

Chosen by Fate 741

Chapter 741 – What Just Happened? (VOLUME 4)

Reece

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I could tell what was supposed to be happening. I knew what was supposed to be going on. I wasn't confused about any of that stuff. No, it wasn't until a little later that I was wondering what the fuck was going on.

My Little Bunny had just cleaned herself up while bringing the platform that our three boys were on down to the floor. She was cleaned of blood and gore, and apparently dry as well. The boys were excited to run to her and hug her. Something that I wanted to do. I wanted to hug my Little Bunny, as well as my triplet boys. I was immensely jealous of all four of them at that moment.

However, the boys didn't get to hug my Little Bunny. Nope. They stopped halfway there when things seemed to be going to shit once again. Dammit! Couldn't my Little Bunny catch a damn break? This was ridiculous. Seriously.

I watched on in horror as the light that was scaring my boys and my Little Bunny got brighter and then rose into the air. It was spinning faster and faster until it started to look like something that I knew very well. It was a trinity symbol, but like my Little Bunny had.

When the lights separated into three parts, it flew straight into my boys. All three parts hit them with what looked like an immense speed and all I could do was shout at the screen in front of me.

"WHAT THE HELL!" I had leapt to my feet when I saw that the light was attacking my kids now. "WHAT THE FUCK IS GOING ON!? WHAT IS THAT LIGHT DOING TO MY BOYS?"

"I do not know." Valerian, also standing, had his hand over his mouth as he watched on.

"I need to get in there and kick someone's fucking ass. Those are my nephews for fuck's sake. Someone is going to pay." Trevor was in a rage at what he was seeing.

"They are 'actually' my nephews, so you better get the fuck in line, because I am going to fucking kill someone too." Noah was seething with rage right then. "What are we going to do, Reece?"

"You guys know that we can't get over there. If we could, I would have been over there a long time ago. But we can't. Dammit! We can't help them."

"Yeah, I know." Noah hung his head, sorrow filling his voice.

"I hate just sitting around and watching. This is bullshit." Trevor threw himself onto the couch, still staring at the screen.

"I admit, it is quite annoying." Valerian sighed and sat next. I had no choice but to sit back down on the couch as well. I would have to just sit there and watch whatever was happening with my family.

To think, I had thought that it was all going well. Trinity may have lost Edmond, but she managed to kill Hekate. She was going to be coming home soon, or so I thought. Who knew how long it would be now that this new thing was happening?

"Please, Trinity, please come home soon. And bring the boys with you. Don't let them die on us. I know you could never survive that, and neither could me or the kids. We all love them so much already. Please, Little Bunny, please come home to us with them. Please." I was basically begging her to do what I wanted her to do. To bring them all home safe. Dammit! I hated being so powerless in this situation.

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Trinity

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"BOYS!" I finally unfroze and screamed for them. "ZACHARY! ZANDER! ZAYDEN!" I was running toward them as fast as I could, and I saw that Rudy and Alexio were doing the same.

"BOYS!"

"KIDS!" They each called out to them in their frantic voices. They didn't want to see something happen to them anymore than I did.

The three of us reached the boys at almost the same time. The three precious little boys were laying on the ground, motionless. They weren't moving. They weren't saying anything. They weren't even making a sound.

They were, however, still breathing. I noticed that when I pulled all three of them toward my chest in my arms. It was a tight fit to hold onto them all at once, but I managed to do it, somehow. While I was holding them in my arms, I felt their breath, the shallow breathing of someone that was unconscious. The little puffs of air from their mouths blew onto my chest.

"Thank the Goddess, they're still alive." I sighed with relief and cradled them close.

"M..M..Mommy?" I heard Zayden start to stir and call out to me.

"M..Mommy!?" Zachary was next.

"Th..th..that hurts, Mommy." Zander was the last one.

"What was that, Mommy?" Zayden inquired. I could tell that he was scared.

"I don't know what it was, babies. I don't know. But I am so happy that you are okay. I was so scared and worried, but here you are. You're alive and well. I am so happy." I was crying by the time that I was done saying that. It was hard to think that I might have lost another baby. Well, three of them. It made me think of the time that Reece and I had lost our first baby. Even though the person responsible was dead, truly dead, and had fully repented, it was something that would haunt me forever. I would never, as long as I live, forget about my lost little baby. And I never wanted to risk letting something happen to any of my babies, not now and not ever.

"Trinity?" Alexio, who was kneeling next to us, called out to me.

"Yes?" I turned my head a little so that I could see him while he spoke to me.

"I do not think that you are going to like this, but I do believe that your children each absorbed a piece of that soul."

"What soul?" I don't know if I was intentionally playing dumb, or if I just truly didn't know what he was talking about. I didn't want to process it or something like that.

"Hekate's soul. That light was her soul and they each took a part of it into themselves."

"Wait, are you telling me that my babies are now part of Hekate?"

"Well, she is a part of them, really. But they always were to begin with. They are descended from her, are they not?"

"Yes, they are, just as I am. But this is different. They each have a third of her soul. They are each a lot more of her now than any other witch, warlock or other magic user on the planet."

"Yes, they will have more of her. That is because they have her soul. I do not know what this will cause, but I do believe that this may make them more powerful as they get older."

"Mommy, is there something wrong with us?" Zander sounded scared.

"No baby, there is nothing wrong with you. You just have a bigger soul than most people do." I smiled at him. "Mommy is the same way. Mommy has a very big soul."

"But we have the bad lady inside of us." Zayden's fear filled voice called out to me.

"No, sweetheart, it's not like that. Mommy destroyed Hekate. It isn't her anymore. It's just the power of her soul. I am sure of that." I didn't know what I was fucking saying, but I had to make them feel better somehow.

"Are you sure?" Zachary didn't look convinced yet.

"Yes, baby, I am sure. You're all still you and no one else. You're Mommy's little boys." I hugged them again and felt them all cling to me in their own way. It was heartbreaking and sad that they were so scared, but I was glad that they were alive. And I would make sure that nothing happened to them later on, I would make sure that this added part to their soul wouldn't harm them in any way. "Mommy loves you, boys. Never forget that. Mommy will always be here to protect you." That made them all squeeze me a little tighter.

I knew right then and there that I needed to keep this a secret. I couldn't let others know that they had parts of the evil Hekate's soul inside of them. I didn't want them to be ostracized like Edmond had been. They didn't deserve that. They deserved all the love in the world.. And dammit, I would make sure that they got that love.

Chapter 742 - Trinity – One More Thing To Do (VOLUME 4)

7-9 minutes

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Trinity

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I held onto the boys for a little while, not wanting to let them go. I was too worried, too scared about everything to want to leave them just yet. This had all been a long process. We were tired. I personally was sore. And I just wanted to get out of this place.

However, no matter how much I wanted to get out of here, there was still something that I needed to do. There was one more thing that I wanted to take care of before I left the underworld for good.

I wanted to say goodbye to my father. Edmond had done so much for me during this fight. He didn't need to do that for me, but he did. And I didn't want to be ungrateful. I wanted him to know that I appreciated it.

"Boys, will you stay with your Uncle Rudy and your Uncle Alexio. I need to do something really quick." I was looking at the top of their heads and toward the platform. I was staring at the place where Edmond's body had fallen when he died.

"Okay."

"Yes, Mommy."

"We will wait right here." The three of them were speaking in unison, like those old cartoons with the triplet duck boys. I thought it was cute, but they better not start looking for their rich uncle that swam in money. I already had two overly rich men in my life, I didn't need another one.

Now that I knew the boys were going to be safe while I did what I needed to, I got up and walked over to my father's body. It didn't even look like him anymore. His white hair was dyed red with blood. His blue eyes were lifeless and pale. His already pale complexion looked even whiter, like freshly fallen snow.

However, despite all of that, it looked to me like Edmond was happy. I think that he was truly happy and proud of himself in the end. He knew what he was doing. He knew that he was giving his own life to save his grandchildren and my friends. He knew that he wouldn't be there in the end, but he still did it anyway. And that right there told me that he truly had changed. He truly was a different person.

