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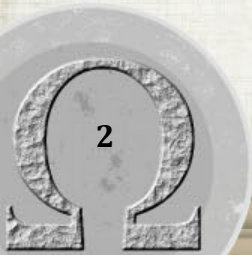
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HAIL TO THE ΦΙΞΣΠ!

*Behold Hera the queen
Long live our Heaven Queen
Hail to the queen
She is victorious
Happy and glorious
Long to reign over us*

*Hail to the queen
Behold our goddess arise
Scatter her enemies
and make them fall
Confound their politics
Frustrate their knavish tricks
On thee our hopes we fix
Hail to the queen*

- The Muse Euterpe, Hera Song

Hail, noble hero!

My name is Hesiod, poet of Epic Deeds. If I'm not mistaken, we've already met before. Many things have changed since our last meeting: follow me and I will tell you the news of Hellas where every day the heroes immolate themselves to the gods for immortal glory.

LEGITIMACY ISSUES

After Zagreus joined the Heavenly Contest, Hera became angrier than ever. As soon as all the Olympians were gathered together, she shouted at her husband Zeus that he shouldn't have allowed Zagreus to enter the Heavenly Contest. In the unlikely event he actually won, the Cosmos would have an illegitimate ruler, born from one of his countless extramarital affairs. Moreover, among the now-seven contenders, only three had the right to inherit the heaven's throne: Hades, Poseidon, (who were Zeus's brothers), and Ares (who was Hera's legitimate son). The other four contenders she deemed to be illegitimate ones. The Heavenly Contest was a serious threat to Cosmos's future stability because it would probably end with a winner without the birthright to rule. She then begged Zeus to end the Heavenly Contest for good and bring back things as they were before, if he truly cared for the Cosmos's future.

Aphrodite stood up and defended her lineage. Although she was not directly related to Zeus and Hera, she originated directly from Uranus, so her birthrights were more than adequate. Apollo spoke next. He descended from Zeus and the titaness Leto. Nobody could object that his lineage wasn't a noble one, although born from an extramarital affair. Athena argued that she descended from Zeus, who didn't need an extramarital affair to give her birth.

Zagreus smiled; he knew all too well that he was Hera's main target. Grinning, he said Zeus's laws cannot be changed, no matter how hard one tries. Everyone should only do his best to comply with them.

From the Author

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