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51. The change

Dominic was looking at Athena's sleeping face with a blank look on his face. His eyes weren't blinking even for a second as he drank in her beauty and got lost in her flawless face.

She looked like a baby as she slept. She was tired and getting exhausted pretty easily because of the loss of connection with her wolf. Also the thing that happened with Stacey and all exhausted her a lot. She dozed off out of nowhere in the garden as they sat there in silence without talking and enjoying the moment.

After she fell asleep, her head fell on his shoulder. That made him feel like the most right thing in the world. He sat there for a long time in that position until he realised that it might be uncomfortable for her. Then he picked her up bridal style and walked back to their...his bedroom and placed her back on the bed.

But he still couldn't leave the room or her. More like he didn't want to leave, hence he didn't leave. Because just when he was going to leave, he felt someone pulling him from behind. And when he looked back, he found her holding his hand in sleep, not letting him leave. The mate bond erupted an unexplainable feeling all over his body, striking the possessive corner of his heart. How could he leave after that?!

He sat there for hours while holding her hand and looking at her face. It seemed like the best thing to do to him. He has never looked at her carefully until today. But he remembered that she looked as beautiful and innocent as today when they first met.

Like today, she was sleeping peacefully and innocently like a child, that day as well. That day he snatched her sleep for years and became the reason for her restless sleep. And today he was admiring her sleeping while making sure no one disturbs her.

He couldn't imagine how and when things changed to this from that. And he couldn't even decide how he felt about this. It was messed up.

He didn't know what he felt for her. He knew the mate bond got stronger between them a lot but was it strong enough to make him accept her as his mate considering his past? But at the same time, could he let her go after all these? But there was a question hanging in the air and between them still.

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Fuck! So many questions were there and he didn't have any answers to them! When did his life got so fucked up once again?

He let out a sigh before looking back to her face.

"Can you stop acting like this? It's so embarrassing."

Dominic turned around to look at the door as he frowned deeply.

"What are you both doing here? And what's so embarrassing?" Dominic scoffed at his second and third in commands who were standing by the door while leaning on the door frames.

They both walked inside with smirks on their faces as Dominic looked back at Athena to

make sure she was still sleeping.

"This! You being like this is embarrassing. Oh goddess, Nathan. I can't see this anymore." Justin acted to puke before turning to look away from Dominic, earning a low growl.

"How am I being?" Dominic asked through gritted teeth, ignoring the obviousness.

"Like a love sick puppy. You are acting like a complete wimp. Sorry but not sorry, alpha." Nathan teased and as expected, he earned a murderous glare as well. But they both didn't mind that at all as they laughed out loud hearing that.

"Fuck off you both if you don't have any work to do!" Dominic snapped in a low tone, not wanting to disturb her sleep at all.

"Well, actually we do have work and that's why, we are here." Nathan said as he let out a sigh.

"What is it?" Dominic asked with a frown.

"Well, I know how it gets when you find your mate and all but you also got a pack to run, Dominic. You can't forget us." Nathan teased, irritating Dominic instantly.

"I don't need to learn that from you." He snapped.

"Undoubtedly. But now you need to let her sleep alone and come with us. We got things to discuss." Nathan spoke up, getting serious suddenly.

Dominic closed his eyes in frustration because Nathan was right. They have things to do and those things need to be taken care of immediately.

"Go wait for me in the office. I am coming in a moment." He ordered and they both nodded at him.

They didn't say anything to him anymore and turned around to leave. But they didn't leave the chance to tease him some more as they talked between themselves but loudly.

"I never thought he would become like this after getting his mate. So embarrassing! Do I look this cringe as well when I get clingy with Patricia?" Justin asked with a distasteful look on his face.

"Oh trust me! You look worse!" Nathan scoffed as his expression matched Justin's.

"Will you both leave or want me to kick your sorry ass?!" Dominic growled out loudly and they both immediately ran away from there.*

Dominic let out a sigh as soon as they left and turned around to look at Athena once again. Another sigh left his mouth as he slowly pulled his hand out of her hold. He looked at her with a deep frown.

"Moon goddess seriously likes to play games sometimes, doesn't she?" He asked himself as he got up and turned around to leave, without turning back for a second look. Because considering how clingy and desperate his wolf was getting to her, he wouldn't be able to leave for another hour if he looked at her again. He closed the door behind him as he left.

Athena opened her eyes as soon as she heard the door closing. She sat up on the bed with a blank look on her face. She got down from the bed and walked to a corner of the room where there was a small cupboard and brought a box from under it.

It was the same box Robert gave her. She hid it in the most unexpected place where no one would even think of looking. Because she knew how dangerous it is to hide things where she usually stays. Stacey can't be trusted. She looked at the box with a blank yet

mysterious look on her face.

“You are right, Dominic. And let’s see what game the moon goddess has stored inside this box.”

(Today, I would like to say a few things about my writing. Not about the book but my writing. I know I have a lot of grammatical errors and I sometimes confuse her/him. I would like to apologise wholeheartedly for that. I am really sorry. I know how annoying that can get. English isn’t my first language and as I am a student with a graduation exam hanging above my throat, I really don’t have time to edit it. I am really sorry but I promise to edit the book after it finishes. Then maybe if you like the book, you can reread it, right? So, tell me, how many of you would like to reread it? And once again, did you like the chapter? Please leave me a review, that isn’t hard. Please, please, please! Love you all!)

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52. Plans

A boy around the age of eight was running as fast as his small legs could. He wasn’t even looking back and was running with all the dedication and passion in the world while chanting only one thing in his mind. But he could still hear the sound of those beasts running behind him howling scarily.

‘I have to survive. I will not let them destroy me. I have to survive to take revenge. I will take revenge for everything that is taken away from me. I will return and take my revenge.’

The more he reminds himself of those words, the faster his legs work in the dark night through the dangerous forest. He was running through the forest, cutting himself with the fallen branches here and there but he didn’t care. He soon noticed the road and a smile came up on his face. He was now at the other side of the city, far enough from that burning fire. Now he is safe or he thought so.

Soon a blaring sound came from his left and a blinding light came from the car which was approaching him at full speed. And within a few seconds....

“ALPHA!” Nathan raised his voice at last after trying to get his attention for the past two minutes and this worked as Dominic seemed to be out of the zone he was in.

Dominic looked at Nathan and Justin with a blank face with some past scars clearly expressed through that look and Nathan instantly knew what he was thinking. At that moment he regretted calling for his attention because it never brings anything good whenever he is back from the thoughts of the past.

They were discussing what to do with the recent rogue attacks around their area when he suddenly went silent. He got lost in the thoughts of the past.

“What?” Dominic asked in a dark tone which made a shiver pass through their spines. His mood was already down as they forced him away from Athena and the memories of the past worsened it to some other level.

“Uhh, it’s okay. We will be back later when you are in a better mood.” Justin said and was going to excuse themselves from there but Dominic stopped him.

“You guys should be used to this mood by now.” Dominic stated in a blank which made the two men sigh. He was right. They should be used to it by now. But everytime they see that expression on his face, the pressure of that expression makes them cower away

“We can’t get used to it, King. It’s too difficult for us and it’s not only us, it’s hard for our pack members. And it’s going to be the same for Athena as well.” Nathan said, trying to hint to the fact that even though Athena was a rogue, she was not at fault in any of that. He knows how Dominic can get whenever he remembers about his past. He doesn’t want things to get ruined again.

“Why are you guys here? Just about the rogue attacks?” He asked blankly, swiftly changing conversation. They didn’t drag it anymore after seeing the look on his face.

“What to do with the rogue that we caught on the party day? It’s been three days since he has been locked up there, in a miserable state after we threatened him.” Justin informed him. He was talking about Robert who was stuck because of Athena.

“Bring him here and have a talk with him if he is willing to work under me and get me the things I want. Because he seems like an exceptionally sneaky rogue. If he agrees, assure him the safety from other rogues and even if he doesn’t agree, make sure to keep an eye on him after letting him go.” Dominic ordered, confusing Nathan and Justin. They both frowned at him.

“But alpha, How can he work under you? We don’t know if he used to work for our enemy or not. What if h e was sent by Derrick only that day?!” Justin exclaimed in utter confusion.

“Just as I said, he is sneaky and selfish. He will work for me.” Dominic stated that like a fact and they both easily understood what that meant.

“Okay, I will talk to him and let you know.” Nathan said with a nod. “But what to do with Derrick and his sneaky plans? He used a witch which is forbidden in our community. The water is going out of hands now. We should do something before it starts to drown us.” He said with a deep frown.

“Don’t worry, Nathan. He has tried to drown us enough. Now it’s time for them to get drowned in the pitch they are digging.” Dominic said with a dark look on his face.

“And the witch, try to find her. Even though she won’t dare to do anything more than what she did because she very well knows what it means to mess with me. Her whole community will suffer because o f her. She won’t want that.” He said and Nathan nodded at him, agreeing with him.

