EXT. UNKNOWN FOREST - NIGHT

Vio is walking through the forest by himself. The sounds of a blade cutting through glass can be heard as he ventures through the tall grass.

[Medium full shot of Vio]

VIO

(panting slightly) I am completely lost, but at least...I'm out of that thicket!

Vio turns around and readies his sword. He is surrounded by ravenous monsters and trees.

[Full shot of Vio]

VIO (cont'd)

Not that the rest of the woods are any friendlier!

Vio swings his sword towards the monsters surrounding him. He finds cover behind a nearby tree.

VIO

(panting) What kind of forest is this?

Suddenly, a lone Deku Scrub appears out of the ground where Vio was standing. Two more Deku Scrubs appear shortly after, which causes Vio to trip and fall onto the ground.

[Closeup of Vio and Deku Scrubs]

VIO

Whoops!

DEKU SCRUB 1

Look out! *pi*

DEKU SCRUB (2)

We're building a shrine to our Lord here. *pi* You're in the way. *pi*

Vio looks down at the Deku Scrubs.

VIO

Your Lord?

Vio places a hand to his forehead, seeming deep in thought.

[Closeup of Vio]

VIO (cont'd)

Is Vaati your boss? Did he do this to the forest?

[Cut to full shot of Deku Scrubs]

DEKU SCRUB 1

What's a "Vaati"? Never heard of it! *pi*

DEKU SCRUB 3

We work for Lord Ganon! *pi*

Vio's eyes widen as he comes to a realization.

DEKU SCRUB 2

Three cheers for Ganon!

[Full shot of Vio and Deku Scrubs]

The Deku Scrubs walk away from Vio in a straight line, cheering, as they venture off into the forest.

VIO

Ganon? I know that name. That's a name used by the Gerudo Desert peoples.

[Extreme closeup of Vio]

Vio places a hand on his chin, pondering.

VIO (cont'd)

(internally) Why would magical plants worship a human...from the Desert? I've got to tell the others right away!

A rustling sound from a nearby tree can be heard.

SHADOW

Are you sure that you need to tell them?

Vio turns around to see Shadow perched on top of a tree.

VIO

Shadow Link!

Shadow glides down from the tree onto the ground, landing next to Vio.

SHADOW

What's the point...of telling them anything?

Vio looks at Shadow, seemingly annoyed. He smirks at Vio.

[Medium shot of Vio]

SHADOW

They never listen...just fight and argue. Eventually you'll realize...you don't need them.

VIO

I see what you're doing.

Vio draws his sword and points it towards Shadow. Shadow crosses his arms, giving Vio a look of disapproval.

VIO (cont'd)

You're trying to turn me against the others!

Shadow smiles, using his left hand to push Vio's sword away.

[Closeup of Shadow]

SHADOW

Only you can see the big picture.

Vio stumbles back. Shadow smirks deviously.

[Full shot of Vio and Shadow]

SHADOW (cont'd)

The good and the bad.

[Extreme close up of Shadow]

SHADOW (cont'd)

They can't. And they never will!

Shadow approaches Vio, placing a right hand on his shoulder. He leans in close to Vio's face.

[Closeup of Vio and Shadow]

SHADOW (cont'd)

I want to know what you think. I'll listen.

[Extreme closeup of Shadow]

SHADOW (cont'd)

Those others don't want to think at all. Just fight.

Shadow throws his arms around Vio's shoulders, morphing into a monstrous-looking shadow as he slowly pulls Vio in closer.

VIO

(startled and confused) ...

SHADOW

Tell me everything.

[Extreme closeup of Vio]

VIO

(struggling) I...let go...

[Medium shot of Vio and Shadow]

SHADOW

I want to hear it all. We're so similar. You and I.

[Closeup of Vio's hand]

Vio's grip on his sword loosens. It falls onto the ground with a clank.

[Cut back to medium shot of Vio and Shadow]

VIO

(emotionless) Maybe...maybe you're right. The others would never listen to me anyway.

[Fade to black]