pride

they had some pride in their current forms. The system's creator was the only one in that universe who obtained the power of greed... an endless greedy that made it a real monster with thousands of brains.'

"It is time to go. I will have to start everything from scratch once I leave this universe

but that is the price I have to pay for my endless greed. How many universes are out there I wonder... how many of them will I have to investigate in order to find the creator of everything."

'The creator of the assimilation system decided to move on because it knew that all the universes are always expanding

and it couldn't lose more time there. However

before it could Teleport and move to the ends of the universe

the system's creator felt something weird. For a second

it felt a weird energy coming from that massive red cloud of blood and flesh. The creator of the system also felt a slight movement coming from the frozen pieces of flesh.'

"To think I would feel conflicted about this to the point where I would imagine things... Maybe I have grown fond of all those little creatures. I have been watching them for a very long time

after all. Despite their struggle

most of them never tried to become something else. Something that they judged as evil or immoral... They sure had weird standards."

'The system's creator faced the direction of the nearest universe

but then it was forced to turn around because it felt that weird sensation again. It hadn't been its imagination... the creature saw some pieces of flesh moving

blood as well. Several minutes had passed since the end of the battle

so it was impossible that someone managed to stay alive in that state. Besides

the system's creator made sure to destroy all the connections between their brain and heart to the rest of the body. Without those

none of them would be able to revive themselves. Yet... some pieces of flesh were moving and becoming a body again. Obviously

the reassembled body was a mess

but little by little

the body began to repair itself and unfreeze itself.'

"This energy... this body... interesting. He managed to obtain new power and revive himself. Fascinating... Still

what is this energy? It is not mana."

'The creator of the system could have destroyed Leon's body once more before it could recover itself. However

it didn't. The creature wanted to talk with Leon

ask about the things he learned on the other side in just a few minutes

even though it was clear that Leon's goal didn't change.'

'It took him a few seconds for Leon to repair his body completed. It was only natural since that had been his first experiment in manipulating reality from the void. Yet

instead of doing things slowly to prevent failure

Leon decided to try to succeed on the first try. Repairing his body was difficult enough

now making it withstand the new type of energy and then teleport his soul from the void to reality had also been very complicated. However

after a couple of minutes

Leon opened his eyes and confirmed that he had revived.'

"Incredible. You always surprise me

Leon. If you change your mentality a little

perhaps this time

you will be able to defeat me. However

before we fight

let's talk a little more. I'm quite curious about your new power."

'Leon stared blankly at the creature in front of him. There was no hatred in his eyes. There was no fear; there was no sympathy. There was nothing in his eyes... In the blink of an eye. The creator of the system understood the nature of Leon's power. He lost his memories to revive itself and obtain a fount of energy that would never end. The creator of the system then

for the first time

showed some signs of boredom in its eyes. That had been foolish. Leon was back

but he had to sacrifice everything to return. The person who he once was and all the knowledge he obtained. That was something incomprehensible for the creator of the system. At the very least

the massive beast wouldn't do the same thing. Knowledge was the most valuable possession that it had ever had.'

747 Chapter 743

'Leon looked around and saw the remaining of all his allies and all the monsters in the universe. An endless sea of blood and flesh... a disgusting and disturbing sight. Yet

he didn't feel anything while looking at it. Given the knowledge and experience that he still had

Leon knew that he was supposed to feel something

but just knowing that wasn't enough to make him actually feel anything.'

"So

you are the monster that I have to kill

huh

" Leon said. "If this is what is left of my allies

you without a doubt deserve it."

"If you think you have the power to try again

then I gladly welcome you. I can feel endless energy coming from you. It really looks like you obtained unlimited power... yet

what you expect to accomplish alone? Did you perhaps also sacrifice the memories of your last moments? If that is the case

I can understand why you are trying to do something so foolish again."

"Yes

I did

" Leon replied. "You look... disappointed. Is there any reason for you to feel like that?"

"I thought you fought this far to protect your life and the life of your allies

but I was wrong. What is a being without its memories? It is like a newborn child who can't do many things. The current

you aren't a warrior. You are not even a threat. I don't know how you manage to revive with the few memories that you have

but that is clearly the only thing you will be able to do."

"At some point

I wondered myself about that many times

" Leon closed his eyes and nodded. "Who would I become after sacrificing all my memories? Certainly

I would become a different person. However

eventually

I reached a single conclusion

and that is the only memory I didn't sacrifice aside from my goal. My memories... aren't mine alone. The memories I cherished the most are those of the time I spent with everyone. I will never be able to recover them since I sacrificed them in the void

but as long as we win. I can make new ones along with everyone else."

"I see

so you are fully aware that you can't recover the memories you lost even by using mana again. Given how much it is at stake here

it is only natural that you would feel so compelled to win to the point of sacrificing the man who you are. Still... I have lost my interest. Bring back your allies to life if you want. I don't have any more time to waste with you."

