

CLAIMING HIS RESISTING MATE

Chapter 31 – Tending His Need



REESE'S POV

“So what happened outside? We were so tense,” Savannah asked as soon as we settled on the couch.

“They had brought good numbers of people. Looks like their intention was destroying the pack if they could” Alpha Hardwick replied.

“Destroying the pack?” Savannah gasped, “they must have gone insane. Those beasts”

“I am astonished, Demon took such steps. He might have lost his sanity to think clearly” Alpha Cassius shook his head. Adriana was holding his hand and he looked at her, “last time, it was his brother, and now he is stepping closer. This enmity won’t end until he is cut in half”

“Who is this Demon and why is he doing this?” Alpha Devak frowned.

Alpha Cassius sighed. He roamed his gaze around us “Demon is the Alpha of Hell Hound Pack. He was a defination of Satan, the evil creature. Last time his brother was fascinated by Adriana and wanted to steal her away from me. His brother was running the pack while Demon was away. He even successfully kidnapped Savannah once but fortunately I was able to save her. That crazy bastard didn’t gave up yet went on creating troubles. At the end he kidnapped my pack members and killed few of them, threatening to hand over Adriana or he would kill them all. His psychotic mind exploded when I refused. In the fight

he died. I thought the matter will end there but now his Demon is back to avenge his brother and also vying for our treasure”

“This is insane” Alpha Hardwick narrowed his eyes, “Demon clearly knows what his brother did but he is trying to avenge because his brother died? He even attacked my pack too on my son’s birthday. That bastard, I felt like snapping his head off his body” he clenched his jaw tightly. The raging aura covered his body.

“Calm down, it’s not time to get angry. This situation is not easy to handle” Savannah held his hand.

“I would like to apologize. Because of our enmity you are also dragged in this mess and Aldric’s party got ruined. I was not expecting this to happen either” Alpha Cassius said.

“Yes, we are sorry. The happy moment suddenly turned thick” Adriana looked guilty.

“It’s not your fault ” Alpha Hardwick shook his head, “this Demon seemed powerful and we couldn’t underestimate him. He didn’t have any enmity with me before but from this moment onwards we are all in the same line. He dared to attack on such an occasion and ruined my son’s happy moment. I am fucking gonna make him pay”

“Thanks, we need to handle this matter together ” Alpha Cassius nodded, “Hell Hound is a strong pack. They have a strong army. And their underground attack is also appreciated. We need to be more cautious about him”

“Demon will be more raged after tonight. Since Kole was able to escape during the fight, he would inform everything” Azrael said. “That bastard was lucky not to fall in my hands”

“He already lost his brother then Avedor, of course he will be in rage. The attack today was to judge our power” Alpha Cassius said.

“It was powerful I must add” Alpha Hardwick added, ” I have gained much idea of their battling techniques and style. If we are doing it together then we need to train according to their fighting structure”

“Right, I am on it” Alpha Cassius and Azrael said at the same time.

“Hey I am also here” Alpha Devak announced.

“Okay, it’s already late. I guess it’s time to rest now” Savannah declared.

“Adriana, Reese please stay here tonight. After this huge fight all of us need a good rest. We can talk about it tomorrow” she said and turned to get Aldric who was sleeping in his grandmother’s arms.

“Let’s go, I will show you the rooms” Savannah said with a nod.

“Does it hurt?” I asked anxiously as I tended his wound. I wiped the blood on his face and cleaned the area. Azrael chuckled lightly.

“I have taken the worst darling. These minor injuries are nothing at all”

I sighed and applied ointment in his wound, “I heard you were injured after the rejection. And you had to take a long bed rest”

“Hmmm...” He pulled me closer to his body. Currently I was standing between his legs while he was sitting on bed.

“What happened that time?” I asked again.

“I couldn’t take the rejection and had to do something to get my rage out. I couldn’t think of any way but to inflict injuries to myself. That way I could cope up with my pain” he hugged my waist pressing his face in my belly. I held his shoulder and rubbed his back. I felt guilty, my heart was washed by the regrets again. It’s all because of me.

“I am sorry, because of me you have to endure such pain” I mumbled. I remember what Adriana said to me. The pain and hurt he went through, I couldn’t do anything to cure those hurtful memories. The only thing I am capable of is to take the burden of regrets till I die.

“Everything is fine now, I have you here, in my arms. I can rest my insecurities aside and hold you tightly ” he mumbled against my belly.

I leaned down and kissed his head lovingly. How can you forgive me so easily when I don’t even deserve this. I have hurt you so much, giving you pain yet you are loving me so much. I felt like crying. Today when he left to fight outside I couldn’t breathe. Only when I saw him returning without any harm did I let out my breath.

“I was so scared today,” I whispered.

“I won’t let anyone come between us, not even death. I promise you that”

I chuckled at his words. This man, so possessive, tried to fight with nature’s rule and yet he went against nature and forced me to stay with. Today I am glad he has forced me to stay with him. If he let me go as I wanted, I would have regretted big time. Azrael pulled me on his lap making me straddling. My dress hoisted up as I sat. He held my waist and looked at me intensely.

“Why are you looking at me like that?”

“Like what?” He whispered.

“Like I will disappear if you close your eyes”

“Maybe”

I hugged him “I won’t leave you Azrael, this time it’s a promise from my heart. I know I have said before but I will repeat again and again until you are assured”

“I won’t be able to endure it if you leave me my love. The pain of losing you was unbearable and I won’t be about to undergo the suffering again”

I broke the hug “I won’t” I whispered and closed our distance to kiss him. Just as our lips were about to touch we heard a knock on the door. Azrael and I looked at each other.

“Reese, it’s me” I heard Savannah’s voice. “I have brought some clothes for you two” I sighed and chuckled. I got up from his lap and walked towards the door.

Savannah grinned once she saw him, “I am sorry if I disturbed you.... ahem...” She cleared her throat. “Here” she handed me a few begs, “this is for you and your mate. I know you don’t have any clothes other than the party dress. Good night”

“Thanks Sav, it will be great help” I smiled and accepted the begs.

“I need to give clothes to others too” she nodded and left. I sighed, closing the door. As I turned around I gasped. Azrael was already half naked, only in his boxers.

“Umm... Sav brought a few clothes for us” I walked to him.

“I don’t like wearing clothes while sleeping”

I rolled my eyes “you can’t go out without clothes” I threw the begs on the couch.

“Why don’t you remove your clothes too? Aren’t you uncomfortable?”

I looked at him “we are not in the pack. Don’t think anything funny. And you need a rest, mister. Too much exercise is bad for health” I said and removed my hair clip. I freed my hair and brushed it with my hands.

“Oh really?” He suddenly hugged me from behind.

“Azrael?” I gasped.

“You can’t stop me from having you darling” he kissed my neck and I closed my eyes.

“You need rest, you have just engaged in fighting. Aren’t you tired already?” I tried to find a reason.

“I am never tired of having you. I still have enough energy to fuck you all night” he sucked my neck and said against my skin.

“You and your dirty mouth ” I scolded.

“I may be dirty but you love it so much” he slipped his hand in my dress and cupped my panty covered pussy. The dress had split which made it easier for him to slip his hand.

“You are already so wet yet you were denying?” He whispered.

“I was just concerned about your health” I moaned when he pushed my panties aside, inserting his fingers in my hot core.

“Oh... God...” I bit my lips.

“I can’t fucking wait baby” he whispered and pulled down the zipper of my dress. Instantly my dress fell on the floor leaving me in my black lingerie.

“You wore those for me?” He chuckled, “you know how to seduce me sweetheart. Since you put efforts dressing up, I won’t let you down” he hoisted me up and brought me to bed.

“Now shall we begin?” He smiled as he leaned down to seal my lips. I love this man to the point where all the words will fail to explain.

Chapter 32 – Won’t Hold Back Anymore





REESE'S POV

“What a night!” Tanea yawned, “I never anticipated that the happy party would transform into such chaos. I pity Aldric for this. That little guy if knew what’s happening around, he would have been gone crazy”

“We were all happy to enjoy the party. I really don’t understand why those evil doers are always up for creating troubles. Don’t they know there’s a word called peace in this world?” Adriana rolled her eyes. She grabbed the tea cup and drank hurriedly.

“Their minds are all messy, they can only think of harming others” Savannah frowned.

“Well, if you ask me then I could say, they felt it was unjustified for their people to die. But in the rage of avenge they forgot about their role which they played to start this mess in the first place” I replied looking at them.

“What a reply Reece!” Adriana chuckled, “you have given the good explanation over this matter”

I laughed, “but this is how they think”

“I am glad I left my son with his grandfather” Tanea respond, “if he was here I would have been more worried”

“Now I am fearful about what’s going to happen next. There was chaos two years ago. And now another one rose in the air creating the dark clouds over our head” Savannah looked worried.

“Savannah you are not alone” Adriana holds her hand, “besides Dark Forest is not the main target but Silver Shine is. This Hell Hound is creating troubles for us now and then even if we don’t engage in an official battle. And I don’t know

how to express my regret, because of us your peaceful life has also been dragged down”

“Hey, it’s not only about you now. It’s all about us” Tanea avowed, “this has become our battle now. I don’t think after last night Devak will stay cool. That man has been itching to fight and now he got the perfect reason to do that” she rolled her eyes.

