

Kingdom Hearts: Search For Your Heart

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This is a story of a new Keyblade bearer many years after the time of the games. This story goes beyond the Disney/FF boundary of the original stories, going into different worlds of other non-Disney or FF games/animes. Hope someone enjoys it!

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1 - Darkness Swallows

In a faraway place, there is the World That Never Was. Its streets are bare as the eye can see. The night would be impossible for sight to penetrate the fog of darkness, if it were not for the moon looming overhead. Now this is no ordinary moon, for it is in the shape of a heart. It has a sort of calming radiance emitting forth from its very center, giving a slight sense of peace in this otherwise eerie city. The roads are lonely save for one man roaming the corridors of this shadowy place. This dark hair is nearly impossible to separate from his surroundings. In fact, it is difficult to depict anything but his face, since he is dressed in a long black trench coat with a high collar.

As he approaches closer and closer to the moon, his complexion is brought more into view. His black hair shines as it hangs over his face. His eyes filled with a glaze of hatred within them, he looks about to discover that he is surrounded by the Heartless, sentient beings of darkness with no other thought on their mind than to capture and collect hearts of the living. As these creature creep closer and closer, the man looks up and snickers with his little grin. He reaches out his hand, and with a brilliant flash of light, a weapon appears in his hands. The weapon is a key-shaped sword, with three large scythe blades were the key's "bit" would be.

The Heartless charge towards him, and the man flips up in the air. As he flies upside down, he cuts through the air and annihilates one instantly. Three more come from behind and slash at him with their claws. The man quickly pulls his sword behind him and lays it on his back to block, then gives one a swift back kick to the face and he twirls around and plants the sword in one of their sides. It fades into darkness as he conjures flames in his hand and throws it at another. Then he goes for the one he kicked and takes it out with an over head slash.

After the skirmish, the other Heartless flee away, as to not be defeated by this mysterious warrior of the key. He ascends a colossal tower, whose peak rests directly below the moon. He holds the key towards the moon, and the key emits a beam of light, which penetrates the moon and large white door appears. In the center of the door is a keyhole, which the man stabs with the key. As the door opens, the mysterious warrior mutters one word:

"Excellent..."

The door has finally opened, and the man walks inside. As he enters he sees a massive amount of energy in the center, as he reaches for this power. Unbeknownst to him, tendrils of darkness are slowly creeping up his legs. Before he can realize what has occurred, it is too late. Try as he might, the darkness swallows him, and just like quicksand, he sinks quickly into oblivion...

2 - The New Master

Darkness. Surrounded by nothingness, a boy falls into oblivion. He cannot feel any air, yet he can breathe. He sinks and is covered by water, yet he cannot float. Sinking, sinking. Suddenly, he feels himself touch the bottom, and in a flash of light he sees that he is standing upon a massive stained glass pedestal, decorated with pictures of things unknown.

This boy's name is Kexal, a 17 year old boy with long red hair hanging over half of his face. He looks around, but past the ground he stands on is infinite darkness. Suddenly a voice calls out,

"Kexal"

"Who's there?" Kexal questions.

"You are the chosen one. You are the one who will seal the door to darkness..." replies the voice.

"What's this 'door to darkness?' Why am I here?"

"You are here to learn what is to come."

Kexal turns to his left and sees three stands, they each hold a weapon. There is a sword, shield and staff.

The voice proclaims, "There is great power sleeping in you, if you give a form, it will give you strength."

Kexal hears a noise behind him. As he turns around, he sees a man with dark hair and cloak turned away from him. He approaches the man to check if he's okay, then the man turns around to reveal bright yellow eyes. The man becomes transparent and distorted, and grows into a massive ghost-like creature with four arms and four legs. Kexal's eyes widen as he dashes for one of the weapons. The ghost's arm turns into a sword as it comes down towards Kexal. He hurriedly dodges the strike and dives for the sword. He leaps in the air and strikes the beast, but the sword goes straight through like air.

"Man, why do you give me a weapon if it's useless?!" Kexal cries.

The phantom trips Kexal, and swings an axe arm toward him. Kexal screams as he holds out the sword in a futile attempt to defend himself. A brilliant light is shone, as the monster is violently knocked back, to reveal a keyblade in his hands. Bewildered by this strange weapon, he runs and strikes the foe, which screams in pain from the attack.

The keyblade points forward on its own and fires a beam of light at the phantom's chest and reveals a keyhole. Kexal hurries over, jumps, and stabs the creature in the chest. It squirms and shrieks as it fades away and is sealed in the keyblade. Exhausted, Kexal drops his sword as it dissipates, and collapses on the floor unconscious.

3 - Awakening

Kexal opens his eyes and stands up. He looks around and sees that he is in the same place as before.

"At least that monster's gone," Kexal thinks to himself.

The voice beckons once again.

"Kexal..."

"Where are you? Show yourself!" Kexal exclaims. "Come out, cuz I got a new weapon and I know how to use it!"

"O really?" questions the voice, "Then call it now."

Kexal reaches out his hand and in a brilliant flash of light, the keyblade appears.

"This weapon you hold is the keyblade. Now this keyblade is unlike the others. This one can unlock and seal hearts. This is very important, for you see, the monster you fought earlier was known as a Phantom. The last master opened the gate to Kingdom Hearts, allowing all the darkness in people's hearts to roam free and take corporeal form."

Suddenly the ground begins to shake beneath Kexal's feet.

"Hurry, prepare yourself. I cannot hold off this darkness for much longer."

And when the voice had said that, hundreds of heartless form and surround Kexal. Kexal raises his blade and charges at the mass, swinging his sword furiously as hearts flew toward the heavens in droves after every swing.

After five minutes, Kexal is gasping for breath and falls to his knees. The heartless swarm him. As he is smothered by the darkness, a bright light appears in the distance, and then...nothingness.