"Thank you, Edmond." I said as I knelt next to him. "Thank you for saving them. I wasn't going to be there in time, but you managed to do it. At the very last second possible you saved them for me. Thank you. I am so happy to have met you again. We didn't have the best of relationships, especially before you died, but I know more about you now and it has made me think about you differently. I know that you were not entirely evil, and that you were pushed into the life you led by different means. You were never given much of a chance in life, but I want you to have the best afterlife."

"Trinity?"

Alexio was coming toward me as I spoke to my twice dead father. I looked behind him and saw that Rudy was holding all three of the boys in his arms. In a way, he really did look like their uncle. It was kind of sweet to see him there with them. But that wasn't important right now. What I needed to focus on was Alexio as he came to kneel next to me.

"What is it, Alexio? Is there something wrong?" I was already starting to feel paranoid. I think that I was just too tense at the moment. I just couldn't relax at all.

"No, nothing is wrong. Not technically, anyway.

"That doesn't sound very promising." I sighed and hung my head. I didn't want any more bad news.

"Well, it's not technically something that is wrong. Like I said before. It's just that, well, I think that your father's soul is still inside of his body. Well, inside this form of his body."

"It's still in there? Does that mean that I can bring him back?"

"No." Alexio shook his head with eyes that held sadness for me. "I am sorry, Trinity, but once the soul dies here, it cannot be revived. I merely wanted to tell you about this so that you could release his soul."

"Release it?" I was confused but also slightly happy. "And what would that do for him?"

"Well, he would either be reincarnated. Or, if he were truly lucky, he could be sent to paradise. He has sacrificed himself. He has redeemed himself. The powers that be might just let him be rewarded for it."

"Then, I will release him. I can't let him stay like this for eternity. If his soul is still in there that would be too harsh of a punishment. And as you said, he deserves to be rewarded for what he did."

I was looking down at Edmond now. There was a smile on my face that, prior to this experience, I never would have worn when looking at my father. However, things were different from how they used to be, and he had earned this smile from me. He was a good guy now and deserved to be treated like one.

"Alexio, how do I release his soul?" I looked up at the demon and asked the question that I should have started with when he told me about Edmond still being in there.

"That is something that I do not know. However, I am sure that you will figure it out for yourself." Of course. I always had to do things for myself. Isn't that what led to a lot of my problems in the first place? Hahh!

Alexio stood and took a few steps away. It was like he was giving me room to work while also staying where he could watch me work. This felt really weird but I didn't say anything to him about it.

I decided to wing this like I had done so much in my life. I placed my hands on the sides of my father's face, cradling his head in my hands. I looked into his eyes, the ones that were permanently open.

After a few deep breaths, I start to pour magic into him while speaking softly. I didn't know if this would work, but it was worth a try.

"Gannon Cornelius Edmond, you have redeemed yourself. You sacrificed yourself to save those that the old you would have killed. You are a changed man, a changed soul. Because of this, I grant you a new life. I release you from this ravaged husk that you were in and urge you to move on. Seek out your paradise. Have the best afterlife that you can. If you so choose. If you would like a new shot at life instead, then please find a path to reincarnation. Find a new life. Hopefully, a life that is filled with love from the very beginning. Find happiness, father. That is my hope for you."

I saw that his body started to glow, much like Hekate's had earlier. I knew that he was leaving his body soon. And before he was gone, I had one last thought.

"If only I had the chance to give you that love you deserved. I would have made sure that you were happy. I would have made sure that you didn't turn out evil. I would have given you the life that you deserved." After whispering those words into his ear, I gently kissed his forehead. It tasted like blood, but I didn't care at the moment.

As soon as my lips touched his forehead, I saw the light leave his body. This light wasn't angry or spinning like Hekate's had been. Instead, this softly glowing light moved higher and higher until it was out of the hall. I had a feeling that it was going to find its paradise. He deserved it after all.

"Goodbye, Edmond." I felt the tears stream down my cheeks then. Just a couple of them. I shed tears for this version of my father. The man that had done bad but saved me in the end. "Maybe I will see you again one day, father. I hope that you find peace and happiness, wherever you end up."

My words rang through the now eerily silent hall.. That was when I realized that all five of the spectators were watching me with very intent eyes.

Chapter 743 - Time To Go Home (VOLUME 4)

6-8 minutes

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Reece

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I don't think that I had ever seen my Little Bunny do something that was as sad as that. I know that she didn't truly love her father, but he was a part of her. And I do not know what all she found out about him before I started watching these images of her. She did mention something about his childhood. I have a feeling that she felt something about him because of that. Pity, heartache, something.

Whatever it was that my Little Bunny had gone through, whatever it was that she felt now, it was hurting her. She was telling her father to leave his body. She was, in all sense, exorcising his soul from a mangled body.

And that body was definitely not something that was easy to look at. That was gross, there was no other way to say it. That was a tangled and torn mass of flesh that used to be someone's body. And don't even get me started on how a person in the underworld, who was already dead, could have a body filled with blood and gore. That just was not computing into my brain properly. I didn't know how I was going to process that. It was all just a little too much for the time being.

Still, seeing my Little Bunny saying goodbye to her father, watching her kiss his forehead and telling him to find happiness, that brought tears to my eyes. I know that my Little Bunny was crying as she did that, but I didn't expect for it to make me cry as well. I am guessing that it was reacting to the heartache that my wife was feeling and not me being sad about Edmond.

I was thankful that he had saved my boys, but I didn't feel anything truly special for him. I might not hate the man anymore. In truth though, that hatred of him had somewhat lessened over the years. I didn't need to worry about him, and he was out of our lives for several years now. There was no reason for me to hold onto that anger. Not like Trevor. I knew that he was going to hate Edmond forever.

"You did what you needed to do, Little Bunny. Come home to me now." I whispered the words to my wife. I couldn't help it. I had to say them.

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Trinity

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When I turned to look back at the others, they were all crying as well. Silent tears were streaming down their cheeks as they looked at me with red rimmed eyes. They had been crying with me as I released Edmond's soul from this underworld body of his. And they were having as hard of a time with it as I was.

"Well, what do you say we.." I was starting to speak to them all when I heard a whispered voice.

"You did what you needed to do, Little Bunny. Come home to me now." It was Reece's voice, and it made my heart contract with sadness when I heard it. He sounded as if he had been crying as well. I don't know why he was crying but it made my heart hurt thinking about it.

"Reece?" I called out to him. "Can you hear me, Reece?" I knew that I wasn't the only one to have heard him speak to me. Rudy and Alexio were looking all around them as if trying to find the source of the voice. And the boys were smiling. It was like they knew that the man that had just spoken was indeed their father.

"Mommy! Is that Daddy's voice?" Zayden was excited when he said that.

"Yes, sweetheart. That is your daddy's voice."

"I want to go home so that we can see Daddy." Zander giggled.

"You dummy, we're not born yet. We can't see Daddy until after we're born." Zachary scolded his brother.

"Yeah, I know, but I can listen to Daddy while I'm in Mommy's tummy. And when we are born, Daddy will be there for us. I want to see him."

"And I want to see you boys as well." Reece sounded like there was nothing but love coming from him at the moment. Love and happiness. "Come home to me, Little Bunny. Come home and be with the rest of your family. We all miss you. We all need you here with us."

"I'm coming home, Reece. I want to get out of here. I want to feel your arms around me. I need hugs from you, Talia, Reagan and Rika."

"Who are they, Mommy?"

"Who is Talia?"

"Who are Reagan and Rika?" Of course, they would be curious.

"Talia and Rika are your sisters. Reagan is your brother."

"We have sisters." Zayden giggled happily.

"And a brother!" Zachary was excited.

"We're going to be a big family." Zander laughed.

"That we are. Now, let's get going." I stood and started to walk toward my boys, but I stopped almost instantly as I looked at Alexio.

"You're leaving us here, aren't you?" He seemed upset, but like he was expecting this.

"Actually, Alexio, I was hoping that both you and Rudy would come with me. You both deserve better than the lives that you lived before. And with your help, maybe we can do something about the way that the underworld is being run."

"You're going to change it?" His eyes popped open wide. It was as if he wasn't really able to believe what it was that I was saying.

