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1 It Can't Be

*****POV Speaking will be indicated by bold text*****

Amelia POV

"How are you feeling Amelia" Freya asks. "I've been having pain a lot lately, I'm just hoping that everything is ok with the pup." "The doctor told me yesterday that he looked good, but I just don't understand all this pain." "I'm sure it's nothing to worry about after all it is your first." A few minutes later Atlas comes in and kisses me. "How's the two most important people today" he says before he bends down kissing my belly. I have two months to go before our pup is here. I can't wait to hold him. "I haven't had any pain today, so that's a good thing." A look flashes across his face that I can't quite make out, but then it's gone. "You should be resting." "I can't lay in bed all the time Atlas besides Freya needed the company." "Your brother is with the warriors and she is lonely." "You and the pup are more important than you entertaining Freya." He helps me stand and leads me back to our room. Once I'm tucked in bed, he kisses me softly. "I have to attend to some matters since Elias is away but I will bring you dinner." "How did I get so lucky to have you as my mate?" That same look seems to flash across his face, but again its gone as quick as it came. "I'm the lucky one" he says before he leaves.

Atlas POV

I return to my office and Freya is waiting for me. "Really me being lonely isn't important." "Don't act like a child Freya." She walks over and drops to her knees in front of me. She frees my er**tion and takes me deep into her mouth. I thread my hands into her hair pumping my hard c**k into her mouth. Silas hates me having s*x with Freya, but he knows my heart belongs to Amelia so he leaves me alone. I pick her up laying her on the desk. I snap the panties from her body before I slam deep inside her body. Honestly, the only thing that makes this worth it is that she is Elias's mate, because Amelia feels so

much better. "Oh my goddess Atlas, you feel so much better than Elias." "F**k me hard" she screams and I pump harder. I wrap my hand around her neck as I think about the pain this causes my brother.

Amelia POV

I'm resting in bed when the pain that I have become all too familiar with starts again. "Amelia, maybe you should go get checked out again." "Star, I don't understand why I'm having all this pain." "I never had a pup but I know people who did and they didn't have this pain." "I don't know Amelia but I don't like it." "I feel like something bad is happening." "I'm sure our pup is fine, I'll go so it can put both our minds at ease." I love my wolf she is my best friend. I place my hand on my bump and say a prayer to the goddess that our pup is safe. I link Atlas but he has a block up. I know he is busy but the pain is more intense this time and I want to go have the pup checked. I should just stay at the pack hospital with as many times as I've been there. I manage to get myself up and slowly make my way to Atlas's office. As I approach the door, I can hear moans and I feel sick to my stomach. He wouldn't do that to me, he is my mate. These pains haven't had anything to do with my pregnancy. He has been being unfaithful since I got pregnant. I really believed he loved me. The pain strikes me and I can't hold back the groan of pain. I manage to move myself down the hallway toward the room I shared with my ba**ard of a mate. I hear the door open and footsteps coming toward me.

"Amelia" he says as he wraps his arms around me. It's all I can do not to punch him in the face. "Amelia my goddess, let's get you to the hospital" a familiar female voice comes from behind me. I turn to see Freya with a look of concern on her face. He is f**king the Luna, his own brother's mate. "I'm fine, the pain is already getting better." I shake Atlas off, "by all means get back to what you were doing, I'm sure it was important since you blocked me." I see a moment of regret on my mate's face before he answers "of course it was important but I promise I won't block you again." "Let me help you back to the room." "Don't bother I'm fine." I walk the rest of the way down the hallway and I don't look back once. They both make me sick. I will no longer be his mate or this pack's Beta female.

He cared nothing for me or our pup. They both knew the pain they were causing me and they still continued to betray me. I hope they will be happy together. I think about poor Elias. He has always been such a kind and loving alpha. I can't believe that his brother and mate would betray him this way. He must have felt the pain. I can't believe I was so stupid." "You are not stupid, we trusted our mate" Star says with anger in her voice. I should have known

but I never thought Atlas would do this to me. He has been the best mate since we found him at the mating ball. I even went against my father's wishes, since Atlas was only a Beta. He wanted me to mate with an Alpha, but I wanted my fated mate. I didn't care about rank. I wouldn't have cared if he was an omega.

Once I reach our room, I head into the closet and pull out a gym bag. I fill it with clothes and essentials. Pregnant or not, I will not be staying here. I need to speak with Elias before I leave this pack. He deserves to know what is happening. Once I have everything ready, I stick my head out of the bedroom door. When I see no one, I start down the hallway. I link that ba**ard "Atlas I'm going over to be checked by the doctor." "Do you need me to come love?" I cringe at his pet name. "Absolutely not, I'm sure you have to finish the job you were doing." "Ok love, let me know what the doctor says about our pup." "I love you." I cut the link because I will never say those words to him again. I make my way to Elias's office. I know he was out with the warriors, so I'm hoping he made it back.

Atlas POV

"Freya she almost caught us, that could have ended very badly." She pushes her breasts against my chest. "She's too stupid to realize anything." "She was acting differently." "Like she was upset, I pray she doesn't suspect anything." "She is too worried about your pup to think about anything else." "Besides it won't matter anyway soon." "What exactly does that mean Freya?" "After you kill Elias, you'll be Alpha and I'll be Luna." I push her back from me. "Freya, Amelia is my mate." "I have no intentions of breaking my bond with her." "She is carrying my pup." "Are you f**king kidding me Atlas?" "So, what the hell are you f**king me for." "I was f**king you for fun, but I love Amelia." She smiles and laughs

with all the evil she has in her. "Well then maybe I should tell her exactly what the hell has been going on between us."

Amelia POV

I come to Elias's door and knock. "Come in, Amelia" he says and when I walk in he smiles. He stands coming over to hug me. He pulls back resting his hand on my belly. "How is my nephew today and his mommy?" He looks at my face and concern flashes on his. I can feel the tears streaking down my cheeks. "Amelia what happened?" He leads me over to a chair and bends down in front of me. "Amelia what happened, is it the pup?" I try to compose

myself before I speak. “No, it’s about your brother and Freya.” “What did my brother do to make you cry?” I feel like I have glass in my mouth as I try to speak. I’m about to shatter him as much as I was just shattered. “It’s ok Amelia, tell me and I’ll kick his a**.” I wish it was just a fight and everything would go back to how it was yesterday. “Your brother is cheating on me” I manage to croak out.

