

# Rejecting My Lycan Mate: Finding My Wolf

Chapter 31: CHAPTER 79 Why, Maddie?

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Dimitri's POV

I was sitting on the bed in our room, holding Maddie as close to me as I possibly could. She was sitting on my lap and her whole body was wrapped around mine. That wasn't enough for me, though. I needed her to be closer.

I felt so fucking guilty. How the fuck didn't I see that something was happening to my mate? She was being abused right under my nose and I didn't fucking figure it out! I felt like the worst mate in the whole fucking world and I wanted to rip my own heart out.

We got back to our room almost ten minutes ago, but none of us spoke. I couldn't speak because there was a huge lump in my throat. I was barely able to breathe.

I kept kissing every part of her body I could reach. I kept caressing her. I kept pressing her closer to me. I needed to assure myself that she was in my arms. I needed to assure myself that she was okay.

I had to speak, though. I had to ask her why she hadn't told me. I needed to know why. I needed to know everything.

I kissed the top of her head one more time and I tightened my arms around her.

"Why, Maddie?" I asked her quietly, my voice laced with pain. "Why didn't you tell me, princess? Why didn't you tell Mike? Why didn't you ask for help?"

She stiffened a little and took a deep breath.

“I need the truth, Maddie,” I said. “I need to know the truth.”

She tried to sit up in my lap and I let her. I didn’t move my arms, though, I kept them on her, assuring us both that she was safe.

She took another deep breath and looked at me. Her cheeks were puffy and red. I lifted my hand and wiped the tears from her cheeks. My heart hurt seeing her like that, but I knew it was the last time, I would never let anything like that happen again. She would never be in pain again.

“I was sure that Mike knew,” Maddie mumbled, making me furrow my eyebrows. “I was sure that he approved it. She would hit me even when he was at home and I was sure that he knew.”

I seriously doubted that. Mike would never let her do something like that if he knew. Mike made mistakes, but he would never let anyone hurt Maddie.

“I don’t think he knew, princess,” I said softly. “He wouldn’t let her do that.”

She nodded and looked back down at her lap.

“I realized it after a while,” she said. “She hit me when he was home because the whole house is soundproof and she knew that I wouldn’t say anything.”

She sighed and shook her head.

“I was sure that I would leave this pack the moment I turned 18,” she said, making my heart clench. “I didn’t think anyone would care about it. I wasn’t even a part of this pack. I wasn’t...”

She stopped talking and looked up at me.

“I didn’t think it was important because I thought that I would never see her again after my birthday,” she said.

I tightened my jaw and nodded.

“And after you found out that I was your mate?” I asked. “Why didn’t you tell me then?”

Tears gathered in her eyes and she gulped.

“I didn’t want you to lose your mom,” she said. “I didn’t want this to happen. I didn’t want you to have to choose. I didn’t want to come between you.”

My eyes widened. Was she crazy?! I would choose her over anyone! I would choose her over and over again. She was my heart and soul. No one ever came close to her.

I cupped her cheeks and looked at her sternly.

“Listen to me, Maddie,” I said. “You are the most important thing in my world. You will always come first to me. You have my entire heart and I love you more than anything. I will choose you over anyone. I will choose you over myself. I will...”

She interrupted me by leaning in and pressing her lips on mine. I grunted and kissed her back.

“I love you too,” she mumbled against my lips. “I love you so much.”

I tangled my fingers into my hair and leaned my forehead against hers. I wanted to continue kissing her, but I needed to talk to her. I needed her to tell me everything and I knew that if I continued kissing her, I wouldn’t be able to stop anytime soon.

My need to mark her only grew after finding out what my mother did. I needed to tie her to me in every way possible. I needed everyone to know who she was to me. I needed to protect her and my mark on her was the first step.

“I need to know everything, princess,” I said, panting hard. “I need to know everything she did.”

Maddie shook her head and wrapped her arms around my neck.

“You know everything now, my love,” she said softly. “She told you everything.”

Hearing her call me her love made my whole body shiver. I wanted to kiss her again, but she furrowed her eyebrows and bit her lower lip.

“What is it, princess?” I asked softly as I pulled her lip from under her teeth.

I wanted to bite it.

