

Hell's Princess by Icon Chapter 12

Welcome Home Pt 2

Catalaya's POV

My friends and i are all in my room talking since we had nothing better to do. The ball was starting in 4 hours, our dresses and suits have been picked the girls and I hairs and nails were already done all we had left to do was wait. The whole castle was bustling with excitement as the hour drew nearer, you could feel it in the air as the servants finished decorating the grand hall which is gigantic might i add and the cooks were finishing up the last touches on the meals they prepared.

While all that was happening I'm grilling my friends to tell me about their mates, I'm so happy for them i know how much each and everyone of them wished for their mate. I was the youngest of the group and i found my mate on my 17th birthday but they didn't and even though they hid it i knew they were all longing for their other half especially Nic since he was the oldest of us and has been waiting on his mate for four years now so I'm glad he finally found his Mr right although after breakfast he avoided me like the plague because he taught I'd react bad to finding he was gay, (or so i suspect) which i already knew, not that he knew that at the time so he kept hiding from me until i backed him in a corner.

Flashback

Breakfast was awesome! I haven't enjoyed a meal in so long, between dad's awful jokes Levi's teasing and Abaddon's crazy stories i couldn't decide which part made it more fun. I also got to learn a lot more about this realm and i have to say most of the stories the churches tell are completely different from the truth especially about dad. And then there were the six out of the seven deadly sins whom i got to learn about.

Lucy is a witch who can perform all sorts of magic even necromancy

Author is a shifter, meaning he has more than one forms unlike a werewolf who could shift into just a wolf he could shift into a wolf or any feline he chose and he could also shift into an eagle.

Jace and Liam are vampire/fairy hybrids, dark faes to be exact but faes nonetheless and they're twins.

Brooke is a female demogorgon. Which is basically a powerful demon with two heads that are always trying to dominate one another.

Eric is an incubus and i learned that andreas is a dragon which earned him the nickname Andreas the dragon sin of wrath. On top of all that i also found out that the sins ruled over purgatory.

Remember how i said that hell had three levels? Assiah, limbo and purgatory. Well purgatory is split into seven factions, Wrath, greed, lust, sloth, envy, gluttony and pride. Each of these factions are governed by the sins who are responsible for issuing the corporal punishment associated with each sin.

Wrath- live dismemberment

Sloth- thrown into a snake pit

Greed- boiled in oil

Lust- covered in fire and brimstone

Gluttony- force fed rats snakes and toads

Envy- place in freezing water

Pride- to be broken on the wheel

I was gob smacked when i learnt these things i didn't know if i should learn more about their roles or scream and run. That is some gnarly stuff.

After breakfast i wanted to talk to Alana and Nic about their mating since i had no idea what they were feeling due to these revelations especially with Alana. For starters she is an angel who is mated to a hellion and second of all her mate is a girl, i have no idea what the goddess was thinking but i sure hope she knows what she's doing.

I managed to talk to alana before she was whisked away by Lucy.

"Hey uhm so i wanted to talk to you about uh your uh" i stuttered

"You mean me being mated to a girl?" She says with a chuckle

"Yeah that" i say with a sheepish smile

"Well it was definitely unexpected and surprising but in a good way. I mean I've never been with a girl but I've always had an attraction to them, sure i liked boys as well but not as much as i like girls. I never told this to anyone not because i was afraid of what you'd think since i knew you guys would support me no matter what but i guess i wasn't ready to face the reality of it all and so i kept it under wraps hiding my true feelings until it became so easy to hide behind the facade i kinda lost myself somewhere along the way but when i looked into Lucy's eyes something with in me was brought back to life and everything fell into place" she explained

“Oh Lana I’m so happy for you, i could always sense this loneliness in you i just couldn’t figure out what it was. Obviously i wasn’t expecting this but I’m happy for you none the less. You deserve all the joys of this world” i hugged her with tears in my eyes

We stood there just hugging each other for a few minutes until we had to pull part because dad wanted to talk to me and Lana left to go get some alone time with her mate. It was true that a part of me couldn’t help but long for what they all had, i might be a powerful demon who has a family that loves her endlessly but i wanted another type of love the one i always wished for as a kid i wanted my happily ever after but i guess that wont happen since It all disappeared the moment Noah rejected me.