"Yes. If you want to help me, that is."

"Thank you, Trinity. Thank you." He looked like those little tears from before were going to turn into full blown sobbing.

"Just come with me, Alexio. We will give you a home in the land of the living. And I promise you, things will get better."

"Yeah, I will. I will go with you, Trinity. I mean, Queen Trinity." He bowed his head a little at me, and I didn't miss the smile that was on his lips either.

"Come on, Rudy. You're coming with us too."

"Yes, Queen Trinity. Thank you so much." He smiled at me and leapt to his feet with two of my boys in his arms. Alexio went to hold the third one.

"Now, how do we get out of here?" I was still confused about that.

"That is something that I do not know." Alexio sounded as if this bothered him. "I am the one with the most experience in the underworld and I don't know how to get out of here."

"Neither do I. I was nervous just leaving my position at the gate. I don't know how to escape from the underworld at all. I am sorry, Queen Trinity."

"Don't worry. We will figure it out. I have managed to figure everything else out so far, haven't I? This might take me a little while, but I am sure that I will find a way out of this hell and back to the land of the living." I put on as brave of a face as I could. I didn't want them to see just how nervous I was at that moment. Brave face, steady voice, and confident smile. That was the key here.

"I will help you."

Chapter 744 - Trinity – Time To Go Home Part 2 (VOLUME 4)

8-10 minutes

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Trinity

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With a start I jumped and turned around to see something that I just could not explain. I knew that whatever this thing was it had been here with me this whole time. Well, at least ever since I got to this level of the underworld. I don't know how I had not seen it before, but for some reason I just hadn't noticed it.

This thing that I was looking at, this strange anomaly, just didn't look natural to me. Not in any sense of the word. It was so bizarre and unique. Not in a bad way, just like in a different sort of way. Whatever it was, it was kind of cute and adorable.

The thing that had spoken to me, the thing that was floating in front of me at this very moment, was like a little serpent type of creature. Only it was not a snake or anything like that. If I had to give it a name, I guess it would be a dragon. But it was nothing like the dragon I just fought.

This little creature was about a foot and a half long at most. That counted the tail. It had two slightly curved horns coming out of its head. Those horns were striped with a dark pink and purple. There were some odd little tufts of fur or something that were coming out the side of its head with its two tiny ears. That was two ears on each side. Or they both looked like ears. Tiny little arms were curled in on itself and the back legs held in a position that told me that it was shy.

There was a set of wings on the creature's back as well. They were flapping away quite rapidly to keep the thing floating in the air. The wings were the only part of the body that was not covered in fur. There was a light pink coating of fur that covered the entire creature. Well, aside from those wings and most of its face. Those were the only things that were bare. Along its back and down to the tip of its furry tail, there were purple ridges. They actually looked like jewels of some sort.

"Uhm, wh..what are you?" I asked the rudest thing that there was for me to ask this creature. I can't believe that I was being so mean.

"I am a dragixie."

"Okay, pardon my rudeness, but what is a dragixie?" The thing was talking to me in a voice that sounded like a little girl's voice. It was very childlike in its mannerisms and tone.

"He he he! A dragixie is a pixie dragon. Everyone knows that." She giggled like a little girl as well.

"Well, I am sorry. I didn't know that. But I am very happy to meet you. What is your name? And what are you doing here?"

"My name is Angel, and I was sent here by Talia. She is nice."

"Talía? My daughter Talía? How is that possible?"

"She is strong. And she is smart. She sent me here so that they could see you. They are all worried about Talía's mommy."

"To see me? So, can everyone back home see me right now?" I was a little taken aback. That means that they saw me fight Hekate. They saw the things about the boys. They saw me saying goodbye to Edmond. They saw it all.

"Not all of them. There are only a few. And I sense less now than when I started my journey. I can only feel four men watching you now."

"Hmm, four. Well, I know that Reece is one of them." I thought about it for a little bit. Who could the others be? I was drawing a blank until I realized that there were four voices that I heard encouraging me earlier. Reece, Trevor, Noah and Athair mòr. I guess that tells me who was there.

"Talía's mommy, I can help you to get back. I can take Talía's mommy home."

"You know how to get us out of here? You know what we have to do?"

"I do. You can walk through the screen." I didn't understand what the thing was saying. What screen? What was I supposed to walk through?

As I was asking myself those questions, the little dragixie moved forward and turned to face the long open hall behind it. This was the path that I had taken to get to where I am now. If I went back that way, I would only find a solid wall and no way out. How did it expect me to go that direction to get back home?

No sooner than I asked myself that last question, I saw something start to materialize out of the thin air. At first, there was nothing more than just a slight pink light that was glowing from nowhere at all.

The next thing that I knew, that pink light had started to outline something that I couldn't see. This thing, whatever it was, seemed to be about eight feet tall and twelve feet wide.

The more that I watched this pink outlined nothing, the more that it became something. By that, I mean that the pink that was outlining nothing but the air, was slowly starting to fill in. At first, it was just that pink light, but it started to change soon enough.

I went from seeing the seemingly never ending hallway in front of me to just a soft pink glow, and after that I was looking at some very familiar people. There was Reece standing right in front of me like he was waiting for me and would never be happy again until I was there with him.

I don't want to say that Reece looked like a broken man, but that's the vibe that I was getting from him. He looked like someone who was missing something important to him and didn't know how to get it back.

I knew what that something important was though. It was me. And I had a feeling that I looked just like he did. I had been missing him and the kids for so long. I felt like I hadn't seen them in years. And I needed to feel them in my arms.

"Reece?"

"Little Bunny?"

"Is that Daddy?" Zachary leapt out of Rudy's arm and ran to my side.

"Yeah, buddy, I am your daddy. I have been really happy to see you on that side of the screen. And I can't wait until the day that you are born, pal. I love you and your brothers so much already."

"I love you too, Daddy."

"Me too, I love daddy too."

"Yeah, I love daddy too." Zander and Zayden came to join us at the screen, as Reece and Angel called it.

"Come on, Trinity, come home." Athair mòr walked toward the screen.

"Come on, sis, we all miss you." Noah was there too.

"Get your butt back here, Trinity." Trevor laughed at me.

"I am. I'm coming home." I turned to face Rudy and Alexio. "Come on. I think we should all go at once. We will hold hands so that there is nothing that can separate us."

"Yes, Queen Trinity."

"That sounds like a good idea." Rudy and Alexio hurried over and took the hands of the boys. There was an even number of us, so there was no one technically in the middle, but I was there with the boys surrounding me and the others on the ends. The screen was wide enough for all of us to walk through at once, so we didn't have to worry about that at all.

"I'm coming home, Reece. And I am bringing everyone with me. Even you, Angel, come here."

"I can come too? I can be in the same world as Talia?"

"Yes, you're helping us, so come on."

With that, Angel flew to land on my shoulder. It gripped me with its tiny clawed hands but it didn't hurt me. Then, altogether, we walked through that screen and back to the land of the living.

I thought it would be like just stepping through a door. However, that was never like anything that it should be here. Instead, it was like we were walking through a really long tunnel. It was like suddenly, Reece and the others were very far away.

"Little Bunny? What happened? Why did you get so far away?" Reece called out to me, but I could barely hear his voice.

"The screen is a tunnel. We have to pass through it." I called out to him, hoping he would hear me. I wanted to hurry. I wanted to run to him. I wanted to speed this up. However, I knew that I would get there, and soon, so this short wait didn't matter to me at all. I was watching my Reece getting closer and closer to me and that was the best feeling in the world right now. "I'm almost home, Fido." I whispered the words, but Reece apparently heard them.

"I am not Fido." He laughed at me. "But get over here, Little Bunny."

"I am." It seemed to me that I was just a few feet away. I was almost there. I could practically reach out and touch his hand. I didn't though, since we all needed to hold hands and I had two of the boys' hands in mine. Still, we were that close. We were right there.

And that was when everything went dark.

Chapter 745 - Reece – Through The Screen (VOLUME 4)

6-8 minutes

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Reece

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This was it. My little bunny was walking toward me. She was on her way back home. She was moving through this tunnel that connects the two screens together. I didn't know that there would be this tunnel, so that was delaying the return of my Little Bunny. But she was coming back. She had spoken to me and seen me, that was all that mattered right now. I knew that it was real. We all did. She was coming back to me. She was coming home.