"Thank you for giving me the time necessary to do that. It would be hard to revive them while repelling your attacks

" Leon smiled.'

'It was hard to recognize a frown in that monster's body

but Leon felt the mana inside of it changing

showing that the giant monster was confused. Still

that was only a small detail to Leon. Rather than that

he was more focused on following the few memories that were engraved in his mind. The first one was to revive

and he already succeeded. The second was to revive everyone

the third was to kick the ass of the giant monster

and the fourth... was to turn things back to normal

as they should be.'

'Leon thought he would have to focus quite a bit

but the experience of reviving himself made things easier for him. In the blink of an eye

the bodies of all his allies were repaired. He didn't have to do the same to the monsters since he absorbed their souls when he was in the void. Still

only a few thousand of his allies suddenly opened their eyes. Restoring everyone's bodies was necessary since everyone's flesh and blood got mixed up

but Leon only needed those who wanted to fight. The others would only wake up after the battle... once everything ends. How did Leon recognize those who fought alongside him until the very end when he sacrificed his memories? That was easy. Even though everything had become a sea of blood and flesh

there were still those who exploded near the monster. Leon revived those.'

"Leon..." Ilyana said after looking at Leon and recognizing the new energy within his body. "You sacrificed everything

didn't you?"

"Yes. I assume you understand why I did it." Leon said.'

Ilyana couldn't help but bit her lips in exasperation. Leon's voice was calm and serene... completely lacking in any feeling. To the current Leon

Ilyana

and everyone else was just a bunch of strangers.'

"I wish I had been faster..." Ilyana said. "That way

the burden on you would be halved."

"I don't know what you are talking about

" Leon said. "All that I know is this. My mind keeps telling me that what I did was necessary."

Ilyana could only stay silent after that. In fact

Leon found everyone while he was in the void. Although they couldn't talk

they could transmit their feelings through memory energy. Ilyana and Tyrselle had already found the way to revive themselves

but Leon had been faster. Despite all that

everyone had lost some of their memories. It was only natural... Although just a few minutes passed in the physical realm

years passed in the void.'

"Since from the beginning

this battle was a huge bet

" Tyrselle said while facing the massive beast. "We wanted everything back

but we didn't set our minds to pay the price to have it back. Now that has changed... if you don't want to become a dead weight

I advise you to do the same."

'Tyrselle said that to Ilyana while facing the thousands of warriors behind them. They lost many of their memories

and they also sacrificed even more of those for the sake of having the same energy that Leon discovered. Upon noticing that

Ilyana steeled her resolve.'

748 Chapter 744

"Leon

I promise you this

" Ilyana said. "After this battle

I won't leave your side ever again."

'Ilyana hugged Leon

and when their forehead touched each other

she passed some of her memories to him. The last years they had before the first Reset. The time where they raised their kids. Leon frowned when that happened but soon smiled afterward. Somehow

he felt that he had expected something like that would happen. Those weren't the same memories that he once had

but he still felt strangely satisfied in seeing them from Ilyana's perspective.'

"Got it

" Leon said.'

'The sense of familiarity between them returned a little. That is right

Ilyana still had that opportunity. She didn't have to fear for more moments where Leon would treat her like a stranger. Even though mana was the energy created by the system's creator

mana itself wasn't something evil that they should reject. They still could use their old abilities to solve problems like that.'

'Leon looked around and saw the best warriors of the universe. His friends

his family

his allies. Although many of them lost a lot

they didn't lose the will to fight. It was a weird feeling

Leon felt as if things would change forever after that battle

but now he was sure things would take a turn for the better.'

"I feel like I have to say something like this

" Leon said while looking at his friends. "But I'm not quite sure what it is."

"Well

you already made that joke twice

but you are the type who would repeat it in a moment like this

" Hector shrugged. "In a moment like this

you would ask if someone wants to give a speech to encourage the troops."

"I see... Well

I don't think we need one this time

" Leon said. "We will win

so we don't need to boost our morale."

"Brother

are you all right?" Amanda asked.'

"I'm completely fine

" Leon replied.'

'Leon found his allies when he was in the void and taught them how to create memory energy. Yet

he didn't give them many details in order to not let them use all their memories. That was why they were worried about him. All of them could feel the endless potential of memory energy. Still

they couldn't tell if that was enough to death the creator of the system once and for all

given that they only had no experience in using it in the physical realm.'

"Just believe in yourselves

" Leon said. "The power of our memories is more awesome than whatever the big guy there can pull this off. Alone

we might not be able to defeat it

but together we can do it. Those can use Mana Creation

use it to protect yourselves

and then use memory energy to attack. You two can focus only on attacking like me."