“And as long as it’s about Derrick, don’t worry, I have already laid my traps for him and he is getting tangled into it everyday, step by step. I will play him some more by using his sneaky plans before giving him the taste of checkmate.” He said with a smirk.

“Can’t wait for that day, alpha. Just need to find the rogue king. Things will settle back to normal in our lives again.” Justin added. “Now anything else you want us to do?” He asked after a few seconds of silence.

“Yes, does Stacey’s father know about the change of events?” He asked with a wicked smile.

“No, Alpha. Not yet.” Justin answered.

“How about we let him know? After all, he worked so hard for this which got ruined.”

Dominic said, mentioning about not making Stacey the Luna anymore. "That will be a pleasure alpha. I will make the arrangements right away." Justin said with a smile. "You can leave now." He ordered in a blank tone while leaning back on the chair and closing his eyes. They looked at his expressionless face. He understood that his mood was still dampened from the previous thoughts of the past. He wondered if there will be a time when those thoughts won't bother him more and he will always be happy, always smiling.

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53. In the pack house

"Hey, Athena! I am surprised to find you here!" Patricia exclaimed as soon as she saw Athena walking inside the pack house awkwardly while looking around subconsciously.

"H...hey, Patricia..." Athena greeted her softly, trying not to gain as much attention. But her plan ruined as soon as Patricia called her loudly from the big group she was sitting with.

Patricia was sitting with a group of female pack members. They were generally chatting while playing cards. They were in a good mood as they all laughed around to something someone said when Athena came inside. There were six women in total, including Patricia and it seems like Patricia being the third in command, arranged a refreshing free time for those pack members.

"Athena? Why are you standing there? Come here! Join us. Come!" Patricia exclaimed while urging her to come and join them.

The table went silent as soon as everyone noticed her and she felt more uncomfortable because of that. Everyone in that area was looking at her with a blank expression on their faces. Athena recognised them all. They were present at that party. So, they recognised her as well.

If only she could know what they were thinking!

She looked around to look for other known faces like Suzanne or Nathan, Justin, Dominic. Even Stacey would work at that moment. Because as soon as she sees her

face, her tempers go up and she immediately becomes someone else who is ready to not let anyone step over her!

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She let out a small sigh as she stood beside the chair Patricia was sitting on. Patricia looked up at her with a smile, not caring about anyone else at that moment.

“I am sorry, I don’t want to disturb you. I will leave now.” Athena quickly said and was going to turn around to leave but Patricia held her hand and stopped her at the right time. She stood up from the sofa and looked at her with an assuring smile.

“It’s okay. You are not disturbing anyone. I am very happy that you came here. Otherwise you are always stuck in that mansion.” Patricia complained with a pout.

“Well, I wasn’t feeling very good there as well. Also, I completed all the chores. So I thought about walking around a little. But then I thought to make some cookies with Ace as he absolutely loved them. And it’s been so long since I made them last for him.” She said with a small smile and Patricia’s eyes twinkled in happiness as soon as she heard about cookies.

“Not only him, I love your cookies as well! Ace shared with me and Justin and we became fans immediately.” Patricia exclaimed as everyone stayed silent and didn’t say anything.

“Thank you, Patricia. I will give some to you again. I just came here to look for Ace. I will leave after taking him.” She quickly explained herself while trying her best to not look around.

“Oh, he must be playing in the garden with other kids. It will be the kids’ snack time soon. They will be here any time. Why don’t you sit with us till then?” She asked and Athena’s eyes widened in shock. But before she could say something, Patricia looked at the women who were sitting silently till then. “What do you say, ladies?” She asked with a smile.

They all looked at each other and they seemed to mind linking each other. Athena looked at them with a small frown, ready to leave as soon as they showed disagreement with Patricia’s words.

The women discussed something among them before looking at them as they waited for their responses,

“Well, what about Stacey? Won’t she be angry?” One of them asked in a little bit worried tone. Patricia

rolled her eyes as soon as she heard them.

*Seriously? That's what you are worried about? Didn't you hear Alpha' that night? He refuses to accept her as his mate and Luna." Patricia said with a frown, yet she felt another level of satisfaction when she said that.

*Refuse? Does that mean he rejected her?" Another one asked with a frown.

"No, he didn't reject her because she wasn't his mate in the first place." Patricia said with a smirk.

They all looked at her with a deep frown while Athena looked at her in shock. She didn't want her to let them know about her and Dominic. That might create more problems.

"What do you mean by that, Patricia?"

"Then why was he going to make her our Luna?"

"And why did he back out at the end moment?"

The other three asked those questions one after another as they all patiently waited for their answers. Patricia gave a small look at Athena and immediately found her pleading through her eyes.

"Well, I can't answer all your questions because it's not my job or right in the first place. But I can answer one of your questions right now. You asked, why did he back out at the end moment. That's because..." Patricia stopped and looked at Athena one last time and she was literally begging her through eyes at that moment. "That's because he found his mate! His real mate, who is blessed upon him by the moon goddess! His soul mate." She at last settled with that which was better than anything else which Athena imagined. She let out a sigh of relief before they started throwing their questions again.

"What?!"

"Who is she?"

"When did he find out?"

"Do we know her?"

"When is he going to introduce her to us?"

They all shoot questions one after another, increasing the heartbeat of Athena. She prayed they don't hear her heartbeat or else it will surely raise some questions for which she wasn't prepared for.

“Well well well, calm down, girls! I can’t answer your questions as I already said, it’s not my place to tell you guys all these. I want to stay within my limit but now you answer my question. What do you say about Athena joining us?” Patricia asked again as she looked at them with a raised eyebrow, clearly hinting that she wanted positive answers.

“Well, we don’t have any problems if Stacey isn’t becoming the Luna. Because we noticed that she and Stacey don’t share a good feet. So, we don’t want to be on the bad side of Stacey by talking with her,” One of them said and Patricia let out a scoff which was directed toward Stacey.

“Don’t worry, ladies, I assure you that witch isn’t being our Luna.” Patricia said before taking Athena’s hand and pulling her down with her on the sofa she was sitting beside her. Athena looked at her in shock but didn’t say anything,

“Cool! Hello, Athena! Nice meeting you!”

“Nice meeting you!”

“Hello!”

“Good to see you!”

“Hi, there!”

They all greeted her differently one after another with big welcoming smiles. She looked at them with surprise as they welcomed her so warmly but she got out of it immediately and smiled at them as she nodded at them.

*Thank you so much for welcoming me, everyone. It is really nice to meet you!” She said with a smile.

“Oh, don’t mention it! You are really beautiful. And you looked really beautiful at the party that day, like a queen. So beautiful!” One of them gushed at her, making her blush. Everyone nodded in agreement.

“Thank you.” She smiled. It’s going to take her some time to break the awkwardness and be completely free with them.

“Also, your dress was so beautiful. I have never seen it before anywhere. Where did you buy it from?!” want to buy one as well.” Someone else asked in excitement. Athena let out a small chuckle hearing them.

“You are going to be really surprised, almost close to being shocked if you hear where I bought it from.” She said with a smile as everyone looked at her in confusion, waiting to know what she meant. “I bought it at a really cheap price from a thrift store and then

customised it later. That's how it used to look before." She said as she brought out her phone and showed them the picture of how it used to look before. 1

One of them took the phone as everyone looked at it and they all immediately let out a loud gasp as soon as they saw how the dress used to look before. They couldn't believe it.

"Oh my! You are not only beautiful but talented and a genius as well! Beauty with brains!" One of them praised and everyone nodded again as they passed the phone back to her.

"Thank you. If you guys want, I can customise one for you each in some free time as well." She offered with a happy smile.

She didn't know why but she felt happy seeing them pleased and wanted to do something to make them really happy. Their eyes widened in happiness as soon as they heard her. They let out a shriek of happiness.

"Thank you so much! We would love that!" They all exclaimed at the same time, making her feel happy.

"Okay, okay girls! But she is going to make mine first! So, wait in the line." Patricia exclaimed with a grin, making them all chuckle but nevertheless they agreed.

"You are a really cool person, Athena. We really like you. Why didn't you join us before?" One of them asked with a smile.

Athena looked at Patricia as soon as she heard that question. What was she going to answer? She couldn't tell them that their alpha kept her as a slave of his mansion, forbidding her from going anywhere. As well as Stacey, she was a pain in the ass as well! Also, she was sick most of the time she was here. She can't say that as well.

"Well, as you guys might already know that I have a baby. I am most of the time busy with him and don't realise when the time passes away." She answered smartly and everyone nodded at her in understanding.

"Yes, handling kids can be tiring and time-consuming We have kids as well."

"Well, where are the kids? They should be here by now..." Patricia couldn't complete her sentence as they immediately heard loud voices and noises coming from somewhere.

Loud stomps and ear bleeding worthy loud screams!

The little demons just arrived!

“Mommy! You are here!” Ace exclaimed in pure happiness as soon as he saw her before running toward

her. She quickly got up and picked him in her arms before kissing him all over that face, making him giggle.