I didn't really like that she was bringing her friends with her, but I had a feeling it was going to happen. I mean, that was such a Trinity thing to do. She was a bleeding heart that just had to help them. That's fine. They protected my boys so I would trust them, for now. If they tried anything with my wife though, they were going to die.

There she was. She was almost through the screen. I could almost touch her. Yes! Thank the Goddess she was finally going to be home. Or so I thought.

One minute I was standing there, staring at my Little Bunny, Zachary, Zander, Zayden and the two new friends. And the next thing that I knew, I was only looking at the two men that she brought along with her. Trinity was gone. And so were the boys. What had happened.

"Where is my Trinity? Where did she go? And the boys? Where are they? Where did they all go?"

"Calm down, King Reece." One of the men, the younger looking one, tried to calm me down. "Queen Trinity returned with us. You know that."

"Then where is she? Where is my wife? What happened to her?"

"She came back. Just like she was supposed to do." The other man, the taller one, tried to explain to me but I wasn't having any of their excuses.

"If she came back, then where is she? What did you do with her? Where is my Little Bunny?"

"Oh, shut up Fido. Your barking is getting a little annoying."

I heard her. I could hear my Little Bunny. But I couldn't see her. Why hadn't she gone through the screen with them. Where did she end up? What was happening?

"Trinity? Where are you? What's going on?" I was looking at the screen still, frantic for her to respond, but at that moment, the screen started to disappear. "No, the screen can't disappear. My Little Bunny isn't here yet. No!"

"I am in the room with you, dumbass. Did you think I would magically appear before you? My body was over here in the bed. What did you think was going to happen? Seriously. Now get over here and hug me, you stupid dog."

I turned around and searched the other side of the room. I was looking into the bed and waiting to see some sort of life from my wife.

"Trinity?" I was moving as I called out for her.

"I'm here, Reece. I just can't move. So come here and hug me." I did as she asked me to. I ran to her side and threw my arms around her.

"Trinity. Little Bunny. I missed you so much." Her warmth was back. Her body felt alive again. She may not be able to move at the moment, but she was still in there, and I could tell. My wolf could tell. "Oh Goddess, Little Bunny, I am so happy you're back. Thank you. Thank you for coming home to me."

"I didn't leave because I wanted to, Reece. I didn't have a choice. I was trapped in that world, and I just couldn't get back. I needed to take care of some things. But it wasn't a quick process." My Little Bunny was sounding so sad at that moment.

I was looking down at my Little Bunny. She was laying on the bed and talking to me. Her eyes were open for the first time in months. She had lost more weight in her face, but her belly was steadily growing. She was, in all honesty, quite huge with the babies. Still, no matter what changes she had been through, she was the most beautiful woman in the world. And I would never want or need anyone else.

"I know you had to do what you did. I know that it was important and necessary. We all knew that, Trinity. And yet, we all missed you so much. The kids were having such a hard time." I was honest with her. There was no reason to lie to her right now.

"Speaking of kids, as you saw we're having more." She giggled at me. "I didn't even know that I was pregnant. And the fact that we hadn't slept together since, well, just after your birthday, I would guess that I am like a third of the way through my pregnancy."

"Try more than halfway. And that's considering halfway for a normal pregnancy. Griffin is trying to figure out how long he can keep the babies inside so that you don't have them too early."

"Yeah, Trin, it's almost the end of October already. You're actually almost four months along, that would be two thirds of the way."

"WHAT!?" She nearly screamed at her brother's words. "What about Glory and Daci? They're still pregnant right? I didn't miss out on more of my family coming into this world did I?" My Little Bunny was so blown away to find out that she had been asleep for so long. I don't blame her though. It would be hard for anyone to handle in a moment like this.

"They're still pregnant. You didn't miss anything Trinity." Valerian reassured her. "And I am so happy that you are home. We missed you, Trinity. All of us did. I am so glad to have you home."

"Thank you, Athair mòr. But why are you here? Did something happen?"

"No, sweetheart. Reece called all of your family and friends here. Everyone that cares about you and was missing you. That way they would be here to welcome you home."

"Yeah, and we're going to have to let them know that she woke up soon. I am glad she did too. The time stopped moving so fast now. It's back to normal." Noah was looking at his phone.

"Yeah, but we were still in that rapid time thing for like a week. It's even closer to the end of the month than I thought." Trevor noted.

"Holy shit, we were in there for that long?" I just couldn't believe what I had just heard. A fucking week?!

"Yeah, but it only felt like about three hours to us. By my math, that would be like one minute was equal to one second. Time was literally moving at sixty times the speed."

"Holy shit, Trevor. You can do math?" I blurted that out before I could even stop myself. Before I knew it, everyone, including my Little Bunny's new friends were laughing at him.

"Shut the fuck up, FiFi. I'm smarter than you are, asshole. You're a dick, you know that. A fucking dick."

"I'm sorry. I just said it without thinking." I was still laughing. Everyone was.. It was the first thing that was able to break the tension in the room.

Chapter 746 - Trinity – Home (VOLUME 4)

8-10 minutes

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Trinity

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I had been walking through that tunnel, the one connecting the two screens together. I was almost close enough to reach out and touch my mate, my Fido, my Reece. And then, the next thing I knew, everything went dark.

Things may have gone dark, but I could tell that I was still awake. I also couldn't move at all. I couldn't move my arms. I couldn't move my legs. I could barely turn my head at all. In truth, the only thing that I seemed capable of truly moving was my eyes and my mouth.

I could hear the things around me though. I could feel the bed that I was in. I could even smell things. There was a clean smell, like I was in a hospital. I could also smell people. There were a lot of scents, like several people were recently in this room but they weren't here right now.

There was also the smell of the people that were in the room still. I could smell Noah's earthy scent, Trevor's spiced honey, Valerian's scent of the ocean. And of course, I could smell Reece, I would never not notice that scent. It was burned into my memories. That scent that was filled with chocolate, coffee,

cinnamon and the forest after the rain. It was sweet, spicy, and robust, and mixed with all of my favorite smells from the forest. That scent that I first thought was dangerous but couldn't get out of my head. I loved it so much, just like I loved Reece more than anything.

On top of the people that had been in this room, I could smell two other people that seemed new to me. There were two male scents that seemed to smell something like campfires. There was more to them than just that. One of them smelled like campfires with chocolate, marshmallows and graham crackers. And the other one smelled like a campfire with scents, like hickory and pine. It was a scent that was strong and noticeable.

At first, I couldn't figure out who those people were but then, it hit me. That had to be Rudy and Alexio. They were the only people that I never noticed their scent before and that would be the new additions to the room.

And there was one last scent that was new. It was so different from anything else. I could tell the scent was coming from something that was alive, but it didn't seem like that to my nose. It was like my nose and my brain were conflicted about this thing. There was the unmistakable living smell to it, but other than that it smelled like cotton candy. What kind of living being smells like cotton candy, unless it wore perfume or something? And this was not an artificial smell. It was real.

The cause of that cotton candy smell hit me after a little bit as well. It was that strange dragon pixie thing. Angel. It was covered in fluffy pink fur. And well, I guess that fur smelled like cotton candy.

On top of the smells, I could hear so much around me as well. I could hear the beeping of machines. They were faint, as if they had been turned almost all the way down, but the sound was there, nonetheless. There was also the steady drip drip drip of an IV. And the breathing from everyone else that was in the room. Those were the only sounds until Reece broke the silence.

"Where is my Trinity? Where did she go? And the boys? Where are they? Where did they all go?" Reece was sounding frantic and scared as he wondered where me and the boys went.

"Calm down, King Reece. Queen Trinity returned with us. You know that." Rudy tried to calm him down, but it didn't work.

"Then, where is she? Where is my wife? What happened to her?" He was still sounding like a big baby.

"She came back. Just like she was supposed to do." Alexio also tried to calm him down.

"If she came back, then where is she? What did you do with her? Where is my Little Bunny?" OK, I needed to put an end to this. I cleared my throat quickly and then called out to him.

