## **Chapter 2**

## Maxine I was sitting in my room finishing up my homework when I hear someone banging on my door. "Maxine open this dam door." I hear my sister shout at me. I groan out loud getting up I walk over and open the door she pushes the door the rest of the way open and walks by me walking straight into my room. "Your wanted downstairs" She says to me. My sister and I don't have the best relationship. She is tall with long blonde hair and blue eyes she dresses nicely everyone likes her even my parents like her more. As for me, I look completely different I have long red hair that is wavy and hard to tame most of the time I just tie it up in a ponytail. My eyes are green and I'm very fair skin I'm not super tall maybe five foot two if I wear shoes with thick soles. I'm not a dress-up kinda person I prefer my jeans and t-shirts I like some sneakers but I also like my boots. "Can I finish my homework first?" I ask her.

"No now!!" she barks at me. She turns and walks out the door leaving it open.

I just sigh walk over to my bed and close my books. This is my last year of high school and then I'm free of this house and I can start my life away from here.

I turn and walk out of my room I head down the stairs I can hear people taking in the kitchen so that's where I head I walk in and see four guys standing on one side and a gentleman sitting across from my parents.

My sister was standing behind them. "Maxine come. here and sit down" my mother tells me. I walk over and sit in the empty chair.

I look at my parents waiting for someone to explain.

"Maxine this is Mr. Grey." My father says to me I look at the guy he has no expression on his face. I look back at my father.

"I want you to go up and pack a bag. You will be leaving with Mr. Grey."

It took a minute to realize what my father just told me.

" Wait for what?" I asked him.

"You will be going with Mr. Grey. So you need to go up and get a bag packed."

I just sat there not moving.

"Maxine!!" My mother yelled at me I jumped a little and looked at her she stands and walks around my father.

"Let's go " she grabs me by my arm and pulls me out of the chair and out of the kitchen.

We go up to my room where she grabs a bag from my closet and starts throwing clothes in it.

"Mom, what is going on why do I have to go with them?" She doesn't answer just keeps throwing stuff in the bag.

"Mom," I cry out.

She stops and looks at me.

"Don't go making this a big deal Maxine. Just do as you told and help me pack your bag."

I walk over and start putting things in the bag.

"Is Kelly going with me?"

I asked my mother.

"No Kelly is staying with us. It's just gonna be you now hurry up Mr. Grey don't like to be kept waiting."

She grabs my bag and walks out of the room. I put my books in my backpack and swing them over my should and walk out of my room.

I go back down to the kitchen and everyone is still sitting there the guy they call Mr. Grey stands when he sees me walk in.

" It was good doing business with you folks," he tells my parents.

"Let's go," he says to the guys behind him they walk towards me grabs my arm, and start pulling me out of the kitchen.

I started yelling for my parents but they just sat there not even trying to help me. I look at my sister and she just has a smug look on her face.

"Mom Dad please what did I do? Please help me don't let them take me!!"

I'm yelling at them hoping they would do something.

The guy who was holding me grips my arms tighter I wince at the pain as he pulls me close to him.

"Stop struggling." he grits out to me. "They aren't going to help you now you belong to Mr. Grey. So be a good little girl and walk. "

I stop fighting and yelling and walked with them they lead me out of the house and straight to an SUV parked there at the curb. The one guy opens the door for My Grey he slides in the guy pushes me towards the car.

" Get in now," he says to me.

I look back at the house and see no one is even looking out the window for me. I wipe my face and slide in he closes the door and gets in the front seat the other guy gets in the driver seat the other two get in a car behind us.

"Let's go," Mr. Grey says. The car takes off I just look out the window.

"Now Maxine" I hear Mr. Grey say.

I turn my head and look at him.

"I'm sure you are wondering why you had to come with me."

I just nod my head.

"Simply, your parents owed me a lot of money and well they couldn't pay the debt so you are the payment."

I just looked at him. Did he just say my parents sold me to him?

"So I was sold to you?" I say to him.

"Well not so much as sold but their debt is paid in full. I wanted your sister but your parents insisted it was you to be used for the payment."

My heart sank with his words my parents chose me to give away to him how could they do that?

"Even though your sister is prettier I'm sure I can get a good price for you."

That broke me out of my thought.

I snap my head and look at him.

"Price?" I say softly.

"Yes, my dear price I have a few people in mind that would like someone like you. What did you think was gonna happen this is how I get my money back."

"You're going to sell me!" I all but yelled.

"Yes, I am I'm a businessman and this is just business."

I couldn't help but let the tears roll down my face. We drove for a while and came to an old-looking building the car stopped and the guys in the front got out and opened the doors. I slide out look around and see there is a high fence all the way around.

"Don't even think about running you won't get anywhere." The one guy says to me.

" Now let's go." He grabs my arm and pulls me along with him. The others open the doors we walk in it looks like an old warehouse but there is a stage-looking thing off to the side.

"Take her to the back with the others"

Mr. Grey says.

"Yes, sir" the guy once again pulls me along we go through some other doors we walk down a long hall he stops opens a door, and pushes me inside he walks In behind me and I see rows of cots lined up along the wall and I see a bunch of girls standing and sitting around.

He walks over and drops my bag on one of the cots.

"The others will show you around"

he says to me.

He turns and goes back out the door I hear a clicking noise.

"They always lock the door" I hear from behind me. I turn around and see a young girl probably younger than me.

"Hi, my name is Tara." She holds her hand out to me. I shake her hand.

"Maxine," I tell her.

"I can show you around and try to explain things to you."

"How long have you been here?"

I asked her.

"Oh umm, about a month I think. My parents tried everything to keep them from taking me my father tried fighting the men but it only got him beaten up badly."

"Oh, I'm sorry," I tell her how

"I wished my parents fought for me but they didn't they just sent me away without thinking twice."