'Ilyana and Tyrsele nodded. Their capacity to create mana was leagues above everyone else

so it would be a problem if they use it and keep strengthening the system's creator. Regardless

after saying that

Leon turned around and faced the creator of the system. All of his eyes were solely focused on Leon.'

"Sorry for the wait

" Leon said. "As a reward for letting me prepare everyone

I will let you leave once this battle ends. I will give you the chance to leave the universe. You will just have to leave all the mana behind. You said that you need mana to reach the next universe

but I'm sure you will find your own way to do that without it."

"It looks like Ilyana gave you some of her memories

and along with it

you recovered the imprudence of your previous self... Once again

I must thank you for teaching me something new. Thank you

Leon. For letting me experience what is the feeling of being looked down on by ants."

"Well

you are welcome. Although by our perspective

you are not an elephant. Just a massive mass of disgusting flesh and bones." Leon smiled. "If you find God

I hope he doesn't feel the same way we felt when we found you. That would traumatize you

to say the least."

'The massive monster raised its arms and then joined all of them together a single time. In the next moment

everyone felt their bodies getting smashed by an invisible force. However

they reacted fast enough to use the memory energy and cover all of their bodies with it. Rather

it was more accurate to say that the energy moved itself to protect them. For the first time since the time the system's creator was found

he showed a clear frown. Frowning while he watched thousands of small beings being protected by what seemed to be a red aura that enveloped their whole bodies while at the same time strengthened them.'

"It is just like Leon said

" Hector muttered in shock. "This really is one hell of powerful energy. It can protect us even without obeying our will."

"Did I say that?" Leon frowned. "I can't remember it."

'Leon 'said that to everyone while they were on the other side

but of course

he sacrificed those memories too. Regardless

memory energy could protect their users because they were the core of the energy. Even though the memories were lost

it didn't change the price everyone had to pay. Unlike mana

memory energy wouldn't decrease after use

and no matter what would protect them.'

'However

even memory energy had its limitations. Just like everyone had to train for quite a while to obtain certain powers by using mana

memory energy could be the same. So

right now

the only thing everyone and even Leon could do was to use simple attacks.'

749 Chapter 745

"Interesting. The price you all paid was quite high

but all of you obtained rather interesting and powerful energy. I suppose it only is natural. Even though it lost its properties

your memories are still trying to protect all of you and..."

'Before the giant beast could complete another sentence

Leon

Ilyana and Tyrsele flew at their max speed and hit the monster with their fists. Surprisingly enough

the whole body of the monster trembled and even moved backward a little bit. The monster opened all its eyes widely in shock for a short brief moment

but then it quickly recovered.'

"As I thought

we should sacrifice more memories

" Tyrsele said. "This much power isn't nearly enough."

'It was weird. Even though they attacked with all their might

Leon

Ilyana

and Tyrsele's attacks didn't wound the beast. It caused a massive impact to the point where it moved the monster's whole body

but there was no sign of wounds. After analyzing that for a while

Leon understood that it was due to their mastery over memory energy. Since their control was low

the energy was dissipating upon the impact. Leon concluded that after all

the energy returned to his body from all directions.'

"Thank goodness this energy always returns to our bodies

" Leon frowned. "If that weren't the case

it would be extremely impractical to use it even if it is practically infinite."

"Focus on the enemy ahead

Leon

" Ilyana said. "It isn't time to be monologuing and analyzing our new powers."

"It can't be helped

" Leon shrugged. "I'm not an instinctive type when it comes to magic. I need to analyze everything carefully

and then I need to make small steps at a time."

'While Leon and Ilyana were talking nonchalantly in front of a massive monster

their allies were left wide open. It was only for a brief moment

but they did notice the expression of shock on the monster's face. However

they were more impressed that only a few punches managed to move a body that was as big as a planet. The first one to recover was Hector. As usual

his usual behavior always helped him with that. He put a hand on Amanda and Maya's shoulders and then smiled.'

"Let's go

" Hector said. "We can't let Leon and his new companions hog all the glory for themselves. This is a historical moment. We can't fall behind

or we will regret it later."

"Yeah

" Amanda nodded. "I only had a few chances to fight alongside brother

this is the final battle

so I can't lose this chance."

"You are getting too sentimental with old age

mother

" Maya said. "You too

father. Don't be reckless."

"We are not old!" Amanda and Hector protested in unison.'

'Before Leon

Ilyana and Tyrsele could attack again

Hector

Amanda

and Maya charged. As expected

their attacks didn't have as much energy as Leon and the others

but the creature's whole body trembled.'

"Well

if they can do it

I can do it too

" Gisela said while biting her lips and smiling at the same time. "Rather

if I don't do it

I will only embarrass myself. All of you who still have enough balls to fight

follow me!"

"Gisela... that isn't something a woman should be saying

" Lennart frowned.'

"A fistfight with a new type of power?" Tom grinned. "That is what I was looking for!"