After going up to his office where dad explained the proceedings of tonight’s celebration and the fact that he’d basically adopted Dominic. Apparently they spoke and Nic asked him if he could take on his name since he wanted nothing more to do with laura, jasmine and emerson. I tried looking for Dominic some more since he was avoiding me. That boy ran out of the dining hall like his hair was on fire the moment breakfast was over. I knew it was because he was expecting me to ask about him being mated to a guy or even say something bad or whatever fears he had but i only wanted to congratulate him and tell him that I’ve know he was gay since he was 14. I however didn’t get the chance to at the time since he was nowhere to be found, i guess he and author went out somewhere but he cant hide from me forever since he has to come to my Coronation.

I was restless since all my friends were with their mates, Sam and Adonis went to earth in order to inform and arrange transport for the pack members so they could attend the celebration, dad was busy doing devily stuff like making deals with humans who had come to see him and Lilith was busy training the sucucbuses. I was so bored that at one point i considered teleporting to where Cerberus was, however that would be a bad idea since i had no idea how to get there or how i got there in the first place and i might end up going to the wrong area, again so instead i opted to go test out my magical skills on some trees in the woods and let legacy out for a bit.

After managing to get a few spells right legacy flew around for a bit i have to say this place is huge and there were so many places i hadn’t seen yet. I just flew over some areas to get a good view. A few hours later i cane back to the castle and that’s when i saw Dominic heading to the elevator so like the crazy person i am instead of calling out for him to hold the elevator i made a mad dash towards it and barely managed to jump in before it could close. He was so shocked when i suddenly appeared flat on my stomach on the elevator floor.

“Cat what the hell are you doing” he shouted in shock

“Hey bro how’s the weather up there?”

“Nice joke idiot now i see that your the one who got dad’s ability to make horrible jokes” says legacy

“Oh shut up it’s not like your any help”

“Sigh, Cat what are you doing?” Dominic asks in exasperation

“Well i saw you in the elevator and i wanted to talk to you so i ran and jumped into before it closed” i answered

“And you couldn’t call out and say he ‘nic hold the elevator’ like a normal person”

“Yeah right call out and let you see me so you could close the door and continue avoiding me like you’ve been doing all day? I mean i get that you might have some crazy idea that I’d react bad to you being mated to a dude-”

“What!? Cat its not about that”

“Or maybe its because your excited to spend time with your mate i get it i felt the same way until Noah rejected me but still at least the others spared me a second you just up and left the moment breakfast was over. I know the moment someone finds their mate they take priority obviously but having to be searching for you so long i don’t know i kinda just felt like now that you found your mate i wasn’t important anymore or you’d leave me. I’m not trying to sound selfish or clingy or whatever but being ignored especially by you of all person’s really hurt Nic”

By the time i had finished speaking i had tears rolling down my cheeks, i guess i never realized i felt that way until i just started talking and everything just came out. I really don’t know what came over me and Nic just stood there staring at me so when the elevator opened i ran out. Luckily it was on the floor all of our rooms were on so i ran to my room and closed the door. A few minutes later there was a knock on my door i figured it was nic but i didn’t respond mainly because i was kinda embarrassed at my out burst and i kind felt like what i said was selfish and so i couldn’t face him, basically i was having mixed feelings. He continued knocking when i didn’t answer until the knocking became banging and then that turned into shouts for me to open the door or he’d kick it down. I continued to ignore him until i heard the first kick, i knew at that time he was serious so before he could destroy my door i quickly went and opened it.

As soon as the door opened i was wrapped in Dominic’s arms. He held onto me tight and we just stood there for a few minutes, when he finally let go he said

“I’m sorry Cat i had no idea that’s how you felt. I knew being rejected took more out of you than you let on but i didn’t think that you taught I’d ever abandon you. I guess its kinda my fault since i left without an explanation and i knew you were looking for me but i just couldn’t face you at the moment”

“But why?” I say barely above a whisper

"First of all my mate may be the sin of pride but he isn't too proud to have me as a mate. I don't know why maybe he isn't into guys or something but the cold look in his eyes when he saw me didn't change one bit, it was like i wasn't good enough for him which is kinda true, and he kept looking at me that way all through out breakfast and i couldn't bare it so as soon as breakfast was over i ran out of there and I've been hiding ever since" he tells me with his head down

At that moment two very strong emotions ran through me. Regret for acting so selfish after everything nic was going through and pure rage at author for making my brother feel as if he wasn't good enough for him. So with those two guiding me i transformed and legacy took over so she could feel out authors aura and when she had a lock on it i took over and went to find my prey there was no way in hell he's gonna get away with this.

