

## Chapter 7: Becoming A Powerhouse

Hours passed since Utan and Ciel found out that Caren was captured by Omega-3. He was unsure what he was planning to do to her; but he knew he had to defeat him somehow. He was outside Misaki's town limits trying to catch a breather from all these things happening to him and the others. He was becoming scared of Omega-3.

Utan: I needed that. I can't believe that I'm stressed out on finding and defeating Omega-3.

Then, Mitsuho appears.

Mitsuho: What's wrong with you?

Utan: Nothing. I just need to relax; this whole seek and destroy Omega-3 thing is taking a toll on my mind. I never felt so weak against someone like that except Arcueid. I'm not so sure that he's a carbon copy of Arcueid; he has everything that I have - but better.

Mitsuho: I wouldn't say that, Utan. I know that you're stronger than him; you have the gauntlet and he doesn't.

Utan: . . . . .

Mitsuho: Are you an American? It seems like you're having doubts on fighting against a powerhouse like Omega-3.

Utan: Doubts? You must be joking.

Mitsuho: Maybe I am, but consider this. If you don't use your full power, Omega-3's going to destroy everything you were able to establish here and I know you're not going to allow that to happen.

Utan: . . . . .

Mitsuho: You don't have to unleash your true power, but you're going to have to - - - if you want to defeat your carbon copy.

Utan: Thank you for caring. I'll unleash my power to defeat Omega-3 and his minions.

Mitsuho left him. Utan heads back to the mansion to round up his crew. Meanwhile at the Asagami Women's Academy, Zenith and Azaka were becoming suspicious of the new headmistress's involvement of the revival of Omega-3.

Azaka: Is there something wrong, Zenith?

Zenith: I'm feeling an unearthly presence in the academy's grounds. It seems like someone is controlling these students.

Azaka: By whom?

Zenith: I have no idea. Let's go to the headmistress's office.

Azaka: Ok.

So, Zenith and Azaka went near the headmistress's office and searched for anything suspicious. Before they could search for more things, Zenith felt the headmistress's presence and they hid themselves in her office. She had Fujino and Jinrei in her office. The headmistress was Kaguya Asakura and she was upset with Fujino being near Utan during her recovery.

Kaguya: I can't believe you, Fujino. How could you?

Fujino: I'm sorry for troubling you, but there was no one else that was willing to give me a place to stay while I was recovering.

Kaguya: You could have asked us to help you out. Other than that, Utan's a troublemaker; he's nothing more than a hoodlum - - - no, scratch that; he's a ruffian. That's the last thing on my mind.

Jinrei: What are we going to do with him? He's affiliated with the Church and they've branded him as a heretic - - - special thanks to Merem Solomon.

Kaguya: I should have known. Anyway, we have to deal with him and his allies immediately. Fujino, leave my office. I got some things to discuss with my client.

Fujino: Ok.

Fujino left her office but she felt Zenith and Azaka's presence in her office. In the office, Kaguya discusses her plan of attack against Utan and his allies along with Omega-3.

Jinrei: Now with her out of the way, let's go on ahead and stage our plan of attack against Utan and his allies.

Kaguya: Hold on one moment. I'm sensing someone in my office.

Jinrei: What? Who is it?!

Kaguya flipped the table up and saw that it was Zenith and Azaka. They tried to escape but Jinrei was able to subdue them and knocked them out. Fujino felt that and tried to escape to but the students that were controlled by Kaguya were able to capture her. At Utan's location, he was able to feel an abnormal surge coming from the Reality and Space gems. Fujino, Zenith and Azaka were in trouble.

Hisui: What's wrong, Utan?

Utan: Fujino's in trouble at the academy.

Maiya: What happened?

Utan: My guess is that they were able to find out something about the new headmistress involvement in the revival of Omega-3.

Akiha: How is that even possible?

Utan: It doesn't matter. We have to rescue them, immediately.

Nemo Uga: I'm in with you.

Utan: Stay here with Akiha.

Nemo Uga: Why? I'm strong enough to deal with them; just let me go.

Michaelis: He's right. I'm quite positive that some of Omega-3's minions may come here and try to attack us.

Nemo Uga: (feeling upset.) Alright.

Utan: Let's go; there's not an hour to lose.

Utan and his crew, consisting of Akisora, Jasper, The Rosso Brothers, Miaki, Komane and Ryutoma, drove off to the Asagami Women's Academy to rescue Fujino, Zenith and Azaka. Meanwhile at Hermes's location, he enters into the Moriya's oil shop to see if Utan was there. Then, Akane appears.

Hermes: Hi, there. I was wondering if you knew where Utan is hiding.

Akane: Who are you? Are you another one of his friends?

Hermes: I'm more than just his friend, I'm his biggest fan.

Then, Mitsuho appears. She was shocked to see him; out on defense, Mitsuho threw one of Miaki's stinkbombs at his face so they could escape.

Mitsuho: Come on, Akane. Let's get out of here.

Akane and Mitsuho escaped the shop by driving a Mazda RX-7. Mount Hermes was still stunned by the stinkbomb.