He stands up “that can’t be, he wouldn’t do that.” “This has to be a misunderstanding.” “He is cheating on me with Freya.” I watch Elias’s eyes turn black before they return to their warm brown color. I see the moment he realizes that I’m not wrong. He must have been feeling the pain too. “How could they do this?” “I wish I knew Elias, but I can’t stay here knowing what they have done.” He looks at the bag I dropped by the door. “Where will you go?” “If you leave the pack, you’ll be a rogue with no protection.” “I won’t survive if I stay here seeing the two of them every day.” “I’ll go to the human city and live if I have to.” “What if they’re not here then you can stay.” “Elias, I need to leave.” I watch Elias walk over to a safe on the wall and take out a stack of money and a set of keys. He comes over handing both to me. “Elias” I get out before he stops me. “Amelia, despite all this you are my sister and that is my nephew.” “I am taking care of you.” I stand up pulling him into a hug. “I’m sorry Elias, I can’t believe this is happening.” “You have nothing to apologize for but I do know two people who are going to be very sorry soon.” “Those keys are to a car in the garage that can’t be tracked.” “I, Elias Charles Canfield, release you, Amelia Marie Canfield from the Darkmoon Pack.” I kiss his cheek before I head

downstairs. I pass a few pack members but no one stops me thankfully. I throw the bag into the back seat and drive toward the gate. The guard immediately opens the gate and waves as I drive through. I pray my brother-in-law can be happy again and those two get what they deserve.

Elias POV

I watch Amelia walk out the door of my office. I have been so stupid. Azar has been driving me crazy that the pain I’ve been having was from Freya, but I wouldn’t believe it. We have been together since we were teenagers. We are fated mates for goddess’s sake. How could she betray me with my brother? “I told you she was being unfaithful.” “Now is not the time for I told you so Azar.” “What are you going to do with the two of them?” “Snap their necks I hope.” “Azar as much as they deserve that I can’t.” “I will be banishing them from the pack.” I link Freya first. “Freya come to my office now.” I don’t even give her a chance to respond before I cut the link. “Atlas bring your a** to my office now.”

Again, I cut the link. I'm pacing back and forth waiting for them both to arrive when I feel a pain that is a thousand times worse, then the pains I've been feeling. "Azar, what is this pain?" "Our mate is dead." Before I can even absorb what he just said Atlas walks in with a smile on his face. "What's the matter Elias, are you having some pain?" "What have you done Atlas?"

Atlas POV

When we both got the link from Elias, I could tell by his tone he was pissed. My eyes land back on Freya who is standing there with a smile on her face. "Your sweet little mate is going to hate you after I tell her everything, but right now I have to go talk to my mate." I see red and grab her by her hair. Pulling her to me and wrapping my arm around her neck. She starts to claw at my arm. "You will never speak to my mate and just so you know, she is much better than you ever were" I say before I snap her neck. This is perfect. I will get rid of them both and then Amelia and I will take our rightful place in our pack. My brother was never worthy of being this pack's Alpha. I grab a dagger out of my desk drawer and lock the office door behind me. I head to my pathetic brother's office. When I walk in, he is bent over from the pain of his mate's death. "What have you done, Atlas?" "I've made things right brother."

"Now Amelia and I will take over the pack." "You and that wh*re you were mated to will be dead." He smiles "what the hell are you smiling about, your about to die?" "I may die but you will never have your mate or pup." I growl grabbing him but he is still weak from Freya's death. "Where is Amelia?" "Long gone and I pray you never find her again." "She knows what you were doing with Freya." I growl and Silas is at the surface. "I want my mate you prick." "You and your wolf can go f**k yourself." I raise the dagger plunging it into his heart. I watch the light leave his eyes before I drop him on the floor. I have to find Amelia, but first I need to deal with this. She is mine and I will make her forgive me. I will have my mate, my pup, and my pack.

Chapter 2

2 Gone

Atlas POV

I head to my office, ensuring that no one is on the Alpha floor to see me. I carry Freya's body to Elias's office and lay her on the floor. I make sure to

cause several stab wounds on Elias's chest at Freya's height. There is a puddle of blood beneath him. I don't want any questions about the height of the stab wound so I place the dagger in the wound I made like she stabbed him one last time when he was on the floor. She would be too short to cause that wound if he was standing. With the number of wounds and blood, nothing should be suspected. Once she is covered in his blood, I mimic snapping her neck again so I'm covered in the blood too. I link the warriors with panic in my voice and put a look of shock on my face. "Do you really believe you're this good of an actor" Silas says. "Shut the f**k up Silas." "We are going to get everything we deserve." "We better get Amelia back you a**hole." "Of course, we will, she is our mate and the future Luna." The door bursts open and warriors pour in.

I stand with my hands covered in blood and Freya at my feet. "Beta Atlas what happened," Neil the head warrior says as he walks over to Elias's body. "She killed my brother, how could she kill my brother." "How could she kill her own mate?" I drop my head into my hands. "Oh, my goddess you suck at this" Silas laughs. "Atlas, did she say anything before you killed her?" "She wanted me to be her mate." "She went on and on how Amelia wasn't worthy of me and how Elias was not worthy to be Alpha of this pack." "My brother was always an amazing Alpha and mate." "He's gone, how can he be gone." Neal lays his hand on my shoulder. "I know how devastated you are right now Alpha but the pack needs you." I pick my head up from my hands. "How can I take this title, my brother isn't even cold." "The pack needs you to be strong and your brother would have wanted you to be the leader this pack needs in his absence." "You were the Beta which means you are now the Alpha."

"We can talk about this later, I have to find my mate." "I fear Freya may have poisoned her mind or hurt her." "Prepare my brother for a warrior's burial." "Yes Alpha", Neal says. I turn from the room and as I

head down the hall, I smile to myself. I am the Alpha. I reach our bedroom and when I walk in Amelia's scent is very faint. I look around "where the f**k did she go?" "I don't know but you had better find our mate" Silas growls. "I know she is angry but she wouldn't leave the pack." She was born in this pack. She wouldn't jeopardize our pup by leaving the territory. I head outside the pack house and shift running for the gate. When I reach it I shift back and the guard approaches me. "I'm so sorry sir." "I appreciate your sympathy but that is not why I'm here." "Have you seen my mate?" He looks surprised by my question. "Yes sir, she left an hour ago." "The Alpha told me to let her pass in one of his vehicles." Where the f**k could she be going? "You just had to f**k that b**ch

didn't you." I push Silas down. I will get her back. I head back toward the pack house to get the warriors out to find her.