“Besides we all are together here. If they want to attack us and have the intention of destroying our clan then that Demon has to think wisely. As long as we are together, there’s no way he could win” I said to them and they nodded agreeing.

“That’s the spirit girl” Tanea made a perfect gesture with her hand.

“Where is Aldric?” I asked Savannah.

“He is still sleeping. Luina is with him in the room”

“I think we need to leave now, Josue is in the pack and will be looking for me” Adriana declared.

“That reminded me we all are here, who is looking after him?” I frowned.

“Don’t worry, that little guy is not a party lover. He would cry if he saw people around him. So I have to leave him back in the pack. He is with Layla, his nanny” Adriana smiled.

I nodded and saw the men walking towards our direction.

“I guess it’s our time now,” I sighed.

“What?” Tanea frowned and was about to inquire when Alpha Devak already reached her.

“It’s time to leave the pack, peaches” Alpha Cassius pulled Adriana to him. I got up and smiled at my mate.

“Oh, I am going to miss you two” Savannah smiled and hugged us affectionately.

“Don’t worry darling, you will be meeting them soon” Alpha Hardwick said.

“Really?” Savannah gave him a surprise look while Adriana and I stared at each other in confusion.

“Yes, since we are joining hands, we are going to have a pack meeting next week in Silver Shine. So you can meet them again” Alpha Hardwick cleared out confusion.

“Great” Savannah nodded and we all smiled. Soon we left Dark Forest after saying goodbye. It will take a few hours to reach the pack. Azrael and I were sitting in the second car while Adriana and Alpha Cassius took the first one.

“I hope everything will be fine this time,” I sighed. I leaned on his chest hearing his steady heartbeat.

“You don’t have to worry about it. Let us handle this tension” Azrael said.

“I know you guys are strong enough to handle the enemies” I looked up and smiled, “I have never doubted it. I am glad this time you have got lots of trustable people to help you”

“Right, Alpha Devak and Hardwick though seem tough and cold but they are really strong and trustable” he nodded.

“So that day when I found you in the forest trapped by your enemies -”

“They are the same. It was sent by the Demon himself. The one who was leading was Avedor, the younger brother of Kole, the beta of Hell Hound Pack. I won’t say Avedor was weak because he would have won the round if you didn’t appear in time and changed the situation. When I think of that day, I am glad you took the chance and showed up” Azrael smiled at me.

“Well, I was wandering around the forest after witnessing Savannah’s wedding. I intended to leave the place but heard your argument. The last person I was expecting to see is you.

“Reese?” Azrael called, making me look at him. “Can I ask you something?”

“Of course, what do you want to ask?”

“After Avan’s death why did you never try to look for me? I wouldn’t have known you were alive if Avedor didn’t attack us”

What should I say now? The situation was hard at that time and I have no words to give a good explanation. I know he wanted to know the truth but it’s still hard for me.

“It’s okay if you don’t want to say, I won’t force you of course. You don’t have to pressure yourself to reply” I heard him say again.

“No” I shook my head. “It’s just I couldn’t find the right choice of words to explain. After the destruction of the pack, Savannah offered to let me live in the Dark Forest. And even Alpha Hardwick allowed me to stay there as long as I wanted. But I couldn’t take their offer. Whatever happened in the past was excruciating, my torturous act towards her had me filled with regrets and I couldn’t stay there. I couldn’t meet her eyes and remember what hateful things I have done to her. The burden was so heavy in my chest. Azrael I thought about you at that time, then for the reason I made you reject me, it was too painful, I couldn’t show my face to you. I just hoped for you to find another woman. A woman who will be able to give you everything” a sob escaped my mouth and I felt him hold me tighter pressing my head on his chest.

“Shh... It’s my fault. I shouldn’t have asked this question” he comforted me.

“No, I was selfish in the past, and now I am still that selfish one” I cried in his chest.

“Still?” He frowned at me.

I chuckled as I wiped my tears, “yes, I was selfish and I am still selfish. Because....” I reached out to cup his cheek “I realized I couldn’t let you go anymore. This time I am selfish for you. I know I don’t deserve your love and kindness yet I still can’t find myself to part with you. I love you too much to do that”

He held my hand and smiled “no one can take you from me. Not when I can help it. You are mine and will be mine forever”

“Oh Azrael you don’t know how much you changed me” I said and kissed him hard not caring about the other person who was driving the car. I love this man and hell I won’t hold back to show how much.

ZANIYAH’S POV

“Zaniyah?” I looked up to see Emely standing at the door steps. She gasped when she saw me and quickly walked to me.

“Oh my god, Zaniyah what happened to you?” She looked shocked to see me in such a state. “How come you are like this?”

“Emely” I hugged her and sobbed. “Thank God you are here. I missed you so much”

“I have gone just for a few days yet you have become like this. This is not what I was expecting to see you. You were all happy and active. What happened to you suddenly?” She asked gently.

I broke the hug and looked at her with tears stained face “do you know what happened in the pack?” I sobbed. “Beta John brought his rejected mate in the pack”

“What?” Emely jumped in shock. “He brought his rejected mate? Zaniyah, is it true?” She shook my shoulder.

“Yes” I nodded still sobbing and held her hand “you know how much I love him all these years don’t you? Tell me why he couldn’t see this? Why is he up for that woman who left him in pain and ran after another man who was not her mate? How could he accept her so easily and go blind to my love?”

“Zaniyah, you need to calm down. Everything will be fine” she tried to console me.

“How could that happen when that slut is still living with him, sharing his room and bed. I know they even fucked most of the time. Tell me how could I tolerate this? How could I watch it with my eyes and let them do whatever they want? I can’t tolerate that woman. She is a witch, she is a bitch, she is a-”

“Zaniyah shut up. What are you saying?” Emely yelled at me.

“I don’t know,” I yelled back. “That woman ruined everything. She ruined everything” I started to pull my hair. Emely grabbed my hands and hugged me tightly.

“Everytime will be fine. Trust me. Now that I am here, I will solve your problem. Just leave everything to me okay. She will be out of this place soon” I calmed down hearing her.

Yes, I want her out of this place and John’s heart. Then John wouldn’t have any choice but to choose me. A grin started to spread on my lips.

Chapter 33 – Mating In The Woods



REESE’S POV

Next morning I got up early. Azrael was still sleeping as I walked out of the room. The training field was empty and I couldn’t sense the presence of souls

around me. My gaze swapped towards the bush which was leading to the path of forest. This will be the best place for me and the best chance. Without thinking a second I made my run towards it. Once I was hidden by the bushes I could see a small place at first. I grinned as I walked towards it.

“Mmmmm.... what do you think?” I asked.

~ it's perfect ~ Eve replied. She sounded happy.

“It has been days since I trained myself” I said, spreading my arms and craning my neck. “God, it felt like my bones were weak” I arched my back.

~ why don't we go for a little warm up first?~ Even asked.

I nodded, “sounds good to me”

Stretching my arms and legs I formed a few warm up steps. For the two years in the forest I have trained myself well. I don't like this training in the field. I never did even when I was in the last pack. I would train myself alone without any disturbance. I like my peace and complete focus on my work. The only thing I did publically was fight.

“Aww... My back hurts” I groaned. “What the hell? It's just a few days yet I am having problems like this. This is so bad”

~ why don't you let me out? I hadn't taken a good run for such a long time. You are always in the control ~

“If you want to run then it will take longer than the fixed period” I rolled my eyes, “you know you don't want to stop once you start running. Do you want us to get punished but that arrogant possessive mate of ours?”

~ but I like it when I do that. I want him to fuck us hard and raw. I want to feel him inside me in every position ~

I groaned “don't start now. That man doesn't show any mercy when it comes to this pleasure thing. You seriously want to get ruined”

~ don't be so ignorant ~ I can feel Eve smirking. ~ you and I both know how much we love his punishment. If I can I will take whatever he has to offer. I could even enjoy if want to have us in wolf form ~

I shook my head "your words are gibberish. I am not gonna have him exhaust my body". I sighed, "he won't stop until he makes me weak, torn and unable to move" thinking of that idea I felt shivered in my body.

~ you are no fun Reese ~ Even snorted, ~ we could just have little fun with our mate while mating. Why you have to this unspirited?~

I rolled my eyes again " and you are too zestful"

~ yo it's because I am Eve ~

I chuckled at her reply. I did some fighting moves to gather my lost energy when I felt footsteps. I halted in my position and tried to hear the rustling sound around the area. Just as I was about to make my turn I was tackled to the ground by a person on me.

"What the-" my voice stuck in my throat when I saw the familiar forest green eyes looking at me. I sighed in my heart.

Smiling I hooked my arms around his neck "you woke up?"

Azrael was serious as he looked at me. I could feel the anger radiating from his body. He must be thinking I was planning to run away. Oh god, I should have left a note for him before going out.

"What are you doing here?" He questioned with a gruff tone.

"Umm... Training"

"In the forest?" His eyes narrowed on me.

"I am habituated to training by myself alone. I have been doing this since I started my first training. I don't like noises and crowd" I said truthfully.

He looked at me for a few more seconds before sighing, "I thought you left when I couldn't feel your presence in bed. The other side was empty and cold. I don't like it. I have been experiencing it from the past two years and I don't like that feeling"

I suddenly felt bad for leaving him alone in bed. I sighed and cupped his cheeks "I am sorry, you were sleeping so soundly so I couldn't find the heart to wake you up. You looked peaceful. I thought I could use few moves before retiring but you woke up first"

"If you are going out like this again then you are waking me up first. We could train together and if you don't like that you can train alone and I will watch at the side. But by any means I will be with you. Do you understand?"