“I almost left the pack one day,” she mumbled and my heart stopped beating. “Seth caught me and stopped me from leaving.”

I couldn't feel my body. She almost left? I almost lost her.

“When?” I asked, a growl escaping me.

“When you found us in that cabin,” she mumbled quietly. “I had a split lip and I told you that I fell.”

My heart was beating so hard and it felt like it was going to jump out of my chest. I remembered that day. I was so freaked out because she was hurt that I didn't pay attention to anything else.

“My mother did that?” I asked, my voice strained.

Maddie nodded and my vision blackened. I tightened my arms around her and growled.

“You will never leave me,” I told her. “You are mine, Madeline.”

I had no idea what the fuck would I have done if she managed to leave that night. I had only Seth to thank for stopping her.

Did he know about my mother hurting her?

Maddie cupped my cheeks and gave me a small smile.

“I am yours,” she said. “I will never leave. I promise, Dimitri. I can't leave. I love you too much to do that. I think that I loved you even before I turned 18. I think that a part of me knew who you were even then. I was just too angry at Mike and I thought that Savannah...”

I interrupted her by kissing her hard. I didn't want to hear anything else. All I needed to hear was that she loved me. That was enough. That was all I ever wanted.

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## CHAPTER 80 I Am Sorry

Madeline's POV

I finally managed to calm down a little.

Dimitri kept kissing every part of my body he could reach. He kept telling me how much he loved me. Being in his arms felt like I was floating on clouds and I never wanted to leave.

Dimitri raised my head, caressed my cheek, and pressed his warm lips against mine.

"Your dad wants to see you, princess," he said after he stopped kissing me. "He is outside our bedroom."

I gulped and looked at the door.

"Hear him out, love, please," Dimitri said as he tucked a strand of hair behind my ear. "He is very upset."

I looked back at Dimitri and nodded. He placed another soft kiss on my lips and neck. I stood up and took a deep breath.

I watched as Dimitri walked to our bedroom door and opened it.

Mike was pacing in front of our room. His hair was a mess and he looked like he had been crying. He looked at me as soon as Dimitri stepped aside.

"Oh, my baby," Mike exclaimed as he rushed inside.

He hugged me tightly and sobbed.

"I am so sorry, my little girl," he mumbled through his sobs. "I am so sorry for everything."

I hugged him back and looked at Dimitri over his shoulder. He was smiling at me and my heart skipped a beat.

“She will get punished, baby,” Mike continued. “I promise. I will punish her myself.”

I patted his back gently.

“It’s okay, Mike,” I said, trying to comfort him a little. “She can’t hurt me again.”

Mike raised his head and looked at me. He caressed my cheek and shook his head.

“It’s not okay,” he said, his voice breaking. “Nothing is okay, my baby. Nothing you had to go through because of me is okay.”

I furrowed my eyebrows and Mike sobbed again.

“If I hadn’t left you and your mom, she wouldn’t have been able to hurt you,” Mike said, caressing my cheek again. “I am so sorry, baby. I am so sorry. Everything is my fault.”

He pulled me back into his arms and hugged me tightly. I looked at Dimitri and my heart clenched.

“I met Dimitri because of you,” I said, keeping my eyes on my mate. “If I hadn’t moved here, I would never have met him. I have only you to thank for that.”

Mike looked at me again and shook his head.

“You would have found your way to him even without me,” he said, his voice trembling. “You are so strong and so amazing and I had nothing to do with that. It was all you and your mother.”

He placed a kiss on my forehead and sobbed again.

“I can only be ashamed of the things I did,” he said quietly. “I can only be ashamed of my actions.”

I sighed and stepped away from him. I took his hand in mine and pulled him to the couch on the other side of Dimitri and mine’s

bedroom. I made him sit down and I sat next to him, keeping his hand in mine the entire time.

“You made mistakes, but what happened with Janet wasn’t your fault,” I said and he looked at me. “It was only hers. She decided to do that, not you.”

I took a deep breath and released it slowly.

“It was destined for me to come to his pack,” I continued. “Janet would probably do the same thing no matter who brought me here.”

Mike gulped and caressed my cheek.

“She said that she did it because you look like your mom, honey,” Mike mumbled quietly. “If I wasn’t her mate she would never...”

