

\Erebos\

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FOREWORD: THIS IS AN OLDER VERSION PLACEHOLDERS OF KEY CONCEPTS HAVE SINCE BEEN REPLACED. I AM SIMPLY UPLOADING THIS AS A GLIMPSE OF WHAT IM WORKING ON.

Episode 1 =====

== Cavaets and Dreams

Selaphiel: Why does humanity deserve to live.

:A Black screen with water or tears or snow raining down, cavat looks around as the hymn of fate plays out the pasts and their futures in front of him...

: the overwhelming sadness from the hymn of fate plays as scenes start to solidify the sounds of each event echo in the dark he sees spotty extrapolated conscious thoughts across demensions.

:Starting with somber notes cavat comes into focus standing with back to camera on this snowing moon in the void, facing earth, as weather starts to rip all around him

cavat: humanity is not free

snow particulates on the moon... dust... embers...

cavat: there is no salvation beyond what two hands can build

cavat stands back to frame, gripping the earth in his hand, wounds visible

cavat: this cold hymn... sung solely by the tzadi all for one fate....

cavat exhales atmosphere, shot of ADAM amidst earth, : Shot of Sanctums exterior cathedral : shot of the airport tower.

cavat: all for one undeniable path....

cavat: Erebos... is inevitable.

inside of a tear selaphiel holds up its hand and destroys earth

cavat: in this world... we have no future

cavat: in this world... god is everything but benevolent

cavat kneels looking / praying into a tear, one arm is light with amber light the other bears a wound of stigmata

cavat: in gods absence.... i build only myself.

cavat: and bare witness to the only truth i know...

Cavat: death comes for all things...

Cavat transforms into selaphiel in front of yggdrasil

cavat: and when im done... god... will bleed.

== Start

: drum beat scene change , blurred eyes opening into the action

It starts off with a long shot of the building still... quiet

then a distant explosion occurring on the building -

zoom to the action, a smoking hole occurs as slayer comes flying out of the buildings upper story she lands on the catwalks, Air comes barreling out of the hole kicking and punching at slayer

slayer glares at air

air glares at slayer

Slayer runs forward grabbing onto her blade as she pursues air

air pushes slayers sword back in its sheath and punches slayer several times,

air glows blue turns around and kicks her launching herself into the air -defying gravity- air turns and runs sideways up the side of the building

Slayer glows red, she cracks a smile and pursue's air

air gets about 30 ft away from the catwalks and kicks off jumping backward falling as slayer turns to attack air smiles and waves

air: Bye bye!

Slayer standing horizontally jerks backward in midair

slayers eyes go wide as she notices

canon smashes through the upper wall/windows and grabs slayer

canon flings her against the building and air kicks her through the wall

they both fall downwards into the catwalks

out of the smoke of air's original hole - Ostinato leaps forward onto the lower deck landing onto the interlinking building catwalks,

he looks up to see smoke erupt a story above him and then rolls up to squat

Tenuto falls

the door to the catwalk opens and vivace surging with blinding blue light appears from the hole, ostinato behind her carrying cavat.

cavat appears malnourished in a daze and tied up

Tenuto: no wait- hold on-

Canon tosses cavat at tenuto - cavat lands directly on top of him,

crescendo appears next to canon, his eyes glowing blue,

Crescendo grabs his hands together and telekinetically causes the building to crumble around the catwalks

SFX close Explosions occur the building shakes*

Crescendo looks into his bags: aye just as well i suppose im out of the big stuff now.

Crescendo claps his hands together again most of the walls crumble and the structure falls in on itself

tenuto staggers holding his ears: A little warning next time

Crescendo: we have a little time yet.

Canon: ... set up extraction, we cant fight against a full blown nephilum carrying dead weight...

vivace Immediately runs forward and checks the exterior bridge calling out to Largo over her arm mag

vivace: largo, we are on the exterior bridge, we need you here now!

they rush forward along the outer structure a view of eve city can be scene in the background with attention paid to the sanctum cathedral

Smoke rises from the previous location as the fallen members stand

Tenuto looks up to the top of the tower: I think we just stirred the nest...

Crescendo: I think we just started something we oughta finish....

Tenuto: i dont like betting against myself

tenuto eyeballs Cavat

Crescendo looks up at the structure

Air looks up from her arm mag...

Crescendo: you cant die yet... not before you pay me back all the ceti you owe me

tenuto: oh gods why did it have to be today that i had to live

Air: motions to vivace

Vivace calls outward on her arm communications device (mag)

Vivace: Largo - lock onto my mag pulse

vivace presses the mag on her arm it lights up

Vivace: crew and cargo ready for transport on flight deck 60, platform 4,

Air: I thought the plan was she was going to WAIT for us!

Vivace motions towards the large pulse reactor in the middle of the sea : we were right, she wasn't with in range she had to put down in the pulse to keep a sufficient charge.

Air: stupid machine.

Vivace: yeah well unless plugged in directly we are in the dead zone...

Ostinato: that puts Largo's ETA at 5 minutes

Tenuto: uh guys! am I the only one here that knows we are SURROUNDED by knights? you know... our mortal enemies... we are going to be dead in 5 minutes!

Canon: you are a Blade of the Council, and a Psallein of the Cathedral-

Tenuto: Im not so brave i want to die to prove you right.

Canon stands eye balling tenuto... tenuto sulks

Ostinato walks up to crescendo who is hanging slightly off the support looking up and down the building
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Crescendo: all of this... they fortified it just for him... these resources... just who are these knights?

Crescendo: they are much more than just some meager splinter faction of monads...

Canon: you are newer to the Vanguard but... the knights were once like us.... Psallein of the Cathedral who have rejected our moral piety

Canon: they chose to unseal themselves.... and forgo their humanity lusting for greed and power.

Canon steps up next to ostinato

Canon: somewhere between Nephilum and Psallein

Canon: they are lost souls skirting the last lines of their sanity embracing their own demons, encouraging the corruption to spread across their bodies...

Canon steps and looks towards eve city and then towards the cathedral pausing as the others walk by him.

Canon: where have they been for 50 years... that is my question....

another explosion can be heard in the distance

Ostinato looks off in it's direction

Crescendo: that one wasnt me

canon and crescendo look at each other ostinato walks fast behind them

ostinato: out of time -

they all arrive at a bulkhead door leading to the bridge between building 1 & 2

Vivace: It's an exterior bulkhead, thats 3 feet of steel the only way in is to cut through...

Ostinato ready to fight walks up next to vivace and the door into building 1

Ostinato: I can take care of this...

Ostinato starts compressing origin within himself, his amps light up a steady teal

SFX Distant Explosions occur, the tower shakes again

Ostinato's amps glow blue he puts his hand to the door

the metal starts to melt with ionizing blue light, it starts opening moving allowing an opening to form

Ostinato holds his hand open and throws a punch the metal reacts to his force and it bends the metal inward like a shot gun blast and then it solidifies

they each walk into the next room.

Ostinato's amps glow blue, he holds an open hand to the melted bulkhead

he grips his fingers into a fist and the metal just smashes and rearranges itself repairing the hole.

Tenuto: I have never gotten used to how comfortable he is with that level of origin compression...

Tenuto: i mean... Elemental manipulation is one thing but he is exciting the metal on a molecular level and stabilizing it....

Tenuto: i just ignite my own irons... i'm no where even close to him...

crescendo: that's why he is boss man...

Tenuto: i thought canon was boss man...

Crescendo: to you every man is boss man...

Tenuto looks displeased

Ostinato looks towards canon

Ostinato: Assuming this can stop a ... knight.. what do we do about the second team.

Canon: that is Adagio's priority.

Ostinato: ... he is quite unreliable.

Canon: trust Harbinger... trust aria...

ostinato makes a face

Canon looks at the spire of building 2

Cavats eyes flicker open, dazed, looks up... and towards them

Cavat:... you'll only find death that way,

Air strikes cavat

Air: YOU GOT SOMETHING TO SAY

Vivace turns around wide eyed

Cavat looking up earnestly: we locked it away there, to save you from yourselves

Air grabs him by the collar and dangles him over the side of the catwalk her amps glow and a rush of wind ravages cavat

Canon: Air...!

Air: NO... I will not suffer him... I HAVE WAITED ENOUGH

air puts Adante's kata knife to cavat's throat

cavat holds onto her arm weakly to prevent himself from falling,

he glances down toward the ocean

Canon knocks both air and cavat back onto the bridge. air lands hard, he bends down to look her in the eye.

Air's costume is ruffled slightly her scars are just barely visible

Canon: cavat is The blue lady's to judge, we are only collecting him for the council... The Blades are not murderers.

Canon leans in towards cavat -

Canon: rest assured, you will suffer for your crimes against humanity...

Cavat: you're the executioners...

Canon: we are each as we must be, for the good of all,

Canon: but do tell me -

Canon: that was in fact a knight we fought earlier was it not?

Cavat laughs: why? did you finally See the light? want to change sides?

Canon grabs cavat by the collar

Canon: if you have learned anything from your time amongst them tell me, How was that amount of origin possible to compress without corrupting...

Cavat glares in defiance. - what do cowards know of power... you have had a year to hate me and this is how weak it has made you... i cant explain what you refuse to understand.

canon drops him.

Cavat bloodily grins

Cavat: break your oath to Sanctum just once, though you may not live through it, and you might kill everything you love in the process...

cavat spits blood on the deck

Cavat: to suffer and to cause suffering, to be willing to sacrifice yourself to get what you want - this is what it means to both know and fear strength

Cavat: origin is the power to become god! ask yourself why aria only allows the chosen few on to live...

canon pulls Cavat to his feet, and points him towards eve city

Canon: Is that how it is? LOOK!

Canon: how many millions of the few that are left in this world would you sacrifice to sate your lust, I will never understand this... how could you of all people become this twisted...

Cavat: To those who live in glass houses?

Cavat: how many of the Tzadi have you personally killed... without reason... or even understanding...

Cavat: the crux of your religion is your cathedral, telling yourselves the blue lady is saving humanity by dictating fate is a lie.

Canon: The Cathedral Council makes all of this possible, it is the salvation of our race, without them... all of this city would have died of starvation when the knights attacked the botanical district years ago.