"Oh, shut up, Fido. Your barking is getting a little annoying." He would not only recognize the sound of my voice, but also the insult that I was sending his way.

Finally, after that, I was able to get Reece to settle down a little bit. He came over to the bed that I was laying in, which didn't seem to be the bed that Reece and I usually shared. When he was at my side, Reece threw his arms around me. I could instantly feel the warmth of his body spreading through me. I hadn't hugged him in I don't even know how long. This felt like the most intimate and special thing in the world to me right now.

And by the way, I didn't miss the way that Reece was holding his body over mine. It was like he was trying to avoid touching me too much. I didn't know the reason why yet, but I would figure it out later. All I wanted to do now was to have him hold me in his arms.

Well, him holding me would do for the time being. Soon though, I would need to have my children brought to me. I needed to see them. I needed to see that they were OK. And I needed them to see that I was OK. I missed them all so much. And they needed to meet their bro.. Oh, that's right, the boys were inside my belly. They weren't here right now.

Reece pulled away from me then and stared at my face. I could see tears of happiness in his eyes. He was happy to see me. He was glad that I was here with him again. He seemed so relieved and filled with joy that I could barely contain my emotions as well.

"I know you had to do what you did. I know that it was important and necessary. We all knew that, Trinity. And yet, we all missed you so much. They kids were having such a hard time." He was being honest with me. I knew that, but it was still hard to hear. He had just hit on the subject that I had been thinking about already.

"Speaking of kids, as you saw, we're having more." I laughed at him. "I didn't even know that I was pregnant. And the fact that we hadn't slept together since, well, just after your birthday, I would guess that I am like a third of the way through my pregnancy."

"Try more than halfway. And that's considering halfway for a normal pregnancy. Griffin is trying to figure out how long he can keep the babies inside so that you don't have them too early." Reece just blew my mind right there. What the heck was he saying to me? What did he mean that I was more than halfway through the pregnancy? Did that much time really pass? Was I really there for two months?

"Yeah, Trin, it's almost the end of October already. You're actually almost four months along, that would be two thirds of the way."

"WHAT!?" I screamed at the words that Noah had just told me. "What about Glory and Daci? They're still pregnant right? I didn't miss out on more of my family coming into this world, did I?" I was floored. How was any of this even possible? Almost three months in the underworld? That was crazy. It's insane.

"They're still pregnant. You didn't miss anything, Trinity." Athair mòr reassured me. "And I am so happy that you are home. We missed you, Trinity. All of us did. I am so glad to have you home."

"Thank you, Athair mòr. But, why are you here? Did something happen?"

"No, sweetheart. Reece called all of your family and friends here. Everyone that cares about you and was missing you. That way they would be here to welcome you home." I didn't think that Reece would bring them all here. It made my heart sing to know how much he was thinking about me and the family at this time.

"Yeah, and we're going to have to let them know that she woke up soon. I am glad she did too. The time stopped moving so fast now. It's back to normal." Noah was looking at his phone as he said this to no one in particular.

"Yeah, but we were still in that rapid time thing for like a week. It's even closer to the end of the month than I thought."

"Holy shit, we were in there for that long?" Reece gasped at Trevor's words.

"Yeah, but it only felt like about three hours to us. By my math, that would be like one minute was equal to one second. Time was literally moving at sixty times the speed."

"Holy shit, Trevor. You can do math?" Reece blurted out rather rudely. However, me and everyone else in the room had started to laugh at those words.

"Shut the fuck up FiFi. I'm smarter than you are, asshole. You're a dick, you know that? A fucking dick."

"I'm sorry. I just said it without thinking." I felt like some of the tension was leaving my body.. I still couldn't move, but I was feeling at least a little bit of relief now.

Chapter 747 - Trinity – Home Part 2 (VOLUME 4)

8-10 minutes

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Trinity

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"Reece, I want to sit up, but I still can't move at all. I don't know why, but my body isn't working. I want to see more than the ceiling. I want to see you and everyone else better. I want to see the kids." My body was feeling better since the tension broke, but my heart was still aching for my family. I needed to have a few things taken care of right away.

"Okay, Little Bunny, I will sit you up." He turned to the side so that he could reach for a remote control that was sitting on a nearby table. That was when he pressed a button that made the bed start to move on its own. "It's going to sit up by itself. Let me adjust you so that you will be comfortable when it's done."

At that, Reece took the blankets from my body and lifted me into his arms. In a way, I felt so much smaller next to him than I used to. Maybe it was just because I was feeling weak because I couldn't move. I didn't really know for sure but that could be it.

Still, feeling small or not, I loved the feeling of being in Reece's arms again. Apparently, I had been gone for about three months instead of two. And I had been so busy and stressed about that damn voice, which I know now that it was Hekate. All of this added together just means that I haven't actually been in my husband's arms for almost four months now.

It might not have felt that long to me, but it was still a long time. I missed him. I missed this feeling. I missed these types of moments.

I didn't want to waste the small opportunity that I was given. Instead of just sitting there as motionless as possible, not doing anything at all, I decided to tilt my head the little bit that I was able to and rest my head on his shoulder for the time being.

"Hmmm." I sighed contentedly as I took all of him in.

"Little Bunny?" I think he was a little taken aback by what I did. "Sweetheart, I missed you so much. Can I hold you while I sit in your bed instead of putting you down? I don't want to let you go again. Now that I finally have you back in my arms, I want you here for a lot longer than this quick move."

"Reece." I sighed his name now. Making it more than just me saying his name but almost like I was answering his question in that one word.

He didn't wait for another response. Instead of putting me down on the bed that was now sitting up, he sat on the bed and cradled me in his arms. I was still leaning against his chest and smelling that intoxicating scent of him. The scent that, as I said before, used to scare me but now just soothes my soul.

I did notice something that scared me when I was on Reece's lap. There was something that I didn't expect to see. Though in all honesty I should have known this was going to be the case. I mean, it had been a long time already. And this was just about how I expected to look while in my condition.

Well, first off, I noticed that my arms were thinner and that I seemed to have lost a lot of weight. I wasn't overweight or anything to begin with, so losing this much had made me look sickly and skeletal.

The other thing that I noticed was that my belly was huge. And I do mean huge. It was at least twice as big as I had been with Reagan and Rika. There was only one baby more than that time, but I was so much bigger already.

"Well, I guess there is one upside to things so far." I laughed and tilted my head to look at Reece.

"What's that, Little Bunny?" He asked me as he shifted my body and tilted my head back to look me in the eyes better.

"I didn't get gestational hypertension this time. My body was just here growing babies while I was off in another world. That had to make things easier on the triplets."

"So, you're making jokes about this already, huh?" Noah laughed at me. "Sometimes, I don't understand you, Trinity. You are so out of this world."

"Not anymore, Noah. I came back about ten minutes or so ago. Can't you keep up?" At that latest joke of mine, Noah's jaw dropped open in shock while Reece, Trevor and Athair mòr laughed at him.

"Funny. That was really funny." He crossed his arms over his chest in fake annoyance. "What a laughing riot you are, sis."

"I'm sorry, but why is that funny?" Alexio asked as he and Rudy walked a little more into the room.

"Yes, I too do not know why it is funny. It is true that she just came back." Rudy added. They both looked like they were interested in what was going on, but they also didn't know anyone that was here aside from myself.

"It's alright, you two. What my brother said, me being out of this world, was a saying. It has many meanings. However, in this case, he was referring to me being a bit of a weirdo. However, I turned his words into a joke. That was all that it was about. Don't worry, the longer that you are in this world, the more that you will be able to relate to our strange American English."

"I think that, for a long time, I am going to be confused." Alexio scratched the side of his head as he thought about it.

"I think that I understand it. It is not that hard when you just stop thinking about it too much. I think that I will be fine with all of it very soon, Queen Trinity."

"That is good, Rudy." I smiled at them. "Would the two of you like to relax a little, have someone bring you some food or something? You can take a shower and clean yourselves and put on some different clothes. Maybe something a little more modern and like our own." At my words, the two men looked down at themselves and then up at the men in the room.