Amelia POV

As I drive away from the only home I have ever known, the tears run down my cheeks. "I'm so sorry Amelia, I should have known what was going on." "Star, don't do that." "Don't you dare blame yourself for anything." "He chose to violate our bond and hurt me and our pup." "What are we going to do, Elias was right?" "We will be considered a rogue now that we don't have a pack." "We have each other and our pup." "That's what important right now." "We will drive far away from the pack until we find a human city and hopefully, we can make a life there." "If we stay away from wolf packs, we won't have to worry about being considered a threat." "Human cities are considered neutral territory." I know not being part of a pack hurts Star but right now our pup's safety is the most important thing.

"Amelia, you didn't even tell your parents you were leaving." Honestly, with everything that happened, I wasn't thinking about anything but getting away from Atlas. I think back to how much my mother and father love Atlas. Why wouldn't they, he has been the perfect mate? "As soon as we get somewhere safe, I will get a phone and call them." "Are you going to tell them everything?" "I have to but I won't tell them where we are right now." "I won't put them in the that position." I feel like we have been driving for at least three hours when I pull into a mini mart. When I head inside, I go to the booster phones first. I grab some food and drinks. I really am not hungry, but I have to eat for my pup. I pay for everything and

head to the car. I lay my hand on my bump. We hadn't decided on names so I've just been calling him bean. "Mommy is going to keep you safe bean, no matter what." I get the phone set up and take a deep breath before I dial.

The phone rings three times before I hear my mother's sweet voice. "Hello" she says. "Hi mom, it's Amelia." "Amelia why are you calling me" she chuckles. "Mom, I had to leave the pack today." "Amelia what are you talking about?" "Where are you?" "I can't tell you that right now but I need you to know what happened." "Amelia you're scaring me, where is Atlas?" "Atlas is probably screwing Freya as we speak." "Amelia Marie Canfield what the hell are you talking about?" "Atlas has been cheating on me with Freya the whole time I've been pregnant." "All the pain I've been having is the pain of infidelity." "That can't be, you must be mistaken." "Mom, I heard them, they were screwing in Atlas's office." "Amelia, you can't just leave the pack." "What about

your pup?" "I will not stay there and pretend that everything is alright." "He has been screwing her and causing me pain for months." "I could have lost our pup from all the stress I've been under." "I just wanted you to know why I left." "Amelia please come back and we can figure something out together." "I love you mom." "Please tell dad I love him too." I hang up and stick the phone in my bag. I force myself to eat a sandwich and drink water before I drive a few more miles into a human city.

As I drive, I look for a hotel or someplace I can stay until I can find a permanent place. I'll have to find a job which I'm sure will be difficult being as pregnant as I am. Elias gave me quite a bit of money, so I won't have to struggle until I can find some place to work. I pull into a Holiday Inn and park the car. I'm glad Elias gave me a car that can't be traced. It will make my life easier to have a way to get around. I walk in and a pretty girl is standing behind the counter. "Hello Miss, can I help you?" "I was wondering if I can book a room for a week?" "Let me check on our rooms, but I'm sure we can make that happen." She has a very bubbly personality and seems very kind. "Looks like you're in luck, we have a room available for the week." "Can I have your information?" I think for a moment before I give her my name. "My name is Julia Robertson." She looks at me funny before a smile crosses her face. "Ok Ms. Robertson you'll be in room 311." She hands me the key card and I throw my bag over my shoulder.

"Woah wait a minute, I'll help you with that bag" she says as she looks at my belly. "I'm good I got it." "Not on my watch are you carrying that bag up to your room." I smile and she takes the bag walking me upstairs.

"How far along are you?" I think about it for a minute before I answer. "I'm about seven months." Werewolf pregnancies are only about five months so I only have two months to go. That's why I told her seven months. "Are you new in town?" "I haven't seen you around here." "I am actually." "I apologize I never asked you your name and you're helping me." "My name is Lily" she sticks out her hand and we shake. We stop in front of a door that has the numbers 311 on it. "Here you go" she takes the card swiping it and setting my bag inside. "If you need anything just dial zero on the phone and you'll get the front desk." "Thank you for your kindness, Lily." "You are very welcome, I hope I see you around." She leaves and I close the door. I decide to take a shower and then take a nap.

Atlas POV

I head to Amelia's parent's house, praying that they know where she went. I knock and when the door swings open my mother-in-law is standing there with anger all over her face. "Linda, where is Amelia?" "How could you Atlas, she loved you?" "Linda, listen to me whatever she thinks happened is not true." "I would never betray Amelia, I love her." "She heard you and the Luna." Now what do I say. "I promise you Linda I never touched Freya." "She was trying to take me from Amelia." "She must have known Amelia would hear her because I was not with her." "She just killed my brother because she wanted me and wanted Elias gone." Linda's eyes grow wide at the news of Elias's death. "The Alpha is dead." I nod and she wraps me in her arms. "How could that woman be so evil?" "I don't know but when I found her over my brother's dead body, I sent her to the moon goddess."

My father-in-law, John, walks in and we explain everything that happened. Linda tells me about the phone call and how Amelia refused to tell her where she is. "We have to get her back Atlas and make her see that this is all Freya's doing." "I will not rest until she is by my side and our pup is safe." "If she

calls you again, please let me know immediately." "Maybe if I can talk to her, I can make her understand that I would never betray her." I hug them both and head back to the pack house. "How the hell are you going to find her" Silas says. "We have the complete pack resources and I will call every surrounding Alpha until we find her." "I know Amelia she is smart enough to know that packs will perceive her as a threat." "We will check all the surrounding human cities and find her." I head up to the office that is now mine. They have taken Elias's body to be prepared for burial tomorrow. The blood spot still marks the pristine carpet. I take a seat in the chair and lean back. Soon I will have everything that should have been mine from the beginning. Elias was too soft and trusting. I will be a far better leader and once I have my Luna, everything will be perfect.

Chapter 3

3 New Day

Unknown POV

"Lily, was everything ok with that woman you took upstairs?" "Honestly, I'm not sure." "You were here when she came in, I know as much as you do right

now.” “She didn’t say anything but I get the feeling there is definitely a story there.” “I hope I’m wrong because I’m sure you noticed she’s pregnant.” “Do you think she is running from the father, maybe he was hurting her?” “I don’t know but I’m going to bring her some food after my shift is over.” “After all you did for me it’s only right, I pay it forward.” “Lily, just be careful.” “Everyone isn’t as kind as you are and looks can sometimes be deceiving.” “I’m a pretty good judge of character” she says as she punches my arm.

