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**Primarch Kurgle, The Ascended**, was once a loyal Captain within the **Iron Maw**, a Chapter renowned for its siege tactics and ferocity. Under the leadership of **Vorthas the Devourer**, the Chapter fell into madness, embracing the worship of **Khorne**. As the **Iron Maw** became consumed by bloodlust and mindless slaughter, Kurgle realized the Chapter was spiraling into heresy.

In response, Kurgle gathered those marines who remained loyal to the Emperor. Leading a covert rebellion from within, Kurgle and his loyalists launched a decisive strike against the Chaos-corrupted leadership. His brilliant tactics allowed him to outmaneuver and eliminate **Vorthas** and his inner circle, purging the Chapter of heresy.

Following the successful rebellion, Kurgle renamed the Chapter to the **Kurglites**, casting off the tainted legacy of the **Iron Maw** and restoring their loyalty to the Emperor. As **The Ascended**, Kurgle has since led the Kurglites with cold precision, instilling discipline and order where once there was madness.

However, during a campaign on **Valthor IV**, Kurgle had a harrowing encounter with a **Zoanthrope**. The psychic assault nearly overwhelmed him, forcing Kurgle to retreat for the first time in his career. This experience left him with a deep, unspoken fear of Zoanthropes, though he keeps this vulnerability hidden from all but his most trusted allies.

Though a disciplined and serious leader, Kurgle has shared lighter moments with his closest companions, such as during the **War Room Tussle**, where he engaged in a routine sparring match with **Brother Goose** and **Brother Slickback**. These playful bouts serve as a simple reminder of the camaraderie between them, built over years of shared experience.