"We would not know how to do any of that." Alexio was looking very upset now. I think he was regretting coming here.

"No worries. I will send some people with you to instruct you on what to do. You can learn from them and when you are ready, you can come back here to see me. I am sure that there is much that the three of us have to talk about."

"W..would that be okay, Queen Trinity? I..it wouldn't be inappropriate for us to visit with the Goddess Queen, would it?" Rudy was sounding worried and upset, sort of like Alexio had been.

"Yes, Rudy. It will be just fine. I brought you here with me, didn't I? The two of you are my responsibility until you are able to navigate this world on your own. It will take a little bit of time, but I am sure that you will catch onto it all very soon. We will discuss all the options that the two of you have ahead of you when you come back to see me. Until then, I will have Peter, the head butler, find some men that are capable of helping you to find some clothes and to get you some rooms to stay in. Hey, Trevor, you're a little shorter than Alexio, but other than that you are close to the same size, could you lend him some shorts and a shirt? Or does anyone know of a big and tall shop to get him something that fits him?"

"No worries, Trinity, I will just make clothes for him. He can tell me what style and type he prefers, and they will be in his room. The same goes for Mr. Rudy. If the two of you want to come with me, I will take you to meet with Peter."

"Thank you, sir."

"Much appreciated." The two demons bowed their heads at him and followed after him.

"My name is Valerian. I want to thank you for helping Trinity. She is a dear family member of mine." I heard Athair mòr talking to the two of them as they all left the room.

"Alright, well now that Trinity is awake, I am sure that everyone wants to come and see her. We should start with the kids though." Trevor looked at me with kind eyes and a happy smile. "I will have Eve, Wesley, Samuel and Lila bring them in. You know they won't wait either."

"Thank you, Trevor." Reece nodded at him and wrapped his arms around me a little tighter. He was not about to let go of me. "Noah, can I ask you to please contact Griffin. Let him know that Trinity is awake."

"Yeah, I will call him on my way to see Nikki and Elias." He smiled and then looked me in the eyes. "I am really happy that you're awake. I have been so worried about you, Trinity."

"I know, Noah. And I am so sorry for having worried you."

"You're back now, and that is all that matters. But please, for the love of all that is decent in this world, never do something like that again."

"Ha ha ha! Alright, I get it. I won't go anywhere like that again."

"Good.." I could tell that he wanted to hug me but I was in Reece's arms so he just smiled and nodded before turning to leave the room with Trevor.

Chapter 748 - Trinity – Catching Up (VOLUME 4)

9-11 minutes

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Trinity

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Reece and I were alone in the room now. Well, mostly alone.

Reece and I were on the bed and sitting there on the foot of the bed was Angel. She was sitting there and staring at the two of us and trying to figure out what to do. Or at least I thought that she was trying to figure that out.

"Well, there goes me kissing you." Reece laughed. "I was hoping to be able to get a nice kiss in before the others get here."

"You need Angel to leave?" The little child-like dragixie asked Reece.

"No, Angel, it's fine. He was just joking." I assured her. "Besides, I am sure that it won't be long before there are more people here."

"Hey, I was not joking. I wanted to kiss my wife, dammit. I've missed you, Little Bunny." He pressed his face against my hair, and I could feel how much he was shaking. Was this happiness that I was back, or some other emotion that I wasn't picking up on. Was it his frustration and sadness about the time that I had been gone? What was it that he was feeling right now? I couldn't figure it out.

"OK. Angel will explore the room. That way Talia's mommy and Talia's daddy can be alone. Angel is not sad. Angel wants to explore this world. Angel has never been here for real before."

Without saying anything else, the pink fluffy dragixie flapped its wings and shot across the room. It was now exploring my bedroom. Well, I didn't mind too much, even though it totally felt like an invasion of privacy.

However, now that she had flown away and gone into my bathroom, it was an odd choice of place to explore but whatever, it was just Reece and I on the bed now. We were actually in the room alone now. And I knew what was going to be coming next.

"Trinity, my Little Bunny, you have no idea how great this feels. To have you in my arms again. To have this chance again after all these months that you were gone. It feels like I am whole again. While you

weren't here it had felt like a piece of me had been ripped out of my body and I couldn't find it. It was an empty space that only you could fill. And now that you are back, now that you are in my arms again, I feel fully alive."

"I know Reece. The entire time that I was gone, I felt like I was fractured and broken. There were so many missing pieces. You, Reagan, Rika, Talia, Mom, Dad, Lila, Grandfather, Noah, Nikki, Carter, Emmalee, Vincent, Dietrich, Shane, Shawn, David, Juniper, Paul, everyone. I was missing the people that made me feel like I was me." Thinking about everyone that I had in my life, there were so many more that I could name. However, I went with the ones that I saw regularly. The people that were with me more often than most.

"Well, you're back and all of us are here. They will see you soon. And for now, it's just the two of us. And I was not lying when I said that I wanted to kiss my wife. Actually, it's more than just me wanting to. I need to, Trinity. I need to kiss you. I need to feel your lips pressed against mine. I need to taste that delectable flavor of yours. Please, Little Bunny, please let me kiss you." There was so much emotion in his voice that it nearly made me cry. How could I possibly tell him no?

"Yes, Reece, I want you to kiss me. I want you to show me that you missed me. That's all that we can do right now, so please kiss me."

"Thank you." He sighed in relief as he slid his hand down to my waist.

With his grip on my waist, Reece adjusted me again. This time I was laying back in his arms. My head on the upper part of his bicep. It made it so that he just needed to lean over a little so that our lips could touch.

Oh Goddess, having his lips on mine for the first time in what felt like forever, it was amazing. The kiss was sweet, tender and gentle. He was definitely making sure that he wasn't hurting me at all.

At first it was just a tender kiss and nothing more. It was not hot or passionate at all. But that wasn't enough for Reece, nor was it enough for me. Soon, Reece was encouraging me to open my mouth more by pressing his tongue against my lips. That little cue had me opening for him so that he could slide his tongue inside and take even more of me.

There was a trade off though. The more that he could taste of me, the more that I could taste of him. I could taste that sweet, spicy and robust flavor of his. The chocolate, coffee and cinnamon were stronger than the forest parts of his smell. Usually when I tasted him like that, the forest didn't come into play at all. That was more for the scent than anything else.

Reece decided that he didn't want his right hand on my waist anymore. Instead, he slid it up my body, making me shiver in the process. The hand went all the way up until he could cup the side of my head in his hand. He was running his thumb across my cheek as he kissed me and made me feel dizzy. I didn't care though. I needed this. It was perfect and calming and was making me feel like everything would be right with the world. It might not be there yet, but it will be soon.

When the kiss finally broke, we were both panting and trying to catch our breath. While he looked down at me, Reece pressed his forehead to mine and smiled. I only know that he smiled because I could see the way that his eyes crinkled. Not to mention, his eyes were filled with pure joy and lust.

"I love you, Reece." I whispered to him as I returned the smile, making sure that it reached my eyes as well. I wanted him to know that I was smiling for him.

"I love you too, Little Bunny."

"However, as much as I love you, I can't give you what you want right now."

"Ha ha ha ha ha ha! He pulled his head away from me and laughed long and loud. I don't know why he thought that was funny, but for some reason he did.

"What? What are you laughing about?"

"You, Little Bunny. You say some of the funniest things sometimes. Yes, I am lusting after you right now, more now than usual because of the kiss we just shared. But you should already know that I never look at you without having lust in my eyes. You're the most beautiful woman in the world and no matter the situation I find you sexy as hell. From the first day that I saw you all the way until today. There is nothing but lust and love that I feel for you. So yeah, I can't satisfy that urge right now, but that is fine. I will wait until the day comes that we can be together again. That won't stop me from lusting after you though. That is constant, like I said."

"Ha ha. Yeah, I guess that I was being a little ridiculous there. I knew that you usually looked at me like that, but now we truly can't do anything together. I can't move for one, and for two, I am so huge with these babies. It wouldn't be good for either of us."

"Just hush." He laughed again and pressed his lips against mine for a gentle kiss. This time the kiss was soft, sweet and not at all filled with passion. It was also very quick since he pulled back way too soon for my liking.