'Those three attacked the massive beast

and the body of the monster trembled again. At that point in time there wasn't any point for the assimilation system's creator to hide its surprise and that enough had been enough to raise the morale of those thousand warriors.'

"Tsk. Gisela... that brute always rushing ahead without thinking

" Yuki said while clenching her teeth. "How dare she do something as cool as that before me? Ren

follow me! We have to defeat the monster before she does."

"Yes

Your majesty!" Ren nodded.'

'Following those closely behind were Sasha

Betty

Crik

and all the other warriors. Despite having been revived

all of them had some doubts in their minds that everything was a waste of time

but after seeing the results of a few attacks

they changed their mind.'

'A massive barrage of punches and kicks landed on the monster's body. Even though they barely had any experience using memory energy

they quickly managed to push the monster backward constantly with their attacks. Leon's memories about his allies were quite fuzzy since the ones he had belonged to Ilyana

and those happened before the first Reset. Despite all that

he felt a weird feeling in his left chest while watching all those people fight. Not only that

750 Chapter 746

"Now he sounds more like the last boss

all right

" Leon frowned after hearing the monster's speech. "Now I'm kind of scared of getting close to that."

'Leon was a mage. Even though he fought with his fists plenty of times in the past

he wasn't that skilled at it. However

Leon wasn't sure if he could create a ranged attack using the memory energy. He managed to use that energy in the void to search for all his allies

but it required a lot of focus and time. Doing the same in the physical realm wouldn't be any easier. In fact

it would be much more complicated. Before Leon could think of a way to use memory energy outside his body

he saw the giant monster's numerous arms moving in a weird way. From up to down and left to right. The next moment

Leon saw the little mana that he had recovered inside his body getting out of control again. However

this time

it wasn't about to explode. Instead of that

it controlled Leon's body from inside to outside.'

"What is this..." Tyrselle muttered while her arms were trembling and trying to resist the manipulation.'

"What do you think of my Absolute Manipulation? As the creator of mana

I already can drain the mana from every single being in the universe

but all of you already know that. However

that is not the only thing I can do."

'Although memory energy was protecting everyone

it was only protecting them from outside threats. Besides

it wasn't like everyone could discard their mana either. At that moment

they were only able to survive in outer space because their mana was being used to generate oxygen constantly and to create a Mana Barrier around their bodies.'

'Leon frowned when he saw both of his hands moving toward his neck. It was obvious what the monster was trying to do. If killing them seemed a waste of time

the beast would demoralize all the troops by forcing them suicide. Since they were using mana to survive

mana's level was low

but they wouldn't last for long.'

"Well

looks

we don't have time to think. Since we can't use our arms

let's kick the crap out of that monster

" Leon said.'

"I don't think so."

'The next moment

Leon felt his control over his legs decreasing. However

he also noticed something else. The monster had lost almost half of its power on controlling his arms. Although the skill had a powerful name

nothing was absolute. The monster was using mana

and since the mana within their bodies was limited

it was only obvious that its control over them was limited. Leon and the others gained a few more seconds

but that was it.'

"Well

if we can't use our arms and legs

then..." Leon said but then was interrupted when he saw Tyrselle headbutting the massive monster. "... we can headbutt them."

'The monster trembled

and for a fraction of a second

the creature lost its power over the mana inside everyone's bodies. Leon

Ilyana

and Tyrselle noticed that and decided to use it in their favor. However

before doing that

they had to discover how Tyrselle moved her body when she couldn't control her mana.'

"Hey

Tyrselle

how did you-" Leon said.'

"Just wish for it

" Tyrselle replied after clicking her tongue. "This energy is our energy; it can obey every single one of our thoughts. Just like that disgusting mass of flesh can learn everything related to mana

we can do everything with memory energy."

"I see... so the best thing you could think of considering that was to use a headbutt?" Leon frowned.'

'Tyrsele glared at Leon. It was a joke

at least it was a poor attempt

but it was evident that Tyrsele wasn't someone who would feel embarrassed by it. Regardless

despite what Tyrsele said

Leon knew that it wouldn't be so easy. Even if it was a power developed by him

it needed to be trained properly. Given that Leon didn't have time to create something fancy and useful

he decided to go for the easy route.'

'Suddenly

the space around Leon began to vibrate

and the red aura around his body began to shine much more intense. Leon wasn't doing anything special; he just made his memory energy move within his body as fast as possible. When Leon felt that he would be able to use all his energy in a single attack

he disappeared

and at the same time

he disappeared

he appeared headbutting the massive monster.'

'In the next moment

everyone felt their bodies becoming light again. Leon's attack disrupted the monster's actions. Not only that

it made the creature fly backward for an unknown distance

but just judging by the fact that the creature seemed to have decreased in size by the moment

everyone realized that the attack had been colossal. However

that hadn't been the only thing that happened. The impact almost destroyed Leon's head

and at the same time

it made thousands of the monster's eyes explode.'