Cavat: all you are doing is choosing who eats and how often. that is little more than eugenics... that is no grand religion. it's erebos... all of it

Canon: From here until I Break your body in front of the council, pray I am not every bit of the nightmare you recognize me as.

Cavat: you would be surprised how often innocent prayer has been answered with slaughter because of faith

Air punches him in tears

Air: You killed my Adante, and the others, You are a MURDERER, YOU attacked the council. YOU had no divine right, no higher calling,

Air: you were our family, cavat... and you stabbed each of us... for what? FOR NOTHING!

vivace throws herself between them

Vivace: Please, stop! he-... he is not himself... he has been twisted by their dogma

Cavat: for the sight i gained to answer a question...

Cavat: dare I become a knight of Dayus...?

Air punches at him through vivace

Air: WHAT THE FUCK ARE YOU EVEN SAYING

Vivace looks shocked, and then pushes air aside,

the building rumbles the structure begins to heat and melt in on itself

Flare Jumps up and out of a hole

Tenuto: SHIT SHIT SHIT

Ostinato: carbon & iron everything i need.

Ostianto runs over amps glowing blue and throws two metal spears formed from the bridge

they each strike out towards flare

Crescendo runs forward in front of him

Crescendo: even better -!

Crescendo claps his hands and the building underneath her explodes and she falls back inside the bridge they are standing on rumbles as it crashes forward into the central structure of the two towers

Ostinato puts his hands on the ground and the metal wraps over the rubble ensuring no one will make it through

Ostinato: gasping* that won't hold long!

Vivace: LOOK!

Vivace looks up at everyone and points to Largo off in the distance

Ostinato breaks up the fight between air and vivace

Ostinato: ENOUGH! THERE IS WORK TO BE DONE! PAINT THE SKY!

Air calms herself, she turns and pulls out a flare from her leg pack

tenuto and crescendo each walk forward smoke flares in hand

Ostinato looks at vivace, and then to canon, Tenuto looks to crescendo

Crescendo claps his hands, his amps light up with ionizing blue light,

Crescendo: and for good measure

Tenuto: wait- what- don't even tell me you did that again -

crescendo: why do you think I've been out of the big stuff

SFX of Explosions rumble throughout the building

visibly shaken, the tower stops rumbling

Canon: Crescendo.... give pause until necessary

air shakes her head..

Air: idiot...

Crescendo: just showing the little lady what she's been missing on that side of these muddy waters. you've just an aversion to volatility... it's an acquired taste...

Ostinato Grabs crescendo's glove and pushes it down

Ostinato: Harbinger is still active, we cannot jeopardize the second extraction

crescendo looks displeased.

Crescendo: cant blame a guy for trying...

canon glares, crescendo sulks

An explosion happens from two stories up, a lone figure launches from out of the fire and lands on the deck.

Tenuto: damn it crescendo

each of the blades is taken by surprise

Canon: EVERYBODY BACK!

a very cynical and pissed off looking Slayer raises her weapon -

Slayer makes eye contact with the beaten Cavat

Slayer: moron... why did you allow them to take you from the atrium

cavat: I needed time to think

she instantly appears next to him the blades react

and then she appears on the opposite side of the platform next to vivace, cavat now by her side on his knees.

Slayer looks down at cavat

Slayer: not to me... you can explain yourself to... him... later.

cavat looks down

slayer raises her weapon and slashes

Ostinato: GET DOWN

Canon immediately throws himself in front of the team

Vivace: Cavat... I

cavat looks up at her across the way

vivace loses her words and looks down

a deafening sound occurs as a blast of light emanates from slayer's blade

Slayer swipes at the corridor sending a blast all through the catwalk leading to the platform -

Canons amps glow bright blue projecting a barrier tanking the majority of the cleave.

the Smoke clears, and Canon Falls to one knee, cloth torn from armor bracings
blood pools down

His eyes wounds and remaining amps glow with blue light as it races over the exposed cuts and mends
his body like firecrackers sparking from his bones.

Slayer Raises a questioning Eyebrow

Canon regains his footing, facing slayer

Slayer: your faith will lead the coming insurrection in Erebos.

the amps regenerate his body, it is apparent he has several of them placed throughout his physiology...
and now they pulse with an unnatural teal energy,

Slayer: youve replaced your bones as well? how extensive are your modifications...

the other members of the vanguard look on in horror at what has just been revealed to them about
their leader

Canon finishes healing and holds a virtuous posture like a priest: I am but a humble servant, A Psallein of
our Cathedral's faith, an avatar to preserve order and balance in this world...

Slayer: how much pain will you endure before you're faith breaks...

Slayer raises her sword to attack posture and slashes sending a slicing blast of origin straight at cannon
who in turn takes out his Kata Blade and defends against the slash. by projecting his barrier into it, this
time with no damage taken.

Canon: I am Canon a justicar of the cathedral and these are the Blades of its Council...

Canon: Heed my words, lay down your weapon, knight~! and walk away from this with your life!

Slayer: whats a life worth anyways...

Slayer slashes at him again with another blast of origin

Canon fends it with his growing barrier

Canon: AS EACH BLADE STANDS WITH ME TODAY,

Canon's Kata Blade begins to glow

Canon: I SHALL PASS JUDGEMENT AS THEIR WITNESS

slayer turns to cavat, and shrugs at vivace

Slayer glows with red light

Slayer: LOOK AT THE ORIGIN WITHIN ME

Slayer: You will not win against me with words for raw power is deaf to you.

Slayer: I am free in all the ways you are not...

Slayer: I as a Knight of Dayus have become everything i needed to be to survive you

Slayer launches a Soul Cleave that snaps Canons barrier

Canon's barrier flashes a blinding white as it breaks

his amps explode and he falls to the ground

blood flies everywhere, canons arm is reduced to glowing blue skeleton covered in blood and meat...
canon's eyes glow blue and he heals up

Canon falls to his knee

he tightens his grip on his kata knife, Canon looks up with resolve, he begins breathing again

Slayer looks at him with curiosity and amusement

Slayer: fate has given you endless suffering... I pity your life

Slayer: Is that what it is? do you pity them Cavat, is this why you are hesitant about rising with us?

Cavat just looks to the ground

Cavat: it doesnt have to be this way... *looking at* vivace... none of you have to die...

Canon: Pain is but a momentary discomfort,

Canon finishes regenerating

Canon: the righteous would gladly walk through hell a thousand times, and sacrifice everything to serve the greater divinity.

Slayer: then your actions have found you your grave....

Slayer looking down glaringly with weapon poised

Slayer: And for your faith... it will die forgotten... and desecrated.

slayer lets loose another slash

Cavat looks down at the ground and grabs his head...

Cavat: not like this...

as the Blades are all squatting or sitting shaken from the shearing power of her attacks,

Slayer glows with red energy.

Tenuto: aww hell...

Tenuto stands up... his amps start glowing.

crescendo, and Air each stand,

Ostinato Stands

we are left with an Iconic shot of each of their amps activating & all color saturates

Ostinato: as the cathedral places faith in us,

Air: we shall not fail...

Crescendo: we are their blades...

Tenuto: we are humanities last edge against the evil in men...

Canon: Rise with me...

slayer stares indignantly and sighs

Canon opens his eyes as if from a prayer he Stands fast his twin amps pulsing

Ostinato's amp glows blue, he punches into the metal of the super structure and pulls his fist out covered in a molten glove, the metal elongates into a blade

Air wind surges around her as she pulls out her kata blades, the amps on her sash glow blue

Tenuto pulls out a long rod which starts to activate and crackle with electricity

Crescendo does a martial arts movement opening his gloves to reveal the seals embroidered into the palms

Vivace simply hides in back with Cavat,

Vivace: why are you doing this... cavat...

Cavat: the Tzadi have locked us to this fate...This is not our story... and we don't end where we begin...

Vivace starts crying...

Vivace: who are you... ! WAKE UP!

Vivace slaps his face

cavat looks past her and in a mantra repeats

Cavat: because our lives are not the sum of our actions... and Only I can change this.

Vivace drops him facing the group

Vivace glows entirely blue and puts up a barrier around herself..

Vivace: then I have no choice, I a member of the sanctum vanguard... I as Harbinger...

Vivace: declare you a heretic... an enemy of the Cathedral council.

Vivace: for the survival of humanity I must...

cavat looks at her...

vivace in tears...: I cannot follow you this way..

vivace holds up a kata blade weakly trembling

the hymn starts playing

Cavat starts to phase into blackness and extrapolate the hymn again

Episode 2 Psallein

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Cavat watches Vivace gather power within herself, but the sound muffles and the visuals blur,

we return to Cavat's dreamstate

Cavat: origin... surrounds us... it binds us to reality...

Cavat: this world is made on origin... the energy of absolute phase... a dimensional rule of law underwriting all matter...

Cavat: Origin is the integrity of the future... It is the flow by which reality maintains itself

Cavat: to wield origin is to possess absolute power and burn ones soul in the process

Cavat: in such a world... the path i must choose for myself... Is one that free's us from those who use origin for tyranny...but that path only ends with sacrifice...

Cavat looks down to where a tear was implanted into his body he looks toward the fate lines and see's vivace in front of him

Cavat: To fight evil, must i truly become evil?

Cavat: If I could only just step in so far as to just save her, could that just be enough?

time catches up with him

an establishing shot shows wind blowing past slayer into the wall where Canon is standing

Air bars her teeth and screams

Air: LETS GET THIS OVER WITH

Air sprints forward towards slayer with unnatural speed, amps glowing she jumps into the air only to kick into slayers blade,

a Surge of wind hits Slayer along with the landing, causing her to stagger but then regain her footing and stand strong for just a moment

Slayer regains her footing and flexes her arm, striking forward with her blade, flinging Air off the platform,

Air extends her arms and legs, and forceful gust pushes her back onto the edge

Tenuto reaches onto his belt pulling an incendiary capsule

he throws it at slayer

Slayer cuts through the capsule.

Tenuto's eyes blade and amp light up blue as he charges an electricity into his kata knife

Tenuto: try this---

A bolt of lightning rockets from the blade's tip into the capsules

Slayer points her blade directly into the electricity and absorbs it turning around and aiming a hand into the tower rod she disperses it out of herself

the tower rod overheats and shatters on the impact site it falls deep into the ocean smashing into bits as it goes down

Slayer stands smoking, relatively unscathed... Slayer grins.