Mike stopped talking and shook his head.

I squeezed his hand tighter and gave him a small smile.

“It wasn’t your fault, Mike,” I said. “I am not blaming you for what she did.”

Mike pulled me into a hug again. He rubbed my back and kissed my temple.

“I am blaming myself,” he mumbled. “I should have seen the signs. I should have noticed that something was going on.”

I looked at Dimitri and gulped. I didn’t want him to hear these things. She was his mom, no matter what.

Dimitri approached us and sat next to me. He wrapped his arm around my waist and pulled me to him. Mike let me go and wiped his cheeks.

“We both should have seen the signs,” Dimitri said. “I am blaming myself as well, Mike. I should have noticed that my mate was being abused. I should have seen it sooner. I should have questioned a lot.”

“Dimitri...,” I spoke, but he interrupted me.

“Both of us fucked up, Mike,” Dimitri continued, ignoring me completely. “But there is no use in crying over that. We need to make

sure that no one ever hurts her again. We have to change for the better, not cry about what should have been.”

Mike smiled a little. I could tell that he was very proud of Dimitri.

“You are right,” Mike said, reaching out and taking Dimitri's hand in his. “We have to make sure that no one hurts her ever again.”

Dimitri nodded and squeezed Mike's hand tighter.

“I am so fucking happy that you are my daughter's mate,” Mike continued. “You are an amazing man and I am so proud of you.”

I smiled and leaned my head on Dimitri's shoulder. I was so happy he was my mate too. I couldn't have asked for a better one.

“Just please don't be as stupid as I was, Dimitri,” Mike said. “Don't hurt my little girl.”

Dimitri's arm around me tightened.

“Never, Mike,” he said. “I love her more than anything in this world. I will never hurt her. I would rather die.”

My heart clenched painfully just thinking about him being gone. He was a part of me and I didn't want to exist without him.

Dimitri turned to me and kissed my forehead.

I love you. I mind-linked him.

I love you too, my princess. He said softly and I couldn't help but smile.

I never wanted anything to change and I hoped it never would.

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Chapter 33: CHAPTER 81 Their Punishment



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Dimitri's POV

I didn't want to leave Maddie, but Mike assured me that she would be okay. I left them to talk even though I wanted to kick Mike out and drag Maddie to bed. I really wanted to be with her and make sure that she was okay.

I had work to do, though.

I had to think about appropriate punishment for my mother and Savannah.

I entered my office and Will looked up at me immediately.

"Where is Maddie?" he asked, looking behind me.

"With Mike," I said, closing the door and walking toward my desk.

"Where are they?"

"Locked up," Will said, anger lacing his voice.

I sat down and nodded. I ran my fingers through my hair and took a deep breath.

"What are you going to do, Dimitri?" Will asked as he approached my desk. "How will you punish them?"

I sighed and shook my head.

"I have no fucking idea," I said. "I want to kill them both, but..."

I tightened my jaw and clenched my fists.

"But one of them is your mother," Will finished the sentence for me.

I looked at him and nodded.

Will sighed and sat in the armchair opposite my desk. He furrowed his eyebrows and crossed his arms over his chest.

"I never thought that we would have to deal with this," Will mumbled quietly.

I swallowed the lump in my throat and nodded. I still couldn't believe it. I couldn't believe that my mother would do this. I couldn't understand why. Just because Maddie looked like her mom? What the fuck did my mother think would happen? Did she think that Mike would leave her? Did she really think that Mike would do that? I was sure that he wouldn't. Mike loved my mother and he wouldn't leave her even if Maddie's mom was alive.

There had to be another reason for my mother hating Maddie so much.

I couldn't fucking believe that I didn't realize that something terrible was happening to my mate. I was a terrible mate. So fucking terrible.

I groaned and buried my face into my hands.

"It's not your fault, Dimitri," Will said, making me look up at him. "You didn't know."

I placed my arms on the armrest and clenched my fists.

"She is my mate," I said. "I should have known. I should have seen that something was happening to her. Goddess, I even saw hurt one time and I didn't do shit about it."