Hermes: After them, Artemis.

Artemis follows them; she was in striking distance, until Kilitia came to their defense.

Kilitia: Leave them alone.

Artemis: You have some nerve interfering with our mission.

Kilitia: Your mission? For your information, you're attacking innocent people.

Artemis: And why are you in our way? Shouldn't you be at home leing it down in Dance Dance Revolution?

Artemis and Kilitia fight for two minutes. Kilitia was gaining an advantage against Artemis; she was having a difficult time getting a good shot at Kilitia and keeping her away from her. When Kilitia got in close on Artemis, she generates a short sword and kills Artemis.

Artemis: You beat me; nobody beats me.

Kilitia: I'm sorry, Artemis; may God have mercy on your soul.

Kilitia heads back to the mansion. Meanwhile at Fujino's location, the students who were being controlled by Kaguya were torturing her along with Zenith and Azaka. Then, Utan, Akisora and Jasper appeared just in time to stop them.

Utan: This is as far as you go, Kaguya.

Kaguya: That's Lady Kaguya to you, commoner. Get them!!

The students threw opium needles at him but Jasper used the academy's flooring as a shield to protect Utan and Akisora. Then, Akisora got out a light grenade and blinded the students in the academy in order for them to escape with Fujino, Zenith and Azaka. After three minutes, the students were able to regain their sight and went after Utan and the others. But before they could approach them, somebody driving the Ford Transit Connect backed up at the academy's gates and broke through them.

Nicholas: Get in, Utan.

Utan had to go back and rescue Jasper; the opium needles struck him. Nicholas and Miaki used smoke bombs to disorient the students so Utan and the others could escape. They successfully escaped – angering Jinrei.

Jinrei: I can't believe they're getting away.

Kaguya: They're not going to get too far.

Someone driving a Toyota Tacoma went after them. Juri was in the truck while three of Omega-3's minions were on the back of the truck so they could get in perfect position to capture Fujino. Meanwhile at Utan's location, he was wondering why Kaguya revived Omega-3.

Utan: That was a close one. Are you alright?

Fujino: Yes, thank you for saving us.

Utan: I just broke some rules - - - which wasn't supposed to happen. Anyway, why did Kaguya hold you captive?

Zenith: We were just about to expose her for her involvement of reviving Omega-3 and using the students as guinea pigs for Omega-3.

Utan: Guinea pigs? For what?

Zenith: That's what I'm trying to figure out.

Then, Michaelis sees two Toyota Tacomas driving behind them.

Michaelis: Enemies approaching at 12 o'clock.

The two people from Omega-3's faction punched through the van's windows and grabbed Fujino by the hair. Utan tried to pull her back in while both Michaelis and the driver of the Toyota Tacoma were still driving. With no other option, Azaka used her fire magic and shot the driver of the first Toyota Tacoma; while Jasper opened the back doors of the Rossos' Ford Transit Connect, Zenith used her fire magic to blow up the second Toyota Tacoma. The second Toyota Tacoma drove off into the sea; while the first Toyota Tacoma blew up.

Utan: So much for them.

Michaelis: Is everyone alright?

Fujino: Yes, I'm fine.

Utan feels an abnormal surge coming from his Space gem - Juri Haran was still alive and used his reinforcement tech to survive the explosion.

Nicholas: She's still alive? How?

Utan: Don't worry about it; I'll deal with her.

Nicholas: Utan, are you serious? She beat you up the last time.

Utan: I know, but Fujino's safety is more important than my fight against her. Keep a close eye on her, you guys.

Michaelis: Nicholas, let's go already.

Nicholas: Ok. I'm counting on you to beat her.

Michaelis and the others drove back to the mansion.

Juri: I'm kind of surprised you didn't go along with them. Why didn't you?

Utan: You have been using my grandfather's dark arts for your own personal gain; this can't continue any longer.

Juri: I'll be happy to send you to hell along with him.

Utan: Shut up! You're the one that's going there!

Utan and Juri Haran fight for three minutes. Utan was overpowering Juri Haran; since Juri Haran's fighting style was solely based on pure offense, Utan was able to see where she was going with her attacks and countered her attacks critically. Just when Utan was about to deliver the final blow, Juri Haran activated her Omega Mark form and grew a demon horn in the middle of her forehead – resembling that of a unicorn. She fired a beam at him and hit Utan's shoulder. It was able to penetrate through his reinforcement.

Juri: I have to commend you for making me use this form; it's such a shame I have to kill you now.

Utan: You're a fool. Why did you sink so low to join Judas and Benjamin just to kill me?

Juri: You know the answer to that; that ancestral power of yours is dangerous. Too bad you're nothing like Benjamin; he's carrying an ancestral power, just like you. It's a work-in-progress for him to become like the True Ancestor.

Utan: So that's why you captured Caren. (thinking silently.) Something's not adding up on why he wants Fujino. (speaks.) Why did you almost capture Fujino?

Juri: Ask Lord Omega.