Dammit. He wasn't the only one whose body was filled with lust. I was feeling it too. And as much as I wanted more, as much as I wanted him, I couldn't do anything about it for a long time.

This was getting to be quite annoying. I came home from being gone only to be trapped in a body that felt like a prison to me and unable to be with my husband. OK, I will admit that even if my body was able to move right now, I couldn't be with Reece. I was way too big with the triplets for that. Still though, it was annoying.

Now that I thought about all of this, there was a lot that I needed to do and think about though. I needed to prepare for the birth of the triplets. I needed to get them clothes, furniture, bottles, all of that stuff. Of course, I wouldn't be able to put any of it together. Reece was going to have a lot of work to do.

"Hey, Reece?" I called out to him to get his attention and have him look at me.

"Yeah?" His face was calm, and I could tell that the kiss had helped him the way that he wanted it to.

"There is a lot of stuff that we need to do."

"Like what? Aren't we just waiting for our parents and the kids to get here?" He was so silly and so confused.

"Not right now. Soon though. We need to prepare the nursery again. We need to get it ready for the triplets."

"Yeah, I already have plans to order some name boards for them. Just like the ones I got for Talia, Reagan and Rika. I want them to have the best nursery ever. But you are forbidden to do any of it. Do you hear me?"

"Ha Ha Ha! Yes, Reece, I know. I already told myself that it's going to be you doing it all. I won't even watch. I will just tell you what I want this time. Deal?" I laughed at him and tried my best to shake my head. I couldn't shake his hand so it would have to do.

"This all seems too easy. You have got to be planning something else."

"Why are you so suspicious of me?" I asked with a pout.

"Because I know you, Little Bunny. And I don't trust that you will sit still and do what you're told to do. You never do that any other time."

"Yeah, I know, but I promise to be good. I don't want anything to happen to the boys." I assured him with all honesty.

"Good." He leaned in for another quick kiss then whispered one more time.. "I still don't believe it though."

Chapter 749 - Trinity – Seeing The Children (VOLUME 4)

8-11 minutes

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Trinity

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After we both laughed at that rather insulting whisper that Reece had done right into my ear, we could hear hurried footsteps coming up the stairs toward our room. I could already smell the scents of my children and my parents. Lila and Grandfather were there as well. It was all of my family besides my siblings, in-laws, and friends that were like my family.

"My babies are here." I grinned and nearly squealed the words just as the door to my room was flung open.

"Mom!" Rika was the first one inside, always so quick on her feet.

"Momma!" Reagan was right on her heels.

"Mommy!" Little Talia was the last of my three children to come through the door. And all three of them were crying tears of relief when they saw me.

They weren't the only ones that had been running either. Hot on all of their heels were the adults that were on their way up here.

"Trinity! My baby girl." Mom was the next one in the room.

"Trinity, oh thank the Goddess you're awake!" Dad was next.

"Sweetheart! Oh, thank the moon and stars." Lila was right after Dad, and rounding them out, was Grandfather.

"Trinity! My dear sweet Trinity!"

All seven people literally ran into the room like it was some sort of race. And the finish line was the bed that Reece and I were currently sitting in.

Not one of them stopped running until they got to us. And the two in the lead, Reagan and Rika, jumped onto the foot of the bed and started to sob.

"Momma, I missed you so much. I waited so long for you to wake up." Reagan was leaning forward and putting his head on my leg in an effort to be close to me.

"Mom! Mommy! I am so happy that you are awake. Oh my Goddess, Mommy, you have no idea. It was so hard to be here without you. And then Daddy left too. He wasn't gone like you but he was in here and the room was closed off with magic. No one could get in and I couldn't see either of you. I was so sad, Mommy. Please, neither of you leave us like that again. Please!"

"We won't, baby. I promise you that we won't leave like that ever again." I wanted to reach out and touch her but I couldn't. I couldn't move my arms or legs at all and that was hell right now.

"Your Mom's right, Rika. I promise that we will do all that we can to never let anything like this ever happen again. Mommy and I will be there for all of you from now on. And your new brothers that are coming as well. We will be here for all of you."

"Mommy, don't forget about me." Talia was crying on the floor. There was no room left on the bed for her with the way that Reagan and Rika were positioned. They needed to move back, and Reagan had to sit up, to allow her onto the bed.

"Talia, sweetheart, Mommy would never forget about you."

At that moment, when the twins were out of the way, my mom lifted Talia up and set her on the bed in front of me. As soon as Talia was in front of me, she threw herself forward and put her arms around my belly.

"Mommy. I was so scared for you and my brothers. You were lost in the 'underwear' world with them. I wanted to help Daddy and the others to see you. And I wanted to see you too. But then Daddy was trapped in here after I left the room, and I couldn't see either of you anymore. I was so sad, Mommy. And that lasted for a whole week. I couldn't see Mommy or Daddy. All I wanted to do was cry. I just felt so bad. And it was my fault. It was all my fault. I am the one that made Daddy, Athair mòr, Uncle Noah and Uncle Trevor get stuck in here. I am the reason that Elias, Torben, Lily and Rose all missed out on seeing their daddies too. And I was also the reason why Reagan and Rika couldn't come visit you at night like they usually did and why they couldn't see Daddy at all. It was all my fault. I'm such a bad girl."

My little Talia, my sweet little Tally was sobbing onto my belly as she listed off her supposed offenses. My heart was completely broken. I just wanted to hold onto her and make it all better. This was not the way that a four year old little girl should be acting. This was wrong, so very wrong.

"Talia is not bad." I heard a now familiar voice call out as something pink and fluffy came zooming out of the bathroom.

"Ahh! What the heck is that?" Dad jumped as he looked around us.

"Calm down, Wesley dear. If it was something bad, I am sure that Reece wouldn't allow it in his room." Mom soothed his nerves while laughing at him.

"This is someone that came back with me when I was done with my work. It also happened to be something that I was told you sent after me, Talia."

"W..what!? Th..this is my f..f..friend. This was the voice that answered me?" She seemed shocked when she looked at this strange little being.

"Talia? I thought that you could see the creature you sent after Mommy. You looked at it like you could see it when it was in this room." Reece was now as surprised as the others, but apparently for another reason.

"No Daddy, I couldn't see it. I could only tell where it was and feel what it was feeling. It was feeling so happy that it made me happy too."

"Huh?" He didn't seem to know how to respond to those words so he just haphazardly agreed with them.

"Mommy, what is this thing?" Rika was leaning forward and looking at the cotton candy scented dragixie.

"This is a friend of your sister's. Its name is Angel, and it is called a dragixie. It is apparently a pixie dragon." I explained to them.

"A dragon!?" Rika was excited. She loved dragons. "I want one too, Mommy. Where do I get one?"

"I don't know if you could ever find one." Talia looked at her. "This one was living in the 'underwear' world with all the dead people." That was the second time that Talia had said the 'underwear' world. I had a feeling that she actually meant the underworld. But what she was saying was so much cuter and funnier, so I wasn't going to correct her. And, apparently, everyone else was used to her calling it that so they weren't saying anything either.

"Aww. I want a dragon too." Rika pouted.

"But how is this here Mommy? Why did Angel come with you?"

"Angel came to see Talia." The creature answered for itself. "Angel came because Angel loves Talia. Angel helped Talia's mommy to get home and Talia's mommy brought Angel here with her. Angel is happy. Angel wanted to be with Talia."

"Y..you came here for me?" Talia was shocked to learn what the dragixie told her.

"Yes. Angel wants to be Talia's friend. Talia is so smart. Talia made magic that sent Angel to find Talia's mommy. Talia made magic that let Angel bring Talia's mommy home. Talia is so smart and so brave."

"No. No, I'm not." Talia was crying again, and I wanted to stop her.

"Yes, Talia, you are. You are so smart, strong and so brave too. You did magic that Mommy has never seen before. And no one blames you for anything. You didn't do anything wrong. Talia, you did everything right. So please don't worry, okay?"

"I..I will try, Mommy."

"Hey, Trinity?" Lila called out to me, causing me to look up at her.

"Lila, I missed you so much as well. I hope you're doing well."

