Chapter 7

"MATE?"

His eyes were gazing into mine. I could not describe how I felt at that time. In fact, I could not believe it.

'Ethan is my mate?'

It was like a dream I had been dreaming of for a long time came true.

I loved him from my childhood days. We were kids. He always played with me, and we became playmates. But then he started to go to training to become an Alpha and I was busy with my studies.

However, I was in the same middle school as him. My eyes always followed him wherever he went.

One day, I was going back home alone; that night, I was trapped in danger. A few hooligans were passing the road and saw me. They tried to molest me, but in that hazardous moment, Ethan saved me. He did not even think about himself and protected me.

Only Alpha and my father knew about this incident. They didn't tell Luna and my mother about it. They did not want to make them worry.

However, after that night, my love for Ethan turned deep. I could not think of anyone else in my life except him.

I could not believe that destiny was always on my side. He was my mate; that was why I always fell for him, no matter how much I tried to stay away.

I stared at Ethan. He parted his lips to say something but stopped himself.

One thing I could see was that he was not looking surprised.

'Did he know about it?' I thought.

I stepped towards him. My attention was so focused on him that I almost missed Ryan standing beside him.

I stood in front of Ethan. He also gaped at me. I smiled at him and said,

"Mate"

I heard someone clear his throat. I turned my head beside Ethan. Ryan was still there.

He glanced at me and then at Ethan.

He came closer to me and whispered in my ear,

"Bingo! You have got your prince... Oh, sorry, your king and your mate."

I did not reply to him. I just want to see Ethan. There were so many things that I wanted to ask Ethan.

Ryan moved back and left the place, leaving me and Ethan alone.

I turned to Ethan and wanted to hear his thoughts.

His glowing red eyes turned black. He held my hand.

"Come with me."

His voice felt desperate to me. I was happy that he yearned to talk to me.

He took me to the forest side. We entered the forest and went a little deep.

He left my hand and looked at me.

I smiled at him again. "I can not believe this is true."

He averted his gaze and nodded. "It's true. You are my mate."

"You don't look surprised. Why Ethan? Did you know about it?"

Ethan was silent. I frowned at him.

"Why are you not saying anything?"

When I still did not get any reply, I nodded my head.

"It's fine. Now everything is okay."

He closed his eyes and took a deep breath. He turned away from me.

'What happened to him?' I asked myself.

"Ethan?"

"Allison, I can't accept you."

I frowned when I heard him. "W-What?"

I could see that he tightened his fists. What was wrong with him?

"I-Is it because of Julie?" I asked with a bit of hope that he would tell me that he was just kidding.

This time he turned to me and looked into my eyes directly.

"Not because of her. It's just that I can't be with an Omega."

In just one moment, my frown was removed and my brows raised.

I knew I was an ordinary omega, but I never thought I would have to hear this from him.

"W-What d-do you m-mean?" I could not help but stutter.

He shook his head. "Look, I know our families are friends. That's why I did not want to tell you about this at first. I started to feel the

bond last week. However, I don't want this."

I stepped back. My lips were trembling, unable to let out anything.

"I knew it." I said in a lower tone.

"What?" He asked.

"That, I am not your type."

"I said that because I knew you were behind me."

I looked at him. "And you still say that? You planned to break my heart?"

He looked away from me. "I don't know what you feel for me, but-"

"NO. YOU REALLY DON'T KNOW HOW I FEEL FOR YOU."

I shouted at him. I could not prevent myself anymore. I wanted to tell him how I felt for him. I wanted to say to him that he was the only one in my heart.

Though, with my shout, his eyes became dark, I forced myself to say what was in my heart.

"If I have ever felt for someone in my life, that's you, Ethan. I fell for you. I don't even know from when."

"Those are your feelings, not mine."

I laughed at myself. Tears rolled down my cheeks.

"Then why did you save me that night?"

"Are you crazy? If it were not you but any other girl in your place, I would do the same. You are a weak omega, who was not able to

protect yourself from danger. If there were an Alpha or Beta female, they would have never needed my help."

His words shattered my heart. Did he plan to break me until the end?

"Listen to me, Allison. I have no feelings for you. You can't force yourself on me by the name of mate bond. I am your pack's future

Alpha. Your Luna should be someone powerful who can save the whole pack and stand with your Alpha. Not someone who herself needs protection from others."

I lowered my head. I felt humiliated and ashamed. He saved me, and because of that incident, he was taunting me.

I was speechless. What was this pain in my heart? I felt heavy there.

Then I heard the most ruthless statement. I had never imagined that my mate would do that to me.

"I, Alpha Ethan, reject you, Omega Allison as my mate."