## Hell's Princess Chapter 42

UNEXPECTED SAVIOR

THIRD PERSON POV

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As the swamp swallowed up the last of catalaya, in the distance a powerful being with large majestic wings flew towards her as fast as they could.

The individual mentally berated themself for being late hence causing Cat to be in danger.

The person flew down to the spot where she sunk and dove headfirst into the dark murky waters of the swamp clutching on to the body in which Catalaya's soul currently resides, and pulls her up to the surface.

On the banks of the muddy swamp the person gently laid Catalaya down to observe her, checking the vitals of catalaya's host body to find it had already died.

This body had lived on way past its expiration date and with no more magic to supply it and the swamp draining the little it had, the body had shut down only a few minutes of being in the swamp.

"No!" The person cried out trying to resuscitate the body

They had been too late, All that planning and hard work and their most important task ended in failure. The witch's body had died before they could reach the swamp and now Catalaya's soul is trapped inside.

Taking a deep breath the person began chanting spells from memory, trying to either revive the body or release the soul inside, but to no avail.

Frustrated and angry the person screamed, after all they had been through but still could not save her. The person cried out their frustration holding on to the body trapping their friend.

Some moments later this person felt the most sinister aura they had ever had the displeasure of feeling in their entire life.

This person was not one you could scare easily but the aura heading in their direction brought an intense fear to their heart crippling them to the place they knelt.

As the aura and the individual it is attached to, came closer, the fear residing in the person holding onto Catalaya's host grew exponentially.

The individual arrived with a murderous expression and a long sharp scythe with blood dripping from it. As this threatening figure got closer it spoke maliciously

"Get away from her"

There was no room for argument the tone of this person's voice exhumed the murderous glare their eyes held.

However, it was only when the frightening individual got a little closer did they both recognize each other

"Alana??.... Mr morningstar??" they both said at the same time

Shock displayed across both their faces as Lucifer had definitely not expected to see Alana of all persons there and she had not expected a man who had such a kind demeanor held such an oppressing power, he really is the great deceiver.

"Alana what are you doing here? I hadn't even sensed you" lucifer says putting away his scythe, his eyes already confirming it was indeed Alana.

"I.... I came here to help Cat but I was too late" Alana replied dejectedly

"What happened to her? and what's with the swamp?

"Wait, you don't know what this is?" Alana asks suprisedly

"Cant say that I do, no." lucifer replies

"Its called the swamp of sadness" Alana tells him

"It was once a beautiful lake but a long time ago an innocent witch girl was killed here and as she took her last breath she cursed this lake, the land and the people who caused her untimely demise turning the once beautiful lake into an enchanted swamp. it is said that if a person enters the lake whatever negative emotion that dwells within their mind will be multiplied tenfold and the more they succumb to those emotions the swamp will slowly and painfully swallow them up. The swamp is said to portray how the young girl felt after being betrayed and murdered by her own people"

"If there is anything we know about cat its that she's brimming with negative emotions, I cant even begin to think of what she must have went through going under, not to mention the fact that this body is unrevivable. That combined with the side effects of the swamp, I'm sorry to say Cat's soul is trapped inside this body and no spell that you nor I know will be able to free her."

"I'm sorry Mr. Morningstar I couldn't save her I was too late" Alana cried as she spoke.

"Its okay kiddo its not your job to protect her its mine and I failed. I allowed her to be taken from the one place she's supposed to be safe"

"No you don't understand I should have been here, I should have saved her. if Cat doesn't wake up we're all going to die" Alana says fear in her every word

sensing the fear in Alana's words lucifer asks

"What do you mean by we're all gonna die?"

"Is it ok if we go back to your realm first this is something everyone needs to hear" Alana says

lucifer immediately opens a portal to hell, he hands Alana Catalaya's body then picks up Meredith's and instructed Alana to follow him. They enter the portal which immediately transports them to the door of Catalaya's bedroom in hell. As lucifer opened the door the anxiously waiting occupants whom had felt his return stood on their feet fully alert.

When the now opened door revealed lucifer they all rushed to him seeing he had something or rather someone in his arms. They were all met with shock as they removed the covering from the persons face to reveal someone other than Catalaya.

stepping back Dominic was the first to ask

" Dad, where's cat?"

before lucifer could answer Dominic a shell shocked Lucy uttered with trembling hands and lips

"A-Alana???"

This brought everyone's attention from the body in lucifer's arms to Alana who for the first time in her life hid with a timid expression.