“Hey, baby! Did you play well?” She asked in a baby voice and he nodded energetically.

“Yes! And I did something!” Ace exclaimed with a toothy grin, making her look at him with a raised eyebrow. Because whenever he says that he did something, it’s always something troublesome.

“What did you do this time, baby?” She asked with a sigh, making other giggles as the other kids stood around her, making a circle around her.

“I invited my friends to have cookies with me!” He exclaimed loudly in excitement as if he just did a great job.

“COOKIES! WE WANT COOKIES!”

All the other kids chanted immediately after he told her that and she looked at them in shock. They were almost twenty kids and they were all giving her hope filled puppy dog eyes, making her heart flutter.

How could she say no to them?!

“Okay, fine but in one condition!” She said with a smile as she looked at them.

“WHAT IS IT?” They all shouted again, making her close her eyes with a chuckle.

“You guys have to help me and do everything I say!” She said and they all let out happy shrieks again, making her laugh.

“We want to help as well!” Patricia spoke up with a grin as all the other women nodded at her too. She smiled at them.

“Let’s go then!”

(Hello, dear readers! Hope you are doing well! What do you think of this chapter? A lot of you might think chapters like these are unnecessary and a waste of time but to me they are important for a book as well. So, how many of you think from the first perspective and how many of you think like me? Comment down! Also, I want five new review ratings if you want a double update tomorrow! So fast, fast! Write nice things about the book and give me a five star rating! Love you all!)

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Chapter 54

54. The perfect beta

The pack house was like a house of some festival. It was so loud at that moment, filled with loud laughter, happy cheers, bright smiles. Everyone present in the room had the feeling of happiness and contentment

Kids are patiently waiting for their cookies while doing the little tasks Athena assigned them with. The tasks were like designing the cookies as they pleased or maybe choosing flavours or colours. They were really happy to be engaged in this activity. Everyone was happy seeing the kids so happy and obedient for the first time. Because on some regular day, they are the real definition of little devils. The nannies and their parents have some real hard time controlling them at once. They always create havoc whenever they are together. They stay put only in front of their alpha. So, they must really like Athena to hear her words like pretty little angels!

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On the other hand, the women of the packs were having some nice time as well in helping Athena make the cookie. Other women joined them too. They have never participated in activities like this before. Most of the time they pass time chatting around and doing training. They hardly cook even for their families and leave jobs like these on omegas. They never thought it was this fun until then.

Actually it's the unity because of why they were enjoying it so much. Also, there was a smell of happiness in the air as well which was another reason.

While almost every man in the pack was waiting outside, in the living room, to taste the cookies. They were spending nice time as well while chatting with fellow pack mates and sniffing the air every now and then.

"Such a great scene it is, isn't it?" Nathan asked Dominic with a smile as he looked downstairs with a smile. They were on the third floor from where the open space of the downstairs including the dining area, living room and the kitchen were visible completely.

They were looking at the scene downstairs in astonishment as they have never seen their pack members this happy and satisfied ever before. All the time they were either in a serious mood or busy with themselves, waiting for their alpha's next command. This is the first time they are engaging with each other in a healthy way with no actual reason. But still that felt really right.

"When was the last time you saw them like this?" Nathan asked again after not receiving any response to his first statement. He looked at his right, to his alpha and found him looking at one particular woman with great intensity in his eyes.

It was Athena who was laughing with Patricia and some other women at that moment while mixing the cookie doughs. She was the actual reason for the current state in the pack.

"Never I have never seen them like this before." Dominic spoke up at last as he still couldn't move his eyes from her. The longer he looked at her, the more the frown on his face deepened as he got messed up with different thoughts,

"Do you like this change? Because I absolutely love it. Even I want to join them." Nathan

said with a small chuckle as he looked at the group of men playing some arm wrestling while the audience cheered for them and waited for their turns,

“Then join them, who’s stopping you!” Dominic scowled at him before looking away from him and walking back inside the office room. Nathan gave one last look downstairs before following him inside with a sigh.

“You! You are stopping me, by being like this!” He snapped with another sigh, he couldn’t understand what he had to do to make the man see the reality from where he was trying so hard to run away from. Dominic scowled at him before taking his seat on the chair and leaned on it to get rid of the stiffness on his body

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but it wasn’t doing much.

“I don’t understand you, Nathan. What do you mean? How am I being?” Dominic asked, acting oblivious as usual.

“Like this! So oblivious of the situation as usual. I know you really like the current environment of our pack. Heck even you want to join them downstairs, like me. But here you are, being the big grumpy alpha because you don’t want to accept or acknowledge the truth.” Nathan snapped, not caring in front of whom he was talking.

“Which truth are you talking about?” Dominic asked while glaring at him.

“The truth is how perfect Luna Athena can be! She will keep the pack united just as a Luna should. She will take care of the pack members like a mother takes care of her child. You just saw downstairs! Everyone loves her so much and how positive her influence is for our pack. She is brave, strong, daring, filled with patience and leadership. She has the power to make people obey and listen to her without putting any pressures on them. She is undoubtedly the perfect Luna!” Nathan exclaimed and looked at Dominic to see his reaction to see if he agreed with him or not.

His expression was blank, void of any emotions as he listened to Nathan silently. He didn’t give away any of his inside thoughts as he looked at Nathan with a frown.

“What do you want me to do?” He scoffed while looking away because he understood what Nathan wanted even before he opened his mouth. His eyes gave it away already.

“Just accept her as your mate and our Luna!” Nathan still stated in a strong and stubborn tone.

“You can’t just force that on me. I need time to think and look at every pros and cons of this decision. I need to take care of things before getting into another mess. I need to take my revenge, I need to do something to Derrick, I need to deal with Stacey and her father, last but not the least, I have to find the rogue king and fucking remove his head from his body! I have so many things to do before getting into the complications with Athena.” Dominic snapped and let out a sigh immediately after he was done.

“I don’t understand why are you calling the thing between you, the sacred mate bond, as complications?” Nathan asked with a frown.

“Because of a lot of things, first of all I rejected her. Then she hates me. She lost her wolf and has some complications with her power. Her past is the biggest mystery. Last but not the least, Ace. Her son. Her and someone else’s son. How can I overlook all these?!” He asked with a frown as his thoughts got complicated again.

“How does that change things, Dominic? One genuine apology has the power to even end a war. She doesn’t really hate you, she is just upset and disappointed. You can still

make things better. About her wolf and power, she needs your help and support the most in that case. You both can together look for her past and face. Because at the end, she is still your mate. You love Ace as much as he loves you. So, don't see where the problem is?" Nathan asked with patience.

He could understand where Dominic was coming from. He knows each and everything Dominic has been through to be like this. But he also understands that things can't go on like this and he knows that Dominic knew that as well. Dominic just needed a little push and he was willing to do everything for that.

Dominic closed his eyes tightly as he hid his face in his palms. He could understand each and everything Nathan was trying to say but he just didn't know where to start.

"What about the other problems at hand?" Dominic asked in a tired tone.

He was too tired and exhausted to think properly. Though he was the alpha, he has his limits as well. He has the right to break down as well and he has the right to be weak sometimes as well and that's where a beta comes into the scene.

A true beta always supports his alpha no matter what the situation is. He never let his alpha go in situations like this when his alpha reached his limits for the day. In situations like this, the beta takes up the responsibility to lead the pack until the alpha is recharged.

That's why Dominic feels really lucky to have Nathan as his beta!

"Dominic, if you are worried about your revenge, Derrick, Stacey and the rogue king, the. Don't be! Just focus on Athena for now. You don't know the power of a mate yet. It's insane. Things which you couldn't complete in years might get complete with a blink of an eye after things get better with Athena." Nathan suggested while looking at him hopefully.

"Things are too complicated, Nathan. I don't know where to start. I wish I had my parents to guide me at this moment." He said in a broken tone and immediately his eyes got teary. Nathan felt bad for him as well.

"I understand, Dominic. We can't change our past, right? But what we can do is take a hold of the present to make the future just like we want. You might not have a parent. But you have me. Do you remember that you called me your brother when we were young and just met? I am your brother and I am always beside you. Just like the whole pack is. You just need to take the first step and things will fall into the right place on their own." Nathan said with an encouraging smile.

"So, what's the first step according to you?" Dominic asked, almost considering doing what Nathan says because to be honest, Nathan sounded smarter than him at that moment.

"Apologise! Nothing can be the best first step other than this. Try to make things better with her." Nathan exclaimed in excitement, happy that he could make him understand a little.

"But I can't do it right away." Dominic scowled before frowning in displeasure.

"I understand. You need to give yourself time as well." Nathan nodded at him, understandingly.

"Well, I have the perfect idea on how to do that." A voice came from the door, taking their attention to it.

Justin was standing there with a frown, making them confused seeing how his face was filled with displeasure. He was on duty at the border today. Something must have

happened to make him like this.

“What’s wrong with your face as well as your mood?” Nathan asked with a frown.

Dominic waited for him to answer.