'Leon's body didn't fly backward. It stopped moving at the same spot it had hit the monster. Ilyana quickly approached to heal him

but she saw Leon moving and then standing before she could do so. His head was a mess

but she could see it recovering at an astonishing speed.'

"As I thought

fighting melee doesn't suit me

" Leon said while cleaning the blood from his face.'

"Have you gone mad?" Ilyana asked

and before Leon reply

she punched his right side

making him lose the air in his lungs. "Just because you revived once

it doesn't mean you will succeed again. This time

I bet that monster will destroy our bodies down to an atomic level if we lose

and before you try to repair it again

the monster will stop you."

751 Chapter 747

'Leon had to listen to Ilyana's lecture for quite a while

but he didn't have any other choice since he sent the monster flying away from them and because he needed to heal himself. However

thanks to all that

they noticed that the memory energy could even heal their wounds. Still

unlike any other convenient healing method

memory energy was simply sticking the destroyed pieces together. Even the blood that Leon lost was returning back to his body. It was like time magic

but at the same time

it wasn't.'

"This so weird

" Leon frowned. "But not as weird as that."

'While everyone was flying to approach the monster

they saw the creature regenerating its eyes. It was a truly gruesome sight since a lot of its blood still could be seen along the way. Just seeing the monster heal itself like that was enough to put some doubts in the minds of many. Hector

Yuki

and Gisela

who fought leading thousands of soldiers many times

soon realized that. Yet

despite their experience

they didn't know what they could do to increase the troops' morale.'

"Leon

" Hector said. "We have to cause more damage. We have to attack faster than that monster can regenerate. That way

our allies will fight more fiercely."

"I don't think that is possible

" Leon said. "Did you forget that that monster has control over all the mana in the universe? Even if its body is huge

it can heal itself in a single instant if it uses magic. What we see right now are only the results of its natural recovery."

"That is right

" Ilyana nodded. "That is a monster that can survive in outer space without the protection of any spell. We also know that such a monster is very old and had to survive many mutation stages to become as powerful as that. Not to mention

that thing can also change its body at will. That is why the monster has so many brains. That thing will probably find a way to change its body and then become immune to our attacks and memory energy. We can't expect anything from that creature."

"If that is the case

what can we do?" Yuki asked. "A battle of attrition against such a monster would only demoralize our troops

and considering what you said

a fight like that is exactly what that monster wants."

"Although I was expecting to fight a long battle and make that monster give up

I suppose we are not resilient enough for that

" Leon said. "I have an idea... we shouldn't rely too much on mana right now

but we don't have any other choice. Ilyana and Tyrselle

create a replica of yourselves."

'The very moment the replicas appeared

they disappeared soon after

thanks to Leon. As usual

it was another crazy idea

but at that point in time

Leon didn't know what else he could do to defeat such a monster. He spent all his time in the void looking for his friends and collecting energy

after all.'

"... What are you going to make them do?" Tyrsele asked without hiding her frown.'

"The usual

our replicas will try to develop a crazy technique to end this once and for all

" Leon replied. "After that

I will pass the knowledge to everyone."

"Another special technique developed by Leon

huh

" Hector said a little pale." I wonder if we will be able to use it."

"Don't worry about it

" Leon said. "This time

this technique won't have any weakness or drawbacks."

"Why are you so certain of it?" Tyrsele asked.'

"Because this one will be a special collaboration between you

me

and Ilyana

" Leon replied. "You can feel proud of the final result because you will be the one responsible for the success."

'Tyrsele didn't like those words. Her mortal enemy was just saying without a hint of hesitation that thanks to her

they would be able to develop one hell of a technique that would help them to defeat the worst monster that they had ever met. It was a weird feeling... to consider someone who was once a mortal enemy

a comrade

but it wasn't a bad feeling.'

"... Let's just hope we will be fast enough

" Tyrsele said after a few moments of silence.'

"Ah

we will

without a doubt

" Leon said. "That was why Ilyana is there to make sure that we will succeed in time."

'Ilyana shrugged after saying that

once again

it looked like she would be the main support for Leon's plans. After comings this far

she liked to be on the front line where Leon would support her. However

she wasn't dissatisfied about it because

in the end

the final result would be a collaboration of everyone's hard work. Besides

she was more interested in the aftermath of the war instead of the end itself. Ilyana was drooling

just thinking about how things would proceed once things return to normal. However

she shook those thoughts out of her head when Ilyana saw Leon frowning while looking at her... Just was a powerful double-edged sword...'

'Leon and the others finally arrived where the monster was. The creature was back to normal. The wounds caused by Leon's attack had been healed. Yet

the creature didn't try anything. It was only natural that such a monster wouldn't take them seriously so soon. However

Leon was already sick of that attitude.'