Slayer: pathetic

Tenuto swallows hard, charging up his kata Blade for the next attack

Slayer eyeballs canon: is there bite to your bark?

Canon runs forward trying to tank Slayer

he crosses blades with her spins around deflecting her slash and grabs her weapon

slayer glares and pushes red energy into her weapon and it burns into canons hand which starts glowing bright blue.

Ostinato, watching canon keep slayer busy

Charges his amp, gathering a visible blue light in the amp on his hand it turns yellow

Ostinato runs forward digging his hand into the platform

This leaves a trail of molten metal behind him as he moves forward.

Ostinato goes in for the kill shot from behind as canon Continues to hold slayers attention

Slayer grins mid strike and impossibly reacts and jams Ostinato's molten fist directly into Canon's chest

Ostinato: Impossible-

Canon stares blankly knowing that he just received a kill shot directly into his chest

Ostinato staggers back mortified by what he has just done

Slayer does a back flip landing on the back of the platform

she pauses noticing a glowing blue light beneath her feet

She looks up to see Crescendo pointing at her

Crescendo: oh i wouldnt want to be standing there right about now...

Crescendo snaps his fingers

the lights flickers out of phase and explodes into reality

Slayers starts to erupt with violent flames

Slayer stands smoking, looking pained

Crescendo holds out his left hand and conjures another blasting anima,

Crescendo: I don't care how much you talk - your just as human as the rest of us lass -

Crescendo pulls a gigantic light down out of phase

it begins to crackle just above her ready to explode

Slayer lights up bright red, she thrusts her hand into phase and absorbs the celestial light

slayer begins to glow bright teal

crescendo's eyes go wide

Slayer spins jumping upward while cutting the deck with a soul cleave. she clears the explosion,
the extremely amplified origin blast from her own strike heads straight for crescendo
Crescendo dodges it and hits the ground,
it falls and explodes clear away from both the bridge deck and slayer.
cutting into the top of the tower on the far side
the strike cuts off an entire wing of the abandoned structure, steaming water rushes in to fill the crevice
Crescendo on the ground looks onward in fear : that wasnt supposed to happen - oh...
slayer lands and prepares for the next assault
Largo raises from behind in a Sanctum - Arial Assault Vehical, the Gat Guns start whirring
Crescendo immediately rolls and runs out of the line of fire
Slayers turns to access the new threat she glares her eyes turn red,
Largo fires round after round from Gatling mini guns onto the deck the blades duck and run for cover
Slow mo shot * she runs impossibly fast towards the AAV as each Gat bullet pierces and shreds the deck
the other blades each run grab cover
Canon creates a barrier to protect each of them
slayer jumps high into the air,
largo loses sight of her against the saturated sun the aav pivots
Slayer Lands on top of the Cockpit and glares largo down
Slayer raises her sword and stabs into the glass,
Slow mo shot* Largo's eyes widen her amps glow brilliant blue as she rolls the controls and moves out of
the path of the blade, it strikes just above her shoulder
Slayer pulls up on her blade and jumps off the AAV cutting the canopy off of it
Slayer lands, and looks puzzled
Slayer: - curious...?
Largo re positions and the gats start whirring to fire again
Slayer: -fine.

Slayers eyes glow red once more as she uses a soul cleave, massive energy extends forward from her blade cutting down the AAV at distance

Largo's eyes widen, her amps glow brilliant teal, the aav rotates to avoid her death, but the left half of the AAV is severed

the AAV spiraling downward, erupting in flames, but largo has already leapt onto the platform missing the side but catching an exposed piece of the structure

the burning AAV wreckage crashes into the platform below

the entire platform sways back and forth, each of the blades stand trying to catch their balance

the sky bridge cracks and falls on the building 2 side, it smashes into the bridge section directly below it.

Slayer jumps up makes her landing right in front of the building 2 entrance.

Air pulls largo onto the platform

Canon stands up... holding his chest wound, it begins healing over the metal, he screams and coughs blood

Ostinato puts his hand on the metal and draws it from canon's chest

canon screams outloud

Tenuto and Crescendo both follow air and Largo over to Canon and Ostinato

Canon: as we are... we fight and we die.

Ostinato nods...

Ostinato: Do it...

they spread out

Slayer - now surrounded by a bloodied and pissed off vanguard combat squad and burning flight wreckage

Vivace just stands next to cavat....looking down at the mess.

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Slayer parades herself in front of them walking to the center: These are the council's blades? this is the resolve you hunt nephilum with... pathetic...

Canon: This is not an impasse,

Slayer: glares at him, with a smirk: you couldnt begin to understand the word.

Canon: In the years of my tenure I have seen nephilum use power to burn all their wake... a path free of conscience is little more than that of the beasts of the great war that burned this planet.

Slayer breathes deep and controls her fiery rage: spare me the rhetoric priest - You have no concept of what words like conscience or power mean...

Canon looks visually disturbed

Ostinato flexes, and reaffirms his strength

Canon: power used without morality is power abused.

Canon: Power abused in a world without balance is evil.

Canon: While You flaunt your power for self centered desire, We summon our power only when fate leaves us no alternative...

Canon's eyes glow blue and his amps surge yellow. each of the blades look at him with fear

Canon: Aria of the hymn, hear my plea... lay down our bonds unchain our seals...

Canon starts visibly compressing around him, starting at his feet and rushing circling up above him

his wounds heal, his body starts steaming, his eyes glow teal and then white

Tenuto: ive never seen a justicar release before

crescendo: i've never seen myself released before..

tenuto just looks at him alarmingly... then nods

Canon: Blades of the Sanctum Vanguard,

Canon's fingers glow blue and light trails his fingertips as he draws the **Justicar Sigil of Mass Unchaining** in the origin phase

a surge of blue fire emanates from the burning emblem

Canon: My blades, I unchain you! Fear your power... God save us all!

all of the blades look shocked... as their eyes and amps light up a brilliant teal and they surge with power

His eyes double their intensity and remain active, the superficial wounds of his body close but the metal remains burned against his chest

The Blades amps start to light up with white hot blue light as the

white runes of unsealing appear in front of each of them.

Ostinato **Sigil of Reaving**

Crescendo **Sigil of Hell Fire**

Tenuto **Sigil of foucaults**

Air **Sigil of Razor wind**

Largo **Sigil of Unsiht**

Canon **Sigil of Bolstering**

canons presence explodes forward as he goes to his stage 2

their eyes immediatly glow bright blue, and they are each invigorated, somewhat bitterly.

Canon: Fear the power you hold, my blades....

Canon: and you shall find your Haven again

Slayer adjusts her stance* and looks to cavat: how much longer are we going to play this game

Slayer: i think this one is actually going to try and talk me to death.

Vivace looks at her **Sigil of Phase Volition** manifesting in the origin in front of her...

Vivace stands watch over Cavat back near the bulkhead.

with a blue barrier raised around him

her amps and eyes light up

Vivace: gods..! canon...

Vivace flexes and plants her footing to supress her power but her barrier fluctuates uncontrollably expanding in size

Vivace's eyes grow bright blue

her entire body starts to glow blue

vivace collapses

Vivace: NO... I have to maintain....

Vivace fights the phase transformation,

Vivace re draws her **sigil of phase volition** in the phase and she seals her origin compression again.

Vivace winces and then cycles her barrier back into regulation

Vivace: taking off the council's sigils... we cant fight like this here... not this close to the city...

and then looks down at Cavat

Vivace: ?

Cavats own **Sigil of Dark Realms** Ignites in front of her

Vivace: no... canon what have you done...

cavat starts phasing between two forms

Vivace: cavat!? YOUVE BEEN SEALED THIS WHOLE TIME

Cavat looks forward in a moment clarity: what am i if not the man who see's everything.

he slumps down to his knees and just looks at the floor entranced

Vivace: stop this cavat.... - james if you remember that name, PLEASE... Where are you right now!?

Cavat: i am just one of many... possible outcomes.

She caresses his face with one hand

Vivace slumps: a year ago... it wasnt you, was it

She slaps him

Vivace: Just tell them it wasn't you!

Vivace: tell me you didnt kill... us...

She sinks down to her knees on level with him

Vivace: come back to me

she puts her head to his

cavat just looks dimly at the ground

speaking quickly cavat murmors aloud

Cavat: there is a world that he can't help, his eyes able to see, his hands unable to do.

the bulkhead door becomes super heated and molten metal starts spewing from the center,

Cavat: flare?

vivace stands back from the bulkhead

vivace: no... we cant do this...

Cavat just stares at his trembling hands which now appear deregulated from phase, his eyes flash brilliant red

Cavat: paralyzed... he hears them scream, as their hands are bound, as they live blind,

Cavat: but the woman in blue holds each of our nightmares, and erebos by my hands is the only end that fate should see.

Cavat: how could they ever begin to believe, what the blue lady refuses them to see.

shot is a drip of water defying gravity by floating upwards and in a pulse of brilliant blue light it disperses

Cavat: Out of time... this is reality, Vivace... lynn... no.... I am talking to uriel... its uriel...

Cavat: uriel please... you cannot kill them...

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canon holds himself in prayer stance

Canon: blood of the mother, spirit of sophia,

Canon: unleash your children so they may serve in the true fate

Slayer eyeballs him mockingly : You think I should be worried your Mantra's will save you?

Canon: we fear power... and this fear of power allows us to embrace it knowing and respecting the recoil and cause...

Canon: but in this instance... Each of us must fight you with all of the strength we possess...

Slayer: foolishness... this talk of fear... like being afraid of power is some moral high ground

Slayer looks past canon towards cavat: Just remember cavat, it was your indecision that has forced me to play by their rules

unnatural red energy pulses through slayer's body,

Slayer's Skin turns slightly translucent

her cardiovascular system pulses with unnatural red light so that you can see the veins glowing through the skin

her eyes seemingly appear on fire

Slayer speaks her voice gaining almost a second presence

Slayer: but I suppose it doesnt hurt to stretch a little

Canon runs forward and smashes his mighty hands into the ground causing the bridge to give way once more

slayer loses her footing but jumps into the air and landing below

slayer looks up at canon angrily

Canon: on my authority, blades of sanctum, End her -!

