Carter's POV I stood frozen in my spot decided on how to explain the situation to

Noah, how do I say his sister is in this position? I crouched down to his height. "Hello sweetie... Ava needs some rest cause she is tired from work

today" I smiled. "But-but I miss Avee, I want to see Avee now" his eyes glossed over and slowly started crying. I let out a sigh. "Noah why don't we go and watch a movie?" I suggested him trying to divert the topic.

"Will there be choces?" He asked using his puppy eyes, I laughed at the way he said chocolates. "Of course." I stood up and took his hand guiding him out of the room, I glanced over at Ava before heading out the room. 30 minutes later the doctor arrived, so I made sure that Noah was

occupied playing with toys when the doctor arrived. I rushed over to her, the doctor was a mid 30 year old woman, she was my doctor so she already knew me. "Hello Mr. Nicholson, what's the matter?" The doctor asked. "Today when I saw her I-I thought she was fine but then when I came home

and her foot has a cut on it, I really don't kno-" I said panicking but she stopped me. "Calm down sir, show me the patient" I lead her to Ava's room. "Please make sure she is alright" I pleaded. "Okay just let me examine her for a few minutes." she said and I nodded as she closed the door.

"Mr. Nicholson is everything alright?" I looked over and saw Bina

she was bruised up then she ran to the bathroom and broke the glass

running towards me. "Yes and will you do me a favour?" I asked her. "O-okay what is it sir?" She asked. "Will you take care of Noah and make sure he doesn't know anything about this?" I asked and she nodded and walked away to find Noah.

really scared and worried, I hope nothing bad happened to Ava. If Asher did anything to her I'll kill him, I can't have him ruining another person. I lost my first love cause of him and now if he's a er

I stood outside the door waiting for the doctor to come out. I was

Ava... I don't understand though how can she come to work when she was that hurt, I on top of that insulted her.

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I opened my phone and ringed Jacob. Jacob also investigates for me. A er 3 rings he didn't li it up, I was getting frustrated at him.

What is he doing now? I dialled him again and this time he finally picked up. "Hey bestie,

miss me already?"

door when it flew open.

inside of Ava's room.

"Jacob I need you to investigate something for me." I said in an annoyed tone. "Aww you can't do anything without me can you?" He

said and I lost it. "Jacob I'm serious!" I yelled over the phone. "Okay okay what is it" he laughed. "I need you to tell me what went on between Ava and Asher yesterday night. "I said. "Yeah but isn't

that stalking th-" I cut him o . "Just do it" I sighed.

"Okay I'll do it... well see you later alligat-" I cut him o by hanging up on him. I sat on the ground waiting for the doctor to come out. It was currently 4 pm and I was growing very impatient at this point I needed to know what happened. đ

"Doctor is she alright?" I questioned her immediately. "Please come outside I need to discuss it with you" she said stepping out of the room and I nodded. Once we were in the hallway she spoke.

A few minutes passed and I got up and was going to knock on the

"Mr. Nicholson. What is the patient's name called?" She asked writing it down on her note pad. "Ava Winston" I responded. "Why? Is she in danger?" I asked. "Fortunately she is out of danger but her body is

severely damaged." she replied. "How?" I asked wanting to know what happened to her. "Ava's body has several bruises, her face completely bruised, as if she was punched. Her stomach had a huge scar, and her legs were also very bruised, she may have a fracture due to the amount of walking a er the incident. Her neck also had some spots indicating that she

might of been harassed, she was physically abused however I should

ask, are you involved in this?" She asked me, all of this was shocking, who did this to her? I think Asher did, he is not a good person at all. "No I would never do this to her" I said truthfully, it was true we might not like each other but I would never do this ever. "I applied ointment on her injuries she is unconscious now but will wake up a er a while, so keep care of her and don't let her work for a few days." she explained. "Thanks very much" I said and walked past her

I approached Ava's bed and sat beside her on the edge of the bed, and stared at her. Her body was bandaged up as well as her face, although only half of it. "Please wake up Ava." Ava doesn't deserve this, a er all she's been through, and I should certainly be ashamed of my behaviour towards her, I never protected her. đ I leaned back and sat on another chair close to Ava, then I watched as

soon as she wakes up cause she needs to get some rest. What are you doing to me Ava? You hate me but I like you, what are you doing to me?

I dri ed o to sleep slowly as the darkness took over me.

she laid there, still gorgeous looking. I'll not ask her questions as

Ava's POV I opened my eyes to the warehouse I was in with Asher a few hours

I struggled to get out of it, then a evil laugh was heard, 'You thought you can escape me can you?'

But this time tied to a bed,

ago,

He grabbed me by my hair and made me look up at him, 'let me go b*st*rd' I said,

'Let me go!'' I screamed when he kissed me. 'not until I get what I want' He evilly laughed.

'Let me go!' 'LET ME GO'

'Let me go please!'

talked to me.

me?

He laughed again and again,

I jolted up and realised I was in a dream, a wave of relief went through me.

said shaking against his touch.

It was a nightmare, only a nightmare..... I can feel sweat beads form on my forehead so I wiped them o . I furrowed my eyebrows when I realised my body was bandaged up, I

I started shaking, I was scared of him, what if he does the same as Asher. Carter raised a hand and rubbed soothing circles on my back

"Ava calm down its ok-" but I cut him o . "Go away you monster!" I screamed and threw anything I could find around me at him. I threw pillows at him. "I'll not touch you but I need to be here in case if anything happens."

he explained. "No.no.no. Get out!" I cried tears running down my

face. I don't want him here, cause what if he does what Asher did to

was confused but then a voice was heard. "Ava? You're awake" I

turned my head to see Carter on kneeling down beside the bed as he

but I shuttered against them to which he stopped. "Leave me alone." I

close so I thought he le. I feel terrified a er the incident, all I want is my family back, my mom, dad ,Noah and me, except I'm stuck in this life, scared and feared of

I turned around so my back faced him and frowned, I heard the door

everything..... A er a few minutes of staring into space I found myself sleeping as the darkness consumed me.

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Until then bye:D

I'll see you in the next chapter,

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Any thoughts on Carter's feelings towards Ava?