"It looks like you are preparing something for me. Very well

it is time to face all of you with a bit more respect. You deserve that after pushing me this far... However

don't regret it later."

'The monster's body began to shine in orange tone

and then all the mana inside it exploded. In the blink of an eye

the monster became a massive fireball that was continuously expanding. The monster itself had become a sun... a sun that was expanding at an astonishing speed. Leon already knew what would happen afterward...'

752 Chapter 748

'Everyone was ready to attack

but as one would expect

they hesitated when they saw a sun suddenly appearing before them. Although they obtained a new and very convenient power

there was a limit to the things they could. Punching and kicking a sun wasn't one of them.'

"Now what?" Yuki asked.'

'There weren't many things they could do that. Yuki just asked because someone had to. Even though she was fully aware that asking what to do in such a moment was unreasonable. In fact

everyone knew what to do

but they only moved away from the beast when they felt their mana being drained at an astonishing pace. The system's creator still was draining their mana

but the sun was the main cause of their loss of energy. Even without hitting them

the massive ball of fire was damaging their Mana Barriers.'

'Leon didn't have to order a retreat. Everyone quickly moved backward. That being said

the troops' speed was barely enough to avoid them getting swallowed by the huge fireball. Leon

Tyrselle

and Ilyana could teleport everyone away to a safe spot immediately

but by generating that much mana

it only would increase the monster's power.'

"Shit... this is so bright that I can't even tell how much big this fucking sun is

" Hector protested while turning around and covering his eyes due to the massive light behind him.'

"Don't turn around

you fool!" Amanda said. "Although you can heal your eyes

we don't have time to waste looking behind. Focus on getting the hell out of that."

"What do you think of this

Leon?" Ilyana asked.'

"I don't like this

" Leon replied. "This attack can wipe out all of our forces

but given that the sun has to have a spherical form to stay stable

all of us can outspeed this attack. That is what logic says... but a monster like that should be able to create such a thing without worrying about logic. Not only that

we need time to develop this new technique. That monster knows that and still is giving us the time we need anyway."

'Something was off. Everyone knew it. Despite all that

they couldn't do a single thing to stop that sun from expanding until it goes supernova. Even if the system's creator was in the center of the attack

the creature was confident that it would survive no matter what happens. That kind of arrogance could be deadly

but it looked like that arrogance in Leon's eyes was just confidence in the system's creator.'

'After a while

Leon and the others finally returned to the point where they could see the remaining of all the monsters and sapient beings in the universe. Despite all that

they were forced to leave those behind and be destroyed by the massive sun. That dropped the morale of the troops

but everyone was smart enough to understand that they didn't have time to look after those. However

after a while

everyone was already tired of running away. Since they were using the bare minimum of mana to keep themselves alive

their minds were already reaching the peak of exhaustion. In the distance

everyone could already see the near stars with the naked eyes. They had fled away quite a distance

and that only showed them the difference in power between themselves and the creator of the system. After all

the sun that the monster had created was already much larger than an ordinary solar system.'

"This is bad

" Ren muttered. "It may happen at any moment

and if something like that big explodes... Leon

are you not ready yet?"

"I'm ready

but our replicas aren't

" Leon shrugged. "They aren't developing an ordinary technique

so there is no point in getting flustered. Just wait patiently."

'Everyone wondered why Leon could stay so calm in a situation like that

but the answer for that was simple. If the worse comes to the worst

he could create and use enough mana to teleport them away to the other side of the universe. That would strengthen the massive monster

but it was necessary. They needed to buy time

after all. However

considering the power of the system's creator

he wondered if that would be enough. Discover what Leon was thinking should be pretty simple for them

yet

the creature seemed unfazed by the things Leon could do. Unless... the monster was preparing an attack that could decimate the entire universe and everything in it. The possibility was low of that happening

but if someone could do that

someone was the system's creator.'

"A supernova capable of destroying the entire universe..." Leon muttered.
"Just thinking about that makes me feel chills."

'However

even after quite a while

the replicas didn't develop the technique that Leon wanted. Nor did the creator of the assimilation system made the sun go supernova. Leon wasn't that knowledgeable about stars

but it was hard to believe that an ordinary star could expand like that and not explode. Still

that only showed to them how awesome that monster was at controlling its own power. After a few hours of running

the sun was the size of a small galaxy

and yet

there were no signs of the supernova.'

"That thing doesn't want to destroy us with that sun

" Tyrsele said. "It doesn't want to kill us by causing a supernova either."

"I guess that makes sense

" Leon frowned. "Although that isn't a star per se. There is only so much a physical being can do using mana in our reality. By the look of things

we aren't watching a sun expand."

'Only a few people understood the meaning behind Leon's words. It was very clear that the monster was now trying to fight them for real and what they were seeing was just a diversion of the real attack.'