I couldn't help but nod my head. My leaving has left a great impact on him which causes fear inside him every time I am not around him. I have to work hard on this matter to cure the insecurities and fear he has in his heart.

"I promise, I won't leave you alone no matter what. It's a promise" I smiled at him.

"Since you have promised, don't you think you should seal it my love. After all we have to mark what we promised to make it stronger" desire were dancing in his beautiful green orbs. And I know exactly what he is trying to say. Inside me Eve purred in delight.

I gave him a seductive look "oh, how do you want to seal this promise dear beta?"

He smirked "you know how to seduce me darling. Since this is the case, I am not gonna hold back. I am having you hear in the forest"

I gasped "here?"

He nodded, "it's quite good to change the location to experience new pleasure. Besides making love in the forest, in the embrace of nature will be a wild experience for us. Let's just enjoy the pleasure awaiting for us"

Before I had the chance to protest he already kissed me, silencing my lips. Our lips sucked each other wildly without caring about anything around us. His tongue pushed inside, teasing me. When I bit his tongue he groaned.

"Fuck I am so fucking hard already " he moved back and pulled me up. "Let's try another position darling" he said and tore my tank top at a fast pace before latching his mouth on my breast.

"Oh god..." I moaned as his mouth sucked my already hard nipples, nipping and tugging at it. I hold his shoulder to support myself.

"Azrael oh... God .." I closed my eyes tightly as I felt his hand cupping my pussy over my panty. He slid the layer of panty aside before slipping his finger digging in my awaiting wet entrance.

"You are so fucking wet sweetheart. Always so ready for me" Azrael groaned and stayed to pump in me. His finger fucked in fast pace and my body jerked upwards. His force was hard and strong.

"Oh ... God .. please" I moaned.

"Please what?" He asked huskily, biting my shoulder.

"I want you to be inside me. Please I want you now"

"You want me?" He looked at me.

I nodded "so much"

"Fuck then I will have you my love" he said as he pushed me near the tree. My back was pressed on the hard wooden surface. He grabbed me by the waist and hoisted me up before straddling me on his waist.

“Hold me tightly sweetheart, I am gonna fuck you so good” he whispered and I felt his tip in my entrance. I hold his shoulder tightly. Azrael parted my ass cheek and pushed his thick fat cock in my pussy. We both groaned out in pleasure as he thrust fully in me. His length was long and so thick that it filled me easily leaving no space.

“Fuck you are so good baby. I want to fuck you all day and night” Azrael stayed to fuck me harder. I can feel his cock pushing in and out of me. He was going deeply with each thrust and I moaned loudly.

“That’s it baby, moan my name. See who’s fucking you here, taking you openly in this forest, claiming you as mine” he whispered, “your pussy sucks my cock so hard and costing it with its milk. See how much your pussy wants this cock and wants to have it all the time”

“Oh god ... you dirty beast. Do you have to speak like that?” I groaned and leaned down, biting his shoulder.

He chuckled “is that a punishment for me? Fuck it’s only arousing me harder sweetheart”

“Fuck me harder Azrael, I want you to be fast and rough” I said and moaned.

“As you wish” he said and held my hips as he started to thrust harder with a great force. Each thrust filled me deeply. It felt like his length could reach my heart. The slapping of skin echoed in the air but we were careless about it.

“Fuck, you are clenching me so hard baby” Azrael let out a low growl.

“I can’t hold anymore. I am cumming” I moaned.

“Cum my love, cum on my cock. Show me how much you love it”

“Oh..... Azrael ” I screamed, throwing my head back. I could feel myself dropping down and his hot seeds spilling inside me. He cummed inside me. We both panted hard as we clutched each other.

“That was so fucking good” he mumbled.

I looked at him and said, “and amazing?”

He grinned, “so fucking right” he said and kissed me while I giggled.

It was rough and raw but I fucking love every inch of it.

Chapter 34 – Something Bad



REESE'S POV

“What am I going to do now?” I glared at him. This handsome devil in front of me grinning like a bastard. “Why are you smiling? It’s all because of you. Look what have you done?” I tore my gaze from him and looked around but couldn’t find my top.

“Why are you so angry?” He said almost laughing, “after a hot love making, you have become this moody?”

I turned to him, throwing a hard glare, “I am moody? Look at this” I pointed to my naked chest “do you want me to return to the mansion like this?” Tilting my head I smirked, “well I don’t mind” I turned around and started to walk towards the mansion.

I heard a low growl behind and instantly I found myself being caged in strong arms. My back was pressed tightly in his front.

“What the hell are you doing??” He hissed in my ear.

“What am I doing?” I asked innocently, “I need shower so I am returning back”

He growled again “you know exactly what I am saying”

“No, I don’t ” I pursed my lips. Abruptly I turned around to face him. Azrael had a dark look on his face. It was a clear sign, he was angry.

“You love to tease me like that, but do you know there will be punishments for bad girls?”

I smiled, “is it my doing? You are the one who is responsible for this trouble. You tore my top so how am I going to walk back? Since you don’t give me any solution, I had to manage myself”

He raised an eyebrow “oh, by giving a good show to every fucking males in the pack?”

I shook my head “I have no choice either”. I made a sad face, making him growl again.

“Fuck” he cursed and released me from his grip. I watched him as he took off his shirt and made me wear it. His masculine abs are on the view making my hand itching to run over his hard toned body. God, he looks delicious.

“There, you are ready to go” he looked satisfied after doing the buttons.

“Now you are going to show your body to everyone?” I asked him.

He smirked, “why? Are you jealous darling?”

I leaned towards him, placing my hands on his chest. I tip-toed to whisper in his ear, “I am definitely jealous. Such perfect body should only be mine to see”

“If that’s what you want my love then let it be” he replied making me frown. Not understanding his words I moved back to look at him.

“What do you mean by-” my words were left in the middle and I let out a squeal. “Aahhhh What are you doing?” I found myself hanging on his shoulder. What’s with this man? Throwing me on his shoulder like a sack whenever he wants.

"I am fulfilling your wish sweetheart. This way will be faster" he only said this before he ran. My eyes widened in shock. Oh my god, this man has gone insane now. He is running with me on his shoulder? I felt myself out of breath because of the pressure I am feeling on my belly. But as he said it didn't take more time for us to reach the mansion than to our room. But what was embarrassing was that Adriana saw us in such a state. She only smirked while I facepalmed myself.

Once the door of our room closed he made me stand. I rubbed my belly and glared at him, "what were you thinking? Don't do such thing again"

"It was you who made me do such a thing, darling. It was your wish afterall" he shrugged his broad shoulder throwing all the accusations on me. My jaw dropped on the floor as I stared at him.

He smirked "wanna join in the shower?"

"No thanks" I huffed and turned to the other side, crossing my arms.

I heard him chuckle as he walked towards the bathroom. I closed my eyes and I can feel blush crawling on my cheeks. Damn this man.

"Wow, wow, wow, I didn't know you two were this active even in the morning" Adriana teased. "Running out of the woods early in the morning. Tell me were you two trying to find some new experience?" Her eyes glittered with mock.

I knew she wouldn't let this chance go. What am I going to reply to her? It was not my intention to make love in the forest area. I was just going to warm up my body but it ended up making love.

"You are thinking too much," I said as I picked up the coffee cup on the table. I was having a peaceful coffee time in the dining room when Adriana thought to start her teasing session.

“You wounded my heart, I thought I will be enlighten with some spicy news but alas I am so unfortunate”

I must say Adriana is such a drama queen. She knows how to provoke others so well. I thought Alpha Cassius is dark and dangerous but this woman is tricky and unruly. They are the perfect match for each other.

“Can you stop that? What spicy news? There’s nothing to share”

“Nothing?” She grinned, “aw that’s not what I saw in the morning. I thought to get some fresh air but I was not expecting to see such a wild scene. Ay, it got my interest”

“You are interested in everything except your own matters”

She rolled her eyes “don’t change the subject darling, it won’t work on me. But for your information let me tell you Cassius is damn imposing” she frowned slightly. “That man never lacks energy, I don’t understand how he keeps up such strength?”

“Maybe because he is an Alpha?” I shrugged.

“I am not talking about him” she shook her head. The maids brought breakfast for us.

“Just in time” I grinned, “I was hungry”

“Of course you will be” Adriana laughed, “after the hot session it’s definitely for sure”

I rolled my eyes “you are so annoying”. I saw the bowl which was filled with a porridge-like dish. I took a bite to taste and it was so delicious. I can get the flavor of chicken and spices.

“Umm.... it’s delicious. What is it?” I took another bite.

“It’s chicken congee. Do you like the taste?”

I nodded, "it tastes delicious". I took another bite and moaned. "So good"

"Cassius liked this so I told them to make it today," Adriana smiled.

"You are not eating?" I frowned.

"I will eat with him, he is discussing something in the study"

"Oh okay" I nodded. As I was about to take the third bite I felt a bitter taste rising in my throat. And then my vision blurred and I felt my head was spinning. The spoon in my hand fell on the floor with clang.

"Reese?" Adriana's surprised voice rang in my ear but I was unable to reply. My throat burnt and I felt suffocation. I couldn't support myself as I fell on the floor.