Amelia POV

Why is someone banging on the door? For a moment I forget everything that happened. I forget that my mate betrayed me for months. I forget that I’m not in my pack with my family. I forget that I’m not in my bed. When I remember all the things, I wish I could forget, my heart starts to race. He can’t have already found me. Who else would be knocking on the door? I don’t know anyone here. I breathe in deep expecting his scent to invade my nose but it doesn’t. The knocking comes again but this time a female voice follows. “Julia, it’s Lily” she says and I take a few deep breaths to slow my heart rate before I get up to open the door. When I open the door, she is smiling and has a cart with food on it. “I brought you dinner.” “I didn’t order any dinner.” “I know you didn’t, but I thought maybe you and the baby would be hungry.” I smile at her kindness. I step aside and she pushes the cart into the room. She sets up everything on the table and takes a seat. I’m sure she notices the confused look on my face. “Come on and sit down.” “I’m off work and I’m starving.” I go over and take a seat next to her. She uncovers the food and the smell of the cheeseburger is heavenly. I haven’t eaten anything since I stopped at the mini-mart.

She picks up her burger and takes a huge bite. I chuckle before I do the same. I didn’t realize how hungry I was until I start to eat the burger and fries like a starving person. We eat in comfortable silence for about ten minutes before I break it. “Why are you being so nice to a stranger, Lily?” She smiles “when I moved to this town, I didn’t know anyone.” “Some of the locals were kind to me and this is a chance for me to pay it forward.” “Besides, you look like you could use a friend.” I nod and keep eating. “Was he abusive?” I almost choke on the bite of burger in my mouth. I take a drink and clear my throat. “What are you talking about?” “You don’t have to tell me anything but I just figured, you’re running from something.” “I promise you it’s nothing like that but I’d rather not talk about it.” She raises her hands in surrender. “I didn’t mean to upset you.” “You didn’t upset me I promise.”

“Good, I’m glad, so how long are you going to be staying in town?” I laugh “you have a lot of questions.” “Sorry I don’t mean to be nosey but I am.” “Well, at least you’re honest.” “I plan on staying for a while.” “Now I just need to find a job and a place to stay that’s not a hotel.” She smiles “if you don’t mind being a hostess the restaurant in the hotel is looking for one and my apartment building has some vacancies.” “Are you kidding Lily, I don’t mind doing anything.” “It’s late now but we can go look at the apartments tomorrow if you want.” “Absolutely, what do I have to do for the job?” “Nothing I’m the manager and I’ll talk to the restaurant tomorrow.” “You can start your first shift after we get you situated in your apartment.” Lily stands to leave and I pull her into a hug. “Thank you for being kind to me.” She pulls back “your welcome, one day you can pay it forward too.” “Can I just ask for you to do one thing for me” Lily asks. I nod and she smiles. “What is your real name?” I smile “Amelia.” After Lily leaves, I go to sit on the couch and watch tv until I’m ready to go back to sleep for the night. I need something to take my mind off everything. “Star, how are you?” She’s been quiet since we left the mini-mart. “I hate that we had to leave our pack because of that ba**ard but I know it’s what’s best for us and our pup.”

Unknown POV

“How do you know that she is a wolf?” “Alpha Lincoln, I know a wolf when I see one.” “I have many gifts and detecting super naturals is one of them.” “Did anyone come with her into town?” “No, she is alone

but she is pregnant.” “Why would a pregnant she-wolf leave her pack?” “I’m not sure but I will keep an eye on her and report back if I feel she is a threat to the pack.” “I don’t think she is based on everything I’ve seen.” “Very good, I will be sending out trackers to make sure that no one else is near the territory or outside the human city.” “Looks can be deceiving so you just keep watching.” “Yes, Alpha Lincoln” I say before the line goes dead. I owe Lincoln everything. I just hope I’m right about Amelia.

Atlas POV

I have been trying to link Amelia since she left and it’s like she isn’t even alive. It’s not even a block. She is so far from me I can’t feel her. The trackers haven’t been able to find her in any of the surrounding human cities. I have spoken with several of the surrounding Alpha’s. Besides their condolences, they have given me nothing. A knock sounds on the office door and Neal comes in. “Alpha, we are ready for your brother’s burial and your ceremony.” “We have burned the traitorous b**ch’s body as you ordered.” “Give me a few

more minutes to compose myself Neal and I will be down.” He bares his neck to me and closes the door behind himself. I sit back in my chair. “Silas, are you ready to become the Alpha we should have always been?” “It’s the only reason I haven’t left your pathetic a**.” “Mark my words though, Atlas.” “If you do not get Amelia back you will be an Alpha without a wolf.” “Calm down Silas, I want her back as much as you do.” “I will do whatever it takes to make that happen.” I push him to the back of my mind. I need to go play the part of a grieving brother.

When I get outside, I head to the warrior’s section of the pack cemetery. Everyone has gathered from the pack and I go to stand next to Neal. Elder Thomas arrived last night after we contacted him about Elias’s murder. He will be providing both the funeral and the Alpha ceremony. He starts to go on and on about the leader that Elias was to our pack. I tune him out hoping he won’t be long winded. Elder Thomas saying my name brings me out of my thoughts. “Atlas, I know how hard this must be but would you like to say some words about your brother.” “Yes, Elder Thomas, thank you.” I look at the pack members as I speak. “My brother gave everything to this pack as a great Alpha does.” “He loved each and every one of you.” “This pack was his life.” “I hope I will be an even better Alpha because I got to

learn from the best.” “Rest in peace, my brother.” Neal lays his hand on my shoulder offering me support. They lower Elias into the ground and I wait to throw the first shovel of dirt on his casket. The pack members come to me one at a time offering their condolences.