That realization was especially hard for me. I saw her split lip and I didn't do shit about it. I was so angry about her leaving without me and the rogues that were at my borders. I was so focused on her turning 18 so I could finally have her that I didn't notice anything else around me. I should have asked her more about it. I should have known that she didn't fall.

"What are you talking about?" Will asked, furrowing his eyebrows.

I sighed and swallowed another lump.

"I saw her with a split lip one day," I mumbled. "She told me that she fell. She lied. My mother did that."

Will growled and cursed under his breath.

"I should have known," I said, groaning quietly.

Will sighed and ran his fingers through his hair.

“You couldn't have known, Dimitri,” Will said. “Both of them were hiding it well.”

Knowing that didn't make me feel any better. Maddie was my mate. She was my heart and soul. I failed to protect her. I failed to protect my own heart.

I tightened my jaw and forced the air deep into my lungs.

I fucked up, but I couldn't change what happened. All I could do was make sure that no one ever hurt her again. All I could do was make sure that my mother and Savannah were severely punished for what they did.

“The law is clear,” I said, clenching my fists again. “Both of them will be killed for what they did.”

My tongue burned saying those words. My heart clenched when I thought about killing my own mother.

But the law was clear when it came to threatening and endangering Luna and Alpha's lives. It was a crime punishable by death.

My mother knew what would happen if I found out. She knew that I wouldn't hesitate to kill her. My mate was my biggest treasure and I would choose her over everyone. My father raised me to do so. I wanted to do so. Maddie was my everything and I wasn't going to allow anyone to hurt her.

“There could be an issue with your mother's punishment, Dimitri,” Will said and I furrowed my eyebrows.

“What issue?” I asked. “The law is clear. She will be punished by death.”

Will sighed and gave me a small nod.

“I know what the law says, Dimitri,” Will said. “I am with you on that, but I am not sure if the Council will be. She is the former Luna of this pack and a former Queen of the Kingdom. They could be against it.”

I tightened my jaw. I hadn't thought about those fuckers at all.

"You will maybe need to consider another punishment for her," Will said.

"I am a King," I said angrily. "The Council can advise me not to kill her, but my word is final."

"It is," Will said, giving me a small nod. "But you know the law, Dimitri. The Council has a say in such matters."

I tightened my jaw and stood up. I started pacing around my office, trying to calm myself a little.

I was pissed as fuck. I wanted her punished for what she did.

"I am not saying that they will be against it, Dimitri," Will said. "I am just stating that it could happen and that you should prepare for it."

I glanced at him and took a deep breath. I had to focus so fucking hard to keep my temper under control.

"I will have an alternative solution," I said. "But I won't back down. I will do whatever I have to do to make sure that she gets what she deserves. She is my mother, but it won't save her from being punished."

Will gave me a small smile.

"Good," he said. "No one hurts Maddie."

I nodded and took another deep breath.

Will was right. No one fucking hurt what belonged to me. I had to show everyone what would happen if they did.

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Chapter 34: CHAPTER 82 Mark Me

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Dimitri's POV

“I think we should wrap this up,” I said as I glanced at the clock. “I need to go back to Maddie.”

Will and I spent the last two hours talking about the Alpha meeting that was going to take place in my pack in just three short days. I felt like I neglected the event completely, but I had a good excuse for it. It wasn't every day that I found out that my mate was abused by my own mother.

“Sure,” Will said, giving me a small smile. “I can tell that you miss her already.”

I didn't miss her. I was fucking burning without her and I had to go back. This was the longest we had been apart in the last few days and I felt like my lungs were shutting down. I needed her to breathe.

“I do,” I said as I closed the folder in front of me. “We can continue this tomorrow.”

“I will stay and finish up,” Will said. “Go be with your mate.”

My fingertips felt like they were on fire. I already knew that the only thing that would help was Maddie's skin. I needed to touch her. I needed to kiss her. I needed to fill my lungs with her sweet scent.

“See you tomorrow,” I said as I stood up and rushed toward the door.

I heard Will chuckling to himself and a small smile spread across my face. I couldn't wait until he met his mate and got to experience how wonderful the feeling of finally having her was.

I barely noticed anyone or anything as I rushed back to my room. I passed by a few of my warriors so I forced a small smile on my face as they bowed to me.

I couldn't fucking wait to get back to my room.