"Oh my god, what happened to you?" I heard Adriana cry out. She lifted my head and placed it on her lap.

"Reese? Can you hear me? What happened to you suddenly?" She asked in a hurry.

I wanted to reply to her but I couldn't find my voice. It was like my voice was stuck in my throat not wanting to come out. My eyes started to close.

"No.... no.... Don't close your eyes" Adriana shouted but I couldn't hold onto her words. Before darkness consumed me fully I heard Adriana roared.

"Inform the Alpha and Beta then inform the pack doctor hurry"

JOHN'S POV

"The meeting for the Demon matter has already been fixed. This time we need to settle the score with Hell Hound Pack. It was my fault that I let it go. But it won't happen again" Cassius said, shaking his head.

“Even though the Hell Hound is referred to as the most evil pack with enormous members, they couldn’t have their way this time. If Demon thinks he can win over this time, it will be his biggest mistake” I said.

“Hardwick and Devak are joining this battle. Hardwick is already pissed off because of the attack. He won’t be letting go of him. It’s like he is ready to kill whenever he wants”

I smiled, “of course he is a strong Alpha. And who wouldn’t be angry in such a situation? To interfere in such a happy occasion, no father could endure it”

Cassius sighed “I must say, your woman has given a good advantage to the pack. Dark Forest is already known as the best pack and along with the Snow Moon Pack the forces are getting stronger. It wouldn’t be possible without her influence”

I smirked “are you telling me, you are accepting her?”

He frowned “when did I say such a thing?”

“Well I thought you meant that way” I shrugged, “you are praising her”

“You are thinking so much. She is still a rogue in my eyes. It will never change, no matter what”

I rolled my eyes “fine, as you wish”

Cassius was about to say something when there was a knock on the door.

“Who?” Cassius roared.

“Alpha, there’s an emergency” a woman’s voice replied shakily from outside.

“What emergency?” Cassius frowned.

“Luna asked me to inform that something happened to lady Reese, the pack doctor is also called”

“WHAT?” I was already standing. Something happened to her? At this moment I felt my heartbeat almost stop.

Chapter 35 – No Cure For The Poison



JOHN'S POV

“What the fuck are you saying?” I growled at her. The maid trembled as she bowed her head.

“It’s true,” she replied weakly. “Please hurry to Alpha’s room”

“John let’s go, we can’t waste time anymore” Cassius said and we hurried towards the door. On the way towards the room I couldn’t feel my heartbeat. It was like frozen refusing to beat. As soon as we reached the room, Adriana’s worried face came into view.

“What happened?” Cassius asked as soon as we stepped inside.

“You are here” Adriana cried out “look what happened suddenly?” She pointed towards the bed where a pale figure was lying.

My gaze couldn’t move from the body as I walked towards it. There was my beautiful mate lying like a corpse, her breathing was slow and her eyes were closed tightly. It was like no matter how much I call she will never respond.

“Baby?” I whispered but she didn’t respond. My heart was in chaos. Her lips were turning blue suddenly.

“Where the fuck is pack doctor? Why is he not here yet?” I roared.

“I have already sent people to call him,” Adriana replied.

I couldn't hold back my anger. Everything was all right then what happened suddenly? My mate was lying here, like a corpse and she was not responding at all. I turned back to look at Adriana who was sobbing. Cassius held her in his arms.

"How did all these happen? She was all right in the morning" I asked.

"She was having meals in the dining room. We were chatting and laughing. Then after she ate the congee she suddenly fell from the chair and passed out. I don't know what happened suddenly so I brought her here and called for the doctor" she explained.

"You say after eating food?" Cassius was frowned.

Adriana nodded "yes, after eating food. She was happy all the time, she was even saying the food was delicious then ..." Adriana bit her lips and couldn't say anymore.

"It's okay, don't worry" Cassius hugged her. Just then the pack doctor rushed in with his assistant.

"What happened?" He asked.

"Where the hell have you been? You took years to come here" I glared at him.

"I was dealing with other matters. As soon as I heard I rushed here"

"Keep your explanation and check her already" I hissed. He nodded and immediately pulled out his medical box and walked towards the bed. He checked her heart then her pulse. He frowned slightly.

"Turner what happened?" I heard Cassius ask. Turner turned to look back at us with a heavy expression.

"This situation is critical she has been poisoned"

“WHAT?” We all were shocked. My gaze turned to look at my mate.
Poisoned?

“Yes” Turner nodded, “look at those blue lips, the poison is reacting fast and she is unconscious. It’s a symptom of the poison effect ”

“How could this be?” Adriana gasped.

“Tell me what she ate before?” Turner asked.

“Congee” Adriana replied, “but she just had 2-3 bites before she fell into unconsciousness”

“The poison which was given is strong. It won’t take time to take action”
Turner looked at his assistant, “bring the checker I need to quickly test what kind of poison was given to her”

The assistant didn’t waste time before pulling out something from the medical box. They started to check Reese again. After 10 minutes Turned out down the kits in his hand and turned to look at us again.

“It’s Yew, she has been fed with Yew poison. This type of poison is high level toxic and could damage the body in short period of time”

“Yew? There must be some cure” I said.

Turner gave an disappointed look, “I am afraid that this poison don’t have any antidote”

“You can’t say that” I growled, “you are the miracle doctor, how could you say that? You have cured many patients but when it comes my mate you are backing away? Are you serious?” I yelled. My mind was crazy right now and I couldn’t think of other things than curing my mate. I walked towards him and grabbed his collar “you are fucking going to treat her and cure her, I am not going to take no for an answer”

Turner gave a shocking look “man what are you doing? Those miracle words were used by others, not me. I have cured many because it was all under ability. But Yew poison doesn’t have its antidote yet. I am not god” he said.

“John stop that” Cassius was by my side, “doing that won’t cure your mate”

I let go of Turner and looked at my mate. Walking towards her I grabbed her cold hand, “you are not going to leave me do you hear me? You promised me not to leave me. You even sword with Moon Goddess, what will I do if you leave? If you love me then you are not going to leave me” my heart was burning and aching with pain. I have tolerated the pain of separation and I won’t let it happen again. I squeezed her hand, “you have to prove to me you really love me. This time you have to show me your truthfulness. You can’t leave, I would never permit you” I shook my head. My eyes are burning but I won’t cry. I have the hope she won’t leave me. She has promised me hasn’t she?

“John, calm down” Cassius said “even if there’s no antidote there must be some way to save her”

“I can’t cure the poison but I can extend her lifespan and keep the poison from spreading in her body” Turner replied.

“Then do that. We will try to find a way soon. Till then you have to keep her alive” Cassius’s tone was hard.

“I will do my best,” Turner replied.

“John, come with me, let Turner do his work. He will keep an eye on her”

I looked at my mate again. I don’t know if she heard me or not but I know she wouldn’t leave me. She has promised me. And I believed her. I kissed her hand.

“Wait for me darling. You have to fight for yourself, for us. You have to suppress this poison. I will come back soon” I got up and Turner started to pull out a syringe. I turned to look at Cassius who nodded in my direction.

“This yew poison doesn’t have any antidote then what are we going to do now?” Adriana asked. Her eyes were red from crying.

“There must be some way” I shook my head, “I have to find a way to pull those poison out of her body. We don’t have much time”

Cassius looked serious like he was thinking something, “call your parents here, uncle Eliseo must know something”

“Dad?” I frowned.

Cassius nodded “yes, let them know”

I called mom who picked up two rings “John”. I can hear her cheerful voice.

“Mom”

“John? What happened? You sound weird”

“Mom you have to come to the pack with dad”

“What happened? Why are you asking suddenly?” Mom asked. She must be confused.

“Mom, Reese was poisoned with no antidote”

“What?” Mom shouted. “Poisoned? How?”

“Mom, it’s not time for the inquiry. Please come here fast”

“Okay don’t worry dear. We are coming” she hung up. I sighed as I rubbed my face. I don’t know what I am going to do now. I looked at Adriana.

“You said she was like this after the meal?”

She nodded “yes, she was all fine. We have been teasing and laughing. Just as she ate the congee her expression changed and she fell down. I couldn’t understand what happened”

“It might be someone putting the poison in her food” I uttered.

“I was the one who ordered the kitchen to make the congee for Cassius. And those kitchen staff are all loyal. I couldn’t think of a reason for them to harm Reese” Adriana shook her head.

“Even if the kitchen staff are innocent, there must be someone who did it secretly,” Cassius said. “This kind of act is a crime. I won’t tolerate it here” his face hardened. “Looks like my lessons in the training were not hard enough so someone gained the guts to commit such a felony” he clenched his fist.

“Cassius?” Adriana called.


“Let Reese get cured first. Then I will investigate this matter myself. I won’t have this kind of transgression to repeat in my pack again” Cassius said.

It was not only him but even I was raging inside. The only reason I am not going out is because of my mate who was fighting between life and death. Moon Goddess you have given us the second chance, you can’t take it away again. It was your intention for us to meet again then you have to give the chance to live together. I prayed silently in my mind. Please help me. Please. Turner walked towards us “I have given her a shot which will keep her body active to fight the poison from spreading. But it could only help her for a few more hours. We have to hurry or the chances are too small”

I closed my eyes as I felt my chest burning. It was like almost exploding from the pain. I couldn’t lose her, I couldn’t lose her for the second time.

