

Alpha's Rejected 124

Chapter 124 - The Alpha's Rejected and Broken Mate

She screamed, her voice echoing down the corridor, gripping tightly to Rowan's hand and squeezing it so tightly he almost buckled to his knees.

"Christ that hurts" he whined and she glared at him, making him instantly contrite.

"Now now honey" whispered Stefan from the other side of her "you're doing fine" he added, wiping some sweat off her brow as she relaxed between her contractions.

"It hurts" she whimpered, in pain despite the painkillers she had been given. The two men shot each other a look, doing their best to comfort their mate as she lay there on the hospital bed.

"You're fully dilated," said the nurse cheerfully from her position between Amber's spread knees. "So the next time a contraction hits, I want you to push as hard as you can, do you understand me, Amber?"

Amber nodded, feeling her body slick with sweat, her back arching, the pain going through her in waves, cramping in her lower stomach. She wished the nurse wasn't so cheerful as she felt incredibly disgruntled at the moment, feeling annoyed at the two men who were hovering over her.

She screamed again as another contraction hit, the nurse encouraging her to push, Amber bearing down with all her might.

"Well done," said the nurse as Amber panted heavily, completely exhausted and drained.

"You're doing great sweetheart," said Rowan anxiously, wiping her cheeks with his hand where tears were trailing down. Stefan peered down at her anxiously.

"Alright, let's push down again," said the nurse briskly as the next contraction hit, Amber writhing on the bed in pain. She pushed down hard, and the nurse gave her a reassuring smile.

"I can't do this much longer" panted Amber.

"I can see the head, it's crowning," said the nurse excitedly.

Amber was silent, squeezing Stefan's hand next. Rowan shot him a smug look when he saw the vampire King's eyes widen in pain. At least this time it wasn't him being injured.

"Push" shouted the nurse and Amber pushed, as hard as she could, the nurse giving a triumphant shout.

"He's here," she said and turned away, the baby in her arms, taking it with her to check his vital signs as Amber collapsed against the bed, unable to move, tears still trailing down her cheeks.

Stefan looked concerned, Rowan merely looked a bit uncomfortable at Amber's tears. She was sobbing profusely now.

"Amber?" asked Stefan "are you alright?"

She nodded, feeling an immense sense of relief. She'd done it. She'd finally given birth and she'd survived the ordeal. She couldn't wait for her mother, who was waiting in the waiting room, to see her son. As it was Rowan was anxiously looking toward the door, Stefan too, waiting for the baby to be brought back.

The nurse came walking in slowly, holding the baby boy to her chest. She glanced at all three parents and raised an eyebrow, before offering the child to Amber, who gingerly took hold of her child in her arms. Amber glanced down at her child and sucked in a breath. He was gorgeous. He had ginger hair with dark green eyes, like hers, and was pale, with a tiny body and tiny hands that she gripped with one finger. He was gorgeous, thought Amber and he was hers. She couldn't believe it. It made the contractions and the pain worth it.

Stefan was peering down at the child in fascination. "He looks just like his mother," he said with a grin, gently shucking the child under the chin as it blinked up at him. Rowan looked closer and saw freckles on the boy's face, just like Amber's. The boy was a complete miniature of her.

"He's beautiful" marveled Rowan as Amber held the child to her bosom tightly. The child began to search for her nipple and she gave a small cry as he found it, his mouth latching onto it greedily.

"What are you going to call him?" chirped the nurse and Amber looked at the two men with a smile.

"Gabriel," she said quietly and the two men nodded their agreement. He certainly looked like a Gabriel.

There was a small squeal from the doorway and Amber's eyes shot up to see her mother darting forward, a wide smile on her face, Dylan right behind her. "Oh my gosh" her mother cried, looking down at the tiny baby "he's absolutely beautiful Amber."

Amber glowed. She wished Sophie could see her nephew but she was close to her own time and unable to make the trip due to being on bed rest. She would take Gabriel to see his aunty when she got home.