I walk back toward the pack yard where the stage is set up for the ceremony. I had an opportunity to explain to Elder Thomas what Freya had done. That she not only killed my brother but she had poisoned my mate’s mind against me. She made her believe that I was unfaithful to her. Elder Thomas was appalled at Freya’s actions. I walk up on stage and the Elder joins me. He takes the pack chalice and fills it with my brother’s blood. “Atlas Andrew Canfield make your vow to the Darkmoon pack.” “I, Atlas Andrew Canfield, will put the pack needs above my own.” “I vow to lead with fairness and strength.” “I vow to be the Alpha this pack deserves.” He hands me the Chalice and I drink. I immediately feel the link with all the pack members. It’s overwhelming at first, but I put blocks up and gain control. I feel an overwhelming sense of power. Even the presence of my wolf is different. The pack bares their necks to me before we all shift. “Darkmoon Pack I present to you Alpha Atlas Canfield.” I lead a pack run and Silas is in his glory. When we return from the run, I shift and pull my clothes back on. The Elder is waiting for me to discuss Amelia. He has offered his help to find her and, since he believes that Freya was lying

about the affair, I'll take it. His ability to reach more alphas will be better than mine.

Alpha Lincoln

I'm sitting at the table in the pack dining room having my breakfast. Michael would normally be here but he is running the first-year warrior training this morning. As I drink my coffee Jennifer comes in and sits next to me. "Lincoln, we need to talk." She lays her hand on my forearm. "Lincoln it's been a year." "You said if we hadn't found our fated mates in a year, we would choose each other." "Jennifer, I do not have time for this discussion again today." "I have a meeting planned with two bordering Alphas." "For that matter you said that not me." "I never told you I agreed." "Lincoln, you may never find her." "The pack needs a Luna." "Enough, Jenn I'm done talking about this right now." "I will decide on my Luna." "I

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Betrayed by My Beta Mate Chapter 3

3 New Day

Unknown POV

"Lily, was everything ok with that woman you took upstairs?" "Honestly, I'm not sure." "You were here when she came in, I know as much as you do right now." "She didn't say anything but I get the feeling there is definitely a story there." "I hope I'm wrong because I'm sure you noticed she's pregnant." "Do you think she is running from the father, maybe he was hurting her?" "I don't know but I'm going to bring her some food after my shift is over." "After all you did for me it's only right, I pay if forward." "Lily, just be careful." "Everyone isn't as kind as you are and looks can sometimes be deceiving." "I'm a pretty good judge of character" she says as she punches my arm.

Amelia POV

Why is someone banging on the door? For a moment I forget everything that happened. I forget that my mate betrayed me for months. I forget that I'm not in my pack with my family. I forget that I'm not in

my bed. When I remember all the things, I wish I could forget, my heart starts to race. He can't have already found me. Who else would be knocking on the door? I don't know anyone here. I breathe in deep expecting his scent to invade my nose but it doesn't. The knocking comes again but this time a female voice follows. "Julia, it's Lily" she says and I take a few deep breaths to slow my heart rate before I get up to open the door. When I open the door, she is smiling and has a cart with food on it. "I brought you dinner." "I didn't order any dinner." "I know you didn't, but I thought maybe you and the baby would be hungry." I smile at her kindness. I step aside and she pushes the cart into the room. She sets up everything on the table and takes a seat. I'm sure she notices the confused look on my face. "Come on and sit down." "I'm off work and I'm starving." I go over and take a seat next to her. She uncovers the food and the smell of the cheeseburger is heavenly. I haven't eaten anything since I stopped at the mini-mart.

She picks up her burger and takes a huge bite. I chuckle before I do the same. I didn't realize how hungry I was until I start to eat the burger and fries like a starving person. We eat in comfortable silence for about ten minutes before I break it. "Why are you being so nice to a stranger, Lily?" She smiles "when I moved to this town, I didn't know anyone." "Some of the locals were kind to me and this is a chance for me to pay it forward." "Besides, you look like you could use a friend." I nod and keep eating. "Was he abusive?" I almost choke on the bite of burger in my mouth. I take a drink and clear my throat. "What are you talking about?" "You don't have to tell me anything but I just figured, you're running from something." "I promise you it's nothing like that but I'd rather not talk about it." She raises her hands in surrender. "I didn't mean to upset you." "You didn't upset me I promise."

"Good, I'm glad, so how long are you going to be staying in town?" I laugh "you have a lot of questions." "Sorry I don't mean to be nosey but I am." "Well, at least you're honest." "I plan on staying for a while." "Now I just need to find a job and a place to stay that's not a hotel." She smiles "if you don't mind being a hostess the restaurant in the hotel is looking for one and my apartment building has some vacancies." "Are you kidding Lily, I don't mind doing anything." "It's late now but we can go look at the apartments tomorrow if you want." "Absolutely, what do I have to do for the job?" "Nothing I'm the

manager and I'll talk to the restaurant tomorrow." "You can start your first shift after we get you situated in your apartment." Lily stands to leave and I pull her into a hug. "Thank you for being kind to me." She pulls back "your welcome, one day you can pay it forward too." "Can I just ask for you to do one thing for me" Lily asks. I nod and she smiles. "What is your real name?" I smile "Amelia." After Lily leaves, I go to sit on the couch and watch tv until I'm ready to go back to sleep for the night. I need something to take my mind off everything. "Star, how are you?" She's been quiet since we left the mini-mart. "I hate that we had to leave our pack because of that ba**ard but I know it's what's best for us and our pup."

Unknown POV

"How do you know that she is a wolf?" "Alpha Lincoln, I know a wolf when I see one." "I have many gifts and detecting super naturals is one of them." "Did anyone come with her into town?" "No, she is alone but she is pregnant." "Why would a pregnant she-wolf leave her pack?" "I'm not sure but I will keep an eye on her and report back if I feel she is a threat to the pack." "I don't think she is based on everything I've seen." "Very good, I will be sending out trackers to make sure that no one else is near the territory or outside the human city." "Looks can be deceiving so you just keep watching." "Yes, Alpha Lincoln" I say before the line goes dead. I owe Lincoln everything. I just hope I'm right about Amelia.

Atlas POV

I have been trying to link Amelia since she left and it's like she isn't even alive. It's not even a block. She is so far from me I can't feel her. The trackers haven't been able to find her in any of the surrounding human cities. I have spoken with several of the surrounding Alpha's. Besides their condolences, they have given me nothing. A knock sounds on the office door and Neal comes in. "Alpha, we are ready for your brother's burial and your ceremony." "We have burned the traitorous b**ch's body as you ordered." "Give me a few more minutes to compose myself Neal and I will be down." He bares his neck to me and closes the door behind himself. I sit back in my chair. "Silas, are you ready to become the Alpha we should have always been?" "It's the only reason I haven't left your

pathetic a**." "Mark my words though, Atlas." "If you do not get Amelia back you will be an Alpha without a wolf." "Calm down Silas, I want her back as much as you do." "I will do whatever it takes to make that happen." I push him to the back of my mind. I need to go play the part of a grieving brother.