Chapter 36 – The Healing Crystal





ZANIYAH'S POV

“You say what?” I asked her. I couldn’t believe my ear. Did it really happen? Finally that woman is leaving?

I walked towards Emely and shook her “you are not playing with my feelings right? What you said is true?”

Emely pushed my arms “of course I am saying the truth. What do you think? I will joke about such things?” She frowned.

I laughed “you don’t know how happy I am Emely. Finally that woman will be out of the pack. Once this plan is successful, she will also be out of John’s life. Don’t you think it’s great?”

“Don’t get your hopes up at this moment. They are trying to save her”

I frowned. “Why can’t they just let her die? It will be great for everyone. I don’t understand what John sees in her? That slut doesn’t even look good. Is it because she was too experienced in bed?”

“What the hell are you talking about? Of course she is his mate and he will feel the mate pull” Emely rolled her eyes, I heart Dr. Turner was called to check on her and she was taken in the Alpha’s room”

“What? Alpha’s room?” I felt my frustrations rising to no end. “What has happened to all of them? I thought Alpha didn’t like that slut. But unfortunately that bitch got along with Luna so well” I clenched my fist, “I just can’t believe it. This is too much”

“Don’t worry” Emely smiled, “the poison is not ordinary one and I made sure of it”

“You know Turner is regarded as a miracle doctor. Do you think when Alpha asked him Turner wouldn’t save that bitch?” I frowned.

“That’s what I am saying” she smiled, “you don’t have to worry, this time no one can save her”

“What kind of poison have you given her?” I wanted to get assurance and comfort.

“It’s yew, which there’s no antidote for it” my eyes widened.

“You have given her yew?” I looked at her in shock. Though I expected her to use some mean trickery but was not expecting her to use yew. Oh my god, it was a deadly poison.

“What do you want then?” Emely glared at me, “you wanted her to get out of this place. But looking at beta John’s current attitude it was impossible for her to leave. So I had to use another way. Once she dies everything will be over and you will be free from all bounds. You don’t have to worry about her anymore” she walked towards me and patted my shoulder “John will be yours after this” she said then walked out of the room.

I stood there looking at her back. Her words are tempting. I have always wanted John but he never gave me a single chance. Then he brought his mate, that slut who ruined everything in my life. What Emely did was not wrong. Once that bitch is dead, John will be finally free from her charm and I could get my chance. I smiled as I thought of John hugging me, kissing me.

JOHN’S POV

“John?” I heard mom’s voice. I looked at the door and saw mom and dad rushing towards us.

“How did this happen?” Mom asked and looked at the bed. She gasped, “oh dear.... such a poor girl” she walked towards my mate. “Her skin has already turned pale and her lips are blue” she said and turned back to me, “explain it now”

“It was after she ate a poisonous congee,” I said.

“Yes, after taking a few bites of the congee Reese got poisoned” Adriana added. “It was so sudden that we couldn’t even process things. Doctor Turner said Reese was fed with Yew poison and there’s no cure at all” she sobbed.

Mom gasped, “no cure? How could this happen? It’s impossible”

“Luckily Turner had given her shots which will keep her safe for a few hours. And we still couldn’t find a way to save her. There’s no medicine to cure the poison mom” I felt hope slipping from my body. I shook my head.

“John, don’t worry” mom looked worried as she walked to me “she is a strong girl. Moon Goddess wouldn’t be that harsh on you nor on her. You have to keep your faith”

“I don’t know mom. My wolf is in pain. I couldn’t find a way to save. I can’t lose her mom, not again”

Mom hugged me, “you won’t dear, don’t worry” she patted my back.

“There’s no way to save her?” I heard Cassius ask.

“If this kind of poison doesn’t have any antidote, then it will be hard to save. But it’s not impossible” dad replied, making us look at him. He stayed with the late Alpha Zachariah and worked for him. He knows about many things that we don’t.

“Dad, is there any way?” I asked.

He looked at me, “we are different from humans, son. If she were a normal human girl then she would’ve died as soon as she ate the poison” dad walked towards bed. He looked at her place figure closely “but her breathing is slow yet normal which means her wolf is strong which keeps her alive. She is fighting with her power to keep the human form stable. Since this is the case, there’s not a chance for her to die”

“But the poison is still in her master beta,” Turner said. “If the poison is not out, she couldn’t regain her normal self”

Dad turned towards Cassius, “I guess this time, we need to use the green box”

“Green box?” Cassius and I looked at each other. “How will it help in this situation?” Cassius asked. I was also confused as I looked at dad.

Dad’s expression was firm, “Cassius you may not know this but the green box not only holds the Silver Shine’s generation history yet great secrets. Why do you think the enemies are after it? Do you think it’s a simple matter?”

Cassius shook his head, “what I knew was it was our duty to protect it. Dad said the green box is our priority and responsibilities. We have to protect it with all our might no matter what. And that’s what we are doing all the time”

Dad nodded, “I have never doubted your abilities or strength. You are way better ruler than your father. I know, Alpha Zach will feel proud of you wherever he is” he smiled, “he has you to take care of the pack. But do you know what’s in that box?”

“Yes, it’s Carnelian,” Cassius replied.

Dad nodded, “but do you know why it is precious? In the ancient generation of wolves the fighters used to wear Carnelian for fortitude and to gain the ability to overcome their foes. But it was not the only reason, the colors of Carnelian have significance of their own. The orange Carnelian represents female energy while the brown one is known as the dynamic male energy. But the type of Carnelian we have is more important. Because the Reddish – brown signifies the healing ability. This is also the reason why enemies are trying to snatch it”

“Healing?” Adriana gasped, “does that mean it can be used on Reese? Will this help her?”

I looked at Adriana then to dad. Is this possible? Can Carnelian cure her poison?

“Dad, is it possible?” I asked him.

“If this works then, there’s no problem,” Cassius nodded.

“It should work on her because her wolf is still fighting. But I couldn’t give any guarantee, what I can say is, we can only give it a try” dad said. But there is still hope. I couldn’t give up on this matter even if the chance is 1% I am on it.

“Then let’s try then” Cassius said, “I will bring the box” he walked out of the room.

“I hope this works,” Adriana prayed, closing her eyes.

Cassius was back in less than 5 minutes. He was holding the green box and handed it to dad. Dad opened the box and pulled out the beautiful shining reddish-brown crystal. He went towards the bed and placed the crystal on her body below the navel where the sacral chakra was located, the center of spiritual energy. Dad moved back and we all looked at her.

Nothing happened.

“Is it working on her?” Adriana asked.

“There’s no response,” Turner said.

“Maybe it’s taking time. But I guess it will work, definitely” dad added.

I looked at her while she lay on the bed like before. My heart was beating fast and I clenched my fist. You can’t leave me, you said you will not leave me. You promised me. You can’t do this to me again. Please baby come back. I said in my mind and felt Kael, my wolf groaned in pain. It was so hard for us to survive that two years of hell.

“Please” I whispered as I pleaded.

Suddenly the crystal started to glow. The glowing radiant covered her body. I heard Adriana gasping behind. My eyes were glued on my mate as the glow started to dim then finally disappeared. The pale skin started to regain its original color and her blue lips turned into pink shade. Her breathing increased into normal range again. Dad removed the crystal and placed it back in the box.

Turner didn't waste time before quickly doing a check. He nodded and turned to look at us. "It's a miracle. It really works. The poison in her body is taken by the crystal" he smiled, "she is fine now and sleeping. She will wake up soon"

I felt a huge burden just lift off my chest. Finally,

Chapter 37 – Waking Up After The Chaos



REESE'S POV

I opened my eyes and the unfamiliar scene came into view. I don't know where I am. My body aches as I try to move. What happened to me? The last thing I remembered is I was having breakfast with Adriana and then I suddenly felt something was wrong. But after that I don't remember anything.

"Oh she is awake" I heard a woman's voice which made me turn my head to look at the side. I saw a beautiful woman dressed in whole. She smiled at me, but who was she? Before I could ask another man showed up.

"Ah, finally you have decided to open your eyes," the man said with a smile.

"Girl, you have given all of us heart attacks when you were sleeping soundly. But looks like you finally understand and woke up"

I don't know what the hell he is talking about. Besides who is he? And how did I end up here? I closed my eyes trying to remember but nothing came to mind. God what's happening? Why can't I remember a thing?

"Don't pressure yourself" I heard the man say again. I looked at him with a frown but he just flashed a smile continuing his words "you need to relax your body. I am prescribing you a few medicines which will help you completely heal your body. I am glad you woke up or that arrogant mate of yours would have had my head on his dinner plate" he laughed out. "Anyway, let me introduce myself. I am Turner, the pack doctor. And she is Phoebe, my assistant. We were waiting for you to wake up since you have been sleeping for last 24 hours"

24 hours? What happened to me? My heart suddenly got anxious and I tried to move my body. The Turner guy jumped in shock.

"What are you doing?" He yelled.

"I need to see my mate," I replied.

"He will be here any minute. You don't have to rush for that" Turner pushed me down on bed again. "You are in the infirmary, you need to relax your body and let the medicine heal your internal wounds. With you moving so vigorously, it's not good"

"What happened to me? And how did I end up here?" I frowned at him.