After finding author I concealed my aura barely, and teleported to where he was I ended up in a game room where he and four of the other sins Liam, Eric, Brooke and Jace are playing some game I've never seen before but seemed quite interesting. Not wanting to get caught up in the distracting entertainment I turn my attention to the approximately 6 ft demonic male I was about to give a beating of a lifetime. Pooling all of my strength i reared back my fist and with as much demonic force as i could muster i punched author across the face, which as a result sent him flying across the room destroying a few items as well.

"WHAT THE FUCK!" The other four shouted in surprised as they jumped up from their spots on the couch

"Who the hell are you!" Eric growled his eye blood red with fury

Oh right they've never seen me in my demonic form before and they've only met me this morning

"Wait guys i think that's the princess" Brooke says

"No way that's the princess this individual isn't all that powerful to be the princess although from what I've heard the princess is a weak human so it still couldn't be her" jace replies

Shock at his words and highly insulted and released my aura, and the moment i did they all looked just about ready to shit themselves. Not that i could take them on at the moment since i cant control my powers but still i could get use to these reactions I'm tired of people thinking I'm weak. When I think they've had enough and my ego had been satisfied i shifted back to my human form, by now author had already rejoined us and his along with the other four's mouths hit the ground when they saw it was really me.

"Not so weak now am i?" I say to jace

"Y-your highness" they all say in unison as they fell to their knees

"Quit being so dramatic and get up off your knees" i say with a roll of my eyes

When they were back on their feet my attention once again turned to the lion sin of pride.

"Hello Author" i say venom dripping my every word

"Hello princess" he replies

"Uhm if you don't mind me asking your highness" Liam says slightly raising his hand "i know author is a cocky arrogant bastard being the sin of pride and all but i don't think he'd be crazy enough to get on your bad side this early so why did you punch him?"

"Good question Liam. I punched this douche bag here because he basically rejected my brother. Not out right but he made him feel unwanted like he wasn't good enough to be author's mate and I'm am 100% percent sure its the other way around. I know this probably wont help but I'm gonna beat the crap out of you for making my brother sad. Do you know how long he has been waiting for you huh he'd almost given up hope at one point and now he found his mate in the least likely place and what do you do? Give him the cold fucking shoulder like he's some unnecessary scrap of dirt on your booth but I'll tell you what mister big shot I'm about to bring you down a peg or two when I'm finished that high horse your on will be so low you'll never look down on anyone again" i see the walking closer with every step. As I'm about to grab him by the neck and sink an ice dagger in his neck Dominic stopped me

"Cat no!!!!" He shouted making me halt mid strike

"Why did you stop me Nic? I asked

"Because it wont make a difference. I understand your angry at the out come so am i but will it change anything? No it wont. You of all people should know this and you of all people should understand how i feel" he reasoned

Sighing i evaporate the ice in my hand and walked over to where he was. I gave him a hug and apologized for my rash behavior, i was just so angry that someone else was going through what i had or at least partly, but it hurts the same nonetheless. While we stood there in our own little moment i heard whispers behind me then someone saying "go fix it you idiot" before author walked up to us and awkwardly cleared his throat

"Yes" i say with a glare, drawing out the y

"Now i grasped why you clobbered me before your highness, and i must rectify the situation for it seems I've caused a misunderstanding" he says

“And what ‘misunderstanding’ is that?”

“You seem to think that i don’t want your brother as a mate and that couldn’t be more farther from the truth”

“Oh really then what was with all the cold looks you gave me this morning at breakfast”
Nic asked, as unconvinced as i am

“First of all those looks weren’t directed at you, you see i wasn’t chosen to be a hellion or sentenced rather, like my peers. I was reborn as one. I actually died many centuries ago because my parents found out i was attracted to men and my dad threw me in the lake behind our house as punishment trying to wash away my sin as he put it and i drowned, i was only ten years old hadn’t even shifted. However because of the massive hatred in my heart for my parents when i died his majesty took my soul and brought me back. I was just a normal hellion rising through the ranks but i was- err i mean am one cocky bastard so i soon became the sin of pride. Long story short when i realized dominic was my mate i was over joyed but then the words my father said to me the day he threw me in that lake replayed in my head and i wondered if i really deserved you or if i’m as disgusting as he claimed, but i swear upon my pride it was never my intention to make you feel unwanted and when you suddenly ran out of the room when breakfast was finished i thought that maybe you didn’t want me, i searched but i couldn’t find you anywhere and so i decided i’d wait until the ball began i’d find you and we could talk”
Author explained

“Woah, i was not expecting that” i say when he finished

“But wait you said you died centuries ago right? Just how old are you?”

