Chapter 81

Rynyxon Pov

My princess was hurt. I can't deny that it is possible she could have helped her mother, but Lucifer took control of my mate and tried to use her to get to Ava. Keeping the truth from her was my way of protecting her. I kept her safe for as long as I could. That was the job of a father. To protect his family at all costs.

"Why did you tell her?" Samael asked after I explained everything to everyone who didn't know.

"She said she dreamwalked into Lucifer's realm. He put the thought in her mind not to trust me. She knew I was not being honest when she asked me, so she took over my mind and searched my memories. I could not stop her.

"Fuck!" Samael growled out.

"So what now? Where is she?" Jasmine asked.

"My guess is Draconis. All her life, she has longed for her mother, only to realize the lie we have kept from her. That, plus the darkness we have seen latched inside of her, is driving her mad." I explained.

"Lucifer must have done something to her when we were captured," Harmon said, and I nodded.

"That is what I am thinking. Ava right now is not Ava. She is becoming the darkness of her prophecy. Her birthday is in two days. Lucifer is using her as a pawn to make his move. We have to find her and get through to her before it is too late." I told them. I can only pray that my princess is there and that she will forgive me. We portaled to Draconis just in time as Atlas shifted into his dragon, ready to attack Ava.

Atlas Pov

"Where is she?' Ava demanded to know. Her eyes were all black.

"If you value your mate, you will tell her to leave right now." Kai said it in my head, but I ignored him.

"Listen, Ava, before I met you, I didn't know she was your mother. All I know is that we have had to keep her under lock and key. I didn't know she had any ties with you until I met Rynyxon again and put it together. I knew she had a daughter, but I would never have guessed that baby girl was you." I told her. The lighting cracked in front of me. Ava was seething.

'Where the fuck is my mother, Atlas?" she demanded to know. Kai merged with me against my will and took control.

"Leave. "Now," Kai said to her as I struggled to gain back control of my own body. He was not taking the right approach to this.

"Tell me where she is, and I will," Ava said to us.

"Your mother is dead. The quicker you accept that angel witch, the better it will be for you," he said to her, and two strokes of lightning cracked at our feet.

"You've tested my patience long enough," Ava said before leaning her head to the side, and the ground started shaking. A hole opened up in the ground below our feet, leaving us no choice but to shift.

"Do not attack. I command it, Kai. Do not attack," I commanded him, but my command fell on deaf ears.

"I cannot fight at the command of our lord, Atlas. I must attack her. I must end her before Lucifer's control fully takes over her." Kai growled.

"So this is his command. To end our friendship I fucking refuse it. Stop at once," I commanded Kai. The struggle to take over my body was a ferocious one as he dove at Ava. I only managed to swerve our bodies to the side before he could reach her, and we fell to the ground.

"If this is how it is to be, then so be it," Ava said before levitating.

"Ava no!" Tracie yelled and shot her hands up along with the other witches, creating a forcefield around us. Ava shot her magic at the forcefield and couldn't break it. As she tried attacking again, Gold showed up. She used her powers of water to blast Ava out of the air and used a small cloud to catch her fall. Ava turned her attention to Gold.

"Leave us," Ava commanded.

"I cannot. Our dragon lord's plans for you have changed. I am no longer allowed to protect you. He has commanded us to kill you," Gold said with a sad expression on her face. My blood was rushing. My senses were heightened. We saw dad, Jessica, Jasmine, Harmon, and Samael appear through a portal right into the middle of us.

"Ava please. Come back to us," dad pleaded.

"Not without seeing mom first." I said to him: A powerful lightning bolt struck from the sky, and in its smoky presence, it left behind the archangel Michael. He was clad

in golden and black armor. His black locks were pinned underneath a golden crown of thorns. Two knights of the angel realm stood beside him.

"Kill her," he commanded, pointing at me, and the two knights advanced towards me. Dad, Samael, Jasmine, Jessica, Harmon, and the coven witches stood in front of Ava, ready to protect her. As powerful as they all were, none of them could withstand the power of Michael, who waved his hand and made them all freeze in place. Michael looked at me and Gold.

"You have your orders from your dragon lord. Kill her", he commanded, to which I growled through Kai, but fighting was futile. I could not take back my own body. As we all ascended on Ava, she closed her eyes, and suddenly a bright light formed before her, blinding us. When the light faded, Lucifer himself stood in front of Ava, looking at her and checking her for any injuries, before turning to all of us.

"Lucifer," Michael growled. Lucifer looked at the two angels Michael brought with him, and their bodies disintegrated. Their souls shot to the sky.

"How dare you try to hurt what's mine?" Lucifer said in a calm but menacing voice as he took Ava by the waist. I growled from inside Kai, but I could do nothing but watch. Michael's influence still froze us.

"I will kill you both," Michael stated, pointing his sword towards them before advancing upon them. Lucifer raised his hand and sank into the ground through a portal, taking Ava with him. It closed before Michael could reach them. The prophecy was coming true, and it was all because of us.