"Well, you were poisoned with yew which was something medicine couldn't cure. It was lucky that Master Beta suggested for the healing crystal which helped you cure the deadly poison" he shook his head, "I was not expecting to witness such poison but luckily everything sorted out at the end"

I was surprised with his information. Well that's not what I was expecting but he said I was poisoned? But how? Does someone in the pack hate me so

much that they tried to kill me? I never offended anyone here but why did they try to kill me like this?

“Here eat this” Phoebe handed me a glass of water with a pill. She smiled “it will nourish your body and help you gain the energy that you lost because of the toxic effect”

“I... thanks...” I nodded. She helped me sit on the bed and I ate the medicine.

“Are you feeling good?” She asked again.

“I still feel tired but it’s fine”

“Good, don’t worry. You hadn’t eaten anything, that’s why you are feeling more tired but it will go away soon” I nodded.

“It’s a good thing you woke up earlier than the suspected time,” Turner said again. “Or that mate of yours would have killed me” he laughed. “I never thought John would be so aggressive that he would want to kill his old friend. What a life! After getting his mate he is forgetting old relationship” he shook his head.

“Looks like you have left the profession of doctor and engaged yourself in dramas” when the familiar gruff voice fell in my ear, my head snapped towards the door. There stood my mate whom I wanted to meet the moment I opened my eyes. My eyes fell on his figure and my heart sighed.

Azrael walked inside slowly. He tore his gaze from Turner then looked at me. I gave him a weak smile.

“You finally decided to open your eyes,” he said.

“I am sorry” I bit my lips.

“Ah, looks like we need to go now,” I heard Turner say, but I was careless about him. Right now the only person I could see was my mate. I could only feel his presence. Azrael and I looked at each other without a word. I heard

Turner and his assistant rush towards the door before the clicking sound of the door could be heard.

"I almost thought I lost you" after some time Azrael said. I could feel the pain in his tone. My heart clenched. Unknowingly I gave him pain again. I don't know how to give him assurance that I won't leave him. But this time things aren't in my hands.

"I told you, I won't leave," I said weakly.

He sighed and sat on bed "when I heard you fainted I felt like my heart had stopped and couldn't function anymore. The duration lasted till I heard you are out of danger. I was holding my breath so hard that it felt like I was struggling with a life and death situation. I couldn't think of a day without you. I have waited for 2 years, drowning into the suffocation of pain and heartache. I was fearing that I couldn't endure such feelings again"

Each of his words tore my heart. I knew he was already scared of losing me after whatever I did in the past. He was insecure and I don't know how to console him right now. I was not afraid of dying but I was more afraid of his situation after me. I don't want to give him pain whether it is knowingly or unknowingly. I want to make him happy at any cost.

Not knowing what I should do, I hugged him. Maybe my hug could rest his heart. I want to make him feel like I'm with him. "I will never leave you" I whispered in his ear, "and I meant it"

He hugged me gently. We stayed like that, hugging each other, wanting to give each other comfort and solace. No words are needed to say because we know our hearts are one beating in same rhythm accurately.

"Oops...." I heard a sound and I raised my head to see Adriana with Alpha Cassius standing at the door. I broke the hug and smiled at them.

"I hope we didn't disturbed you," she said while grinning.

“You really had a strong will Reese” Alpha Cassius said with his rasping tone. “Even though the poison has almost grabbed you, your wolf was fighting hard to defeat the toxins, I must say your will and courage is marvelous”

I was stunned by his sudden appreciation. I wasn’t expecting Alpha Cassius who would always give those cold shoulders to say such a thing. Now I feel like I am finally able to get into his liking list. It somehow made me happy.

But Adriana glared at him “what are you saying? Reese was always strong, it’s just you who refused to see it. Now she has proved it. Do you agree dear Alpha Reese is the best one for John” she nudged him. Alpha Cassius just raised his eyebrows as he looked at her. Adriana grinned before looking at me.

“How are you doing Reese?”

“I am feeling better now” I smiled at her.

“It’s great. Did you know John was like a zombie walking on roads. The moment he heard you fainted he was like lost all his sanity. He didn’t even eat anything. He said he will eat when you open your eyes”

I looked at him and sighed. Azrael flashed me a small smile. Adriana walked to me and sat on the chair holding my hand “I am glad you finally cured from the poison. When we hear how fatal the poison is, we are so worried” she shook her head, “you have is heart-attack Reese”

“I didn’t know something like this would happen. I never thought I have an enemy here”

“This kind of act is pre-planned. To attack so viciously, it couldn’t be done without any planning. Those bastards I didn’t know I am raising such traitors who will stand their own people” Alpha Cassius looked angry. His fingers were curled into fist.

“We need to find that person soon. Since they have attempted to kill Reese so openly, I believe they will do it again” Adriana said with seriousness.

“The fuck I will let them” Azrael growled beside me.

This matter is so serious. But if the poison is fatal as they said then how did they manage to save me? Wait, didn’t Turner say something about healing crystals?

“What’s a healing crystal?” I asked all of them to look at me at once. I gulped down my saliva. Did I say something wrong?

“How did you know about that?” Alpha Cassius’s eyes turned cold.

“I... Doctor Turner said I was saved by a healing crystal”

Adriana nodded her head, “yes, he is right. Your poison was fatal and couldn’t be cured by any medicine. We were worried and we had to call John’s parents for suggestions because there was not much time for us. When Uncle Eliseo suggested about healing crystal, we had to try to see if it will cure the poison or not but fortunately it worked and finally you woke up”

This information is surprising. I never knew there was such a thing like a healing crystal.

Chapter 38 – To Find The Culprit



ZANIYAH’S POV

“What did you say?” I shook my head “no it can’t happen. It can’t be. Tell me you are lying to me”

“No, I have no reason to lie. Even if you think so you will see the truth by yourself” Emely retorted. “I guess this plan failed,” she frowned.

“You said she will die. You even promised me that bitch will be out of the pack. Then how come you are changing your own words” I screamed, “now you are deceiving me?”

Emely scowled at me, “what the hell are you talking about? I was helping you to get rid of that woman for you yet you are accusing me like this?” She looked so angry that her eyes changed color, “you are such a back-stabber Zaniyah. I have put my own life at risk to help yet you called me a traitor?”

My eyes widened, “Emely, it was not my intention. You know it well how sensitive this matter is. Besides it’s you who said that woman won’t be able to live anymore and assured me to get ready to claim my man. And now you are saying that Reese is alive. What do you want me to think in this way?”

She narrowed her eyes at me, “of course I said that because I was sure of it. The poison used on Reese was fatal and has no antidote. I was hundred percent sure of the plan to get successful. But who would have thought that Alpha will use the treasure of the pack to heal that poison?”

I gasped “what did you say? Alpha used the treasure of the pack?” I couldn’t believe it. The treasure of the pack, that green box which everyone is trying to protect, has such power? No one still knows what’s hidden in that box but whatever it is, we know it’s special. It was an ancient treasure of Silver Shine. But now that treasure has been used on that woman to cure her? What kind of power does that box have that could also save a dead person? I bit my lips as dissatisfaction filled my heart.

“That slut got all the attention and now she was also saved by the treasure. How come she became so lucky? First John brought her back in the pack then she was accepted by the Alpha himself and became a good friend with

Luna. Because of her I had to take punishment too. But what about her? Even though she was rejected, she is getting everything I wanted” I couldn’t help but feel envious of her. That slut is really lucky. What kind of fucking fate did she got?

“You need to calm down. Since this matter is sensitive we couldn’t do anything right now. And I guess Beta John will be more cautious from now on. If he gets doubts on us anyhow, we are done for. You know how much Alpha likes him. Even if we were killed by Beta John, I guess Alpha wouldn’t blink his eyes”

I looked at her “then what should we do now? I don’t want to get discovered. John will hate me for sure. Even if he doesn’t like me now, I can live with it, seeing him everyday but if he gets to know I was the reason behind this matter then he will kill me” I walked towards her and held her hand “Emely you have to do something, please. I can’t take it. You have to do something about it”

“I told you to calm down. Don’t you understand” she snatched her hand away from my clutch. “Now all you have to do is pretend. You know nothing and behave that way. If you oversmart yourself then bear the consequences by yourself and at that time don’t drag me down with you”

“I am just restless” I bit my lips.

Emely scowled “if you behave like that then of course I can guarantee you, you will expose yourself in no time. Don’t forget Jaxson still doesn’t know about it. If he knows let alone John, you will be killed by your own brother”

“No...” I shook my head vigorously. “How can you say that? You are my cousin”

She rolled her eyes “this is the reason I am patient with you. You better control your emotions or it will bring destruction on you without you knowing”

she threw a glare before swiftly turning around and walking out of the room. I stood there pondering over what she said.

That bitch really has the luck to get cured this time. But this is not the end. As long as I live. I won't let her live happily.

REESE'S POV

"How are you feeling my dear" Haley asked as she put down the soup bowl on the table. I am now back in the room. Finally after a few more check ups Turner gave the permission to leave the infirmary. Azrael's parents were staying here to take care of me.