“Derrick happened.” Justin spat in annoyance and frustration before taking a seat in front of Dominic with a slum. They both frowned at him deeply.

“What did he do this time?” Dominic asked with gritted teeth.

“Some more harmless rogue or pack members from around got missing and eye witnesses are saying it’s done by him. So, I think it’s the right time to call a meeting with the counsellors before things get out of hand.” Justin said with a frown.

“Call a meeting with the counsellors, Nathan. That’s the first thing we are going to do before anything.” He announced and Nathan couldn’t do anything but nod at him because he also understood the importance of

But he just prayed things wouldn’t get messier in the meeting!

“The cookies are so tasty, Athena! Everyone enjoyed it so much! But everyone enjoyed the process more. We had so much fun after so long. Thank you very much. Everyone is so satisfied.” Patricia said with a big smile as she looked at the front with satisfaction. They both were standing at the corner of the big living room as they watched everyone enjoying the

cookies they made. Everyone was so happy. It was really satisfying to watch the scene.

“I am very happy as well. Thank you so much for inviting me earlier.” Athena said with a small smile.

“Oh, hush! It was nothing but I felt sad for Suzanne. She missed such a fun time.”

Patricia said with a small sigh and a pout.

Athena looked at her with widened eyes and that’s when she remembered why she actually came there in the first place. She suddenly got serious but kept her expression casual.

“I was wondering the same. Where is Suzanne? Do you know?” She asked with a small frown. Patricia looked at her with a small frown of confusion as well

“She didn’t tell you?” She asked, unable to believe that. Athena let out a sigh hearing the question.

“Don’t ask. She is still upset at me because of not telling her the news before. I guess she is avoiding me.” Athena replied with a sad pout.

Patricia felt bad for her as well as for Suzanne. She didn’t know that for that long but they still became really close. Now, she would feel bad as well if they hid something from her.

“Well, give her some time. She will come around soon.” She said with a small smile and Athena nodded her head at her before they fell into a little silence.

Athena was thinking how she should propose the thing she was here for in front of Patricia because it was undoubtedly the right moment. No one was around to hear her and everyone was pretty busy spending a nice time while having cookies.

“Patricia? I need your help with something.” She spoke up while looking around cautiously. Patricia looked at her with full attention, happy that she was asking for help to her.

“Sure, what is it? Tell me.” She spoke up immediately!

“I need your help in getting into the basement without anyone knowing. I want to meet someone there.” She whispered secretly while looking around again. Patricia suddenly

got serious after hearing her request.

"It's the first thing you asked me for. You better share things with me after this." Patricia let out a sigh, already getting into it without knowing anything.

Athena couldn't be happier!

(Who else absolutely likes Nathan?! Yeah, me! I love him! Comment down what you think of the chapter and please leave me a review and rating at the front of the page where the synopsis is! It motivates me a lot to write! Thank you so much! I love you all!)

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Chapter 55

55. Finding her past

Patricia successfully managed to get everyone guarding the basement out, using her lady in their in commands. Athena didn't have much time in hand.

She quickly walked inside the dark and dangerous basement while making as little noise as she could. She wasn't much worried about getting caught because Patricia stood outside, guarding for her while she got her job done.

She increased her pace while ignoring the foul stench of dried up blood and other foul smells. She ignored the howls of pain as the prisoners cried in the effect of the previous punishment session. She tried her best to not think about why they are being punished in the first place.

She raised her nose up in the air and tried to locate his foul scent in the foul environment. It wasn't that hard for her to do that because she found it immediately.

Because to her, his scent was the foulest.

With a blank and down look on her face, she walked toward the end of the basement hallway. She reached the door soon and stood in front of an old cell which had grills on it so anyone could see who was inside from outside, unlike some other cells which she passed which were closed with metal doorst o pass before reaching the other person over there.

"I was thinking when you would come and to be honest, you were pretty disappointed by coming so late."

She heard Robert's taunting tone as soon as she stood out there, in front of his cell. He didn't even look u por sat up straight from the cold ground where he was laying down with closed eyes.

"It's okay, you should learn how to taste your own medicine. Because you have been nothing but a disappointment all your life." She snapped in a low tone while looking at him in anger.

He opened his eyes and sat up after hearing her. He got up from his previous position and walked toward her with an angry look on his face. He glared at her hard.

"Bitch! I trusted you! And what did you do? Fucking backstabbed me like a fucking bitch you are! Is that how you repay me for taking care of you all these years?" He growled, making her scoff.

"No, that's how I repay your for fucking selling me to Derrick! You think I am fucking

stupid?!" She growled out loudly, while shaking in anger. She felt like killing him right that moment. But she kept the desire inside her and glared at him. Her temper rose when she saw the smirk on his face as soon as he heard her. He suddenly started to laugh like a maniac while holding the cell.

"Oh, my! You figured that out as well! How smart you are bitch!" He asked with a smirk before laughing out loud again. She gritted her teeth in anger while almost murdering him with her glare.

"Why?! Why did you do it?" She asked, demanding for an answer.

"Because I know your pretty little secret, dear daughter." He said with a smirk, making her frown deeply. Her heartbeat increased hearing him but she kept her expression neutral.

"What secret?" She asked in a blank yet demanding tone.

"The secret of your precious little son and his identity." Robert said with a smirk and her eyes widened for a second but she quickly put on a mask. But that doesn't mean she wasn't shocked anymore. She was shocked, very shocked because Robert knew that secret which wasn't less than any life threatening danger.

"How do you know that?" She asked in a blank tone, not trying to show any emotions.

"Well, just know I am very good friends with the witch you used to hide your secret." He said with a smirk and she immediately knew what he was talking about.

She used to take help from another witch before she met Irene and that witch actually met all the criteria of being a witch. She was sneaky, evil and selfish as one should be. Gosh! What a big mistake she caused!

"So, is that why you sold me for?" She asked with gritted teeth, ready to fulfill her desire to murder him actually.

"Why else do you think? It's a really big thing, big enough to create havoc in everyone's life around you. Then, why shouldn't I use it to earn some money? But don't worry, I didn't sell your secret about your precious son to that stupid alpha Derrick. Who was stupid enough to not figure it out on his own and use it for his benefits. But the secret? That's still safe with me as long as you keep me happy." He said with a smirk, earning a scoff from getting in return.

"You can keep your little games to yourself and stop threatening me! Because that's not going to work on me." She snapped at him with fire in her eyes, letting him know the depth of her words. He glared back at her for his failed attempt of scaring her.

"Why are you here? Just fucking let me out! Did you hear me?" He shouted at her, making her scoff.

"Stop whining. You deserve where you are right now. Now, stop creating more problems for you and myself, because you should know by now what my one lie can do to you." She said with a smirk which widened seeing the effect on him. He looked visibly nervous and frustrated.

"What the fuck do you want now?" He snapped in anger and helplessness.

Athena looked at him blankly as she remembered why she was here in the first place. She opened the box ... and found a few things. A lot of interesting yet confusing things. And she needed his 'help' in solving them.

"It's about the box." She spoke up and he immediately smirked.

"Now that should be interesting!" He exclaimed loudly with a devilish smirk. She didn't

like that as all!" Tell me what you want to know? I shall know and try to answer my dear daughter." He said in a sarcastic tone while smirking at her.

She gritted her teeth but she kept her temper to herself and brought the pendant out of her neck. She brought out a few more things like a paper with a symbolic sign. She didn't know what that meant but she felt like it pointed to the letter 'S'. There were a few more things and each of them were hinting at something like fire, summer and things like that. At least that's what she could figure out.

"What does all these mean?! This sign?! This locket This crown? These symbols? I have the same sign tattooed on me. It looks like 'S! What does that mean?" She exclaimed as she looked at him in desperation, she was desperate to know what her past is.

"Well, I think giving you all that was my last duty. As soon as I handed them over to you, I was free from answering anything to you. So, I don't understand why you are here. Because after the last betrayal, you are not going to get anything from me." Robert snapped at her and laughed out loud at the end.

"You are answerable to me! You are still answerable to me if you don't want to rot in this cell all your life, do you understand that?" She threatened while fuming in anger.

"Why should I listen to you?" He asked with gritted teeth, actually feeling helpless but he won't show that to her

"Didn't you say, you know my son's secret? Just think how I can use that secret for my benefit. At the same time, I know a lot of things about you as well which will be enough for the alpha of the pack to kill

you in instance. Now, you decide what you are going to do but decide fast." She said with a smirk, getting the situation back under control was the best feeling ever at that moment.

Robert let out a growl and went forward to attack her but the cell stopped him immediately. She smirked as he glared at her

"What do you want to know?" He growled and she smirked in triumph.

*Now we are talking. So, tell me, do you know what any of them means?" She asked as she looked at the things in her hands again.

"No, I don't know. How would I know? I had other things to do other than finding the meaning of those shits." He snapped. Before she could fall into distress thinking about that, she quickly put them inside her pockets and thought of something else.

"Then answer or something that you might know." She said in a blank tone and he looked at her with a frown.

"What?"

