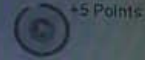


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Cassian wondered if what his brother said was true, seeing that he seemed so calm as if Abril meant nothing more than a simple tool. He let go of her hand and said, "Her magic makes wounds heal. It must be the same with her, right?"

"I don't know. We'll have to wait and see what happens."

Alessandro went to the door.

"Where are you going, Lessan?" Cassian asked.

"To interrogate that servant. I want to know why she did this to her. You take care of her while I'm gone." He replied.

"I will."

Alessandro went to the dungeon where they were holding the servant. When she saw him enter her cell, she trembled in fear because the king seemed furious.

"Why did you attack the princess?" he asked, his voice as cold as ice.

"That damned woman's father killed my husband on the battlefield! It was only right that I did the same to her!" She said without remorse.

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"Tell me, who ordered you to kill her?"

"No one. I only did it for revenge. Your Majesty wanted to kill her too, right? Everyone in the kingdom wants her dead."

"What rubbish are you saying?"

"Your Majesty hates her too, for being the daughter of your enemy! You want her dead too! I only did Your Majesty a favor."

"You're completely insane."

"I'm only telling the truth! Even though she's your wife, you haven't consummated your marriage. Your Majesty has ignored her since she arrived here. Your Majesty has never considered her his queen! She's just the princess of the enemy kingdom, a sinner who must pay for everything she has done!"

Alessandro took the sword from one of the guards and slit the servant's throat. As she choked on her own blood, he looked at her with contempt and said, "This will be the fate of anyone who dares to touch my wife."

Alessandro turned and left the dungeon. As he walked through the halls of the palace, the servant's words echoed in his mind. Abril had been attacked because of him, because he had never treated her like his wife. Even if he didn't like her, she should have had his respect. He knew this

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perfectly well. However, he had only ignored her, forgetting that she existed, letting her live a miserable life, and making everyone think that she deserved to be punished for the sins her father had committed. For all his sins, she had to pay even though she was just an innocent young woman who was not to be blamed for anything.

Alessandro returned to his room. Cassian was by Abril's side, waiting for her to wake up.

"You should go to your chambers, Cassian.

"What happened to the maid?"

"She's dead."

"Did she say why she attacked the princess?"

"For revenge and hatred,"

"Is that all?"

"Yes,"

"What are you going to do now?"

"What do you mean?"

"When she recovers, are you going to let her go back to that house? Let her be alone?"

"No. She can't go back there. It's dangerous. Someone else could try to kill her, like now."

"She's not going to like it when you tell her."

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"I know, but I can't keep the promise I made to her anymore."

Cassian walked towards the door. As he passed Alessandro, he said, "Take good care of her."

When Cassian left, Alessandro approached the bed, sat on the edge, and caressed Abril's cheek. She was cold. She looked so fragile, so small. For the first time, he realized that she really wasn't the enemy. She was just another victim of that war that had brought so much pain.

Abril was unconscious for three days. When she opened her eyes, the first thing she saw was Alessandro. He put his hand on her forehead.

"How are you?" He asked.

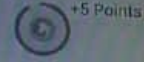
"I'm thirsty," Abril replied.

Alessandro took a glass of water, helped her up, and helped her to drink. When she finished, she said, "My stomach hurts a lot."

"You were stabbed. It's only natural that it hurts. The maid who attacked you? She won't hurt you again. She's dead. I took care of her personally."

"I didn't do anything to her, but even so, she..."
Abril's voice broke, and she began to cry. "Why do I have to pay for something I didn't do?"

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Alessandro gently stroked her hair, comforting her.
"Don't cry, or your wound might open." He wiped
her tears and handed her a handkerchief.

Abril blew her nose and said, "I would like to go
home."

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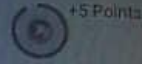
"You can't."

"What?"

"You need to recover."

Abril was aware that she was in no condition to go
home, that the best thing she could do was wait to
recover, so she stopped insisting.

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Over the next few days, Abril realized that the servants had changed the way they treated her. They were respectful and courteous to her. One day, when Cassian had come to visit, she said, "The maids are acting strange."

"Has anyone been rude to you?"

"No, on the contrary, they have all been very kind and respectful. That's what's weird."

"You are part of the royal family, Abril. So, their treating you that way is normal."

"I know, but I've never received such treatment, so it's strange to me."

"If anyone is disrespectful or rude, don't hesitate to report. That person will pay with their life for insulting the royal family."

Alessandro had been listening to the conversation between Abril and Cassian. As he entered, he said,

"You are my wife. You have complete freedom to punish anyone who dares to offend you. You can punish them however you wish, no matter what, even if that means death."

"I would never do that. I couldn't bear for someone to die because of me. I am not like my father who is mad for blood."