"I am feeling good, specially after coming from infirmary"

She smiled "I guess you aren't a fan of doctor things"

I shook my head "I just hate that place. Even in childhood when I got hurt I refused to get treated by doctors. I just don't like it. I feel suffocated under those white ceiling"

"Well you have the same taste as John. He never liked to visit the doctor even when he needed it the most. You two are really fated"

"I was not expecting you to return to the pack like this. I was surprised when Adriana said you and your husband is here"

"We couldn't help it" she shook her head. "when I heard you were poisoned I was so shocked. I couldn't imagine the scenario at all" she sighed. "John was devastated looking at your pale figure. I can understand what he was thinking. I was also hoping for you to get well soon" she held my hand gently, "Reese, you are my son's happiness. Once he lost you which made him lifeless. I never wanted to witness such a thing again. It breaks my heart everytime I look into his eyes"

I held back my sobs, “I know. I never meant to give him pain. This time I was unaware of the situation. I never expected that there would be someone in the pack who would put poison in food. Though this thing is shocking, I guess it’s not impossible. There’s highly chance not everyone will like me because of the huge scandalous history of my past”

“Don’t think like that. We couldn’t change the past nor could we change the mindset of how others think. If there’s people who like you then there will also be some who are envious of you. It’s more like a tradition” she shook her head. “But the best thing is you are fine now. This is what mattered the most”

“I heard I was saved by the healing crystal”

She nodded, “yes it is a treasure of Silver Shine. Enemies are trying to snatch it because of its power. That crystal was never in use before. It said it was once used on Luna Zoie, because she was stabbed by enemies in the fight. So Alpha Colt used it to save her life. And now it was used on you to save your life”

“I never knew such a thing” I smiled.

“There are more things you will know. But that can be done later. Right now you need to take good rest and heal your body first”

I nodded.

Just then Phoebe walked in holding a tray “it’s medicine time” she exclaimed with a smile.

“Ah, your medicine is here. Take it, I will come later” Haley got up and walked towards the door.

“Here” Phoebe handed me a tablet and a glass of water.

“How long have you been working as an assistant?” I asked her as I ate the tablet.

“7 years”

I was surprised, “it’s kind of long”

“I was working as an assistant in my pack. But during a medical event I met Turner”

“You met him so you are here with him?” I frowned.

She chuckled “well actually, Turner is my mate. It was a coincidence that we both have the love for the same profession. I wasn’t expecting it. After we found out we were mates, he asked me to be his assistant”

I smiled “I guess you two have a great story”

“Sometimes because most of the time we were busy seeing patients” she gave a nervous laugh.

The door opened again and I saw my mate was walking in. Phoebe glanced at him then to me, “it’s my time to leave now. I will visit later with your medicine again” she said and left the room.

“How are you feeling?” Azrael asked as he walked towards me.

“I am good. Where have you been? I couldn’t find you when I woke up”

He chuckled “I was having a meeting with Cassius ”

“Anything serious?” I frowned. He sat on the bed and smiled.

“No, we were discussing about the traitor who poisoned you”

I sighed, “I was not expecting to have enemies here”

“Don’t worry, whoever it was, she or he will have to pay with their lives. I am not fucking letting them away once I get my hold on them” his voice turned hard making it more gruff.

I hold his hand “Azrael is it important?”

He frowned “why not, they tried to take you away from me, so they have to pay the price”

I could see the seriousness in his eyes and I couldn't help my sighed inwardly. I knew there's no stopping him anymore.

Chapter 39 – Demon Fox



REESE'S POV

Two days later after the incident Savannah visited me in the pack. Though her visit was surprising, I am glad she did. She got the news of me being poisoned from Adriana who I think couldn't conceal this matter at all. Currently I was chatting with my two very best friends whom I never knew I had.

“This matter sounds so indefinite, I guess there's someone who doesn't like you to the point of killing,” Savannah said with a frown. It looked like she was uncertain about her own words.

“That's what I was thinking” Adriana nodded, “the breakfast was ordered by me and those who were working in the kitchen were also my trusted cooks. Originally the food was made for Cassius. But when Reese came down for a meal, I asked the maids to serve what was made for the Alpha. But poisoning the food is something I really couldn't understand”

“Since it was made for the Alpha, I don't think the pack members will bear any enmity to commit such a crime. So is it only for Reese?” Savannah asked.

“It could be” I nodded and they both looked at me. I gave them a small smile, “I guess this action was related to my past”

“Resse you really don’t have to-” Savannah was about to say but I stopped her shaking my head.

“Let me finish first,” I said to her. “So what I want to say is, I know even though Azrael brought me here and he doesn’t care about my past but not every member in the pack would think so. There must be few who still think I don’t deserve their beta. But since Azrael holds power in his hands, they wouldn’t voice out their dissatisfaction publically. They must be thinking of a way to move me out of the way”

Adriana frowned, “you do have a point, but there’s something still missing. Even if some of them had such dissatisfaction they wouldn’t step to this level of killing you. Because as you said John holds the power and position in his hands, they knows what he will do if he finds out the truth once. So I really don’t think your matter is only about dissatisfaction in heart”

“If this point has come at this level then....” Savannah and Adriana looked at each other. They gave a knowing look before gazing at me.

“What?” I frowned.

“It’s a love rival” they both said.

“What?” I looked at them with wide eyes. Love rivals?

Savannah nodded “yes, love rival. You see, a woman’s heart is always jealous. Especially when it comes to the man they love. Maybe you don’t know but it’s possible that someone in the pack wanted to kill you so that she can step in. Do you have anyone in your heart who could play it?”

I pondered for a while. Suddenly a blue eyed woman flashed in my mind. Wait, that Zaniyah girl. She did confess that she loves Azrael didn’t she? Now thinking about that could she really stoop to this point? She even planned well to kill me?

“Reese?” Savannah’s call had me out of my trance.

“Yeah?”

“What are you thinking?” She frowned. “Wait, you know that someone don’t you?”

I sighed, “I am not sure but the way you said yes. I have someone in mind who said she loves Azrael. She was even accused of being the reason for his pain. The way she glared at me, I guess she wanted me dead the moment she laid her eyes on me”

“Who is it?” Adriana asked. “I really wanted to know who the hell committed such a crime in the pack. I guess some people really did have the gut to disrespect the pack rules” her eyes showed anger.

“You know Adriana, it’s Zaniyah. I am not sure if she was the one who poisoned me but I know that she loves Azrael. I can see it in her eyes. Those blue eyes were reflecting every feeling she had on him” I shook my head.

Adriana gasped, “oh my god. I thought that girl was such a little crazy but she really harbored such evil intentions in her little head?” She clenched her fist.

“Whether it’s her or not, everything will be out once she is taken to the investigation room. I also liked to see how long she could pretend to be innocent.

“What are you going to do?” Savannah asked.

“I am not going to say but I will show you. Let’s go. We need to inform Cassius. He was already angry because of this matter” she got up and Savannah and I nodded as we followed her behind. We went to the study room of Alpha Cassius. Alpha Hardwick and Azrael were already there.

“Peaches? What’s the matter?” Alpha Cassius asked as soon as he saw us. Adriana walked towards him.

“We have something to tell,” Adriana said.

“About what?” Alpha Cassius frowned.

“About the matter of poisoning”

Suddenly Alpha Cassius and Azrael’s expressions changed. Their expressions turned serious as they looked at us.

“You know who did it Luna?” Azrael asked.

“I am not sure John but the person I am about to name does have the connection in this matter. And you will be surprised when you hear the name”

“Who is it peaches?” Alpha Cassius asked again. “I would also like to see who got such a huge gut to play this act behind my back” his tone became gruff.

“It’s Zaniyah,” Adriana said.

“What?” Alpha Cassius and Azrael jumped in shock. It looked like they weren’t really expecting her to be involved in this matter.

“Zaniyah? Jaxson’s sister?” Alpha Cassius frowned.

“Yes,” Adriana nodded. She glanced at me then turned to look at her mate, “the fact is Zaniyah confessed her love interest to Reese. She even accused Reese for so many things. Zaniyah thinks that Reese is the reason she couldn’t get John. That girl becomes crazy out of jealousy. But how much she is involved in this poisoning matter is something we don’t know. But we clearly know this is somehow related to her”

I saw Azrael clenched his jaw. Anger was radiating from his body as his eyes turned dark. He got up from the chair and walked towards me.

“Why haven’t you said a word about her?”

"I thought it's just a little jealousy. I was not expecting her to take such action so freely" I shook my head. "I have taken this as a small matter but looks like I was wrong"

"Every small matter is the reason for big trouble, " Alpha Cassius said.

I sighed, "I am sorry Alpha, I was careless this time"

"You should be. You better not neglect a small thing in the future. It will give you more trouble which you may not expect at all"

I nodded, "yes. I will remember this words"

"Good," he nodded. "Since the first person involved in this matter came into light. Then place my order, bring Zaniyah in the Investigation room this moment"

DEMON'S POV

"Let me go...." A loud scream filled the air followed by laughter. I looked at the woman who was screaming trying to free herself from the shackles. Her eyes were glued on the half dead person lying on the floor. I laughed again. Their misery was something really pleasing to my eyes.

"Scream all you want me dear" I said. "Can you see your mate's condition? He looked weak and pale. It's so shameful he couldn't even save you from my clutches"

Her eyes turned to me with a glare, "what do you think of yourself you bastard. Just because you got the weak points you think you have won this fight? Demon Fox, even if we die here, you will never be able to get what you want" she screamed. "Do you hear me? You will never be able to get what you want. The dream you are dreaming will shatter into pieces. There will be a day when you will face someone who will have your head rolling on the floor-" her words

stuck in her throat when I threw the dagger at her which pierced her throat at one shot.