Slayer immediately jumps forward with brutal force and lethal speeds,

Slayer easily kicks canon against the door opening with massive force causing him to plow through the bulkhead

Canon falls to the ground already glowing blue as his body is taking its time to restore itself

but slayer is too fast she strikes upward with the hilt slashing into canon, he flies backward into the newly formed hole in the structure

Tenuto and crescendo just look forward in shock.

Tenuto: he is a justicar...and she just...

Ostinato: now is not the time for doubt!

Air looks forward in absolute disbelief,

Slayer's body manifests her true forms claws

Slayer: Your faith is misguided priest.

Canon coughs blood: your body... you are nephilim-!?

Slayer: nephilim-? don't make me laugh...

Slayer: If you cannot fathom pain, sorrow, or the contempt in this world. how could you possibly understand a shadow

Slayer: no- you were right to fear me... I am vastly more than nephilim!

Air Lets loose an incredibly loud slashing strike from the tip of her blade that seemingly causes the a rip in the element, Slayer jumps backward, it hits the wall and cuts into the metal,

Air: you are all monsters to me!

Air sprints forward and bombards slayer with close quarter combat a moves to which slayer appears unable to match and is forced to jump away

Slayer: I see the likes of you only the way a predator acknowledges its prey

Air: but I am impossibly Faster -

Air closes distance and Lets loose another onslaught of attacks

Slayers eyes light up with a fiery red and moving faster than air side steps air's attack smashing a clawed hand into Air's Stomach ripping into her to pull her close

Air lets out a gasp and crumbles in pain, Slayer whispers in her ear

Slayer: Let me know when you catch up

Slayer lets air fall into a crumpled heap on the ground, bleeding out

Red energy pools throughout Slayers body

slayer waves her arms with grandiose fervor

Slayer: pain is survived... a body and life tempered and burdened in fire is a resolve vastly stronger than any of you are currently capable of imagining.

Tenuto: Air....!

Tenuto's blade is extended and glowing with white hot electricity, he runs to match blades with slayer, sending jolts of lightning in every direction

Tenuto just growls running forward surging with electricity

Slayer grinning with bloodlust grabs onto his electrically surging blade and breaks it in half while spinning and shoves the blade tip into his leg

Tenuto cries out in agony

Slayer jump kicks him in the head

Slayer lands with one foot on top of the blade, and grins

which she dive spin kicks deep into him

Tenuto screams out in agony,

he looks over towards Crescendo

Tenuto: looks like It was my day after all...

Crescendo: NOO!

Tenuto focuses on the hilt of his blade, which he grabs and slams into the ground

a brilliant flash of electricity raises into the sky from the platform

the light starts to dissipate

to which slayer is simply standing idle looking quizzically at the smoke rising from her perfectly fine arm....

Slayer: Bahahahaha.... pathetic....

Ostinato gathers energy in his right palm, the metal gauntlet he manufactured earlier surges forward like a superheated whip, which he flails toward Slayer

Slayer drops down narrowly avoiding the over head superheated metal,

she watches it crack into the deck burning and gathering more metal on the impact

ostinato glows a brilliant blue he thrusts his hands up

blue light emanates from several areas around the fallen bridging and spikes of metal shoot up wards connecting with the bridging above it

slayer launches forward narrowly avoiding the spikes she uses her speed to close distance while delivering a piercing attack directly at ostinato

Ostinato raises a metal barrier from directly in front of him from the molten deck

the blade glows with red and pierces through the metal stabbing into ostinato's gut

Ostinato throws his hands on the metal egg, on slayers side Metal hands mold out and grab slayers arm immobilizing her

ostinato pulls himself out of the blade and slumps down to the ground

slayer attempts to pull her arm out of the steel

Crescendo runs in starts hitting slayer with tai chi pressure point moves, Each hit Dials in a blue tracer,

Crescendo backs away kata knife in hand, his eyes on fire with blue light , a tear runs down his cheek

Crescendo: you know exactly what's coming next dont you, you ornery bitch!

Slayer Looks intensely angry as she squirms trying to free herself, the metal just keeps pulling her in

Crescendo overcharges the amp and throws the knife directly at her

all of crescendo's anima cross out of phase and detonate and A blinding white explosion occurs

the light starts to dim and the smoke starts to fade, but we can see a luminescent humanoid form

as the smoke clears a luminant shadow resembling slayers stage 2 form is momentarily revealed

the egg is gone, ostinato is seen on the ground pulling himself away from her towards canon

slayer's contorts her face bars her teeth and glares.

she raises one arm and points at him

crescendo notices a light in the phase directly piercing him

Crescendo: oh tenuto, im not long off.

A blast of light ignites and surges from the smoke and hits crescendo and cutting a hole in the platform where crescendo is standing

as the light fades back to the saturated landscape and the smoke clears slayer shows no signs of visible distress, she is already back in stage 1 form

Slayer examining herself: I expected worse... hmm...

Slayer shrugs and looks forward to Largo

Largo looks up from where the blast pushed her, Slayer's weapon is cut into the deck

Slayer: humor me pathetic girl, what do you intend with my weapon.

Largo picks it up examining it, her amps glow a brilliant blue as she analyzes it

Largo: This crystal is an amplification structure.... this is how you direct and control your own origin compression...

Slayer looks rather uneasy

Largo: the thing about amps... is once they are possessed by your enemies they can turn it against you so easily

Largo lets loose a slashing strike suspiciously similar to slayers own, origin compresses into it and blasts out but poorly because its largo not slayer supplying the origin

Largo looks up... and down the sword as blue purple light flourishes around it

the sword ablaze with purple energy

Largo: cool

Largo rushes slayer next with a piercing attack

Slayer Dodges and spins around

slayer stabs her hand into the blade all the way down onto the hilt redirecting it away from her body, she grabs largos hand on the hilt and grapples largo in close

Slayer whispers to largo: Not so easy...

Slayer rips Largo's own amps from her flight suit ripping it open

Slayer leans in close: for I am a real demon

Slayer: over a hundred years your enemy

Slayer reaches into her suit and exposes skin and pulls Largo's Tear shaped amp necklace out

it begins boil purple and corrupt immediately as she touches it

Slayer: Interesting

Largo looks fearful

Largo: what is---

Slayer holds up largo's tear of aria looking into it as it lights up purple and begins to burn

walking forward examining the color...

Slayer: I see you

slayer compresses just enough origin in it it turns bright purple and the tear explodes in her hand

largo screams out in pain

Slayer smiles insanely and uses the amp to punch into Largo breaking rib bones

largo hurdles forward spits blood and slumps into Slayers fist, Slayer lets her drop to the ground as dead weight

slayer drops the chain necklace onto largo's body

largo reaches up all of her amps are glowing... teal/purple

Slayer: your amps... you are a slave to them...

Slayer: mine...

she picks up her blade

Slayer: were never more than my own self

Slayer looks at the broken woman bleeding in front of her,

Slayers hand heals, slayer makes a swipe and blood flies off onto largo

Slayer: such as I am mourning while cutting them down for their faults...

Slayer: i suppose all innocent things meet a defining edge eventually.

Slayer speaking downward to the sputtering and choking largo: Even "unchained" without your amps you are no more than weak flesh...

Slayer looks around at all of the carnage she just created

Slayer: you are no more psallein than the pathetic humans you are now powerless to protect

Slayer: and this is why you have died for your faith.

Slayer: never having understood the true nature of origin...

== Hatred.

Canon: SURRENDER YOURSELF, or Council forgive me I will pass judgment on this heretic right here and now...

slayer turns around alarmed

Canon is standing with his kata blade to cavat's neck

Slayer: so you did survive.

Slayer glares at cavat, who is spinning in and out of spiritual phase.

Slayer: Cavat how many of your friends must I play with before you realize they cannot be saved?

Slayer: - ANSWER ME!

slayers words echo on cavat's skull reality seems paper thin... cavat is standing in the void watching the earth burn

everything stops... and cavat only sees the godkin demon selaphiel blurred out standing in front of him

Slayer: oh... so it has begun...

canon looks at her awkwardly...

Slayer: pay attention...

Slayer: this is how a god will bleed.

Canon looks uneasy

cavat looks down at slayer... his vision blurs

reality recreates itself... and it drops away to black

only he and selaphiel remain in the pitch black phase.

Canon looks up at vivace in this situation

Canon: Vivace! PAINT THE SKIES!

Vivace nods

Vivace looks up at the molten metal

Vivace: out of time... please Cadenza... hurry

reflexively starts walking backward towards the platform

Vivace pulls out a long cylinder with a glass tip, inside is a single glowing blue orb

She then smashes it against the floor

cavat slumps over his eyes glowing red staring at his hands again his arm starts to burn with intense red light, he lets out a scream in agony

and the door is spewing molten metal

cavat shuts his eyes and the world grows dark he returns to his dreamstate

Cavat: I see this world like a dream... I hear their voices, all of them echoing off every facet of the other then combining to form the whole..

: our current past present and future converge as we watch cavat watch fate condense into something barren as earth scorches itself... and eve city grows massive

Cavat: cold, still yet, Life bitterly clings to very nature of the surface, ever evolving through suffering and fear. so many different paths to be crossed, so many lives simply to upkeep our illusion

Cavat: I dream of Many futures

:the knights walk slowly into frame facing away from camera, in onto the weather of the moon, facing the burning earth,

Cavat: but in all that i see The blue lady sings the hymns... she culls the psallein...as they cull the tzadi, thus is the shape of things to come..

Cavat: and i could stand compliant no more... if only i could show them what i know see... in this way... in this realm

a shot of Cavat opening his eyes and staring at his right hand and blackness shrouds in a ball floating

Selaphiel: you have chosen a dream then?

Cavat: I dream of pride and fall

==Episode 4 - Rebirth

Selaphiel turns and looks to cavat... becoming more real

=Selaphiel: ooh really?? are you done fathoming your own existence in a contrived monologue? its been a year of this you know?

cavat opens his eyes in the alternate reality and speaks with Selaphiel

Cavat: i have performed the bide as was necessary. i have looked into the madness of the future... i have endured all realities as i observed...

=Selaphiel: you advocate for them... as they they refuse to hear...

