

Awakening Luna: Darkness Holding the Light by Majie

Chapter 12

LEWIS

'He-hello?' She quietly said. The tone of her voice was filled with uncertainty, and in our connection, I could feel the various emotions that she was feeling in her heart.

She was feeling troubled and nervous. But aside from that, she was excited and was looking forward to hearing my voice.

I blinked once as I realized what was going on. Adelia did not know how to mind link and thus she unintentionally spilled all her thoughts and emotions to me.

'And here I was just wondering whether she was only pretending to be expressive. It really turns out that her colorful expressions are real... and her face merely shows what she thinks and feels inside,' I closed my eyes in contemplation. One could use their words and actions to deceive another. This was possible, as anyone could easily control the words that they could say and the actions that they would do. But that was not the case with emotions. One could not tell his heart to be happy when he was sad, like one could not feel melancholy when he was feeling jubilant. Emotions were something that could only be hidden and not controlled. And thus, there were no deceptions and lies in them. 'Heh. Is she for real?' I thought as I bit my lower lip to stop my chuckle. It was too late for that, however, because all the officials inside of my house already heard me and were now looking at me with terror in their eyes. I turned my back on them and started walking to the garden.

'Seems like you are awake,' I simply told Adelia before I felt new and different emotions that she was feeling through our link.

She was surprised and astonished. More than that, she was feeling some kind of pleasure upon hearing my voice. I stopped my track for the second time that day. 'His voice... seems to envelop my entire body,' I heard her thoughts. 'It's like that feeling... when he was hugging me...' She started feeling embarrassed.

I blinked twice; my body froze in place as I heard her thoughts.

My mind must have suffered some attack because I was not able to react immediately to her sudden emotions. After a few seconds of silence, Adelia started to feel uncertain and asked, 'Le-Lewis?'

Hearing her call my name startled me. It had been a long time since anyone called me by my name and without honorifics. There were no other reasons – other than the fact that others feared me and could not fathom to call me by my first name, or that they respected the memory of my parents who were the first and the last to call me by my

name. And thus, even my closest ally, such as Halen, called me Talascar and not by my first name.

'I thought I would hate it if someone would call me by my name,' I thought to myself. 'But surprisingly, it doesn't sound so bad coming from your mouth.' 'I guess that is how it is supposed to be when it comes to you,' I thought as a small smile started appearing on my lips. 'Yes,' I softly replied to her, acknowledging the way she called me. 'When you're ready, come over here for breakfast,' I told her. And, before I could stop myself, I heard myself giving her a pet name, 'Lia.'

Adelia. That was her name. The name of the woman who I marked. The name of the woman who I was bound to accompany, from that moment on.

Calling her by a pet name seemed to have surprised her, as I suddenly sensed that her mind went blank. It was only a few moments later when I could hear her thoughts again.

'Oh my goddess... I don't know if I like this mind-linking thing. I feel like his voice is caressing my whole body...' I heard her say and I almost burst out laughing. Fortunately, I managed to stop myself and cleared my throat instead. The warrior who was passing by heard me and suddenly knelt on the ground as if he were asking for forgiveness. I raised a brow at him before walking away. 'Did she think that our mind link connection ended?' I thought as I looked over at the direction where her old pack was located. 'It really seems that Lia was not treated correctly before. Not one wolf even taught her how to do a mind link, nor did someone even tried to mind link with her,' I narrowed my eyes and quietly stared at her former pack. 'Should I teach them a lesson?' Slowly, my hand formed into fist. 'If I get lucky, maybe the breakfast will be something good,' suddenly I heard Lia's wishful thinking, and felt her hopeful emotions, effectively taking me out from my sour mood.

'Or should I be thankful to them?' 'After all, her being like this... it's very... adorable.'