When I get outside, I head to the warrior's section of the pack cemetery. Everyone has gathered from the pack and I go to stand next to Neal. Elder Thomas arrived last night after we contacted him about Elias's murder. He will be providing both the funeral and the Alpha ceremony. He starts to go on and on about the leader that Elias was to our pack. I tune him out hoping he won't be long winded. Elder Thomas saying my name brings me out of my thoughts. "Atlas, I know how hard this must be but would you like to say some words about your brother." "Yes, Elder Thomas, thank you." I look at the pack members as I speak. "My brother gave everything to this pack as a great Alpha does." "He loved each and every one of you." "This pack was his life." "I hope I will be an even better Alpha because I got to learn from the best." "Rest in peace, my brother." Neal lays his hand on my shoulder offering me support. They lower Elias into the ground and I wait to throw the first shovel of dirt on his casket. The pack members come to me one at a time offering their condolences.

I walk back toward the pack yard where the stage is set up for the ceremony. I had an opportunity to explain to Elder Thomas what Freya had done. That she not only killed my brother but she had poisoned my mate's mind against me. She made her believe that I was unfaithful to her. Elder Thomas was appalled at Freya's actions. I walk up on stage and the Elder joins me. He takes the pack chalice and fills it with my brother's blood. "Atlas Andrew Canfield make your vow to the Darkmoon pack." "I, Atlas Andrew Canfield, will put the pack needs above my own." "I vow to lead with fairness and strength." "I vow to be the Alpha this pack deserves." He hands me the Chalice and I drink. I immediately feel the link with all the pack members. It's overwhelming at first, but I put blocks up and gain control. I feel an overwhelming sense of power. Even the presence of my wolf is different. The pack bares their necks to me before we all shift. "Darkmoon Pack I present to you Alpha Atlas Canfield." I lead a pack run and Silas is in his glory. When we return from the run, I shift and pull my clothes back on. The Elder is waiting for me to discuss Amelia. He has offered his help to find her and,

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Chapter 4

4 Friends

Amelia POV

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I go and look out the peep hole and this time it’s Lily. She comes in and sees my eaten plate. “I’m glad you enjoyed the food.” “I did, I hope you got to eat

something too.” “Don’t worry about me I’m not growing a person.” “I’ll eat when we get to my apartment.” “Are you ready to go see the apartment?” “Absolutely” I say and we head down to her car. “There’s actually an open apartment three doors down from mine.” “That’s great, I’ll know my neighbor” I laugh. We pull into a parking garage attached to the apartment building. “You’ll have a card to get into the parking area.” “This apartment complex is pretty secure.” “The owner really cares about people.” “Do you remember how I said people helped me when I didn’t know anyone?” “Yes, I do” I say. “The owner of the building was one of those people.” “That’s

wonderful that he actually cares about the people that rent from him.” “I’m sure that isn’t a common thing.”

We walk in and head to a desk. “Hi Mark this is Amelia, the girl I told you about.” A man that I assume is the person in charge is behind the desk. “Nice to meet you, Amelia.” I shake his hand and he comes off around the desk with a set of keys. “Follow me and I’ll show you the apartment.” We get into an elevator and take it to the third floor. We pass two doors and stop in front of the third. The apartment reads 315 on the door. “My apartment is 317” Lily says. I smile because I’m really glad that I met Lily. He opens the door and we head inside. I look around and honestly, I love it. It’s not fancy, but I don’t need fancy. It has two bedrooms which is perfect for me and my pup. It has a small kitchen and a nice size living room. “What do you think, Amelia,” Mark asks me. “I’ll take it, it’s great.” Lily hops up and down like a teenage girl. “When will I be able to move in?” “As soon as you’re ready.” “I’ll need first and last month’s rent and then the keys are yours.” I take the money out of my purse and hand him the money. “Here you go my dear, you have a new apartment.”

With the sh*t storm my life has been over the last few days, I’m actually happy in this moment. Mark leaves and Lily leads me to her apartment. It looks exactly like mine but hers, of course, has furniture in it. I take a seat on her couch and she brings me a glass of water. “So, I’m off tomorrow, if you want, we can do some shopping if you have the money.” I think about my brother-in-law and my sadness creeps in a little. Elias was so kind and I can’t imagine what he is going through right now. “I’m sorry if you don’t want to that’s ok” Lily says. She must have seen the sadness on my face. “No, I was thinking about something else.” “I would love to go shopping with you.” “I’m not going to pressure you to talk to me but know that you can if you ever want to.” “I can’t thank you enough for all the kindness and your friendship.” “So, it’s a date then, shopping tomorrow” Lily says. We drive back to the hotel since I can’t really stay in my apartment until I get a bed. I get out of the car and lean

down in the window. "Thank you, again Lily." "What time should I be ready for tomorrow?" "I'll pick you up and we can have breakfast." "So around nine." I wave and head into the hotel. As I walk, I get this weird feeling like I'm being watched. As I pass the desk, the guy from earlier John, waves at me. "Have a good evening,

Amelia" he says. "You too" I say and get on the elevator. There is something strange about him, but I'm not scared. It's not strange like a creeper. It's just strange.

I reach my floor and take the key card out of my purse. Once I'm inside, I decide to take a shower. As I shower, I think about the things I was able to forget about for a little while today. I look down at my growing belly. I can't believe what Atlas did to us. No, I'm not going to keep giving him the power to upset me. "You are strong Amelia" Star says. "We both are" I smile. Once I'm dried off and, in my pajamas, I sit back down on the couch. I look at the phone I laid on the table. I think about the last conversation I had with my mother. I think about not seeing them and having this pup without them. "Why don't you just call them Amelia?" "They aren't the ones that hurt you" Star says. "They are going to want me to come home and that can't happen." "I know my mother thinks I'm wrong because none of us thought Atlas could do such a thing." "Amelia, your parents love you." "If they understand what he did they would support you." "You can make them understand that you are not wrong." I think about it for a few minutes before I pick the phone up. I dial the number and my mother picks up on the fourth ring.