“So noisy” I turned to look at my beta “where did you get this noisy sluts? Don’t you know I hate noisy things?”

“It’s my mistake, please forgive me Alpha,” Kole replied.

“Tell me about the updates of Silver Shine” I wiped my hand.

“Our people failed to win over them. The last attack in Dark Forest has made the Alpha of Dark Forest angry. He is hostile towards us now”

“I told you to be careful. Cassius alone was the biggest trouble yet you offended Hardwick. Do you want us to fail again and again?” I frowned.

“Alpha I was not thinking straight. I couldn’t hold myself back when I saw them. What I wanted was to kill them all”

“Even if you want to take action against them, you need to first pre-plan all the incidents. Don’t work like a fool now Kole. Cassius has the highest support now. Do you know what it means by having Dark Forest by side? It means Snow Moon Pack is also with him. You know it well that the Luna of Alpha Hardwick is not ordinary. Don’t you?”

“Yes,” Kole replied. “Alpha what should we do now?”

I walked towards the window gazing out “we need a good plan. To defeat them all for once”

Afterall I still need to avenge my brother. The debt is still on Cassius. I am coming to get you. Are you ready?

Chapter 40 – Standing By My Side





REESE'S POV

We all stood in the investigation room. Suddenly a loud scream could be heard from outside. The door of the dark room opened and two men dragged a screaming Zaniyah inside the room. She was shouting at them crazily. She stopped once her gaze fell on us.

“Alpha...” She screamed, “please help me. I didn’t do anything wrong. Why am I treated this way?”

“Make her sit on the chair” Alpha Cassius said to the men who immediately nodded and dragged Zaniyah and forcefully made her sit in the lone chair in the center.

“Alpha I-”

“You won’t get up till I say so. And I don’t want to hear a word from you until you are asked something to answer” Alpha Cassius said, stopping her in the middle. Zaniyah gulped down as she roamed her eyes around her. Hatred filled her blue orbs when she looked at me.

Azrael walked forward, “I have always taken you as a sister of Jaxson but I never expected you would do such a thing even violating the laws of the pack. You dragged down all the prestige of the pack”

“Beta John please believe me. I didn’t do anything. I have been wronged” she hurried to answer him.

“Wronged?” Azrael asked, “I would have believed if you were sincere as you look on the surface. Your brother has been serving the pack wholeheartedly yet you are running behind ruining all his efforts. Tell me Zaniyah, how do you explain this?”

Zaniyah looked fearful. The color of her face drained making it all pale and white. It was like she understood the meaning of his words.

"I.... didn't do anything" she shook her head.

"Didn't do anything?" Alpha Cassius stepped in. "Do you want me to use third degree interrogation Zaniyah?"

"No..." Zaniyah screamed suddenly. "I didn't do anything. It's Emely. She did it. I didn't do anything. I didn't do anything" she held her head almost pulling her hair.

"Emely?" I frowned.

"Hmmm.... it's her cousin" Adriana cleared my confusion.

"I wasn't expecting that I will be having double enemies" I sighed.

"They are all the same," Adriana replied.

"You two have heard, go bring her here" Alpha Cassius ordered. The two men immediately walked out.

"Emely never met my mate. Why the hell had she taken such steps?" Azrael asked.

"I..." Zaniyah bit her lips. Her body trembled and she couldn't reply at all.

"Do you have any idea what you have done?" Adriana asked. Her eyes were glaring at the pale figure sitting on the chair. "I don't understand how do you call this a love when all you do is killing others"

Zaniyah's eyes snapped towards her "how can you accuse me like that? When did I try to kill?" She snapped.

"How dare you raise your voice on your Luna?" Alpha Cassius roared. "Who gave you such a right?"

Zaniyah flinched, she looked down as her body trembled. Alpha Cassius glared at her. I could see the anger in his eyes. Adriana went to him and held his arm.

“Cassius, don’t get angry” she whispered.

“How dare she disrespect you like this? What the hell does she think of herself?” Alpha Cassius roared. “I will snap her head from her body”

Alpha Cassius looked indignant. I guess if Adriana was not holding him back, he would have killed Zaniyah. I have seen Alpha Cassius’s dark side, how he handled Adriana with such passion and possessiveness. Now seeing someone insulting her he was raged and ready to kill. Their bond is so strong and unyielding.

“Let me go, where the hell you are taking me?” An annoying voice heard outside. The door opened once again and a woman was dragged inside just like Zaniyah.

“I told you to let me -” her voice stopped when she saw us. She gasped loudly “Alpha? Luna?” Her eyes were wide as she looked at us.

“Ah, you are finally here” Alpha Cassius’s strong voice echoed in the room. Adriana moved to my side.

“Alpha? Why am I being brought here?” She asked.

“Your cousin was alone and wanted some company. Since you are so close to her, I thought why not let you have the pleasure to join her?” Alpha Cassius said. He moved and showed the figure of Zaniyah sitting on the chair silently.

“Zaniyah?” Emely gasped. Her expression looked horrified as she turned her gaze to look at Alpha Cassius again.

“I hope you have understood what it means, Emely. Sit” Alpha Cassius ordered. Another chair was placed beside Zaniyah where Emely sat down.

"I don't like puzzling the matter. So I will ask you directly. Why did you poison Reese?" Alpha Cassius asked.

Biting her lips Emely turned towards Zaniyah who was still bowing her head. Emely's eyes glared at her figure.

"If you are trying to waste our time then you should think again. Don't make me use another method Emely to get you answer every fucking question" suddenly Azrael snapped at her.

Emely jumped in shock as she abruptly turned her head towards him, "I... Did it because of Zaniyah. She hated Reese because she thinks Reese was coming between Beta John and her. I did it because I wanted to help her" she blurted out.

"Help?" Azrael roared, "killing my mate is your help? How dare you?" He rushed and grabbed her neck pulling her up and shoving her on the wall behind. I jumped in shock at his sudden act.

"You have gotten such a huge gut to lay your hands on my mate you wench" Azrael cursed loudly. "How dare you think of harming her?"

Emely struggled to free herself from his grip but failed miserably. She huffed trying to catch her breath. Her skin was turning white and her face became pale. But Azrael's grip was so tight that his knuckles turned white. It was like he was choking her to death and wouldn't stop until she became lifeless.

"You dared to try to take her away from me? Do you think you can get away?" He hissed at her. I felt my heart jump. Even in such a situation

I couldn't help but feel overwhelmed. How can't I fall for this man?

"John, it's enough to let her go" Alpha Cassius holds his shoulder stopping him. "don't dirty your hand killing her"

Azrael clenched his jaw and finally removed his hand which made Emely to drop on the floor with this. She lied there like a corpse. She must be passed out because of the force. Alpha Cassius waved his hand and the two men dragged Emely's unconscious figure out of the room.

"You really had the guts to commit such a crime, Zaniyah. Your brother has been fighting for the pack yet you were coveting for something which is not yours. You even stooped so low in your desire that you forgot what's wrong and right" Alpha Cassius glared at Zaniyah.

Suddenly Zaniyah raised her head. Her eyes were red as looked at him "what was my fault?" She yelled. "What did I even do? Is it my fault that I loved him so much? It was him who couldn't see this truth. I have been waiting for him for years yet he never gave me a chance" she angrily pointed towards Azrael.

"You are not your mate," Azrael hissed.

"So what?" Zaniyah snapped again. "You brought back the woman who rejected you yet you couldn't see through the pure heart I have for you. You could force her to live with you yet you couldn't see my feelings. She rejected you and left for another man. Oh my god, she have fucked another man yet you are still longing for her?"

"Shut up," Azrael roared.

"Why? Because I said the truth?" Zaniyah laughed. "No matter how much you try you couldn't hide this truth Beta John. Your mate is used and ruined. She didn't even save her virginity for you yet slept with another man. You wanted such a woman who couldn't close her legs yet you couldn't feel my love. If she was really the fayed mate then why did she reject you? When did she leave you for another man? Why didn't she see your pain? Where was she when you were fighting for life?" She screamed. "Now that man is dead she is here to be your mate? Can you call her honest? She is nothing but a slut who

wants power in hand. And you are too blind to see it. Tell me what the hell I don't have in me which she has? What's the difference between me and her?"

"Insanity has no solution. And right now your mind is not working properly" Alpha Cassius said.

"I wouldn't have become like this if she hadn't entered the pack," Zaniyah pointed towards me. "All of these are happening because of her. She was the one who ruined everything"

"Enough" Azrael roared again. He walked towards her and gazed at her with his dark eyes "you want to hear what's the difference between her and you? It's morality. She knows what she did was wrong, she is trying to rectify her wrong doings and everytime she proves herself. She understands how to distinguish between right and wrong and is still learning to do the right things. But what about you? In the name of love you have engaged yourself in a crime of killing an innocent violating the pack rules. You even forgot your morality"

Zaniyah's eyes brimmed with tears "Beta John I-"

"Don't take my name with your mouth" Azrael hissed. He walked past her and walked towards me. "I am sorry, because of me you have to suffer the pain"

My eyes brimmed with tears. It's not because of Zaniyah's words but his trust. He stood by my side even though he knew what Zaniyah said was true. He still took my side and didn't let me down. He made me fall for him all over again.

"Send her to the Training Prison" I heard Alpha Cassius ordered followed by Zaniyah's scream and protest.

Azrael held my hand and pulled me out of the room.