=Selaphiel: they are blind... in their faith ... you know?

Cavat: faith is attractive, comfortable, the cathedral saves the forlorn and offers warmth in bliss it is impossible to see the snare until the faith butchers you for its design.

the blurred image of selaphiel stands in front of cavat in the muted alternate world he is seeing

=Selaphiel: many devout in their own contempt have come to me within the guise of that wretched gospel demanding the power to change what they themselves could not...

Cavat: the righteous must have power to do be righteous...

=Selaphiel: then righteousness must end with martyrdom...if that is how you approach me

=Selaphiel: You have decided then... on the next movement for the hymn? you will die- you know?

Cavat: There is nothing left for me here, but the pain of living... at least on these terms in this way, I may one day look upon a god to say... for every sin your children have suffered upon us you will bleed.

=Selaphiel: I wonder could a truly benevolent god would just watch silently, as this earth mourns

Cavat: you would know...

=Selaphiel: i would. but as i am a shadow of my own former... I rely on vessels, and you shall be a particularly strong one.

Cavat: I said I will sign your twisted dogma. but i will never bow to you.

=selaphiel and cavat shake.

=Selaphiel: we are bound in blood... drink of my power... rise as my avatar... but know you will die... know you will lose yourself in me...

Cavat walks forward out of phase

cavat opens his eyes, all sound reverberates off his skull

he feels hands thrust upon him

=Selaphiel: you ask for power and sign your soul away even knowing full well its end result will accomplish so little in the realm of gan.

screaming and an explosion occur

=Selaphiel: interesting... mortals have always been so interesting to me...

=Selaphiel: how long will you last before you lose yourself to me...

a shock back to reality as he hears canon and slayers words reverberate off of his skull,

Canon: Stand Down... DISARM!

Cavat: NO!

cavat looks up his eyes burning bright red

canon appears shocked

Canon: cavat... you!?

=Cavat: you are too late... it is done.

=Cavat: if pain, nor the faces of death fails to deter their resolve... why would I expect rationality

=Cavat: Uriel- stop.

slayer pauses and looks at him

Cavat looks up with glowing red eyes, tears continue to stream down his face.

his body begins to rapidly change. glowing with brilliant red energy.

Slayer: ahhh... then it is settled.

Canon immediately pushes away from cavat,

Canon: nephilim!?

Vivace: NOO~!

Vivace runs forward to grab onto him, but canon pulls her back,

Cavat lets loose a blinding amount of energy

Slayer: Pay attention Psallein of sanctum...

Slayer: For all your talk this is what it means to rise... this is the second birth of a psallein...

Ostinato: CANON WE NEED TO LEAVE!

Slayer: you fear nephilum because you fear truth.

Cavat lets out a blood curdling moan as his body transforms

Slayer: your strongest justicars are nothing to him

Slayer: each knight of dayus , has bathed irradiated in the eb and flow of nephilum, there are things we sacrificed to become something more than you can imagine,

Canon: monsters

Slayer: The ascended walk outside of fate. we bear witness to this ugly world, and we are the undeniable truth.

Canon pushes a disbelieving Vivace behind him,

Cavats skin starts cracking

Slayer: You see now.... this is how your Cathedral will fall...this is how the blue lady will die. this is our twisted dogma....

Slayer: we become Evil to destroy Evil

Cavat screams in agony as he transcends through nephilim into an ascended

Slayer: no looking back, no regrets.

vivace: Cavat! STOP THIS?!

Slayer: do not weep for him, this is the hour of his ascendance unto knighthood...

Slayer: this was HIS CHOICE!

cavat continues corrupting his shape exploding and changing

energy rushes and like a lightning bolt it all hits cavat and burns into him

cavat screams out

light pools all around him and starts compressing his body back into shape

his body becomes pure origin, cavat then solidifies

he holds up his missing right arm in phase and his body remolds it into being

Air: WHAT IS THIS!

Ostinato: he is reconstructing himself from pure origin? Nephilum do not have this level of clarity!

Canon: in all my years i've never seen anything like this

Vivace: Cavat... have you fallen?

vivace's mags whir and record the xformation

=Cavat rises: What would you know of the fallen

Cavat stands up as the energy starts to dissipate his form augmented and powerful.

=Cavat: A cursed life, the devout mantra's of her dominance, her empty words, her broken promises,

Ostinato: Impossible!

Canon: ...!?

Vivace : Cavat!

=Cavat: you who know nothing of God, Pray like it cares whether your righteous path succeeds or fails, while the council dictates your every move, your every thought,

=Cavat: God is independent of choice

=Cavat: No Your actions are your own, and the lives you have taken amount to no more than the greed and lust for power that is the shadow of your faith,

=Cavat: that is human evil as it thrives to enslave the weak

Canon: The Faith is righteous!

=Cavat: Look what good that righteousness did for you... look how they do nothing as you pawns are each to be sacrificed here Just as I once was... just as the tzadi are.

Canon: the Tzadi have become necrotic to fate, we seal them because we must prevent the evils of mankind from resurging. they caused the third war, they reduced billions to millions...

=cavat: the tzadi... ahaha....

=Cavat: is it so impossible to see one's self as you are... ignorant... powerless...

Ostinato sets Air down next to largo...

Ostinato pulls a cylindrical vial with a glowing tip from his leg storage and stabs Largo with it, she gasps for air, and her wounds start cauterize with white light.

Canon: you sound like the him. like the undead.

=Cavat: What I have seen under his guidance, under Dayus, is a world where man has killed the prophets and tyrants

Canon: you speak as though dayus is alive

=Cavat: Who do you think did this to me... how do you think i the prized warrior of the sanctum vanguard by your own words became so twisted

Canon: !?

Vivace: Listen to yourself Cavat! Why are you talking like this!

=Cavat: I want you to understand how the blue lady orchestrated bliss...

Vivace: what about all of us, what about me!?

=Cavat: what about you!

Vivace looks idignant

=Cavat: lynn...

=Cavat: you dont understand, in HER Eyes... YOU ARE ALREADY DEAD... I HAVE SEEN this....

=Cavat: And this.... he looks at his body* this is the only way i can stop her

Vivace: YOU ARE NOT MAKING ANY SENSE?! ARE YOU REALLY WILLING TO DESTROY EVERYTHING WE HAVE BUILT Together?, FOR WHAT!?

=Cavat: animals locked in cages only know love through proximity and lust, You think the council see's any of you differently

=Cavat: Lynn... this is bigger than any one of us... the cathedral.... It wasnt real - none of it was ever real...

Vivace: I refuse to believe that! the cathedral has been the savior of mankind!

=Cavat: the cathedral has been the enslavement of mankind.

cavat surges red as a pulse, and lets out a anguished groan in pain

Slayer puts her hand on him: James...!

cavat looks fearful

Vivace's hand burns from the heat of his origin

vivace screams out and pulls her gloved hand back and slumps to the ground in tears

Slayer walks up behind cavat and puts her hand on him

Vivace looks and now notices that cavat and slayer have probably hooked up.

=Cavat: I know... gods i know...

=Cavat: we are out of time... I realize this, but trust in me, Selaphiel will reshape this world.

== Enter Flare

A blast occurs from the corridor,

fire melts outward...

Flare walks forward glowing red, superheated metals ember behind her and pool melting through the deck

Vivace hugs close to Canon

Flare: Still alive out here....

Slayer: they woke me up

Flare : yeah well... i cant do everything myself

Slayer: you dont.

Flare: You leave Bara alone.

Flare: he is cranky when he is tired!

Slayer rolls her eyes

Flare Eyeballs canon

Flare: Somehow i just knew you'd survive... what does it take to kill you...bastard man...

Flare: was our slayer just not enough for the task

Slayer: That choice was out of my hands... *Eyeballing cavat*

Flare: what choice? *eyeballing the dead*

Slayer: *shrugs*

Flare: is it done?

=Cavat: you shouldn't have come here... this has been handled...

Slayer: they lifted the seal.

Flare: finally...

Flare: Brother ... sister... don't you agree it is about time we finish this, Father is already angry your choice has taken us this long.

=Cavat: You can let them go... none of this matters now.

Flare: you have always been so soft... I have no idea why selaphiel even chose you in the first place...

Flare Duo stamps down her foot: allowing the sanctum scum to scurry about the place like rats... I HATE THEM....

Flare Duo's elemental heat starts seething around her as she steps... and her eyes light up...

Vivace moves close to canon

Vivace: Cadenza....

Canon: he is too late...

Cavat starts to phase shift, Cavat just hold up a hand trying to maintain his own coherency

Cavat distorts again.

Flare grins terrifyingly

Slayer grins and Pools bloodlusting red energy inter her blade ready to soul cleave

Flare: sure... ill wait...AFTER WE BURN THEM ALIVE HAAAA

Flare Launches a Scorching lashing firey wave manifesting out of origin towards the vivace

=Cavat: NO~!

Vivace Holds up her hand to throw up a barrier

the elemental fire burns through it to be swallowed by another translucent blue shield that negates flare's elemental burst,

Flare: ooh more to kill

with a crack whiteish blue energy pulses and bolsters vivace's shield,

flare's attack sparks light on it but the shield is controlled.

Vivace: Bolero!

Slayer's Soul cleave starts to follow her blade, tearing into the deck

Ostinato Air & Largo appear shocked

Slayer's blade is redirected upwards by a half phased/invisible force, Slayer stands confused, to see A brilliant blue Forte Phase into the location

Mute, Scherzo, Allegro, Harmony, Caprice appear in formation around ostinato air & largo

Cadenza stands behind them all, lit with an incredible blue energy

Cavat and forte exchange glares

=Cavat: I wondered when you would show up Forte.... I knew orders couldnt keep you away from me.

Forte: how has death treated you? Cavat...?

Cavat stands looking down at his former protégé

the very man who nearly killed him one year prior.

Cavat & Slayer each retreat on top of the exterior above the corridor,

Flare blows a hole through the ceiling

Flare jumps up to join them.

Flare: and you- turning to slayer- after a year of whispering boredom, you are scared to stretch out uriel...

Slayer: hardly... I am encouraged... but what point is there to fighting with both arms tied behind my back.

=Cavat: you already killed two of my friends...

Slayer: you say this to a tyrant observing ants.