Laughing he replied “definitely not as old as your father and the prince but old enough to know humans never learn from the mistakes of their ancestors”

“Ok so your quite old”

“All of us are hunnie we’ve been around longer than your world wars and your so called dinosaur era. Fyi there are no such thing as dinosaurs its actually supernatural beings who inhabited the earth at that time” brooke says

Nic and I gasped simultaneously at that revelation

“Well that was something i didn’t need to know now my dino dream has been crushed”
Nic says wiping imaginary tears from his eyes drawing laughter from us all

“If you don’t mind me asking though who is the oldest of you all?” I say curiously

“Its actually funny you should ask that” Eric laughs “the oldest of us seven actually looks the youngest”

“And who’s that?” I ask

“He’s not here right now but you’ll meet him later on his name is Andreas he’s the sin of Wrath” he answered

“More like the god of war that boy is a killing machine” brooke scoffs

There it is again that name, Andreas. Why do I get this weird feeling whenever i hear that name I’ve never reacted like this to a simple name before

“Well maybe he’s hell’s reincarnation of Ares” i joked

“That I’d bet money on” Liam says

“Ok well now that everything has been settled, you two, i say pointing at author and Nic. Need to go have a talk and sort out this whole mess I’m not getting any younger i need nieces and nephews” making author erupt in laughter while nic glared daggers my way

With a smirk and kiss on the cheek for Nic i bid them farewell as i head off to do some research on this infamous sin of wrath.

End of flashback

“Oh come on you guys you can’t do this to me i thought we were friends” i whine, trying to find out what they’d been up to all day and what they did with their mates and what it was like to be with your mate but they were being stubborn and didn’t want to tell me because they taugt i’d get depressed or something.

“Sorry cat but i don’t kiss and tell” merlin says

“When since” i ask incredulously

“Since i met brooke” he smirks

Sighing i say with a pout “You guys are mean, I’m gonna go look for dad i haven’t seen him all day”

“Is that code for telling us your gonna report us?” Aquarius asked eyeing me suspiciously

“Ha oh please as if that would work he’d probably take your side didn’t you hear I’m not allowed to date until I’m at least a thousand years old” i say recalling what dad had said when Sam had brought up me meeting guys my age at the ball

Laughing loudly Harley says “Yeah that’s right that’s what he said when Samael suggested you get a boyfriend”

They all joined in on Harley's laughter clearly enjoying my conundrum

"Yeah yeah laugh it up" i flip them off as i walked through the door

Heading to dad's office i ran into Samael which is surprising since i wasn't expecting to see him until at least a few more hours at the ball.

"Saaaammmmm" i yell jumping in his arms

"Hey sweetie" he replies with a kiss on the forehead

"Did you just return i wasn't expecting you until the ball started. I thought you'd return with the others"

"I was but dad called me back saying he had something to discuss so i left adonis to oversee everything in the pack"

"Oh ok. Speaking of dad i was just about to go see him is he in his office?"

"Yeah but you can't go in right now he's having a very important meeting"

"Oh, i wanted to see him before the ball" i say disappointed

"Hey cheer up why don't we go for a fly before the ceremony starts"

"Yeah lets go" i say pulling him in the opposite direction

We went to the back yard where i shifted while sam only did a partial shift. I jumped slightly in shock as i had no idea he could do that i didn't even know someone could shift partially.

"What the-"

"Don't finish that sentence young lady" he says cutting me off

With an embarrassed blush i cleared my throat and reconstructed my sentence "how are you able to do that?"

"Lots of practice and meditation" he replies

"Meditation? Really" i say skeptically

"Yes meditation. And what's with that look don't you believe me?"

"Its not that, you just don't look like the meditative kinda guy" i shrug

“Oh really and what ‘kind guy’ do i look like” he says giving my words quotations

Deciding to mess with him i shake out my wings a bit, when they feel free enough i say “oh you know, the all brawn and no brains type” and took off immediately

“HEY!” Sam yelled as he took flight chasing after me

Laughing, i tried my best to evade him but he’s one fast bugger. I managed to escape his grasp a few times but he eventually caught me. Afterwards we just flew around in the evening sky admiring the beautiful hues of the setting sun. However our sky gazing was cut short when we heard rather than saw alana flying towards us and she looked pissed.

