

Chapter 34 : Helping Hands

Charlotte came back casually holding her phone. She had received a call from her mom asking her what happened in the day. Charlotte was a bit embarrassed to say that she had gone shopping for Anaya so made up a lie.

Charlotte told her mother that Roman had taken her out for lunch and discussed some things about her stay over it. Ginny was happy with the progress and pushed her to do more.

This annoyed Charlotte to no end. She felt like for the first time she wasn't able to do something. Charlotte wanted to grab Roman's attention too but he was just so tough that it looked like an impossible task to soften his heart.

When Charlotte came back inside, the first thing she saw was Roman. He had finally arrived. No one had started eating yet because they were talking about Anaya but Charlotte had the misconception that it was because they were waiting for her to come back. This made her mood a bit better.

There was only two chairs left on the table and both were too far from Roman. Thinking that

tomorrow she'll come early and grab the seat next to the Alpha's, Charlotte compromised.

"Sorry to keep y'all waiting." Charlotte said.

"Make sure to arrive on time for dinner." Roman reminded.

"Sorry Alpha. Mom called so I had to receive it."

Good was already served so everyone started eating. Anaya took small bites and ate slowly. She used to eat very less in Blue stone but in southern pack each meal was bigger than the other and it made Anaya so full. Since she also ate a burger earlier, Anaya couldn't eat a lot.

"You don't like it?" Tina whispered to Anaya.

Anaya nodded, "It's nice."

Tina smiled, "Then eat more. Aunt Regan likes it when we eat everything. And when we finish out vegetables she gives us desserts. So don't leave out anything!"

Anaya smiled a little and ate some more. Just like that she finished most of the things on her plate. The feeling of being full was always satisfying.

Dinner ended with a small cup of ice cream for everyone. Roman got another because he could

while the kids suffered with just one. Anaya had not eaten ice cream for a long time, years even. She found the taste rather unpleasant so she didn't eat more than a few spoonfuls.

"You don't like it?" Tina asked.

Anaya shook her head, "No."

Tina slid closer to Anaya and whispered in her ear, "We don't like peach flavour either but Alpha likes it. But if he knows we don't like it then he won't have it either, so we pretend to like it. Anyway it's just one day out of the week that we have to eat it."

Anaya understood the underlying meaning - eat it even if you don't like it because Alpha likes it. She nodded and ate the rest.

After dinner was relaxing time. Anaya didn't know the routine they followed and was pleasantly surprised when Roman announced that they will be watching a movie.

The kids shuffled over to the theatre room and occupied the seats first. Charlotte got a seat as well. Easton had a smart idea and sat on the only left over seat. Alpha Roman and Anaya didn't have anywhere to sit.

"Alpha, why don't you two sit on the carpet? It's quite comfortable there." Easton said with shining eyes.

Roman pretended as if it was a major inconvenience as sat down on the carpet and patted the spot next to him. Anaya sat next to him while keeping a little distance.

Charlotte eyed the two on the floor. Once again she felt angry. Charlotte was about to get off the couch and sit down next to Roman when Logan held her down.

"What are you doing?" Charlotte frowned. She still didn't know the purpose behind keeping these teenagers here. Sometimes Charlotte wondered if the Alpha had opened up an orphanage in his house.

"Movie's about to start." Logan said lazily.

Charlotte rolled her eyes and looked away. The large screen on the wall lit up and the prelude started. It was the latest Spiderman movie that came out not too long ago. The kids had been talking about it so Roman decided to watch it together.

Anaya watched the movie with interest. She was sitting with her legs crossed over but soon her

ankles began to hurt and she brought her knees up to her chest and leaned on the seat behind her.

The movie was really good. Anaya found it interesting to watch and wanted to see all of it. However, during the end of the movie Anaya's eyes started to droop. Anaya's head rolled to the side and fell on Roman's shoulder.

Roman went still when. He looked down at her face and made sure she was sleeping soundly before relaxing. But before Roman could feel happy, he heard a voice above him.

"Alpha, aren't you embarrassed? We are still here."

Roman narrowed his eyes and looked up. Mason was grinning at him and eyeing Anaya's head that was on his shoulder.

"Did y'all finish your assignments for this semester? Your due dates are coming closer." Roman threatened.

Mason quietly retreated onto his seat and no one spoke after that. Having being threatened with assignment deadlines, the kids were feeling a bit bitter in their hearts. But one thing was confirmed. It was that their Alpha was indeed having a love moment going on with Anaya.

"I am curious about her." Kruger whispered to Mason. Mason nodded, "Me too. She doesn't seem rude though. Tina spoke to her a little during dinner?"

Tina was pulled into the whispering so she told them about it, "She's nice. Not like Charlotte at all. I told her that aunt Regan gives us dessert if we eat everything so she ate everything. Then she didn't like the peach ice cream but I said we all eat it too because Alpha likes it and she ate without complain. Did you see that Charlotte left the ice cream? Anaya ate it at once."

Georgia pinched in as well, "Yes. I told Charlotte not to leave the ice cream but she still didn't eat all of it."

"So Anaya is the better one. And they said she's very pretty as well. I won't mind if our Alpha is with her." Tina gave her opinion.

The rest of them nodded in agreement.

"But it looks like our Alpha is struggling a bit. Anaya doesn't like him?" Logan pointed out.

Holden said, "It does look like it. He must be courting her. We should help."

"But how?" Mason asked.

"Let's see what our Alpha has in mind first. We shouldn't hurry, in case we ruin his plans." Georgia advised.

The boys hummed in agreement. They decided to wait for a while. If their Alpha was unable to get his girl by then, then they will have to take charge and teach him how to woo her.

The teenagers collectively sighed. Their Alpha's life was so difficult.



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