"Why is she here?" Merlin asks

"Why do you have Cat in your arms and why's she unconscious?" harlequin adds

"Alana what did you do?" Aquarius asked suspiciously

Seeing them all looking at Alana with suspicious eyes lucifer stamps his foot loudly and shouts

"Time out!" Snapping them back to reality

"If off, Alana did nothing to Catalaya. Secondly we will explain everything in a minute"

Then he walks past them motioning Alana to follow him as they place both bodies on the bed. He then turns towards them as Samael is the first to break the silence

"Dad what is going on?"

Sighing lucifer begins telling them how Meredith had taken over Cat's body to trick him and used a golem with Olivia's soul inside to try and make him give up hell and also about the lake and the warning Alana gave him

"Guys listen I know you're all confused but the most important thing right now is to release Catalaya's soul from this body and only Alana and I are able to do that so we're gonna need you to give us some space" lucifer tells them

"And how do you plan on doing that luci she's trapped in a hist way past its expiration date and is no longer sustainable by magic" leviathan says

"I am aware of that levi but the spell to revive her cannot be done by one person just trust me" lucifer says

He could tell how angry and worried leviathan was, about Cat. Levi often comes off as irresponsible but he is anything but and lucifer more than anyone else knows how much levi cares about his daughter. When they had just learned if Cat's disappearance after Olivia gave birth to her, levi searched tirelessly refusing to give up even when they had no clue where to look.

He had gone with lucifer every time to search for her and had helped him wage war on earth to punish them for what had happened. If not for Lucifer he would have already destroyed Gabriel's pack and killed everyone in it for what they did to Catalaya.

Sighing leviathan led everyone out of the room so lucifer and Alana could have some space.

Lucy who had been silent this entire time was the last to leave as she took one last look at her mate who stood with her head held down not daring to meet her eyes. Lucy held back the tears that threatened to spill, closing the door behind her as she left the room.

"It's okay lana she'll understand once you give her an explanation" lucifer says seeing what was happening between the two girls.

After a long sigh Alana shook off the cloud of sadness hovering over her as she prepared to assist lucifer.

"What are you planning to do Mr Morningstar, I tried all the revival spells I knew, I even tried reanimation spells but nothing worked" Alana says to lucifer

"That's because you were trying to revive the body and not the soul. This body is beyond saving not even I can bring it back, however Catalaya's soul is still intact and can be retrieved but I need someone who can reach her in order to bring her back"

"What do you mean?" Alana questions

"Your her father you're more than qualified to bring her back"

"Yes I am her father and we do share a deep bond. However, I was not there when her suffering had taken place she needs something familiar a common denominator in all of the different scenarios and that common denominator is you" he tells her

"Me? But doesn't she think I betrayed her how can I save her"

"The same way you always have Alana by giving her hope. Right now Catalaya's soul is in a sea of despair the waves are rough and she's slowly drowning however you are like a light house in the distance giving her hope that there's still a chance for her to be save. It may seem hard for you to believe but Alana has always considered you as her guardian angel"

Alana's eyes widened when she heard what lucifer said it was the same thing that person had told her.

With a new found strength Alana stood straight with determination shining in her eyes.

"Just tell me what to do and I'll do it, I promise I'm going to save her even if it costs me my life" Alana vows

Smiling at her luicfer nods his approval then begins to seal off the room with a magic circle. He then places the two bodies in the center of the circle then instructed Alana to stand on a specific part of the circle.

"I should warn you Alana this is going to hurt and it might possibly kill you. You'll be sent into the cosmos of the lifeforce of both Meredith and Catalaya. I cannot guarantee where you'll end up but since both are now intertwined and the dark forces surrounding them will do everything to stop you"

"What is it that I need to do to save Cat?" Alana asks

"Consider two balls of yarn tangled together, you'll be at the end with two threads, your job is to work your way up to the main part to release both threads. You'll know that point when you've reached it.

Afterwards you have to try your best to reach out to Catalaya and pull her back from where she is. However, other than maintaining the spell to keep you in that space I will not be able to offer any assistance all of this is riding on your strength" he tells her

"I understand" Alana nods

"Okay here we go" lucifer says then slowly begins chanting

As lucifer chants his striking blue eyes change to blood red as he taps into his demonic powers to strengthen the spell gradually. Both he and Alana's bodies begins to glow, it increases until suddenly Alana's body collapses, however lucifer still sat upright chanting his eyes completely red as if the were bleeding.

Alana felt her soul slowly drifting in an endless see of memories, some she recognized others were completely foreign to her.

She then felt herself being pulled in a certain direction then she stops suddenly. Before her are two paths, she knows she has to choose on but there was no difference that she could distinguish in order to decipher which would lead her to Catalaya. Confused, she could only stare ahead at the two paths that seemed to go on forever.