Flare: regardless cavat... you were a fool to allow them here...

=Cavat: i would rather save as many of them as I can... and so would dayus

Slayer: they are all dead in my eyes... and that is fact... whether you are here or not...

Flare: BURN BURN BURN.....BURN THEM ALL BURN THEM ALL~!

Flare launches a scorching attack that just hits bolero's amp barrier.

bolero glares and pushes a barrier forward, flares attack does nothing...

Flare: lame!

cadenza walks up to the wounded

Air shakes her head and motions: LARGO FIRST!-

Largo is seizing in pain

Cadenza pushes ostinato back: She is in shock... move away, give me room

Cadenza kneels beside largo, he puts his hand on her neck, his eyes go wide

cadenza then gets up and moves off leaving a glowing blue phase of himself with her,

a bright flash occurs and Largo and his alternate disappear into the phase

Cadenza Moves Towards Ostinato,

Ostinato: Tenuto and Crescendo are...

Cadenza: easy.... dont talk, just focus on this lifeblood restoring you

Cadenza stabs him with a vile of lifeblood

Ostinato grunts in pain and clutches his side as it heals nearly completely,

he gasps for air....

Mute kneels and checks Tenuto's corpse.

Mute looks saddened

Caprice Kneels and checks Crescendo's corpse,

and shakes her head at mute.

forte was watching... he turns to face the knights

forte looks down in anger at himself he takes a deep breath

Forte walks forward center and takes point,

a bloodied beaten canon nods at him, as scherzo helps him towards Cadenza.

Cadenza looks at each of their auras

Cadenza: each of you have been unchained...

Cadenza: life blood - one per~

Cadenza hands Canon ostinato & air all a vial needle of glowing blue water

each except vivace inject, their amps, their eyes and wounds emanate with blue energy,
their individual wounds start to close, they stand refreshed...

cadenza walks up beside forte, forte nods at him and looks up to cavat

forte glares at Cavat, Cavat stares woefully

=Cavat: Forte... no... ochiro.....

Forte: It's Hand of Aria now

=Cavat: I suppose this is like a reunion.... first the blades... next the nobiles - a few justice... where are the others? i dont see --

Forte: they're dead. I'm not going to let you waste the air provoking their memories, and for every scar you caused, ill finish what we started last year

=Cavat: The world has changed since those bitter days, Ochiro

Forte: YOU DARE TO LECTURE!?

cannons strength gives out, but he finds himself supported by Bolero who holds him upright,

the metal burned into his chest causes bolero to stagger but find his footing and carries cannon over to the formations the shield is let down

Flare sends a scorching line of energy at forte,

forte immediately wraps into it and pools it into his hands

Forte: you left only bitter days to follow after your betrayal...

Forte holds up a single hand and causes the elemental fire to dissipate/scatter

Forte's amp on a low hanging chain necklace, Glows a brilliant white

Forte: I have become More Powerful than you can imagine.

Cavat turns glaringly to flare....

=Cavat: that is not an idle threat...

=Cavat: do not be reckless.

Flare: then Stop wasting my time...

Forte switches into an offensive stance -

Forte: she does have a point, cavat, im not going to ask you to turn yourself over to us... im not going to plead for your life in front of the council... Im going to watch them rip your soul from your body.

=Cavat: Forte... this is how they want it to be...how she wants it to be... our fight... our differences... they are not real

Forte: anything you have to say to me, I stopped listening when you moved against ossia...

=Cavat: won't you understand, the blue lady...the council, they are not what you think they are....

Forte: NOBILES TO ARMS -... im tired of this game, on my authority no Knight leaves here alive. BE what you must! it ends today!

=cavat: no. you wont see...

cavat rolls his eyes: why did I think you of all the others would be able to hear me.

=Cavat: The Vanguard Nobiles...

Harmony, Bolero, Mute, Caprice, Scherzo, Allegro, all standing in formation

=Cavat: whats left of the Vanguard Blades

Ostinato and Air being treated

=Cavat: two of the harbinger and two justicars...

cadenza, canon vivace opus stand present.

Cadenza just stares blankly... as if not really present...

=Cavat: The Hand of Aria

Forte looking very resolved

Cavat: is this all? I thought i could save more

=cavat: you will... fight me?

Forte: I will kill you.

Cavat looks to slayer and then to flare

=Cavat: leave Forte to me.

Flare: dont tell me what to do.

Slayer: You brought them here... I have wasted time at your request, but I will not suffer them Much longer...

cavat jumps down standing across from forte

Forte Flash jumps up and attacks Cavat Kicking him downward into the surface

Flare: AHAHAHAHA!

Forte corrects his fall and in midair Re distributes the energy taken from flare directly onto the level each Knight stands on

Flare throws her black cloak forward in defense like a gigantic spider web that absorbs the fire

flare: he absorbed my energy and used it against us...

Flare looks disturbed

flare: without exploding...

Flare: well thats a first....

Slayer jumps out from behind the webbing launching herself well over forte and moves offensively against canon

Flare: I can see why you are the favorite...

Flare spins and unleashes a large surge of electrical energy directly at Forte

Forte: and You seem the most inexperienced

Forte spins his stances avoiding the attack and racking flare in the head with his fist, sending her down

forte is about to smash her

=Cavat: Forte! Dont forget why you are really here-!

Forte turns around to see cavat on the walkway to the deck, He jumps down and rushes Cavat delivering extremely penetrating martial arts blows. but cavat is able to keep up with minimal effort

Cannon is fighting slayer with his Kata Knife avoiding critical strikes while grappling with his right hand, which is lit on fire with a blue flame

Bolero Caprice Allegra and Scherzo stand in front of the secondary group

Slayer uses the back of her blade to bring cannon down in so many strikes

Slayer then propels herself toward Bolero

slicing into him bolero defends using a barrier and deflects her blade downward

Bolero Uses a gravity barrier to force slayer to her knee's, Slayers eyes light up with red and she growls in pain as she fights against his attack Bolero pushes her down again

Bolero: you are done!

Scherzo starts gathering cold to him

Allegra is just watching defensively

Flare stands up, slightly shaken, noticing the weaklings in back

Mute Ash and Opus bandage up Ostinato and air, who are still not fully healed...

Flare: no fair...

Flare launches a blast of electricity surging at the far side of the field

It surges forward straight at bolero, who throws up a barrier, but the surge changes angle at last second floating over him and into Ash

Ash notices this and throws up her hand to start forming a light barrier, which only partially forms before the surge blasts into her poorly formed barrier creating a searing noise and sending her flying into Air.

Flare: HAHahaha WEAK!

Flare: AGAIN!

Flare Launches several electrical blasts towards the fall back formation

Scherzo raises a frost barrier deflecting one

Bolero lets go of slayer and manages to stop all but one surge

but a final surge is lightning towards ash, who sits up dazed... braces herself to be hit.

Forte noticing this flash jumps out of his fight with cavat directly in front of the lightning swallowing it into his hand

Ash looks up from her crossed arms to see forte defending her

the electricity dissipates...

Forte's Tear glows a brilliant white

Forte glares at the gleeful Flare

Forte helps ash up

Forte: never doubt yourself... I have faith in you!

Ash: forte...

Forte: -I want you in back with Cadenza, return to sanctum with caprice and opus, you dont belong in this fight.

Ash: forte... I

Forte: i know... whatever happens, i know.

Slayer now free of the gravity well, Rushes to stab through bolero

Forte flash steps forward and grabs her blade hand

Forte's eyes glow white as he distributes the rest of the blast through a punch into Slayer

slayer reacts by coughing blood and falling to a knee

Forte bends next to her: not while I am here...

Slayer jumps backward next to cavat, she examines her wound

Slayer looks towards Cavat: were things not going so well I would call you a moron for thinking they could be saved

Cavat looks at his hands: We are nearly at time.... Forgive me for wanting to see with my own eyes one last time what I am sacrificing it all for...

Flare looks up and around then slightly vacant

Flare rejoins them: father is almost here...

Forte then hardens his gaze: Cadenza, take the adepts back.

cadenza starts glowing blue then pauses as he compresses origin

Cavat destabilizes

Cavat looks at Vivace standing next to Cadenza, Forte talking with ash, The Nobiles

=Cavat: I will remember you all as you are... vibrant...and true

Cavat looks to slayer: It is time, you and I must go.

Slayer: Flare... Secure the deck

Flare: Finally~!

Flare jumps in front of cavat and slayer facing the nobiles with a psychotic grin,

Flare: aww... dont you want to play with me!?

Forte's eyes widen

Flare thrusts up her hand as it charges with supernatural blinding red light

Her eyes burn with red energy, her skin appears semi translucent

her fingertips begin to burn

Scherzo Bolero Presto canon and Ostinato appear shocked

canon: not again....

Ostinato: This cant be possible, that is too much elemental energy to control

Bolero shouts towards Forte: Dont DO IT

but forte is already on the move Rushing directly towards Flare

Flare brings down the Shatter Surge Helios against the fall back formation

Forte jumps in front of her as she releases it

Forte in a martial arts move allows it to spin around his arm and pool in his opposite hand

swinging it around right back at her

Flare's eyes widen: no that is not Impossible

Forte's Eyes burn with searing white fire

Forte: Ill see you in hell

Forte unleashes the gigantic energy pool directly towards the three knights

A hand emerges from a purple phase (Dimensional tear) and immediately appears and grabs forte's arm just as he releases the energy

The massive energy dissipates into phase

when forte looks forward he finds a lone figure standing in front of him

Forte: wha...

Dayus moves out of phase retaining his true colors

Dayus speaks chastizingly: no no-- you have to earn this power... if you want to realize its potency.

Shot of forte's fear/ determination/shock

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Forte wrenches his hand away

Forte jumps back into formation,

Forte: halt action! defensive formation b

Canon: for the first time in nearly fifty years the heretical hand reveals himself...

Ostinato Looks to canon and frowns: by gods it is true... he is alive...

Ostinato: the only man to survive Aria's Judgement....

canon: he is the undying after all

Forte: Dayus....

Scherzo and allegra pull out their kata blades

Caprice tightens her gauntlets

ash and opus stand closer to Cadenza

Ostinato and Air Move forward in front of them, blades drawn

Forte strengthens his stance

Bolero and scherzo both move into defensive positions and enforce a barrier,

The knights look towards dayus

Forte: it's him then..?

