

KAP Xantros (Krath) / PROF / Battle Team Acclivis Draco of House Scholae Palatinae [GMRG: I]
[SA: VIII] [ACC: Q]
SC-SoA / AC-ToDS / DC-GP / SN-AgL / BN-BL / Cr:3R-7A-12S-31E-22T-7Q / CI-SC / SoF-PL /
LS / SoL-BE / S:1De-4Ret-12Dec-12Rn-23Cr
{SA: MVC - MVF - MVH - MVL - MVPH - MVS - MVW - DPE - DPV - SVLC - SVS – SVWP}

The unexpected prophecy

Sometimes, the improbable events take place, when we would never expect them. There is only way to survive. You must adapt and use the opportunity to become stronger, wiser and more experienced. Only in this way, you may fulfill your destiny. Adapt or fail. Improvise or die. Win or lose. There is no other option. The choice is easy.

Xantros' personal comments

38 ABY, Ilum, near one of the crystal caves

Xantros was on a mission to scout one of the crystal caves on Ilum, in order to determine, whether the reports about extremely rare violet crystals being accessible there were correct. It was definitely a nice change from constant fights of the Dark Crusade. „Get in, find a crystal, get out,” spoke Xen'Mordin Vismorsus, the Quaestor of House Scholae Palatinae. „It is almost like a holiday. You have deserved it.”

Getting to the close proximity of the entrance to the cave, which was rumoured to hide the violet crystals, turned out to be pretty easy. Xantros knew the exact coordinates, so he landed his personal ship nearby. Ilum was an icy and cold planet, so he did not want to stay outside for a long time, despite wearing a modified armour, which protected him from low temperatures.

However, the mission began to get complicated as soon as he reached the entrance to the cave, which he was looking for. He almost immediately sensed that there were two Force users nearby, definitely underground. He stopped and focused on them. As they came closer, he recognized the aura of the Light Side. It could not be mistaken. These two Force users were the Jedi. A master and a student. They were probably on a mission to gather an Adegan crystal for student's lightsaber, as Ilum was very well known for a place, where such crystals could be found with ease. Xantros' analytical mind immediately created several possible scenarios of the encounter of the Jedi.

The Krath Archpriest was aware that he was no match for a Master. Not yet. He was strong in the Force and trained to hunt down and to interrogate the Force users, but a Master was too much for him. He still needed to learn more about the Force and to grow in power, if he wished to defeat any Master, no matter if it was a Jedi or a follower of the Dark Side. However, the young Jedi was not yet a fully trained Jedi Knight. Without a lightsaber, the Padawan was a relatively easy target. It might be possible to strike down the Padawan and run away, before the Master might launch a counterattack. Any action that would weaken the Jedi Order without the casualties among the members of the Dark Jedi Brotherhood was a beneficial one.

Xantros prepared himself to a quick strike, but it turned out that he plan failed. Both Jedi were aware of his presence too and the Master was determined to protect his Apprentice. A powerful strike through the Force pushed Xantros away from the entrance, but did not make him any harm.

„Leave us alone, Dark One,” spoke the Jedi Master. „Leave this place now or you will never return to your Dark Brethren.”

The Archpriest shook his head. There was something wrong in the words of the Jedi Master and he thought that he simply did not understand the Jedi. In the meantime, he noticed that the Padawan hid a violet lightsaber crystal behind his belt.

„Leave, Dark One. Your time has not come yet.”

„What do you mean?”

„You are tired with who...what you are. One day, you will realize the scale of your mistakes and all the evil deeds. One day, you will seek for the redemption.”

„I will never betray the Dark Side! Peace is a lie, there is only passion. Through passion, I gain strength. Through strength, I gain power. Through power, I gain victory. Through victory, my chains are broken. The Force shall free me!”

„These are the empty words. They mean nothing to you. You will free yourself through the enlightenment, which may be given only by the Light Side.”

„Never.”

„Go now, your destiny awaits for you.”

Disturbed and shocked by what he heard, Xantros walked towards his ship. He entered the coordinates of the first hyperspace jump without even thinking about it. Even, when he returned to the headquarters of House Scholae Palatinae, he was still unable to ignore the reminiscence of the meeting with the Jedi Master, who had spared his life. He reported back to the Quaestor, but he also continued to think about the prophecy.