My heart was racing as I approached the door. I was so fucking excited and I couldn't wait to hold her. I was barely breathing by the time I finally grabbed the doorknob.

"Princess," I let out a relieved sigh as I entered the room.

My heart fucking stopped beating.

She wasn't there.

My breath got caught in my throat. I wanted to scream, but I couldn't. I could feel my heartbeat in my eyes. I could hear the blood rushing through my veins.

A thousand different scenarios ran through my mind.

Someone took her. My mother and Savannah escaped and took her. Someone else broke into our room and took her away from me. She left. She couldn't handle what my mother had done to her and she left.

"Madeline!" I exclaimed, my voice quiet and raspy.

I tried to be loud. I tried to scream. I couldn't, though. The fear was choking me. I'd never been so afraid in my entire life.

If something happened to her...

A noise behind me made me turn so fucking fast that I almost lost my balance.

It was her.

It was my princess.

I cried out in relief as I closed the distance between us and pulled her into my arms. Everything in my body stilled and I could finally think clearly.

She was okay. She was just in the bathroom.

"Dimitri?" she called me worriedly as she wrapped her arms around me.

I still couldn't speak, though. There was still a huge lump in my throat.

Give me a second, princess. I said through the mind-link as I buried my nose into her neck.

She didn't respond, but she ran her fingers through my hair and kissed my temple. I relaxed even more and I was finally able to take a deep breath.

She was okay.

I tightened my hold on her and pulled her even closer to me.

"I am sorry, princess," I mumbled into her neck. "I didn't see you in the room when I walked in and I thought that something happened to you. I thought that someone had taken you. I thought that you left."

Just saying those words hurt like hell. I had no idea what would I do if she really wasn't here. I would probably lose it completely.

"I will never leave, Dimitri," she said softly as she kissed my temple again. "I am yours and I will never leave you."

I smiled a little. Hearing her say that cured every ache in my body.

I placed a soft kiss on her neck and ran my hand up her back.

It was at that moment that I noticed that she was only wearing a towel and that her skin was still a bit wet.

A quiet grunt escaped me as my fingers reached the back of her neck. I kissed her neck again and she moaned quietly.

"You are killing me, princess," I said softly. "You should have waited for me. I really wanted to take a shower with you again."

Maddie chuckled a little and I raised my head to look at her beautiful face. I couldn't resist kissing her so I did. I captured her lips with mine, squeezing the back of her neck gently and holding her in place.

"I missed you," she said quietly as I lowered my lips to her jaw.

I smiled and lifted my head to look at her.

"I missed you too, princess," I said. "I missed you so fucking much."

She smiled back at me and caressed my cheek.

“Can I ask you something?” she asked and I nodded immediately.

“Always, Maddie,” I said. “You can always come to me and ask me anything.”

She smiled and pulled me in for a kiss. I grunted and kissed her back, enjoying the feeling of her lips pressed against mine. I really wanted the kiss to last longer, but I also wanted to know what she wanted to ask me.

“Ask me, princess,” I said as I pulled back and tucked a strand of hair behind her ear.

She was perfect like that. She was wet, she was in a towel, her hair was pulled up in a messy bun and her cheeks were flushed. She was a dream. She was my fucking dream.

“Will you mark me?” she asked and my heart stopped beating.

I couldn't do anything except stare at her.

Did I hear her well?

Skol stirred and growled in excitement.

Did she really just ask me that?

Maddie smiled a little and pulled me into another kiss. I could barely kiss her back.

“Will you please mark me, Dimitri?” she asked again and I almost passed out with excitement.

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Chapter 35: CHAPTER 83 Mine



## CHAPTER 83 Mine

Dimitri's POV

I couldn't hold back a loud, lust-filled growl that escaped me.

Maddie yelped in surprise when I picked her up and walked to the bed.

"Are you sure?" I asked as I laid her on the bed gently.

I didn't fucking know what I would do if she said that she had changed her mind. I was already salivating and my canines were ready to pierce her soft skin. My dick was painfully hard and I really needed to put it inside her.

"I am sure," Maddie said as she reached up and caressed my cheek.

I looked down at her body and growled. My heart was racing a mile a minute as I reached between us and slowly started unwrapping the towel.