"Where did you find me?" She asked, ready to ask the most important question to lead her to her past.

Robert suddenly went silent as soon as he heard the question. He went completely still and started to sweat a little as well. She looked at him with a frown, looking at his expression but waited for him to come out of the daze or past.

"Volcano..." He breathed out, making her frown deepen

*Huh?" She asked in confusion and he looked at her.

"You were only two or three years old I guess and we found you seated beside a boiling volcano, crying. It was advancing toward the forest at full speed but it didn't touch you at

all as if you weren't there. But before it could touch the forest, the moon goddess showed her blessings upon us and it rained heavily, saving us from the disaster. Then we went to where you were and took you with us." He answered while still sweating and breathing hard. As if he was still standing in front of the volcano.

"Wh...where was it? And wh...what was I doing there? ... don't understand... Did you find all these with me when you found me?" She asked with a deep frown.

"Yes, they were all with you and the volcano is at the end of the forest where all the region meets." He answered and before she could question something more. "That's enough! I don't want to say anything else. I don't know anything else, Leave me alone." He growled while wiping the sweats.

She frowned at him. After hearing all that, she doesn't think she had the energy to bear more than that anyway. But what she heard wasn't a great help either. Instead it just led her to some more mystery.

But she was not going to give up!

Because she doesn't like her life. She doesn't like to be a rogue anymore. Not only did it make her life miserable, it destroyed her son's life as well. She got rejected because of that. She was thought to be an easy target just because she was a rogue.

That was enough of it! She had enough! She will put an end to it. And will settle everyone's score once she finds out her identity. She will settle score with Robert, she will settle score with Derrick and last but not the least, she will score with

*Heck, I don't understand why you want to know about your past so hard? It's not like you are someone special and gain a lot of things after you know your identity. Because at the end think this way, if you were someone special, would someone have left out there to die, in front of a boiling lava? Nobody loves you, just remember that!" Robert shouted at her before throwing some more curses, he walked back to his previous spot. Athena glared at him hard while trying her best to not get affected by his words. She was not going to let his words get the best out of her. What he said was not true, she was not unloved. That's not the case at all.

That's not true!

If only she had her wolf with her at that moment, it would have said the exact right thing to her to make her feel good. She misses her wolf! She would do anything to get her back!

Lost in her thoughts, she lost the track of time as well as she slowly walked out of the basement. She was totally lost in some thoughts that she didn't see who was standing in front of her. It wasn't until she bumped into that person, she came back to senses.

"So, you planned to do everything possible to push me away, huh?" Suzanne's cold and hurtful tone did nothing to her.

"Athena... I... I...am sorry... I didn't know she would find us here... And Suzanne... I am sorry as well... We promise, we didn't want to hide it from you. We would have shared after getting back!" Patricia immediately started to explain herself as she didn't want a fight among any of them. But she immediately shut up when she saw the look on Athena's face.

Athena looked up with a blank and lost look on her face and found Suzanne looking at her blankly as well. But her face wasn't empty like Athena's. Her face had a look of anger which quickly changed into worry as soon as she saw in which state Athena was.

“Athy? What’s wrong, babe?” Suzanne asked in a worried tone.

But before anyone could understand anything, Athena surprised them, by hugging her tightly. She broke into tears as soon as she hugged Suzanne. Suzanne looked at Patricia and they both shared a worried look before she hugged her back.

“Suzy, is it true? Please tell me, it isn’t true. Please tell me.” Athena cried, holding her tightly.

“What’s wrong, Athy? What’s not true?” Suzanne asked in a worried tone.

That’s not how she imagined it to turn out when she found Patricia and Athena doing something without including her. She was supposed to get angry not see her friend so sad!

“He said that I am unlovable. He said I don’t deserve love. He said no one loves me. He was lying, right? It’s not true, right?” She asked in a desperate tone as the tears stopped coming out, leaving her in nothing but emptiness.

“Who dared to say those to you! It’s not true at all! You are very lovable. Everyone loves you, Athy! Everyone loves you!” She exclaimed, trying to make her understand that while Patricia looked around to see if anyone was coming or not.

“Then why did my mate reject me? Then why did my wolf leave me? Then why did my parents abandon me? Why don’t they love me?!” She shouted while shaking Suzanne and immediately after that silence followed around them. Patricia and Suzanne looked at her with a frown as they caught her second last sentence

Parents?

“Are you trying to look for your past?” Suzanne asked with a frown.

“Yes, I am. And I will find it no matter what.” She said with a determined look on her face. “Will you guys help me with it?” She asked with a thoughtful look on her face as she looked at her friends. Patricia and Suzanne looked at each other once again before Patricia took the responsibility to respond this time.

“We will discuss our next plan later. But for now, let’s get out of here.”

She exclaimed before holding both of their hands and walking out of that place before anyone came.

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Chapter 56

56. The ladies’ plan IN DOMINIC’S BED ROOM

“I am sorry, Suzy. I wanted to tell you before doing anything. I even looked for you everywhere but you didn’t tell me you went out. I needed to go to the basement immediately and when everyone was busy, that was the perfect time to do that. I didn’t

want to lose that opportunity.” Athena quickly explained herself to Suzanne as Patricia sat there silently. She didn’t want to come between two best friends though she knew she belonged to that group as well now.

“I am letting it slide for the last time but I have two conditions.” Suzanne spoke up in a serious tone. Patricia and Athena shared a look before looking back at her with a frown.. “What are they?” She asked in confusion, thinking of the things Suzanne might demand for.

“First, you are going to tell us everything. Why did you go there, what you found out till now, what you have been doing. Everything. And secondly, you are going to tell us everything you do from now on. Include us in everything. We are friends and we want to be beside you in your hard time. Because you need to understand that you can’t solve everything on your own.” Suzanne said in a strict tone and Patricia immediately nodded after her. Because her words made a lot of sense which Athena needed. Athena let out a sigh after hearing her. She could understand what Suzanne was trying to say. But can she actually abide by it word by word?

“Listen to me, girls. First of all, I am very grateful to have you guys in my life. Secondly, you should know by now that my life is more fucked up than anyone can imagine. Every stage of my life holds nothing but danger, in every step. So, at the end, what I am trying to say is, I promise to share everything with you unless it’s something dangerous for you. I will never do anything which can put you both or anyone closet o me in danger. I don’t want to hear any argument about that. Now, you decide if you are into it or not.” Athena said in a serious tone and gave them some time to think and decide. Suzanne and Patricia shared a small look and they immediately knew their answers. They had a look of determination in their eyes as they looked back at her.

“We are in it. Because we are friends.” Suzanne said in a serious tone.

“And what kind of friends we would be if we leave everything on you to share. We promise to be careful enough to notice things which you won’t be able to share with us.” Patricia added after Suzanne and they both nodded at her. Athena looked at them with a smile and her eyes got teary in gratefulness.

“So, let’s make a promise today.” Athena said with a big smile before forwarding her hand toward them.” Let’s make a promise to our friendship that we will never let it break. No matter what.” She said and they immediately kept their hands above hers.

“That’s a promise!”

“That’s a promise!”

They both exclaimed out loudly at the same time. They three ended up hugging each other after that. They pulled back after a few seconds and sat on the bed into silence.

“Okay, so let’s start now. Tell us everything. From the beginning.” Suzanne demanded, suddenly getting serious, Patricia also got serious as she gave her attention to Athena. Athena closed her eyes and let out a sigh. She gave herself a moment before looking back at them.

“The person I went to meet in the basement is my father.” She said mistakenly, out of habit but before they could react out loud. She quickly realised what she did. “Foster father! Foster father, I mean. Not my real father.” She quickly corrected herself.

“Gosh! You gave me a heart attack there for a second.” Patricia let out a sigh of relief and Suzanne seemed to be in the same state as her.

“Sorry, I said that out of habit. So, what I was saying is. He is someone who brought me

up after finding me by the end of the forest when I was hardly two or three years old.” She said while looking down, as the realisation started to hit back again.

“Oh my!”

“I am so sorry, sweetie!”

They both exclaimed in sadness and held her hand tightly to provide her support.

“His name is Robert. He is a filthy and sneaky rogue who lives by stealing things from people. He is a very big pocket picker. And I grew up with him, so you can imagine how I was growing up.” She let out a sigh and gave them some time to get things inside their head.

“So... SO... Please don't take my word offensively but you... Were you a pocket picker?” Patricia asked in astonishment with widened eyes. Athena chuckled hearing her.

“Not any normal pocket picker, I was given the title ‘the queen of pocket picking’ for my excellent performance.” Athena joked and they both looked at her in shock.

“Whoa! Really?!”

“That's so cool!”

They both exclaimed at the same time.

“I know right! It was actually really cool and no one could beat me in my job. I was the best at that. I think I really stood up for the meaning of my name in that case.” She joked with a small chuckle.

“What's the meaning of your name?” Patricia asked.

“Athena means goddess of wisdom. But Athy, you are not only smart in that but everything.” Suzanne spoke up with a serious look on her face. Athena smiled hearing her.