The child continued to suckle at her breast and Amber forced herself to relax. It was uncomfortable, alright it was downright painful, but she was determined to breastfeed if she could manage it. Her son's big green eyes watched her intently as she held him and Rowan and Stefan were fascinated with the child, both of them waiting impatiently to hold him.

"The heir to the Kingdom," said Stefan quietly and Amber nodded, Rowan, leaning over to see his son.

"The heir to both of you," said Amber firmly.

Both men nodded.

Clarissa sighed with happiness. She never thought she would see the day when Amber would have her child or give birth to her grandchild, but here she was, with her grandchild right in front of her eyes. She was ecstatic and waiting patiently for her turn to hold her.

Amber gave a wince as her son slipped off her nipple, looking satiated. "Stefan," she said quietly "would you like to hold our son?"

Stefan reached out with trembling hands to hold Gabriel, clutching him tightly to his chest, feeling possessive of his little boy as he bounced him slightly in his arms, Rowan pouting in the background. Stefan was afraid he would drop the little bundle he held in his arms but his paternal instinct took over.

"Hello son" he crooned and the boy blinked his big green eyes at him.

Amber thought it was adorable, watching sleepily as Stefan began to murmur things into his son's ear.

Rowan finally couldn't take it anymore and interrupted. "Can I please hold my son?" he said gruffly and Stefan reluctantly passed the child over to Rowan who kissed his son on the cheek and cradled him.

"Don't you both make great fathers" said Dylan cheerfully, his arm around the waist of Clarissa who leaned into him lovingly.

"You're going to make a great one too," Clarissa said wickedly and watched his face pale, as Amber's face lit up.

"You mean" Dylan stammered and Clarissa nodded, rising on her tiptoes to kiss the man on the cheek "I love you and yes, I'm pregnant" she announced proudly.

Amber let out a whoop while Stefan gave Dylan a handshake and offered his congratulations. Amber was genuinely happy for her mother who was glowing with happiness. Rowan offered his own congratulations, passing the baby to Clarissa who happily showed off the little boy to Dylan.

Amber watched the touching scene, tears pricking the corner of her eyes. She was surrounded by people who loved her and who she loved in return. Her marriage to both Rowan and Stefan was impending, much to the council's displeasure and she would become the official queen of the vampires. Rowan was living with them and his father Teddy now ran the pack in his son's absence. Amber was glad to hear of how healthy Teddy was now. As for Dylan? Well, Amber had made him and Teresa full-fledged vampires using her powers and Dylan had marked her mother, making her a hybrid.

Her mother was due to marry Dylan after Amber's wedding and it looked like she would be giving birth a few months after that. Stacey had given birth to a healthy baby girl a week ago and that child had been placed with a loving family who adored the baby they had been blessed with. Stacey on the other hand

had been executed and died, two days after having a c-section. No one was sorry to see that she was now gone.

Sophie was doing well and had yet to find a second chance mate but didn't care. She wanted to focus on herself and her baby which was a girl. She continued to thank the moon goddess for giving her a second chance at life and Amber wished her all the happiness in the world. Sophie was ecstatic to become an Auntie and Amber knew she would be a great one to her children.

Elaine was freed from the dungeon and sent away to another pack in disgrace. As punishment for everything she had done, she was turned into an omega and placed into servitude. Stefan was keeping close tabs on her to ensure she never stepped foot back in his castle ever again.

Tessa eventually made her way to the castle and resumed her friendship with Amber, becoming an omega and working as one. Amber was glad to see her old friend and they spent many nights having girls' nights together, along with Teresa, all three of the girls forming a deep bond and relationship.

Teddy found his second chance mate at the hospital of all things. A friendly nurse called Lauren, who he ended up marrying. She became Luna and shortly afterward, gave birth to Rowan's half-brother, Damien. Teddy and Lauren adored their little boy but make efforts to continue their relationship with Rowan who was over the moon at having a little brother.

Family, thought Amber, leaning back against the bed, was everything and she was incredibly lucky to have the ones she did. Her life was full of happiness and laughter, love and sadness, grief and loss but she wouldn't have changed any of it for the world.

The end.