Canon looking to forte and cadenza nods: we cannot allow him to live

Dayus: of course the first words spoken by sanctum are to sentence death...

Dayus: Faith based hatred would suit the cathedral... rationality and independent thought are not what any religion wants to preach.

Dayus turns his back to the formation showing how comfortable he is ... he looks up at cavat

Dayus: James... I see that you have ascended.... are we on schedule..

=Cavat: of course, I but linger in the moment's pulse

Dayus: then my inquiry is sated, but it seems you have doubts?

=Cavat: I have looked ahead, and i cannot call you father... nor will i bow to selaphiel...

=Cavat: But I recognize you are each a necessary evil if anyone is to survive the cathedral and its sanctum, and if all of this ends in Erebos

Dayus: and as for this vanguard?

=Cavat: they are not beyond redemption, now the seal is gone... let them live, (looking at vivace)

Dayus: that is for me to decide

Dayus: they are deaf and blind, they have broken you... they have hunted you... they have proven they will sacrifice themselves for their fanatical convictions... but still you want to save them?

=Cavat: just because they do not see you as you are does not mean they can not be made to listen, give me time enough for that...

Flare: What good will it do, every damn one of those bastards deserves to die...

Dayus: patience my youngest - war is art, and on this position... our James may understand our enemy enough to know the sum of its parts may very well be greater than the whole.

Dayus turns to formally greet the Vanguard

Dayus: you see the difference... your villains look upon you with hope... we ask you to see what you will unsee...

Dayus: you are not condemned by your associations.

Ash looks forward wide eyed,

Caprice: is that ?

Forte: form ranks!

Mute and Bolero tense up

Scherzo tosses his cigarette,

Allegra moves in front of him.

Ostinato: Why has he finally revealed himself?

Canon: The Heretical Father of the Knights -

forte senses the others at unease... he looks forward toward dayus

Forte: open your eyes, in front of us is the man responsible for burning the earth..

Forte: look upon him and know he is Dayus the undying... a mortal enemy of sanctum...

Forte: he is a mass murderer and enemy of humanity do not believe his lies

Dayus turns around

Dayus: ah yes... it has been ... a while... i am evil... and all that sentiment.

Forte: you would have us believe different?

Dayus: No i would have you participate in a dialogue...

Dayus: Our James has prepared the end of your Sanctum and this city as you know it...

Dayus: I will tell you join us or die

Dayus: I will threaten the lives of every innocent in that city a thousand times over To kill aria

Dayus: and as the hated man in existence you will know me true when i tell you I am using the weapons of the third war to finish what was started a century ago...

Dayus: and you will not doubt my capability.

Forte: by what logic do you see killing innocent humans as saving them

Dayus: i could ask you the same thing seeing as how it is sanctums decree that all those not bound to aria's hymn... no... Aria's Lie... her own private Divining of reality are monsters...

Forte: you burned this world...

the phase around dayus warps and dayus grows ominous... power radiating from the cracks in his body

the knights look uneasy

Dayus: ONLY THROUGH ME WILL ARIA DIE

Dayus: ONLY THROUGH ME WILL HUMANITY FIND FREEDOM

both towers warp and expand trembling quaking before dayus's expression

Dayus turns and looks back

Dayus: only through me will this world know peace.

the vanguard looks terrified

Dayus shakes his head and grows calm he motions to the knights to be at ease.

Dayus: I burned nothing humanity could not live without.

dayus shrugs and takes a cavalier stance

Dayus: lend me your ears... each of you... know me as i know myself

Dayus: my aim is to end this bloody conflict once and for all... to free this world from your cathedrals tyranny. to stop the deception and the destroy the catalyts of erebos...

Forte: it is on my authority as the White Hand of Aria

Dayus: Oh so it is the latest hand of aria, i didnt want to assume... but here you are asserting your purpose...

Dayus shakes his head dismissively: I was not talking to you.

Forte: bastard-

Dayus: instead I speak to you of the very institution i created with my own two hands all those years ago... to free yourselves from a fathomable evil... Aria

Canon: The Blue lady is the savior of mankind!

Dayus: tell me for i wonder, Why is it that you few Psallein... always go on about the convictions of the blue lady... and so blindly trust ..her.. while murdering on her arbitrary logic...

Canon: she has the sight!

Dayus: you would sacrifice yourselves to enact your assumed vision of her future?

Dayus: you really dont know what you are fighting for or rather... against.

Dayus puts up both hands revealing he is unarmed and non threatening, as he approaches the vanguard

forte changes into striking stance

Dayus: On your authority, *looking at forte mockingly* you will exterminate my Knights,

Dayus: you will kill them!?

Dayus: On your authority, you will destroy all that they are and all that they will become,

Dayus: At her behest... you will kill other humans merely because we disagree with you, because we see ourselves as free from the very shackles you let seduce you...

Ostinato: you are no more human than a base nephilum.

Dayus: power is inherent to all things corrupt I assume the cathedral taught you that much, so dont state the obvious.

Dayus: only the weak give their power to the higher calling of a malignant faith... you are slaves blinded by the divinity of your social benefits... and the comforts of ignorance...

Dayus halts and makes points while looking deeply at the crowd, particularly Harmony, Caprice, Opus, Forte

Dayus: Curious humans- each of you question me with such eyes, why have I done the things that Have, Why am I the man that I am, and probably the most present question - why have your strongest crashed against me in futility like waves on the rocks.... for over a century

Dayus: Tell me as each of you were inducted to sanctum, and they sealed your power away... they did so granting creature comforts..? they castrated you in a gilded cage?

Dayus: all you had to do was swear an oath of fealty and faith to the Cathedrals hymn, and such power they allowed you, the power to change, the power to become...

Dayus: did any of you ever once wonder what you would have been without the cathedral...?

Dayus: has any one of you ever refused the Cathedral

Dayus: and what became of them... did you watch as the blue lady fed on their souls... did you see what their sacrifice amounted to in the guise of her greater good!?

Dayus: they call this your fate, the blue lady said her aria saved you, but what did you walk away with...

Dayus: because here you are now, about to die on the fools errand, while your patron saint sits idly by stirring her waters pretending to define god

Dayus: you are cattle... fodder... not unlike the rest of this broken humanity in a pantomime of errors...

dayus waves his arms around motioning towards eve city.

Dayus: so yes... yes i burned this world... but i burned... nothing...

Dayus: nothing.... to save the future.... of each and every one of us that fights for their own...

Dayus: that is my faith.... I am the one... and only through me... will there be peace.

Forte: you are a psychopath...

Forte: Is this you CAVAT... IS THIS WHY YOU KILLED YOUR BROTHERS AND SISTERS

=Cavat: My hypocrisy has always been born from simple ignorance of perspective and proportion..

Dayus: I doubt any member of this vanguard who stands against us today is insecure in their convictions,

Dayus: in their eyes we are evil men for we will do evil things as we must.

Dayus: but in reality we are seen as evil because we are free in all the ways they are not... and they are terrified of seeing the ugliness of that fundamental truth.

Forte: No one has the right to terrorize the millions of innocent lives in EVE, the morality WE stand for protects humanity,

Forte: You are a vile man to condemn a benevolent faith while holding a knife to the throats how few of us there are left... -the cathedral faith is the ONLY Reason this city still exists. the blue lady is the only reason we humans survived past the great war.

Dayus: Terrorizing the innocent? my knife at your throats? open your eyes...

Dayus: The cathedral is the very reason this humanity exists.

Dayus leans in

Dayus: Tell me for I wonder What do you really know of the minds of evil men. The origins of your cathedral and your Aria. or of why for a century my knights have waged a war on you.

Forte: You cannot persuade me...

Forte: time and time again we have seen enough of your actions to know what kind of godless men you are.

Forte: there is no saving a man so twisted into his own truth,

Forte: When i became the hand of aria I knew i had to meet and understand you... and now I see... from this there is no path forward, not as you live and breathe -

Forte: *forte turns in disgust* End this monster.

Dayus looks up into the distance, three High Velocity Bullets come rushing at dayus who simply stands there, and as if impacting a concrete barrier the bullets just shatter on his spiritual barrier.

the entire bridge ripples and shakes with the force by which the bullets are shattered.

the origin phases and stress fractures appear in the structure

Dayus: and thus the dialogue ends....

Forte is shocked

Dayus: oh you naive fool~

Dayus starts floating and surging with gold and purple light.

Dayus speaks psychically to each of the vangaurd booming inside of theair heads: HEAR ME PSALLEIN.

Dayus: the hymn of Erebos assures me that one day I will die

Each of the knights defensively become edgy, Dayus grins... and nods adjacently towards the source of gunfire.

Dayus: but not today, and not to you

Adagio Holding a sniper rifle trained on dayus sits on the tower opposite the deck

Adagio: Forte.. I TOLD YOU, DO NOT Underestimate that man, you cant win that fight, not with Dayus there, have cadenza get all of you OUT NOW

Dayus: My Knights, you may show them war, kill what you must, Process the rest... I shall see you in zion.

Dayus pauses and looks at flare: no maiming.

Flare: but....

dayus turns to cavat

Dayus: this is the best you could hope for right now james.

cavat nods

dayus turns half talking to the vanguard and half to the knights

Dayus: for today of all days fate dictates we make GODS BLEED!

Forte: My vanguard, give them no quarter... kill the knights!

The Knights each jump down towards dayus, the vanguard members split into faction offensives

Adagio places his hand on his earpiece and screams

Adagio: GET OUT! Harbinger is still active! and there are weapons of the third war on location - I will not have your misguided egotism endanger my teams let alone The ENTIRE CITY

Forte holds his neck communicator

Forte: Keep Firing! or god help you I -

Adagio aims the weapon at forte and sees him in the reticule

Adagio: This blood is on your hands, I will not let you bring my death as well

Forte: Gods damn you Adagio....

Directly behind of Adagio a black shadow manifests, Adagio's eyes go wide

=Penance: listen to the hymn

Adagio: trembling* no... not you....

=Penance: you are a coward

=Penance: you will betray them.