Suddenly she remembers lucifer's words telling her to trust herself and follow her instincts. Taking a calming breath she closed her eyes and allowed to bond of sisterhood she shared with Cat to lead her in the right direction.

Drifting along once again she could see memories or atleast that's what she assumed them to be. Some were familiar she could point them out as Cat's but others she did not recognize. After going along for sometime she finds herself in trouble. She was suddenly stuck at one memory.

This memory had been fused with another which did not belong to Cat it was as of she was experiencing two versions of life at the same time. Alana watched as she tried to figure out what had gone wrong.

The memory showed a child that had been whipped laying on the ground almost bleeding to death. Immediately Alana rushed to her but as soon as she tried to touch the child she was thrown back with a force. The child looked at her with curious eyes, the colors in them shifting from blue to brown simultaneously.

That's when it struck alana that Meredith and Cat had gone through similar experiences in life resulting in both memories morphing into

one. Pushing herself up Alana slowly approached the child it seemed as if there was something around her like a protective shield. Alana slowly pushed against it making her way to the child when she finally pushed through the barrier she had no idea what to do.

This child was both Meredith and Catalaya they both hosted the same body.

Since she had not known Meredith Alana decided to focus on the person she did know, Catalaya.

"Cat?" She called out cautiously to the child

The child raises her head with blue eyes staring at Alana. Then as if speaking to her own daughter Alana coaxed the weeping child to tell her what was wrong. After patiently coaxing her the child told Alana she had been whipped by her parents and suddenly Alana remembered the first time she saw Cat. She had been crying and she had whip marks all over her. With that recollection in mind Alana proceeded to do exactly as she had done back then.

She cast a healing spell on the child as she had did for Cat at that age then made a replica of a regenerative crystal necklace she had given to her back then and placed it around the child's neck telling her that whenever she was in trouble she should break the crystal and she would be there to help.

The child's eyes lit up the way Cat's had back then and suddenly she began to glow. As the glow dissipated only Meredith remained but before Alana could react Meredith had also disappeared.

It took sometime for Alana to shake off the shock of what had taken place but then she soon had a better understanding of what she was supposed to do as she began driving one again. Alana continued to float along the sea of memories redoing all she had done in the past for catalaya building up hope slowly in her heart giving her the protection she desperately needed and building back the bind between them that had been clouded by fear and hurt.

It felt like forever when Alana finally reached the main point lucifer spoke about. There she could see a demon walking towards a crystal clear lake with a flailing woman on its shoulders at first Alana couldn't recognize the memory but when the woman was thrown into the lake and it changed into a swamp realization hit Alana like a ton of bricks.

This was it this was what she had been searching for the point in which Catalaya needed her most. With that in mind Alana subconsciously spread her wings a flew towards her friend.

As the swamp swallowed up the last of catalaya Alana dove in head first gripping unto her shoulders and pulled her out of the water, holding unto her as if Cat was her last hope of staying alive. She then laid her on the bank and immediately begins to resuscitate her, pouring magic into the host body to keep it alive.

After sometime the coughed up the fluid in her lungs and her eyelids opened to reveal striking blue eyes.

Alana could not believe it, it had taken her experiencing every painful memory her friend held to bring her to this point but she was finally able to save her.

She wanted to say something to Cat but as she opened her mouth to talk she immediately coughed up blood. The spell had begun to take its toll on her and she could hold out against it no longer.

As soon as lucifer saw the blood draining from Alana's mouth he became worried he knew he had to bring her soul back but he wasn't sure if she had succeeded as he was mulling over what to do he heard a gasp. Looking over her saw Meredith's body moved and he could feel his connection to his daughter snap back into place.

Immediately a chanted the spell to bring Alana's should back to her body and in no time she too let out a loud gasp signaling her return.

Lucifer immediately got up to check on Alana casting a healing spell to remove any remnants of the effects the spell might have had on her.

After making sure she was okay lucifer went over to Meredith's body and with a white glow over his hand he stuck his hand into her chest to retrieve something. As if finding what he was looking for he removed his hand and then placed it over Catalaya's chest while chanting.

After a few minutes Catalaya began coughing violently as if water had gathered in her lungs. When the coughing fit was over she fell back unto the bed her body feeling weak as if the life had been drained out of it.

Seeing this Alana rushed up to her calling out her name asking if she was alright. Catalaya turned to her friend with a smile though she hadn't know when Alana had arrived she knew it was her who had saved her from that swamp.