It was like opening a present. A best fucking present I ever received.

My breath got caught in my throat when I finally got to see one of her already hard nipples. It wasn't the first time I saw her breasts. I saw them when we were showering together, but I wanted to be respectful and I never touched them. Knowing that I would finally be able to touch them, lick them, and suck them was making me go insane with lust.

"Oh, fuck, Maddie," I cried out as I rushed to remove the rest of the towel.

I really wanted to take it slow, but my determination to do so went downhill when I saw how perfectly she looked lying beneath me.

She was panting hard and I felt her nervousness.

I forced myself to stop what I was doing. It was so fucking hard, but she was my priority, not my desire to slam myself inside her.

"You are in control, Maddie," I told her softly as I bent down and placed a soft kiss on her lips. "Tell me to stop and I will."

It would be so fucking hard, but I would stop.

She shook her head and wrapped her arms around my neck, keeping me close to her.

“I don’t want you to stop,” she said. “I want this. I want to be yours.”

I smiled and caressed her cheek.

“You are already mine, Maddie,” I said and looked at her neck.

A growl escaped me as I imagined my mark there. It would be a beautiful sight and I couldn’t fucking wait to see it.

I leaned in and placed a soft kiss on her neck. I pulled the rest of the towel off and she was now completely naked under me.

“Oh, Dimitri,” she mumbled quietly as she ran her hand up and tangled her fingers into my hair.

My whole body was vibrating. Her touches kept sending jolts of lust to my dick. I wanted to grunt and moan every time she moved, but I had to keep kissing her. I had to keep tasting her.

She reached down with her other hand and started pulling my shirt up. I lifted myself up, kneeled between her legs, and pulled my shirt over my head. I heard her moan quietly and a shiver went up and down my body.

I kept my eyes on her as I started unbuttoning my dress pants. She gulped and looked down at my hands. I purposely went slow. I wanted her lust to overwhelm her. I wanted her to want me to go faster.

My wish came true when she sat up and started helping me take my pants off. She kept her eyes on mine the entire time and I was sure that I would pass out.

I had to hold back a grunt when my boxers brushed the tip of my dick. I was already so turned on.

Maddie looked down at my hard dick and another small moan escaped her. She reached out and wanted to take it into her hand, but

I stopped her. She looked up at me with confusion written on her beautiful face.

“I will explode if you touch me, Maddie,” I said, my voice deep and raspy. “Besides, tonight is about you, not me. There will be plenty of time for you to touch me and suck me.”

Just trying to imagine that had me ready to cum.

Maddie’s eyes widened as I pushed back to the bed. I looked at her beautiful body and groaned. It was mine. It was mine to worship and mine to pleasure.

I laid back on top of her, not wanting to waste any more time. I needed to start kissing her immediately.

I started with her lips and her jaw. She wrapped her arms around my neck and pulled me closer to her. I could feel her nipples pressing into my skin and I almost lost it.

Fuck. She was so fucking perfect.

“I need to taste every part of you,” I told her as I started kissing her neck.

She moaned and moved her head so I would have better access. I smiled as I started sucking on her marking spot. She flinched and pressed herself even closer to me.

I was breathing hard and having a hard time taking it slow. I would do it for her, though. I would fucking rip myself apart if I hurt her or did something wrong. This was about her, not me.

I kissed her collarbone and started going down slowly. I stopped when I reached her breast. She was panting hard and her cheeks were completely red.

I kept my eyes on hers as I cupped her breast gently. She shivered and gulped. I touched her nipple with my thumb and her eyes widened. I could feel my heartbeat in my throat.

I slowly lowered my head and kissed her breast. I never looked away from her. I wanted to see if she would be uncomfortable. I wanted to

know if she needed me to stop. Thankfully, I saw nothing but lust in her eyes.

I continued kissing her breast until I reached her nipple. I licked it slowly, making her gasp and arch her back a little. I smiled as I closed my mouth around her nipple and sucked.

“Oh,” she cried out and tangled her fingers into my hair, trying to keep me in place.

She didn’t need to do that, though. Nothing would make me move. I was in heaven and I wasn’t leaving anytime soon.

I cupped her other breast and started flicking her other nipple gently. She was already a moaning mess and we barely even started.