"Amelia is that you" she says. I take a breath "yes mom it's me." "Amelia, where are you?" "Please let us come get you." "Mom, I can't." "I told you what happened." "He betrayed me and could have hurt my pup." "I don't want to talk about him." "I just want you to know that I'm safe." "Amelia you can't really believe Freya after all she has done." Now I'm definitely confused. Atlas is as guilty as Freya. "Freya is not to blame for Atlas's actions." "He was a willing participant in the affair." "Amelia, I'm not talking about the lies she told you." "Freya killed Elias in cold blood." "She killed her own mate because she wanted yours." The room feels like its closing in on me and I feel sick to my stomach. I can't have heard my mother correctly. "Mom" I say before a voice I never wanted to hear is on the phone. "Love please I can explain everything." She called that ba**ard after all I told her what he has done. "F**k you Atlas, I heard you with her." "I swear to you Amelia I would never touch another woman." "You may have my parents fooled but I know what I heard." "Forget about me and my pup." "I intend to forget

about you, you cheating pr**k.” I hang up and rush to the bathroom. I haven’t thrown up since the beginning of my pregnancy but the thought of Elias being dead makes me sick.

Atlas POV

I’m in the office when I get a link from Amelia’s mother that she is on the phone. I don’t even respond, I just take off for the cottage. When I get there, her father lets me in. Amelia’s mother hands me the phone. I heard her tell Amelia that Freya killed Elias before she saw me. I can’t worry about that right now. I plead with her to believe me but she won’t listen. When she says she intends to forget me, Silas is at the surface. The line goes dead and I throw the phone, breaking it against the wall. I look at my mother-in-law and she looks shocked and terrified. I push Silas down. “I’m sorry” I say to her and my father-in-law. “I will replace the phone.” She lays her hand on my arm. “Give her a few days and hopefully she’ll call back.” “I’m losing my mind, I can’t lose her and my pup.” She pulls me into a hug. “Everything is going to work out, Atlas.” “Thank you, I don’t know what I would do without your support.”

I head back to the pack house. I link Neal to come to my office. A few minutes later a knock sounds on the door. “Come in Neal.” I made Neal my Beta since he was head warrior and he has supported me since Elias’s death. “Neal, Amelia called her parents again.” “We need to find her.” “Have the trackers been able to find out anything?” “The trackers went to all the human cities and packs within two hours of the pack and have found nothing.” I slam my fist down on my desk “then tell them to go three hours” I yell. “Alpha, please calm down.” “We will find her but you need to have faith.” “You said she called her parents, we should be able to get the number from their phone.” “We can see if any of the pack contacts can trace the phone.” “Thank you, Neal.” “I’m sorry, for yelling.” “Alpha I can’t imagine having my mate missing, especially my pregnant mate.” I tell him about getting my in-laws phone fixed and he leaves. “She is never going to forgive you for f**king that wh*re.” “Shut up Silas, yes she will.”

Lincoln POV

“Alpha Lincoln, she is moving into your apartment complex.” “She paid for two month’s rent.” “Well, we know she plans on staying for a while.” “Did you find out any more about why she left her pack while she is with pup.” “No Alpha, I have a feeling that something bad happened to her.” “I will be coming in to town to check on things.” “I would still like to meet her and get my own feeling about her.” “I don’t want her to feel threatened but I need to make sure

whatever she is running from will not affect my pack.” “Of course, Alpha.” “She won’t be moving in for a few days.” “Good, I’ll be in town in three days.” I hang up and start working on my paper work. I get a link from Michael that the patrol guard needs us at the border. I head downstairs and out of the pack house. I shift and Talon takes off. Michael’s wolf, Felix, joins me as we run. We reach the border and the patrol guards are waiting for us. We both shift and pull on our shorts.

They bare their necks at me. “What is going on” I ask. “Alpha, we have caught the scent of wolves near the pack border.” “How many rogues are we talking about?” “No alpha, not rogue wolves.” “They had the smell of pack wolves.” “If I had to guess I would say three to five at least based on the strength of their smell.” I link the pack warriors. Fifteen warriors arrive at the border. “I want you all to search over the pack border and I want a report immediately if you find any wolves that don’t belong here.” “Yes Alpha” they say in unison. They shift and take off over the border. “Michael follow me back to my office now.” When we reach my office, I tell Michael about the pregnant she-wolf that came to the human city. “These wolves have to be connected to her.” “Why else would pack wolves be near our border?” “I’m sure they know it could start war if they trespass without permission.” “Michael if your mate who was pregnant with your pup was missing would you be afraid of pissing off another Alpha.” “No probably not but I’m just as confused as you are.” “Why would a pregnant she-wolf leave her mate and pack unless something really bad is happening?” “That’s what I’m afraid of Michael.”

Chapter 5

5 Secrets

Atlas POV

I’m in my office after just getting off the phone with Elder Thomas. They haven’t found any trace of Amelia yet but he assures me they won’t stop looking until she is found. The trackers still haven’t found any leads either. I feel like I’m losing my mind. A knock sounds on my door “come in” I say. The door opens and a young omega brings in a tray of food and drink for me. She walks over setting it on the table. She’s batting her eyes at me but I just ignore her. The only woman I want is Amelia. “You should have felt that way before you f**ked Freya and Amelia would still be here with our pup.” I push Silas to the back of my mind because I’m sick to death of him telling me how I f**ked

up. "Alpha is there anything else I can do for you before I go" her words with a meaning I can't miss. "I'm going to make this perfectly clear and you can pass it on to the other omega woman." "I have a mate and her name is Luna Amelia." "Don't ever proposition me again." I see fear flash across her face at my tone.

"I'm sorry Alpha I just thought that with Freya and Luna Amelia gone you would need a release." I stand coming around my desk and grab her by the throat. I squeeze her neck enough to make my point. "What do you mean with Freya gone?" Tears start to flow down her cheeks and she is begging me to let her go. "Answer me now." "I was often called on by Freya for help and she said what a good lover you were" the omega says. "Freya is a f**king liar and murderer and if you ever breathe that again I will snap your f**king neck." "Do you understand me?" "Yes Alpha, I'm sorry I didn't know she was lying." "Well, she was" I say and drop her to the floor. "Get out of my office now." She scrambles to her feet and runs out of my office. I head downstairs and out the back of the pack house. Silas and I need to run. We haven't since the Alpha ceremony. I shift and Silas takes off at full speed toward the forest.