“Uhh hey lana” i say when she got closer to us

“Don’t you hey lana me young lady. You told us you were going to see your dad next thing he shows up looking for you leaving us all worried that something happened to you. If one of the maids hadn’t seen you and Sam take off we wouldn’t know where you were!” She scolded

“Why didn’t you guys just mind link me or sam?” I ask

“It was the first thing we did but you both turned off your links” she says with a hard glare

“Oh right” sam and i say at the same time with a small chuckle

“Come on we need to go or we’ll all be late for the Coronation, Aquarius is waiting to do your make up cat and she’s not happy”

At that i immediately took off, it’s never a good thing to make Aquarius wait on you. We all flew back to the castle and head inside, on our way back we ran into Lilith who was searching for Sam, leaving them lana and i ran to my room.

“Where the hell have you been?” Aquarius yells the moment i step into the room

“Sorry Aqua sam and i went for a fly and we lost track of time”

“Ok fine just hurry and get into the bathroom we can’t have you showing up late at your own Coronation” she says pushing me into the en suite bathroom.

One hour later we were all dressed and ready to head down, the ball began five minutes ago. One of the servants had stopped by to tell us where to stand so they could announce our arrival. After one last check we head downstairs to the hall, the sound of chatter and soft music echoed throughout the castle it was clear everyone was enjoying themselves. Reaching the doors leading to the banquet hall two soldiers stood guard,

they opened the doors for us and we came upon a short passage that lead to another door however along with the soldiers at that door stood a lady dressed in a elegant pink gown

“Hi you must be our honoured guests” she greets as we came closer

“Yeah, I’m Catalaya and these are my friends Dominic Alana Aquarius Harlequin freya and Merlin” i say introducing us

“Wonderful! Please make a line, princess you’ll be the last one to be called in. You may enter as soon as your name is called” she instructs

We all lined up as she went through the doors and soon the announcement began

“Ladies and gentle men it is time to announce our guests” we heard a man’s voice say

Sir Merlin Mathers

Lady Alana Lockwood

Lady Harlequin Mathews

Lady Freya Jamieson

Lady Aquarius Waters

Sir Dominic Morningstar

The announcer as I’ve chosen to name him called out all my friends and now it was my turn. I was so nervous to be in front of so many people who i didn’t know.

“Her highness Princess Catalaya Morningstar”

When my name was called the door opened and i walked into the huge hall to see most likely all of hell staring at me. There was a huge red carpet leading up to a small stage where all my friends stood along with Dad, Adonis, and Sam stood with smiles on their faces. I walked towards them keeping my eyes on where i was headed and not the room full of people looking at me and whispering. When i reached the stage dad held his hand out and helped me climb up the steps.

“Hi” dad says with a smile

“Hey” i say with a small laugh

“How are you feeling” he asks

“Completely nervous” i say honestly

“I can tell, but there’s no need to worry everything will be fine” he reassures

“Promise?”

“Promise” he replies kissing me on the forehead

He then turned to the crowd who had all of his attention. In a loud clear voice he began

“Good evening hellions, on this faithful day we are here to celebrate the coming home as well as the Coronation of my daughter Catalaya your long lost princess. She was taken from us at birth but now seventeenth long years later she has finally returned to us”

There were cheers of joy and excitement when dad spoke of my return everyone clapped and shouted

Raising his hand to silence the room dad continued “Now that she has returned she will be taking her rightful place as the crowned princess of the underworld”

He turned to me as a man standing by the side handed him a crown, we stood facing each other as he says

“Do you Catalaya Reagan Morningstar accept the role of hellion princess daughter of lucifer sister to Samael and commander of the seven deadly sins” dad asks

Wait commander of the sins? When did that happen

“Just accept it and stop questioning everything our dad knows what he’s doing” legacy says with an eye roll

“I do” i say accepting my role as legacy tell me to

“Then with this i proclaim you crowned princess of Hell” dad announces putting a crown on my head. Its made of black iron wrapped around itself to form the base with multicolored jewels adorning it.

I stand up straight and turn to face the masses of demons succubi and other hellions present as they clapped hooted and hollered welcoming their princess. A smile graces my face as i looked out at all my subjects. Who would have thought I’d become a princess especially the way i grew up, guess life is one big mystery.