Juri tried to fire a beam straight at Utan's head; she missed. Utan was able to realize that Juri Haran was feeding off his Space gem's power. So, when she tried to run right through Utan with her demon horn, he was able to catch it and expels the Space gem from his gauntlet and used his forbidden fire elemental attack to incinerate Juri Haran. Her ashes were blown away into the sea.

Utan: Great. Now I have to wait thirty minutes for my Space gem to return to normal. It's a long walk to the mansion.

Meanwhile at the mansion, Satsuki was able to feel an unearthly presence outside the mansion. It was Fuchsia. Komane was outside to see what she was doing.

Komane: What are you doing here? Aren't you supposed to be at the meta-human lab aiding Rex?

Fuchsia: There's no need. I'm with Lord Omega now.

Komane tried to attack her but one of her plants almost got her. Then, Akiha along with Maiya Uzuki, Nemo Uga, Miyako, Satsuki, Shiki Tohno and Ryougi Shiki came to her aid.

Maiya Uzuki: Are you alright, Komane?

Komane: Yes. Why are you here to attack us?

Fuchsia: Lord Omega wants me to fetch Fujino so that we can begin our new world order.

Nemo Uga: For what? Do you want to destroy us all?

Fuchsia: . . . . .

Akiha: It's no use, Nemo; we have to fight her.

Maiya senses that they, including her, were inside Fuchsia's Reality Marble. (Greenhouse of Horror)

Maiya Uzuki: We're inside Fuchsia's Reality Marble!

Just when Akiha was about to use her Vermillion powers to burn up those plants, one of the plants used an extinguisher liquid to nullify those powers of her and the plant swallowed her whole.

Komane: Akiha, no!

Nemo Uga: You bitch!

Maiya Uzuki: Nemo Uga, wait.

The Rossos' Ford Transit Connect was able breakthrough Fuchsia's Reality Marble. The Rossos, Zenith, Azaka and Jasper came to aid them in defeating Fuchsia and her plants. After two minutes of trying to stave off the plants, one of the plants caught Miyako. Out of luck, Nemo Uga was able to generate a new weapon and cut through the plant's tongue. (Mikazuki - Crescent Moon)

Nemo Uga: Now, it's my turn.

Nemo Uga's weapon was able to cut right through those plants, but one was remaining and it was a man-eating plant. Satsuki was able to use her Reality Marble to save Nemo Uga. (Depletion Garden) Fuchsia's plants were disintegrating.

Fuschia: Oh, no: my plants! My Reality Marble!! OH, NOO!!!

Before she could turn around, Akiha quickly rushed at Fuchsia grabs her by the throat and fully incinerated her. After she did that, she passed out.

Shiki Tohno: Akiha!

Maiya Uzuki: Stay away from her. I'm feeling an auric armor surrounding her.

Then Utan appears with his Space gem restored back into his gauntlet. He was able to absorb the auric armor surrounding Akiha.

Utan: Sorry to keep you waiting.

Maiya Uzuki: What happened to you? Your shoulder.

Utan: I'm alright. Let's go inside and heal Akiha.

Utan and the others entered the mansion: he was trying to catch his breath after what happened.

Caster: Are you alright?

Utan: I'm fine. So were you able to bring back Shirou?

Caster: Yes, he's at Fujimura's house trying to get used to his new body. Sakura, Rin and Samari were able to bring him back.

Utan: Ok.

Meanwhile at Arcueid's location, she was able to trace Omega-3's energy near a temple. Then, she stumbles upon two minor members of Omega-3's faction.

???: What are you doing here?

Arcueid: Where's Omega-3?

???: Why do you want him? (sees that she was the True Ancestor.) It's the True Ancestor!

Arcueid was able to defeat them effortlessly. She made it to the temple's ground and sees Kaguya.

Kaguya: What are you doing here, True Ancestor?

Arcueid: Isn't it obvious? I'm here to defeat Omega-3.

Kaguya: I'm sorry to hear that from you: it seems like you're overconfident in bringing him down. He's interested in Utan.

Arcueid: Even so, you're making a big mistake challenging his and my power.

???: Is that a fact or is it another one of your miseducated opinions?

Arcueid sees that it was Mount Hermes and Omega-3.

Arcueid: You.

Hermes: It seems like you remember me, idiot vampire. If you don't want to end up like Utan, I suggest you better leave this place at once.

Arcueid: That's not going to happen. (sees Omega-3.) You must be Omega-3.

Omega-3: I'll take her on.

Hermes: Lord Omega, are you serious?

Omega-3: I never had been, but it's been a while since I had my blood stirred for this occasion.

Hermes: But she's powerful than you think.

Omega-3: I know; I can take her on even without drinking Caren's blood.

Hermes: . . . . .

Omega-3: So just stay back and let me deal with her.

Hermes: Ok, boss.

Arcueid: So that's why you captured Caren. Why do you want her blood?

Omega-3: You'll find out soon enough, Arcueid. (readies his stance.)

Arcueid sees that his stance resembles Utan's a little. Then, Omega-3 and Arcueid fight for five minutes. Somehow, Omega-3 was able to beat her by breaking her back. Arcueid was knocked out. The two members of Omega-3's faction carried her off to Kaguya.