Amelia POV

I just woke up after I didn't sleep well at all last night. I kept dreaming about Elias. I kept seeing Elias lying on the ground with his eyes open and blood all around him. In the dream I would rush to him but I would wake up before I got to him. I head into the bathroom to do my morning routine. I splash water on my face before I get myself ready for my shopping day with Lily. "Nothing you did or didn't do could have stopped what happened, Amelia" Star says. "I just don't understand how she could have killed him." "You know how big Elias was and the fact that he was her mate." "It doesn't seem right." "What are you thinking, Amelia?" "I don't know Star but something about that doesn't make sense." "I obviously really didn't know Freya based on what she was doing with Atlas but he outweighed her by at least two hundred pounds. "Maybe because he trusted her, she was able to get close to kill him." "That would make sense if we hadn't just told him she was sleeping with his brother." A knock on the door brings me out of my conversation with Star. I get up looking through the peep hole. Lily is smiling and I push my thoughts about Elias and Freya from my mind. I open the door and Lily hands me a coffee. "I got you decaf because I read that caffeine isn't good in pregnancy." She really is sweet kind girl. "Thank you", I say before I take it from her. I grab my purse and my phone off the table. "Are you excited about going shopping, Amelia?" "I am, I want to get some things for the baby too." I had to stop myself from

calling him a pup. I have to get used to living among humans. They do not call them pups. I repeat baby over and over in my head.

Once we are in the car, she drives toward the diner for breakfast first. "Amelia, do you know what you're having?" I smile laying my hand on my bump. "A boy, I call him my little bean." She chuckles "I love that nickname." "I know we couldn't decide on his name." I stop myself, I hate that I said we. There is no we anymore. I look out the window and we continue to drive. I appreciate that Lily doesn't press me when I stop talking. We head inside and take a seat in a booth. I order orange juice and pancakes with peanut butter chips and blueberries. I have been eating pancakes this way since I got pregnant. Lily orders a platter with eggs, bacon, home fries, and pancakes. "I look like the one who is having a baby" she laughs as she digs in. We talk about what I'll need for the apartment when I catch the scent of wolves. I feel panic all over my body. I look around and notice two men who just walked into the

diner. I don't know all the Darkmoon pack warriors, so I'm not sure if they are part of our pack or not, but I definitely know they are wolves. "Lily, I need to go to the bathroom", I say as I stand rushing in that direction. Thankfully, we chose a booth that was close to the bathroom. Once I'm inside, I lock myself in the stall and try to slow my breathing. I will not go back to him. I have to protect myself and my pup.

Lily POV

I hate that Amelia is dealing with whatever happened before she came here. I hope at some point she trusts me enough to talk about what happened. I know it has to have something to do with the baby's father. When we pull into the diner Amelia gets out without a word. I'm glad we decided to go for breakfast before shopping because I'm starving. As soon as our food comes, I start to eat and we talk about all the things that Amelia needs to buy. Her mood completely shifts and I can see something is upsetting her. I watch her line of sight and notice she is looking at two guys that just came into diner. As soon as she leaves the table, I take my phone out of my purse. I dial John and he picks up on the second ring. "What's up, Lily?" "I think something is wrong." "I took Amelia to the diner and when two guys I've never seen walked in she looked like she saw a ghost." "Where is she now Lily?" "She rushed to the bathroom." "Where are the two guys that upset her?" "They sat down in a booth and they are looking around the diner." "I know you're not ready to tell her yet Lily but you may have no choice." I hate that he's right. I was hoping we would get to know each other better and she would already trust me before I told her about me. "I know your right, I just wish you weren't." "Lily just

remember what I said about being careful.” “She seems to be nice but you have no idea who she really is or what happened to her.” “She could have done something wrong and that’s why she is hiding.” “I’m not worried about her hurting me, John.” “I don’t believe this girl could hurt a fly.” “I’m worried she won’t want to be around me or trust me.” “It will all work out just stay safe, let me know when you’re out.” “I will” I say before I hang up.

I hang up with John and decide to go to check on Amelia. I go inside the restroom and her feet are the only ones I see. “Amelia are you alright.” “I’m sorry Lily I’m just not feeling well all of the sudden.” I hate

to push her but I need her to know she can trust me. “Amelia, I know you came in here because those men came into the diner.” She opens the stall door slowly and comes out to face me. “I’m sorry Lily, I’m not trying to lie to you but there is a lot that you don’t know about me.” “I’m not just talking about why I’m here.” “I understand that but if you’re in trouble I need you to trust me not only for you but for your pup.” She nods her head at me. I haven’t shared my secret with anyone since I came to this town except Alpha Lincoln but I feel the need to keep Amelia safe. “Amelia, I haven’t been completely truthful with you but what I’m about to tell you is something that no one here besides John and Alpha Lincoln know about me.” I see the shock on her face at my use of the word Alpha. I wave my hand down my body and I see the moment she can smell what I am. “You’re a witch” she says with fear in her voice. “Yes, I am a light witch.” She takes a step back covering her belly with her hand. I know that wolves are told from the time their young to fear witches and their magic.

“I know how wolves feel about witches but I promise you all of us are not bad.” “Amelia, I’m only telling you this to protect you from the wolves that just came in.” “So, you knew I was a wolf.” “I did but I knew you had to have a hell of a reason to leave your mate while you are pregnant.” The look of fear now gone from her face. “We can talk about this more later but right now the only thing we need to do is get you out of here and keep you safe.” “Can you trust me to do that?” She thinks for only a moment. “Yes, I trust you, Lily.” I smile and extend her my hand. “I’m sure you have never teleported before so I’m going to warn you it might make you throw up.” “Will it hurt my pup?” “No, you both will be fine.” She takes my hand and I teleport us to my apartment bathroom. Just as I figured she heads right for the toilet. I hold back her hair while she throws up. I’m sure we are going to have a lot to talk about when she feels better.

John POV

As soon as I hang up with Lily, I call Alpha Lincoln. I'm rushing to the car when he finally picks up. "John, what's wrong?" "Alpha, you asked me to let you know if any wolves came into the city so I wanted to call to tell you two just did." "You saw unfamiliar wolves, where" he growls out. Human city is

neutral territory but I sure they are far to close to his pack for his liking. "I didn't see them myself but Lily called me." "She said that two men just came in the diner she has never seen." "The woman I told you about is with Lily and seeing them freaked her out." "I'm sure they are wolves that are probably looking for her." "Lily seems concerned." "I can't leave to come myself but I will send Michael and Max to check them out." "Thank you, Alpha." "I told Lily to do what she has to, to stay safe." "I agree but hopefully it won't come to that." We hang up and I say a prayer to the goddess that nothing bad happens to either of them.