753 Chapter 749

"I shouldn't have given so many orders to my replica

" Leon said

a bit annoyed while watching a planet being engulfed by the monster's attack and then feeling its mana increasing even further. "Creating a perfect technique that had no drawbacks and can be used by everyone is not a simple task

but..."

'Indirectly

the creator of the assimilation system showed to everyone another power. The power to destroy matter and made it become mana. That was what just happened. Even though the creature didn't create a proper sun

there was a lot of power behind that thin superficies. Just by touching anything

it could destroy and even make planets explode. However

that didn't happen. All the planets and stars that got touch by the fake sun only got absorbed by it. Even planets that didn't have mana could be absorbed and further strengthen the creature.'

"Master

" Sylas said while he approached Tyrsele. "At this rate..."

"You don't need to tell me something obvious

Sylas

" Tyrsele said while biting her lips.'

'It was weird that Leon could feel that the monster wanted to wipe them out as soon as possible

but such an attack only strengthened the creature. Although that was troublesome

Leon was more worried about the reason behind the creature's actions instead of its power that was growing at an astonishing speed.'

'Leon was starting to consider increase the speed in his mindscape instead of just relying on Ilyana's replica to that. Although she was far more skilled than him at manipulating time

even a little bit more help would be welcome... even if that only makes their replicas finish their task one second faster. After all

the monster was already devouring planets and increasing its mana thanks to it

creating more mana to help them wouldn't affect the final outcome all that much.'

'At the same time Leon decided to do that

he felt the mana behind him getting more intense. Leon didn't even have to look behind to tell that the expansion speed increased almost three times. By the look of things

the system's creator managed to absorb more than a few planets on the sixth stage of assimilation. Leon didn't expect that

but it was only obvious that something like that would happen on the stars and planets near a fake black hole that contained a stupid amount of mana.'

"Hey... this is bad

" Hector muttered. "We can't increase our speed like that without increasing our mana."

"Then create and use all the mana you can

" Leon said. "We are facing the last move of our final enemy. It is time to go all out and not worry about small details."

'Even if Leon's allies were the best warriors of the entire universe

they couldn't produce a planet's mana equivalent. So

it doesn't matter if the mana they are using will strengthen the system's creator. The only thing they needed to worry about right at that moment was to survive until Leon obtains his new technique from the replicas. After receiving the order

all the warriors increased their speed. However

even at their max speed

they wouldn't last long. Perhaps using memory energy would be the best alternative to escape

but that was something they couldn't do with their level of mastery.'

'Leon's notion of time started to deviate since he and everyone else were flying in outer space

but after what seemed to be several hours later

the speed of the expanding sun increased once again. The ability of the creator of the system had already decimated dozens of galaxies

and now the mana over its control couldn't even be compared to before. Not only that

Leon confirmed with that amount of mana

the monster could really destroy the whole universe.'

"I guess that creature wasn't planning to do this all along

" Leon said. "It probably didn't try to absorb all the matter in this universe because that thing thought it would have an easier time in the other universes. That monster finally accepted that we are worthy opponents and that it may find others in the other universes."

'◆◆◆That is all very nice and good

but we have more pressing matters than worrying about what that thing thinks of us

" Ilyana said. "Just what the hell you made our replicas create? More than one hundred years must have passed in your mindscape."

"I can tell that five hundred years have passed

" Leon forced a smile. "As usual... I went too far."

'Leon's allies opened their eyes widely when they heard that. They couldn't imagine a technique that would cost five hundred years to be developed. However

given that the replicas themselves didn't cancel the spell

they didn't give up

and they probably obtained some results. It was possible to accomplish what Leon wanted... it was just a matter of time. Unfortunately

time wasn't something that they had.'

'Suddenly

the expansion of the sun increased many more times. Leon and his allies saw themselves about to be engulfed by the flames of the massive attack. Thanks to that

Leon noticed something. Not only Leon noticed it

but Ilyana and Tyrsele noticed that the expansion's power had decreased the power of that attack quite a lot. To the point where their allies could endure it.'

"Brace yourselves!" Leon shouted using Telepathy. "Use the memory energy to protect yourselves! This attack cannot harm us!"

'Leon's allies thought that he was insane

but there was nothing else they could do at that point in time. So

they just used the memory energy to protect their bodies. It only lasted a single moment

but the surface of the fake sun damaged everyone's bodies to the point where some even lost their limbs. However

no one died

and soon they began to heal themselves when they noticed that they were back to that space where they couldn't see anything.'

754 Chapter 750

"So

we are back to square one

huh

" Leon said. "That monster really fooled us."