“Thanks, Suzy.”

“Is that why Dominic called you a thief?” Patricia spoke up with a frown as he remembered him calling her a thief in her initial days here. Though it changed a lot now and Dominic sobered up a lot as well but she clearly remembers him calling Athena that.

Athena frowned hearing the question as well. Because she wondered the same. She didn't have the answer to that question. Dominic was always accused of stealing something from her but she never got to know what.

“Well, Patricia, trust me. You are not the only one who is looking for that answer. I am equally confused. I don't know why he calls me that. But let's not bring that up now.” Athena said with a frown and they both nodded at her.

“Yeah, so I spent most of my life doing what I was taught to do while knowing that Robert was my father. But a few years back, I slowly started to figure out that it wasn't the truth. He wasn't my father. But I still stayed with him, pretending to know nothing while looking for the truth until... Until I met Dominic and people and things got so messed up and even before I could understand anything, I found myself in the basement or shadow eclipse pack, Robert sold me to Derrick.” She fumed in anger as she told them about the disgusting thing and they both were equally angry.

“That piece of shit!”

“I would kill him!”

They both exclaimed at the same time yet again.

“Well, trust me, I am equally angry with him and that’s the reason I got him stuck there. So that I can go to him whenever I need any answer without taking the trouble to look for him. At the same time as he was stuck there, he didn’t have any options other than answering me.” She said with a smirk, proud of her plan.

“You stuck him there? How?” Patricia asked in confusion. Athena smirked again hearing that. Then she told them about her ‘master plan’ on how she trapped him and they were shocked would be an understatement.

“Oh my, Athy! You are so smart! Damn!” Patricia laughed out loud while praising Athena.

“That was actually brilliant but I still couldn’t understand why you endured so much in that shit hole called shadow eclipse pack for all those years? I always tell you to get out of that damn thing but you never listen!” Suzanne snapped with a frown.

“Well, it’s not important at all. I was just too tired at that time to fight anymore at that time and I couldn’t have managed to go too far with Ace but whatever. That’s not important.” She said with a sigh and Suzanne nodded at her, understanding what she was talking about..!

“Okay, but why did you go to meet Robert today?” Patricia asked with a frown.

“That’s because I wanted to make sense of a few things that I got from the box that he gave me that night. ” Athena said with a sigh as the mystery was killing her.

“What are the things? Show us. Maybe we can help?” Suzanne offered and Patricia nodded, agreeing with her.

“Wait a second.” Athena said before opening the button of her shirt and the things fell out.

She was hiding the things underneath her shirt which was tucked inside her jeans. She was wearing just a bra inside. She obviously didn’t open up like this in front of Robert but she didn’t mind now as it was just girls and the matter was too serious to worry about.

“What are these?” Patricia asked in confusion while picking up the small crown and looking at it in astonishment because it was really beautiful with red ruby stones all over. It looked like a fire burning. It was beautiful.

“I don’t know but he said these were with me when he found me. The crown, this locket, this symbol, and these papers with all these things written on it. I don’t know what it means.” She said in confusion.

“Is that all?” Suzanne asked while picking up the symbol and looking at it with a frown, trying to understand what that could mean.”

“No, I have got another thing.” She said with a frown.

“What is it?”

“The ‘S’ sign tattooed on my left waist with a crown on it and the colour is again, fire red.” Athena said while showing them the tattoo by raising her shirt. They both looked at it in astonishment for the nth time that day,

“My goodness! That’s so beautiful!”

*That looks so royal!”

They both gushed as they looked at it without blinking their eyes. Athena looked at them with a sigh and a tired sigh left her mouth. She left the shirt just the way it was, without noticing how it got riled up, exposing her milky white waist.

“Snap out of it, girls! Focus!” She snapped at them and they immediately came out of it and looked at her

with widened eyes. They seem to be still in daze.

“So, what should we do now? Because it’s clear as daylight that if we manage to solve it, we will get our destination. But they are all so confusing. What to do?” Suzanne asked her with a frown.

‘I know they seem to be confusing at first glance but I think they all point at one thing if we manage to solve them.’ Athena said with a thoughtful look on her face.

“I have an idea.” Patricia spoke up after a long silence as she was lost in thinking of what they can do in this situation. Athena and Suzanne looked at her with widened eyes.

What is it?”

“What is it?”

They both exclaimed at the same time.

“How about we divide the things between us and each of us takes the responsibility of finding what the things possibly means? And then we come again and compare all the possibilities and select the best?” She proposed and the girls looked at her with big smiles.

“That’s smart, Patricia! Let’s divide up the things! But you have to take great care of them. I don’t want anything happening to them.” Athena warned them in a serious tone and they nodded at her with the same level of seriousness.

“You can put trust in us regarding them.” Suzanne assured and Patricia nodded immediately.

“Okay, so I already have the tattoo. I am keeping the locket with me. Patricia, as you know the library better than any of us. You take the sign and symbol and look for them in the library to see if you find anything there. And Suzanne, you take this crown and see if you can get any knowledge on the design and find anything about the rubies. They seem to be special to me.” Athena said while handing them the things.

They all took them with a lot of care but before any of them could say anything, they suddenly heard the door opening. Suzanne and Patricia quickly hid the things underneath their dress without even looking at who it was.

“He fell asleep while pla-...” Dominic stopped talking in the middle of his sentence, seeing the girls present in the room as well. “Oh, you girls are here.” He acknowledged them with a small nod and they bowed a little at him out of respect.

“Hello, alpha.”

“Good afternoon, alpha.”

They both greeted him while standing up quickly while hiding the things skillfully. Just when they moved away from the bed, Athena became visible to him and as soon as he saw her, his breath hitched.

Athena was sitting there, oblivious of what was happening. She sat there while looking at him innocently and casually. Her hair was open and was flying in the air because of the wind coming from the window. Her front side was opened wide in front of him and the only barrier was the bra. Her shirt hangs by her shoulders, desperate to leave her body and find a place into some corner of the room.

Dominic felt his body getting hotter every second he looked at her. His breathing was getting ragged as his wolf was fighting for dominance to get control. It wanted to pounce

on her and mark her as his then and there. It was suddenly getting so hard to breathe that he was feeling as if someone had put his whole body in fire

Was it a sudden heat rising up?!

“A...alpha? Are you okay?” Patricia asked in confusion, seeing him sweating so badly while getting so red

all of a sudden.

“I... I... take him and put him to sleep in a room with you guys and leave the room fast.”

He ordered in a rough voice, making them shocked.

But his tone was hard enough to make them follow it without any second question.

Patricia quickly took a sleeping Ace from his arm and they both ran out of the door.

“Close the door behind you!” He ordered while looking at a confused Athena before they could leave and they immediately followed it. And now it was only them in the room and Athena was still confused about what was wrong with him suddenly “A...are y...you okay?”

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Chapter 57

57. Desire and touch

A. are you o... okay. Dominic?” Athena asked in a nervous tone as she looked at his uneven expression.

She knew his wolf was trying to gain control and If it manages to do so, she won't be able to handle him without her wolf. But she wasn't nervous because of that. It was because the look HE was giving her.

It was full of desire and never ending possessiveness. There was a madness in his eyes at that moment t o possess her completely, in every way possible. And that's what made her nervous.

His intensity and intention, both made her breathless. She knew what's coming but she didn't know what was going to be her reaction toward it.

“D... Dominic?” She asked while taking a small step toward him and it took two long steps to reach her.

Before she could understand anything, she found herself pinned against the nearby wall with her hands pinned beside her head in his strong hold. She looked at him with widened eyes while he looked at her in daze. He was breathing hard. He slowly bent his head a little and hid it in her neck and took a big sniff of her scent. She held her breath seeing that and tried to stop herself from feeling anything.

“W...what are you doing? Leave me.” She breathed out while trying to push him away with a frown on her face.

She was trying to get away from him not because he didn't want him to touch her but she was trying to do that because she was afraid of catching feelings for him. She was afraid of falling for him and catching any feelings for him. Because she knew it wasn't healthy for her in any sense.

"Your skin is soft," he muttered, ignoring her words completely. She sucked in a breath at his words as he moved his hand from her back and placed it over her smooth stomach.

Suddenly, he pushed her down more toward her wall and moved closer, leaving hardly any space between them. Her eyes widened in shock as he moved to remove her towel.

"Dominic," she called out. He glanced up at her with raised brows as if what he was doing was perfectly innocent. Her eyes seemed to gaze into his own as she tried to figure him out.

"We can't... you can't touch me like this." she whispered. He pulled himself away and looked at her darkly, he was angry because she was resisting her.

"Why can't we? Why can't I touch you like this? What are you doing to me?!" He asked with gritted teeth while being patient with her. It wasn't him completely, it was partially his wolf as well who got possessive hearing her.

"You are being hypocritical now, Dominic." She said while looking away. She had a deep frown on her face as she looked away. She suddenly remembered something from the past which deepened the frown more.