Adagio starts backing away

=Penance looms up behind adagio

Penance: you are selfish

Adagio Holds his head in agony -

=Adagio: your voice in my head!!

Adagio Screams and fires several rounds at Penance

which have no effect

Penance: on this path you will kill everything you love

Tears stream down adagio's face

Adagio: what the fuck!

: he gets a visual of himself with no eyes crying blood

=Penance: you are a beast who violates his burden

=Penance: you will have no penance, you will find no solace.

adagio lets out a shriek and Presses a long cylinder with a button on the tip

throwing it at her, he jumps out the broken atrium window

an explosion from his pack blows him out the window Penance stands in the billowing smoke, unphased by the fire or force of blast

=Penance: and when you succumb to the black, if you are anything more than a coward - you may yet live

building 1's Atrium explodes

Penance floats through the fire

Cadenza glares up at Penance

Penance looks down at Cadenza

Cadenza and penance both Phase out

Ash: !!

Caprice: wait!!

Opus: no!!

Cadenza glares and disappears

Penance Eclipses -

Forte looks back: fucking Cadenza

Dayus looks back at forte

Dayus: there is no retreat today... the knights of my twisted dogma have gathered to see it end

Dayus: I asked you, Hand of Aria, are your convictions worth dying for.

Dayus: because you will have to fathom killing every single one of us, to survive our truth.

Flare starts conjuring fire from the sky, it starts raining down and hitting the deck

Forte amidst the chaos:*clenches his fists* I will not retreat and let this world fall to ashes on one man's whim...

Forte opens his fingers and his spirit chakras blaze with white energy

His tear and Eyes explode with intensity

Forte: You want to TEST ME OLD MAN!

Forte: I will protect this world,

Forte: I will destroy those who threaten it's peace!

Forte: Vanguard Nobiles - To combat arms!

Forte jumps forward striking into Dayus-

However Dayus phases into purple

forte's eyes go wide

he eclipses Just as Forte Strikes into him with a glowing hand.

he reappears behind forte,

forte starts using impossibly fast close quarter combat with spirit kata's against dayus

but he cant hit dayus at all

Dayus: what beautiful, foolish, faith you possess in yourself...

forte throws a punch through dayus and falls forward

dayus trips him

Forte Staggers and regains his footing,

Dayus: it will all come crashing inward upon you when you see the truth...

Flare launches an assault volley at the vanguard

in the confusion of the fight, the bridge is heavily damaged...and it starts shaking about to give way.

Dayus seemingly inside forte's head: one day your soul will speak to you as mine has....

Dayus: You will have to make the choice, Just as I once did...

Dayus: as cavat and the hands before him have.

Forte looks up, regaining balance, words of dayus echo through his mind

Dayus: but first you must answer...

Dayus fades: who is it that you pray to...

Dayus: tell me for i wonder...

Dayus: do you think they will they answer...

Dayus: as your broken body falls from the light...?

Forte looks holds his head as if struck by a psychic attack and looks at the chaos around him

Dayus: you will kill everything you love.

Dayus disappears

cavat stands watching the scene with forte and dayus...

Cavat: you will kill everything you love...

Cavat raises his right hand above him

his arm emanates with blinding red fire

a black maelstrom appears overhead and fiery hail burn from the sky raining down on the decking and exterior.

Cavat motions to slayer: Come...to the cradle. the prayer must be finished. the hymn of fire must be sung.

slayer and cavat walking into the black halls of building 2 as forte slumps down to his knees

flare jumps down in front of them rushing toward the vanguard.

dayus disappears entirely.

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A black room stares on the lonely lightless earth

Penance appears in the room out of phase, after surveying the room she nods in the direction of the phasic portal she came through, cadenza walks out

Dayus materializes in front of each of them

Dayus turns to cadenza

Dayus: are you going to finish what you started this time?

Cadenza: I am only who I am... i can't fight whats written inside my blood... but im also not that person... i simply want what i am owed and then i want to be left alone... nothing more nothing less.

Dayus: you think after all of the energy we put into you, you just get to walk away from this?

Cadenza: i do... and i will... i'm allowing you this chance to change the balance of power... Aria must be stopped... but i will not sacrifice my family... no... humanity to afford your opportunity.

Dayus: then stay here keep your mouth shut when they call for you and allow my own to deal with all that is below

cut to penance, penance sways into a bow

cadenza turns away and looks down at the planet...

Cadenza: it seems so small from here

Dayus: as only those who have walked both gan and sheol know... this is our everything...

Penance nods slowly

dayus turns

Dayus: now if you'll excuse me... the immortals require an update.

Cadenza just continues staring: it is just not my everything...

Penance just stares forward at cadenza

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Dayus walks forward into the center of the grand room and stares out the window

the chessboard aristocracy illuminate in the shadows... barely visible

Black king: join us or die? you consider yourself in a position to act without our consent? remember who holds your leash, dayus...

Dayus facing space scowls annoyed.

fiery red glows within his eyes... and then stops expressionless he yields

Dayus turns from the window and looks into the blackness of the room silently,

Dayus: the image of self can be more powerful than the actual self

Dayus: fear of the unknown is the strongest weapon

Dayus: and to this world... to each of them... I am the unknown.

black queen: my mission stipulation was to take from Aria's Cathedral the bodies of her latest batch of psallein, your animal left barely enough raw material to adequately analyze and process samples for preservation

Black bishop: it is of little concern to us there are many ways to accomplish the same goal... we can clone the samples and replicate them in controlled environments... just like the last one

Black Queen: your recreation of the old cloning tech is clumsy... and has yet to produce untainted results, the one surviving sample is such a mess we lost an entire generation.

Black rook: at this point we have no time for your trivial mistakes... this planet's atmosphere can not sustain much longer without our Terraforming efforts... we need to activate the filters...

Black horseman: so long as the cathedral operates within eve, they will continue to stand in the way of our efforts to connect with the pulse reactor.

Black Horseman: im telling you the only way to deal with the cathedral is to simply erase it... Adam has enough firepower... to burn the earth four times over

White Queen: Are you serious right now? you must be joking i am not starting a botanical colony over again... we havn't the supplies nor the time to build an infrastructure to support it... hundreds of thousands of species would be lost...

White Bishop: this is all your fault in the first place... you let the devil into the garden and left them to thrive... it's been 200 years of trading pawns... by this point the strategy must be accelerated, Dayus

even with his mysticism is the only one to accomplish in a day what we could not with 6 billion lives... i say... patience...

White rook: you speak as if you have lead the charge yourself... i keep telling each of you the molecular transference of origin to a host was necessary to study in this control group. If any of us want to move on the surface again... Hybridization is the only way forward

White Horseman: it was never the only way... you just could never accept yourself as you are...

White Rook: you would accept this !

white rook enters the light showing his entire body a cybernetic bastardization unrecognizable humanity

White Horseman: there are many ways to live forever, each is not without sacrifice

White King: ENOUGH!

a loud pulse occurs and white light emanates from each of their chests illuminating their beautifully disgusting robotic bodies

a lone clanking along the metal surface occurs as a final monster comes from the shadows of the room

White king: Dayus i indulge your mysticism because it is effective.... but tell your pets not to damage eve... or we shall end them...

White King: furthermore... each of you are right... and all are wrong... the only way forward is to center our focus on eradicating Aria... that much is clear.

White King: in the last years each of us observed the metaphysical control these would be... deities place on humanity.

White King: Aria - whatever she may be... is the final threat to our motives... and we simply dont have time to waste on her... until then each of you shall afford dayus and his knights our resources

White King: once aria has been dealt with...the bastion of earth will be ours once more... and The Tzadi will be free

White King: The only thing of importance is that both adam and eve must function in symbiosis as our petri, born of us, they die with us... and as we do not die... they do not.

White King: equivocally i say to you dayus... our investments and assets must not be sacrificed for nothing...

White king turns to dayus

White King: contain your mysticism or just as the last time we will do what is necessary to preserve our own.

Dayus: Nothing of priority will be harmed in today's strategy, this is just where it all begins...

White King: no... this is how it ends.

Dayus: on that you can trust

White King: then we are fine, continue from this point as I command

Dayus: I do not answer to you...

the council each turn in shock

dayus begins to glow

Dayus: my knights understand what is at stake...

Dayus: i've waged war for centuries... I've seen more atrocities than you have created ...

Dayus: only through me... will any of the tzadi be delivered from this fate.

White King: be it a hundred years... a thousand years... we are no longer bound to time... we no longer care... i just limit the risk... and we will not recede from what we have built thus far.

the white king turns and looks back at dayus

White King: as for you dayus... a consequence of our leaving history unfinished

White King:.. so to you i say... do not bear the burdens of your own beast...

White King: the Tzadi and Psallein have never before existed in this state of unity... but if that is what it takes to kill a god... then so be it.

Dayus: towards that future... we are in agreement.

the white king exits the room ... metal clanking against the halls of adam can be heard in the distance

dayus looks up at the robotic king, his power fades and his body returns to humanoid

the robotic visages of the immortal council retreat into the darkness revealing them to be holograms

Dayus stares down at the cold earth,

Dayus: by my actions,

dayus holds out a hand, grasping the earth

Dayus: erebos... is inevitability.

a darkness clouds around eve city from the view in space

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A loud sound scream occurs overhead as if the sky was tearing apart (like a haarp weapon)
a darkening storm appears like blackness in the late saturated afternoon over the skys of the tower
a fire starts crackling in the clouds, they burn the sky and smoke fills the area

Cavat looks down on the fight as he ascends into building 1 with slayer towards the cradle

slayer looks up into the night sky... then to cavat

Slayer: there is not denying fate now... should we do this you will die...

cavat stares into the horizon

Cavat: ive never been alive... not really

cavat walks forward

Slayer thinks for a moment nods and then walks in after him

Cavat's words speak out in monologue -

havok raining behind them as we get the last shots of the vanguard avoiding the fire & the building exterior falling to pieces

(dying words spoken to forte taken from the end of this season)

This day I will die.

it is inevitable and I can not change this.

I will never be the strength of my hurt nor the fury of my resolve

only a final muted note to silence my last breath.

your world will remember me as a desperate viral influence...

And if that is all that I am, then what I have done will account for all that is in front of you

but, if i have only this chance... go forward... do what i could not... save us all from this forsaken song.