'Everyone realized quickly that the monster wasn't just absorbing matter and turning into mana. The monster was creating another lair

but this one would be much larger... it would be the size of the universe. The concentration of mana they felt before couldn't even be compared to what they were feeling right now. Leon thought that memory energy was more convenient than mana

but he wasn't quite sure if he could absorb matter and turn it into energy like mana could. There was always the chance that perhaps only the system's creator could do that

but Leon wouldn't accept it. That thing grew

absorbing the knowledge that many sapient beings obtained

so if that thing could do it

anyone after training could do it as well.'

'The monster didn't move an inch from its initial spot

but even after confirming that its targets survived the first attack

the creature didn't try anything else. In fact

the thing layer of the fake sun was still expanding behind them at a fearsome speed.'

"I see now..." Leon bit his lips while sweating cold. "This might be bad..."

"Everything was just a diversion

huh

" Ilyana said. "We should have attacked the monster while we could before the damn creature could obtain even more power... It is too late to think of that

though."

"Did you notice something

brother?" Amanda asked.'

"Yes... I can see now what that monster is planning

" Leon replied. "That thing layer of energy that looks like the surface of a sun was never meant to kill us. It was just the first part of its plan to obliterate us once and for all."

"How does that monster intend to do that?" Hector asked.'

"It is simple... the creator of the system will absorb all the matter in the universe

" Leon replied. "That is the first step... the second and final step is to destroy our notion space with something powerful as the big bang

perhaps even more powerful. If that creature destroys space itself

we will be unable to exist in the physical realm and thus return to the void... unable to revive ourselves."

"Destroy... space?" Yuki frowned. "Is that even possible?"

"I did something similar in the past

but on a much smaller scale. That was how I passed Serene... the spirit of the time's trial. Although I didn't have much energy back then

I destroyed an imaginary space of five hundred cubic meters. Right now

that layer of energy that looks like the surface of a sun had those two goals. Absorb everything and then reach the limits of this universe."

'Everyone opened their eyes widely; they didn't know a single person who could manipulate space. Now the last enemy was planning to manipulate all space and destroy the physical realm of the universe. If that wasn't a god-like enemy

then nothing was.'

"We are running out of time

" Ren said. "But we still have some. Isn't your new technique ready

Leon? Maybe you should change your plans and try to develop something simpler."

"No can do

" Leon said. "This technique I want to develop will give us the power to survive everything that monster throws at us... perhaps we can even survive that monster's trump card. I didn't want to believe that such a monster would be able to do something like that

but I considered that possibility

and that is why I gave the order to my replica develop the ultimate technique."

'Everyone wanted to know what that technique was

but they were already too tense and worried about facing their imminent doom... again. Thus

wondering what Leon was planning was close to meaningless. Leon's closest friends believed in him

but the others not so much. That was why they didn't want to ask for something that may not be ready before everything ends.'

"Given my experience

it looks like our replicas will only finish their task at the very last moment

" Leon said.'

"Are you for real? I don't think my heart can last so long to endure this crazy tension

" Hector dropped his shoulders. "Can't you speed up things a little bit?"

"I can

but I don't think it will help

" Leon replied. "This is the final battle

and in moments like these

miracles only happen at the very last moment."

'Leon was spouting nonsense

but everyone soon forgot about it when the space around them begun to vibrate. Somehow

the massive monster managed to increase its planes' speed even more... the second step of the monster's attack was about to begin. Amidst that darkness of the monster's lair

everyone felt shivers when suddenly

even the air inside their Mana Barriers begun to vibrate. For a second

the vibration stopped

and at the same time

the air inside their barriers disappeared. Everything around them begun to vibrate

but their air didn't return. Panic started to spread among Leon's allies.'

"Don't panic!" Tyrselle shouted via Telepathy. "Use your mana to recover the air!"

'However

the next moment

even Tyrselle opened her eyes widely in shock. Space was starting to compress

but not from the extremities of the universe

but from every single point. A terrible wave of coldness begun to cross through their bodies... the reality that granted their existence was being destroyed in an unexpected manner. Leon had expected something like a reversal big bang

but the monster wouldn't give them time to counter-attack. Even Leon and Ilyana began to panic. They had no time left. However

just as Leon had expected

himself

Ilyana

and Tyrsele obtained some notifications at the last moment.'

'Congratulations! You created the Arcane System!'

'Congratulations! You have learned the skill: Dragon Mode.'

'You obtained 01 status point.'

'Congratulations! You have learned the skill: Dragon Aura.'

'You obtained 01 status point.'

'Congratulations! You have learned the skill: Dragon Soul.'

'You obtained 01 status point.'

'Congratulations! You have learned the skill: Dragon Heart.'

'You obtained 01 status point.'

'Congratulations! You have learned the skill: Dragon's Rage.'

'You obtained 01 status point.'

'Congratulations! You have learned the skill: Dragon's Armor.'

'You obtained 01 status point.'

'Congratulations! You have learned the skill: Absolute Draconic Transformation.'

'You obtained 01 status point.'