*How exactly am I being hypocritical, Athena?" He asked her while breathing hard to control her. She couldn't deny the puddle occurring between her legs at the sound of his deep voice.

She moved to get away once again, but he wasn't having it. He tightened his hold around her wrist and looked at her with a dark look in his eyes as he waited for her to explain her work.

"Don't you remember what you said? You were disgusted by my touch. You even rejected me partially because of this. Now, I don't see a reason why you would want to touch me other than using me like a maid whom you saved and now you think you have every right to do anything with her." She said with a frown with the intention of pushing him away with words. She knew her words were harsh and they would do the work. He suddenly went silent. She was sure that he was going to let her go now but she was taken back the next moment when she saw the smirk on his lips. She looked at him in shock.

"Why are you smiling like that?" She asked in confusion.

But instead of replying, he let her get down but still held her against the wall some more as his eyes filled with desire.

*Permission to say an observation, Thea?" he asked in a dazed tone. Her eyebrows knitted together at the name he called her, she could've sworn she heard that before. When? She doesn't remember.

*What did you just say?" She asked just to hear it again. He gave her a neutral expression before speaking up with the same expression,

*Permission to say an observation, Athena?" he asked again, but made sure to speak slowly.

Nodding her head, she just pretended that it never happened. His face got closer to her

ears and she could feel his hot breath on her exposed neck. She didn't have the energy to speak up with her crazy heart beat.

"I can feel how wet you are through your pants. I can smell your arousals," he stated in his husky tone and her eyes widened in shock. A blush immediately formed on her face as she looked down in embarrassment. One of his hands which were holding her up, dived down to feel, but was trapped by her thighs.

He chuckled again before prying her thighs open and lifting her up so he could see. His tongue swiped across his lips before he looked down at her eyes.

She felt embarrassed and exposed, and he seemed to realise it. His eyes held her before he came back up to place a kiss on her lips which she was waiting for unknowingly from a long time.

"You look beautiful with that blush on your beautiful face." He said while pulling back from the kiss and looked at her with a goofy smile.

She was so shy and overwhelmed by what just happened that she didn't realise when she grabbed him, pressing him closer so that his lips were back on her. She could feel him bite her lip before his tongue softly pressed into her mouth. He pulled back again and looked at her with a soft expression.

"We don't have to do anything if you don't want to, Athena. You are not a maid, you never were. I would never take advantage of you or anyone in my right sense. About that night, please don't judge it with that as well," he said in a soft and requesting tone.

Nodding her head, she moved to turn around again, but he moved closer to her, trapping her between his body and the door. His eyes were locked on her before they trailed down to her lips. He began to move closer, and she couldn't bring herself to move away anymore.

It wasn't until she could feel his lips on her sensitive spot again that the realisation of what was happening came to her. She abruptly pulled back again and looked at her in shock.

"Can I get up?" She asked while trying her best to not look at him, despite her body begging not to. It happened way too quickly, His hand that was on the small of her back moved, and her body was lifted off the ground as he spun her around and wrapped her legs around him. The second her back made contact with the wall

She knew that they were about to sin..

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58. Giving into the desire almost

"Can I get up?" She asked while trying her best to not look at him, despite her body begging not to. It happened way too quickly. His hand that was on the small of her back moved, and her body was lifted off the ground as he spun her around and wrapped her legs around him.

"You're up." He whispered huskily before his lips made contact with her neck, her most

sensitive spot where she would be marked. She bit down on her lip to keep herself from moaning as his hardening length began to rub against her accidentally.

His hands found the hem of her loose shirt where he lifted it up and off of her head, the thing he wanted to do from the time he stepped foot in the room. His look darkened as he stared at her almost exposed front with desire pouring out of his eyes. Seconds later, his lips found her leaving her to moan against them. 1

He walked them over to the bed where he slowly dropped her down onto it. He was surprised by the way he was being so gentle with her even though she knew how rough alpha's can get at the time of their heat. She watched him as he broke the kiss and took off his shirt. Her eyes wandered up his body, staring at his abs and every single proud battle scars his body had to show which made him hotter than he already was.

When his body heat engulfed her entire body again, his lips kissed down on her neck, past the valley of her boobs, to her stomach where he paused at the waistband of her jeans. He clenched it in his tight fist but didn't push it down like she thought he was going to

He kissed her belly, her thighs, stroked her side until he reached her breasts and kept his hands stilled on them. Then he looked deep into her eyes before slowly pressing his hand against the soft blossoms of her, leaving her to do nothing but shiver as she bit her lips hard to not let any sound out.

His mouth found her lips again and he kissed her hungrily this time. She stayed motionless, trying to find herself to fight the already lost battle.

She was not going to lie, he was a great kisser without any doubt, the best actually. The way his lips moved against her was just enchanting to her. It wasn't until she felt his hand stoop down to squeeze her ass that her mouth opened for him.

"Kiss me back," he breathed against her lips. She shook her head, causing him to stop all his movements and just look at her. "Are you trying to fight it still?" He asked in his hoarse yet somewhat soothing tone.

"Yes... because you said you didn't like my to-..." She couldn't complete her sentence because he reached down to kiss her with more passion and this time, she kissed him back. The sound of him groaning almost made her have an orgasm on the spot.

And the mate bond! That freaking mate bond was playing the actual game there!

He moved from her lips to planting a kiss on her neck. She involuntarily pulled him closer to continue his assault on the neck due to it feeling so good. It sent a jolt of pleasure right down to the place she needed it the most suddenly.

He grabbed her hands and held them above her head as he continued to explore her body with his lips. His lips trailed down once again to her body but this time she fought. She fought her desires hard for her sake and pulled her hand out of his grasp. She caught his head to stop him from going any further and looked at him with tearful eyes. She didn't realise when her eyes got teary and she didn't even know why she was crying.

"Stop, please." She breathed out as a few drops of tears rolled down her cheeks.

His expression changed as soon as he saw the look on her face. He suddenly got serious and moved up to

be on the same level as her face. He cupped her face with a worried look on his face as all the euphoric feelings flew out the window in a blink of an eye.

What's wrong. Athena?" He asked with a thudded heart and the softness in his tone just made her cry harder. She hid her face between her palms as she cried out softly.

"Athena! Don't be like this and tell me what happened? For god's sake! I don't like to see you cry!" He exclaimed in worry while anxiously waiting for her to say something and she finally did.

"You are going to regret it! Just like three years ago, you are going to regret it again!" She cried out, freezing his movement. He went completely silent as he understood what she was talking about.

His hands which were holding her slipped from her as he sat there with a blank yet distressed look on his face. He clearly remembers what happened that night and a regretful expression came up on his face.

But he was quickly pulled away from his thoughts when her soulful cries hit him directly onto his chest, on the wound. He clenched his jaw tightly to bear it before looking back at her. His expression mellowed seeing her crying so sorrowfully. He felt as if his heart was breaking seeing her crying like that. He closed his eyes tightly to control himself before opening them again.

Then he picked her up without any words and put her on his lap as she continued to cry. He put her arms around his neck and guided her head toward his chest and let her cry there. He didn't say anything and let her cry as much as she wanted as he soothed her by rocking her back and forth and caressing her hair lovingly.

After a few minutes of crying, she finally settled down a little but she didn't pull away from him, instead hugged him tighter. His hold tightened against him as well as he looked at her lovingly.

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"Are you okay?" He spoke up in a soft tone after a while and she just nodded in response. She didn't want to talk after what happened just now. "Wanna know one thing?" He asked after a few more seconds passed. She nodded yet again.

"I never regretted that night, if I ever regret anything, that's my words from that morning

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59. The meeting?

"Athena, are you okay?" Suzanne asked a stiff Athena who was sitting inside the conference room with a worried look on her face while looking around with uncertainty. She didn't like the situation she was in at that moment. She was feeling eerie and nervous and furious at the same time.

"I don't understand, Suzy! Why wasn't I aware of it earlier?! Why am I put into this suddenly? It's just like a bomb dropped on me! I hate this and I want to get the heck out of here." She snapped in irritation and anxiousness.

She was currently at the conference room waiting for a stupid meeting with the counselors to start. It dropped on her suddenly.

One moment she was laying on the bed and crying like a miserable woman and the

next moment she was pulled up from the bed by him when there was a knock on the door. It was Justin who came there to let him know about the counsellors who were on their way already for the meeting.

She looked at him in shock but before she could say something to him or put any objection, he was already out of the way while muttering a small 'It's going to be alright' and he was gone after that, leaving her there.

She stood there in shock, misery in confusion. She knew the meeting was about her and considering her fucked up situation, she could feel that it wasn't going to be any good. More like it was everything bad in the world. She could feel a new disaster building up. And like she said once, she wasn't ready for it.

"It's okay, Athy. It's going to be alright. Nathan and Justin are going to be there with you. I don't know about Dominic because of the rejection but I feel like he is not going to disappoint you as well." Suzanne assured her in a soft tone but instead of that making her feel good, it worsened her mood in ten folds.

