## Mated in the Shadow of My Sister Chapter 132

Chapter 0132 \*Trigger Warning: Margie, Steila, and Stephanie are disgusting, horrible she-wolves. The next few chapters will prove just how sick and twisted they really are. Almost every type of loss and abuse that you can imagine will be involved. If that kind of thing bothers you, I am very sorry! There are many happy moments and happy endings coming, but first we have to get through some really, really ugly stuff. Please be prepared.\*\*\* James POV "How many wolves are in this movement?" I asked. "500," Joey responded. "500 wolves?" "No. 500 families." I collapsed back onto the couch, leaned over, and put my head in my hands. "Fivehundred FAMILIES? I repeated. "Yes," Jessica responded softly. "Not every one of those families has been directly hurt or impacted, but everyone is linked in some way. Either they have been hurt, or they know someone who has been." "But... five-hundred families... if each family has an average of four members in it, that means that at least TWENTY PERCENT of our ranks are actively planning an uprising?!?!?" "Well... they WERE But then you were mated to Lily..." "How is Lily involved in all of this?" I asked, genuinely confused. "Does she... does she know about the uprising? Is she part of the group?" I glanced up at Joey and Jessica, wanting to watch their faces as they responded. Joey and Jessica both shook their heads. "No, no. Nothing like that. Lily has no idea about any of this. She does not even know that we were the ones that kidnapped her." "Kidnapped her? When?" "On the day of the rejection. "YOU KIDNAPPED LILY?" I asked, suddenly becoming angry. "Well... yes... sort-of. I mean, at first we only meant to help her. But then we realized she could help us "How could she help? And how did you get her out of the pack?" "She collapsed as she was heading to the border beyond the forest. We got to her before anyone else, and we carried her to our house. When we discovered how injured she was, and she would not wake up, called in reinforcements. We were worried she would die." we "What do you mean, you called in reinforcements?" Joey started rubbing his neck. "I may have... sort of... kidnapped Dr. Hyder." Despite the seriousness of the situation, the visual of Dr. Hyder being kidnapped made me laugh. I could think of few things in this world less likely than Dr. Hyder falling victim to a kidnapping by anyone, much less a warrior like Joey. "Okay, funny. What did you really do?" Joey looked at me sheepishly. "I kidnapped Dr. Hyder." I studied his face. "Wait... you aren't serious?" Joey continued to look at me straight-faced. "How in Goddess' name did you manage to kidnap Dr. Hyder? And why?" Joey looked down. "It was not easy. I had to use wolfsbane and then I got sort of lucky... Jessica jumped in. "We had to. We knew Dr. Miller was tied up helping you, and the first place anyone would look for Lily would be the hospital anyway. We could not let anyone get to her. One of... one of our group members heard Margie say that they should not search for her and should just let Lily die. Then, when Alpha Randall sent searchers out anyway, she told one of the searchers that she would pay him a premium if he brought back proof that Lily was dead; triple if he could prove he was the one who killed her." My head was spinning. Too many details were hitting me all at the same time. I was having trouble catching up. Treason. Uprising. Somehow Lilly was involved, but she wasn't. Joey kidnapped Dr. Hyder- THE Dr. Hyder. And now Margie wanted to pay a premium for Lily's murder? I knew she hated Lily, but to want her killed?!?! "Wait... Hold up... We have to take this whole thing slower. My mind is trying to catch up. Let's start with the last thing that you said. Margie wanted to pay a premium for proof of Lily's death? To pay a premium, don't you normally have to be paying someone to begin with? That is not part of the beta female's responsibilities." Jessica frowned. "I know." "Help me here. What are you talking about?" "Margie has had a number of security guards on her personal payroll." "What? Why? With what money?" Joey handed me my coffee mug. "If your head is spinning already, I recommend we get back to that part of the story. Those questions will open an entire Pandora's box of issues. I took a sip of my coffee and then just stared at the cup. "Okay, let's go back. So you somehow kidnapped Dr. Hyder, and then what?" "We brought him back here, in the trunk of my car." "I bet he was thrilled." "He was... scary. And he became even scarier when he saw Lily lying unconscious in the guest room bed. At first, he thought we had done something to her. Once he realized that we were mostly trying to help her, he calmed down quite a bit. He was still really scary, but he was also really protective of Lily. He got her stabilized, and then after the search parties were called off by your parents, we used our network to sneak Dr. Hyder and Lily out of West Mountain Pack."