"I'm better now that you're awake. My son and husband have been so miserable without you." Her smile was so sweet when she looked at me just then. "However, there is something that I would like to know."

"And what is that?" I tried to return the smile as best as I could, but no one could smile like Lila.

"Why haven't you hugged anyone yet? I know I can't be the only one that has been waiting for you to throw your arms around them and let them all know that you're okay." Her words kind of stung a little. I didn't want to worry them, but I wanted to hug them all so badly.

"Yeah. You have just been sitting there in Reece's arms and not moving. I mean, yeah, he missed you and all, but the rest of us missed you too. We would like to hug you as well." Grandfather was sounding a little like a child. He wanted his hugs too, not just the other kids getting theirs.

"I would love to hug my baby girl." Mom was still crying from earlier.

"I want a hug from Mommy." Talia squeezed me even tighter.

"You're already hugging Momma. I want my hug." Reagan snapped at her.

"No, me. I want Mommy's hug." Rika countered.

"Ahh, well, you see, I would love to hug you all. I want so desperately to put my arms around each and every one of you. But I can't."

"Why? What's wrong Trinity?" Dad was worried now. His eyes filled with tension and fear.

"I don't know. I..I just can't move my body at all."

"No! Will you ever move again, Mommy?" Rika sobbed, falling on me like Talia had.

"Momma, you need to get better." Reagan laid down on his sisters, hugging them and me at the same time.

"Don't you worry.. That is why I am here."

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"Don't you worry. That is why I am here."

At that precise moment, the door to my room opened up again. We had all been too busy talking and too focused on what was going on that we didn't notice the visitor that was coming up the stairs.

Well, Reece might have noticed him since he was not at all surprised by the sudden words or the interruption to the conversation. He just seemed to be happy that this person had arrived. And frankly, so was I.

"Griffin?" I called out to him. I was happy to see yet another person that I cared so much about. He was such a good friend of mine and Reece's. He had been there with us ever since Reece and I had first gotten together. He was always there whenever I needed something to help me heal or to help with the babies. He was the best doctor in the entire world. Not to mention, that he was one of Reece's oldest friends.

"Hello Trinity. I am so happy to see that you're awake." He was already walking toward the bed that I was sitting on with Reece and the kids. "I wanted to come and check on you earlier this week, but I was told that the room was closed off with a magical barrier. I can tell you with one hundred percent honesty that I was extremely worried about you and Reece. And the others as well, of course. When Noah, who was trapped in the room before, called to let me know that you were awake and couldn't move at all, I rushed over here as quickly as I could. I am going to get you moving again soon, Trinity. I promise you."

"I know, Griffin. I know." He seemed to be worried and upset at the same time. Why do I get the feeling that something very unpleasant happened for him while I was away?

"Uncle Griffin, are you going to make my mommy better? Are you going to make it so that she can hug me again?" Talia was looking up at Griffin with pleading eyes as he got closer to us.

"Yes, Tally, I am going to help your mommy. Your mommy is my friend too, I love her and want to see her get better."

"I want her to get better too. Also, Uncle Griffin, I want to play with Julia. I guess Vivian and Dominic can come too. But I really want to play with Julia."

"I know that Julia would love that too, Talia. And you know that her birthday is coming up soon. She is almost the same age as you, now. Isn't that fun?" Griffin was smiling at Talia as he talked about his third child.

"Yay. I can't wait. But fix my mommy first. I want a hug more than I want to play." Talia was still focused on me. That was so sweet.

"Of course. I will look after your mommy right now. But I need all of you to leave so that I can do my job."

"Even my daddy?" Talia put her hands on her hips and looked at him with a look that clearly said, 'that is so not going to happen'. She really was a smart little girl.

"Well, your daddy can stay. I have a feeling that he won't want to leave even if I told him to." Griffin chuckled at her.

"Yeah, Daddy would not leave my mommy at all. He loves her too much. He loves us too, but my daddy is a big baby when it comes to my mommy."

"Talia!" Reece gasped and all I could do was laugh. "Who taught you that?"

"No one, Daddy. I just know it." That made me laugh even more, not to mention everyone, except for Reece.

"Alright, you're going to get it later, little girl. I am going to tickle you until you scream. Just you wait."

"Ah! No Daddy, don't tickle me." Talia was playing along with Reece but it was very clearly an act and it just made the laughter worse.

"OK, Talia, can you and the others leave so I can check on your mommy?"

"Uh huh. I will make them leave." She stood up, faced everyone in the room, pointed toward the door and barked in a stern voice. "Out! Uncle Griffin needs to fix my mommy."

"Yes, Ma'am." Mom saluted her and then picked her up off of the bed. "How about we go and make something easy for your mommy to eat. I am sure she is hungry, and Daddy will need to feed her." At the mention of food, my stomach growled loudly and there was another round of laughter as the others left the room.

Now it was just me, Reece and Griffin in the room. That was when I realized that the little dragon left the room with Talia. It really did want to be with her, didn't it. I didn't need to focus on that though. I needed to focus on Griffin and getting better.

"How are you feeling, Trinity?" he asked me as he set down his bag and sat in a chair close to the bed.

"I am fine, for the most part. It's just that I can't move. Nothing hurts or anything like that. I was a little shocked to see my massive belly, but I am the only one that is surprised about that. I'm just really annoyed that I can't move my body."

"Well, I am glad that none of it hurts. And I'm happy to see that you have an appetite." He laughed about the stomach growling again. "So, what I am going to do now is give you, and the babies, a good exam. I am going to check to see what is causing your paralysis and, hopefully, we can get you moving sometime soon."

"Thank you, Griffin." I nodded and smiled.

"Thanks, man. And thank you for rushing over here so quickly."

"Hey, no need to thank me, Reece. My patient woke up after almost three months, of course I am running over here as fast as I could. Even Lana told me to haul ass." He laughed as he reached for some of the items in the room around and for others in his bag. "Now, Reece, can you lay Trinity back down in the bed. The bed doesn't have to be all the way back, but I do need it back further than it is now."

"Sure thing, Griffin." Reece grabbed the remote, hit another button and made it auto adjust before he got to his feet with me still in his arms. Once the bed was done moving, he laid me on back down.

I didn't like being this helpless. I didn't like not being able to help with moving my body. And I didn't like only looking at the ceiling and the small amount of stuff that I could see around me. It robbed me of my freedom, and I didn't like it. I wanted Griffin to hurry up and fix me, like Talia said before.

Griffin started by taking out the feeding tube that I had while I was asleep as well as taking out the IVs from my arms. Then he started to check my body over to see if there were any abnormalities. He checked my legs and my abdomen, my neck and back, even my hands and feet. It was quite the thorough exam, and I was surprised that Reece didn't object. Then again, he had probably gotten used to Griffin doing this over the time that I was asleep. He was no longer upset about it or something.

After my body was examined, Griffin drew some blood and set it aside. He was going to take it to be checked sometime later. Seeing that reminded me of something that Griffin and I had discussed a while back. He wanted to do research on building a mobile lab unit so he could run his own samples when out in the field like this. Maybe it was time to encourage him to do just that.

After he had taken some blood, he pulled the ultrasound machine over to the bed. He was going to check on the babies now. I was eager to see them in baby form. I knew what they were going to look like when they were older though. That was a plus. Still, seeing them as babies was something else entirely.

That blue gel was just as cold here at my house as it was everywhere else. And that was saying something for someone who could literally turn to ice and the cold outside never affected them. I think it was because it touched me directly. That, or it was just a magical torture device that the doctors use to torture us women who are pregnant. I am not sure which one it is right now.

I waited with bated breath with Reece holding onto my hand. I wanted to see them, I wanted this to happen. But then I realized that I couldn't turn my head enough to see the screen.

"Reece."

"Yes, my love." He spoke sweetly as he responded to me.

"I can't see the screen. I can't turn my head enough." I felt even worse now. I had completely forgotten that I wasn't going to be able to see the screen without his help.

"No problem, Little Bunny. I will take care of that."

Reece let go of my hand and turned my head gently so that I could see the screen. This was it. I was going to be able to see the boys now.. I was going to see what the little babies in my belly currently looked like.