She felt an indescribable anger toward Dominic. First he acted so confused with her by showing all those affections toward her and touching her and looking at her like he wanted to worship her while the rejection still hung above their head. Then he didn't give her any warning before dropping this news out of nowhere on her.

Is that fair to her in any way?

No! And who is responsible for this mess? Of course, Dominic! And she is not going to forgive him easily this time. She can already feel a big fight happening between them the minute all these are over.

"I don't care about me at all, Suzy and you know that. I am just worried and hope that they don't drag my baby into all these because that's when I am going to lose shit. I don't know what I am going to do but I just know it's going to be a disaster if I lose control in front of them." Athena said in a worried tone as she remembered yesterday's incident with Stacey and she definitely didn't want the same to happen again.

Because that shit was scary for her as well!

"Calm down, Athy. I know you and almost know you wolf. Even though things are not going well for your wolf, you both have a lot of control within yourself and that's really good. So, you don't have anything to be worried about." She said with a smile but the look Athena gave her worried her a little bit. "What's up with that look?" She asked while looking at her with furrowed eyebrows.

"Well, I forgot to share an incident with you." She said with a nervous look on her face. Athena looked at her with a raised eyebrow.

"What is it? I don't like the look you are giving." She said and waited for Athena to reveal it.

"Something happened yesterday. You know Stacey and how irritating she can be." She said with a scowl and Suzanne patiently heard her with a similar expression on her face because she actually knew how irritating Stacey could get. "She was irritating me beyond limit by her unnecessary tricks and when she almost crossed her limit, something happened within me." Athena stopped and let Suzanne get used to what she just said. She looked at her with a deep frown.

"What do you mean by something that happened within you?" She asked in confusion.

“Well, I myself don’t know what it was. It was like a divine power which possessed me. My nails and canines came out. My eyes’ colour changed to pitch black and I suddenly became so strong that I picked Stacey up on the wall by one hand. I didn’t even have my wolf with me. Can you believe that?!” She asked with the same astonishment as before. Suzanne looked at her with a deep frown as she suddenly went silent and into deep thoughts.

“Well, that’s really strange to be honest. But I guess it was your wolf which got affected by the witch’s magic. But what I am unable to understand is, what did Stacey say or do to make you so angry to unleash that?” Suzanne asked in confusion.

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Athena went silent hearing that question as she suddenly remembered what it was all about. It was about Dominic. She got jealous when Stacey was trying to rub all that shit on her face regarding her mate. She couldn’t bear it at all. It boiled her blood and she could only see red. It still feels weird to her to acknowledge that she was jealous. So, how could she admit the same to her friends?

“Well?” Suzanne asked her after waiting for a long time which brought her back to the present and she gave her a nervous smile while praying something would happen which would pull her out of it.

The miracle actually happened! Someone opened the door and entered the room. She didn’t need to look up to know who it was. She just knew. “Suzanne, please leave us alone for a moment.”

Suzanne couldn’t deny the authoritative tone and walked out after giving Athena one last encouraging look. As soon as she left, Athena looked up and met his eyes.

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Dominic stood there with a blank look on his face.

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60. Kiss and pout

“Dominic, please leave. I am not really in the mood to talk to you at this moment.” Athena said with a scowl while looking away from him.

“Athena? Please calm down.” He requested softly while pulling her hands and held her hands in his.

She looked at him in confusion with tears in her eyes

“How could you do this?” She asked while frowning at him.

“How could I do what?” He asked, acting clueless.

“This meeting! How you insulted me in the closed room wasn’t enough that you called this meeting now?” She shouted while shaking in anxiety and anger.

“Shh.. calm down, Athena. Too much stress is not good for you.” Dominic said in a low voice without giving off any expressions.

Athena scoffed at him.

“Look who’s talking! The one and only reason for my stress.” She snapped at him with hatred.

“Calm down, will you?” Dominic asked while raising his voice a little. He was stressed as well.

“No! I won’t! Get away from me! Leave me!” She shouted and started to squirm in his hold. Suddenly she realised something and looked at him in shock. “And does this meeting include Ace somehow? I swear, Dominic. They are-...” She couldn’t complete her sentence when Dominic stopped her by pressing his lips to her.

She was shocked it would be an understatement. She just froze then and there. She couldn’t understand what’s happening?

On the other side even Dominic was shocked by his own actions. What is he doing? What was he thinking before doing so? He just saw her getting hyper in worry, she was shaking and he had to do something to stop her. At that moment the only thing that came to his mind was this.

And he kissed her.

Dominic knew the decision was wrong after he pressed his lips on her, because the moment he moved away from her, she would blast in anger because the thing in the bedroom was already messed up. He knew he had to act differently from that moment. But now they both freeze. They weren’t moving, they weren’t making any movement. They just kept standing there with their lips sealed. For god knows how long. They both could feel each other’s heartbeat which was beating erratically.

After five minutes or so Dominic moved his lips from her ever so slowly and kept his forehead on her. He was breathing heavily but on the other hand Athena stopped breathing completely. Dominic noticed that.

“Breath.” He ordered softly in a breathless tone as she was in a daze, she abided by his order and let out the breath immediately.

She breathed in and out for a few seconds and when air entered her brain and knocked her sense, she looked up at him with wide eyes. Her eyes widened in shock and embarrassment. She felt stupid in front of him to let Dominic control her this way once again.

“You... you...” She couldn’t complete her sentence as she didn’t know what to say.

“Could you please leave?” She finally settled with that while getting away from her.

Their closeness wasn’t helping them with the situation.

She had her hands crossed over her chest, popping her boobs up a little bit. He gulped as soon as his eyes landed on that but he immediately looked away. He knew she was actually very pissed and he didn’t want to worsen her mood further just before the meeting. He had come here to lighten it up a little instead. So, he put on a fake low expression on his face and let out a sigh, making her look at him with a raised eyebrow.

“Fine, I will leave if you don’t want me here. I will go somewhere else.” He said while acting disappointed that she was throwing him out. She looked at him with a frown.

“To whom? To that witch, Stacey?” Athena said in a tone which reflected nothing else but pure jealousy. Just when that line slipped out of her mouth, she realised what she said.

Where the hell did that come from?!

Dominic turned back to look at her in amusement while she looked at him in shock.

“Why do you think that I am going to meet Stacey? And where did that come from? Are you by any chance, jealous?” He asked while taking a step toward her. The smirk was shining bright on his lips.

“.....heard her bluffing in the hallway of your office when I went to meet you. She was talking about some peace thing you offered her as your apology for not accepting her as your Luna at the end.” She grunted out the words with pure displeasure and her signature pout immediately took place on her lips.

Dominic admired her jealousy and cute face with a smile on his lips. All the frustration and tension regarding the meeting flew out of the window the moment he saw her cute pout.

“When did you hear about it?” He asked in a soft tone. He actually planned to offer peace to Stacey and her pack but it’s not that simple. He got some intention and he can’t reveal that to her or anyone other than his beta and gamma.

“I was going to your office to meet you before coming to this room, that’s when I heard you.” She replied, still with the pout.

“Why didn’t you meet me then?” He asked huskily while nearing her.

“Because I was angry!” She exclaimed it ever so cutely. She was too stressed to notice how casual she was being with him and he didn’t want her to come back to senses.

‘Who would say that she is a mother of a smart kid like Ace?’ Dominic thought with a soft smile.

“So I assume it’s the reason why you are angry with me and became a grumpy cat from a wolf.” Dominic said while wrapping his arms around her waist affectionately and pulled her closer.

“Is what she said true?” She questioned back while ignoring his statement. She wanted to know what kind of peace it was. She didn’t want Dominic to be anywhere near her. She didn’t know from where she was getting all these possessiveness but she wasn’t even trying to hide it. She put her hands over his chest and looked up at him with the same pout along with a deep frown.

“I so want to kiss those pouty lips of yours till you will be begging for breath.” He said in such a strong tone with a hooded look on his eyes which made Athena curl her toes in desire. Her cheeks were flamed red and her eyes were equally hooded in wild imagination. She immediately remembered their encounter in the bedroom and the blush intensified,

The pout was gone in a blink and she gave his chest a small slap for making fun of her even in a situation like this. They both almost forgot their situation and tension at that moment.

“Dominic! I am serious!” She said with a scowl, trying to get away from him but he tightened his hold around her.

“Sure. We will talk about this tonight when we finish this meeting. Be ready in tracksuits. I want to take

you somewhere.” He said with a smile on his lips and gave her small nose a small peck, making her eyes widened in shock and soon it turned into blush.

“Where will we go?” She asked in confusion.

“You will know soon. But could you promise me one thing?” He asked in a hope filled tone.

“What?”

“Please let this meeting be successful for you and Ace.” He said in a serious yet nervous tone. He was afraid that she would mess it up and get in trouble which he didn’t want. She didn’t know from where she got confident out of nowhere and looked at him with determination.

“You can trust me on this one then.” She said with confidence.

Pecking her nose one more time, he left the office to start the meeting after Athena nodded her head affirmatively.