

Their Secret Obsession (A Reverse Harem)

by Pippa Moon Chapter 101

Chapter 101: You Trust Me, don't You?

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Lottie POV

“Knox, I am coming! Stay there, ok, Stud?” I asked my mate through the mate bond I shared with them both.

“I won't be leaving this room until we have spoken.” Knox cut through the bond, his tone lighter than it had been seconds ago, like he had come to his senses after hearing Kane and me. Maybe he just needed us! I knew rushing off to try and save the pack was a risk. A part of me wanted to say fuck them and stay with my mates, help them get through what I knew would be the most challenging moments of their lives.

I just thought that they had supported each other for years before I popped into their lives again; I knew I was trying to rationalise the guilt I had for leaving them to help Sebastian. But honestly, nothing about this day was rational!

“Day?? Let's try week!” Sage disputed with a huff that made me sigh because this shit was insane. When were we going to catch a break? It felt like we would sort one problem only for another to pop up. I just wanted to get my boys, fall into bed with them, and sleep until all of this felt like a distant memory.

“Ok, Knox.. We are coming!” I replied before he shut me out of the link. Kane's eyes met mine, and I knew he was as confused by his brother's moods as I was.

“Are you going to tell them about Selene?” Sage asked, still humming off the visit with the goddess. “Or the demon?”

yet!”

“I don’t know.” I admitted, motioning for Kane to let me pull him to his feet. “Not

“Do **you** know where he **is?**” Kane asked, like **me**; his eyes shone with weariness, **red**-rimmed from crying, but it was the **pain** that I couldn’t cope with, **seeing it** swim so **vidly** behind **his** eyes, **eyes that usually** held unwavering strength. **He had** my heart breaking.

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“The hall.” I nodded, holding my hand out for him to take. “Come on, Ace. Let’s go get him.” I smiled warmly, leaving out the part about how tired he looked. Kane’s hand stroked mine, and flutters exploded in my stomach as sparks shot across my palm. The feeling had me smiling like a fool.

“I never want that to stop!” I nodded to his hand in mine, a smile slowly lifting on his lips. His fingers toyed with the skin that was buzzing with our bond as he allowed me to lift him to his feet.

“What are we gonna say to him?” Kane asked, winding his hand around my back to pull my body against him. Fuck I loved the way he was with me, even now, when I could feel his heart shattering; this man needed to touch me constantly, love me openly and without a care for anyone else; he always left me in no doubt that I was his only priority!

“We are not, I am!” I declared, pulling from him to descend the stairs, needing got distracted by his handsome face and

to put a little space between us before y quiet like everyone was too scared to

welcoming touch. The packhouse was

come out, and I got it and understood, given what they’d witnessed. I knew they were all fearful in case they ran into Havoc.

“But I am going to start by kicking his ass for making me walk up these stairs again! “I admitted with a sideways smile to my mate. His lips twitched slightly in amusement, and I knew he wasn’t in the mood for my cuteness; he needed to know I had a plan. Sighing slowly, I let out a breath and decided to give him what he thought he needed.

“He just needs to know it wasn’t his fault, Kane.” I acknowledged speeding up a little, suddenly feeling a bit nervous to leave Knox alone, knowing a demon was roaming. I had heard the urgency in his voice, but I could see the heartbreak on Kane’s face and wanted to make sure he was ok before I allowed him to step into **the** ballroom with Knox. Or rather, Havoc.

“Allowed?” Sage asked with a chuckle. “Well, shit, Char, you can tell him that!” She **added**, letting out an exaggerated puff of air.

“YES! And don’t you worry, I will be!” I demanded, pursing my lips.

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“What’s wrong,” Kane asked, squeezing me into his side. “I can feel you, you know that, right?” He smiled over at me, but his lips didn’t quite reach his eyes, sadness still weighing heavy on his soul, understandably.

“So you can feel how much I love you?” I grinned, trying again to defuse the situation with my tenderness.

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“Always. But what else is wrong?” He asked sternly, his grip on my waist swerving to turn me, my feet no longer moving as I felt pushed back into a bannister, his eyes boring into mine with unwavering confidence that you simply couldn’t fake. Under different circumstances, I may enjoy this little moment, but right now, when I knew I was about to deliver news that either way would hurt my mate- this shit sucked..

“Knox and Havoc need to know; this wasn’t their fault. They didn’t kill your father, Kane.” Saying the words aloud, I knew, hurt Kane, given how his features pinched, and I hated myself for causing him pain. My hands shot up between us to cup his face in my blood-stained hands.

“Charlotte, I want to believe you I do, but I keep repaying the events, and I can’t see who else could have done this!”

“I can prove it!” I admitted with a sigh, not giving him the chance to ask questions. I continued, my finger sliding to his lip to silence his following words.

“I am about to sound crazy, I know that, but you trust me.. don’t you, Kane?” I asked, rolling my lip through my teeth apprehensively.

“Absolutely, you know I do!” he replied without faltering, his eyes searching mine. I had wondered if he still trusted me after that shit with Mike earlier, but it seemed I was worrying over nothing.

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Chapter 102: Double Bitch!

Lottie POV

“When I left my father and Mike with...” I started to explain, but I paused, feeling him stiffen at the mention of the men I once loved, and sighed, knowing this wasn’t the point; I was just so nervous.

“Well, when I left the room to come find you, I don’t know what happened, but I was not here, I was there... and Kane, I met Selene. I prayed to her, and she answered.” I expressed. Glimpsing his eyes narrow, I knew I wasn’t making any sense. So I sighed and did the only thing I could think of.

“Sage.. show him,” I asked my wolf aloud. She had already preempted my next move and had pushed closer to the surface to help me.

“Show me what?” He asked, his brows knitting as he gripped me tighter. “You are exhausted; you aren’t making any sense, Charlotte. Fuck I knew this was going to be too much!”

“You sure?” Sage asked, ignoring Kane, but I could feel how annoyed she was at him doubting us. I could feel her edging closer to the forefront of my mind; we both knew this was the only way to get him to understand; we needed to get to Knox, and I didn’t have time to try and convince him of what I had learned.

“Yes, but can we leave out the demon and the Alphas? I am not ready for those fights right now. And neither are they.” I admitted, knowing those bits were important, but fuck, we could deal with them after we had Knox back at our side.

“I will do what is needed.” Sage offered something hidden in her tone that had me nervous, but honestly, I wasn’t ready to fight her. Kane was right; I did feel exhausted, but I knew Knox was counting on me. Even if he hadn’t realised it yet. So I allowed Sage to take over, feeling us switch as everything became more vibrant yet somehow so far away.

“Come here, big boy!” Sage barked, seizing control like the force she was.

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“Would you jump in my grave that quick!” I snapped inwardly to my wolf, who chuckled, her hands sliding up Kane’s face, and given the way his eyes widened, I knew my eyes were now shining with the vibrancy of her purple hues.

“Sage!” Rolo breathed lustfully, making my wolf humm needily. They hadn’t got time together yet, and I could feel the pull they had for each other, but now wasn’t the time to let them indulge in that crap.

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“Not. Now!” I demanded of my thirsty wolf.

“Fine“, Sage snapped, leaning forward to lick Kane’s cheek like she had. forgotten she was borrowing my fucking body and he was my mate.

“Ours!” she laughed. I saw the smirk play on Kane’s lips while sensing he relaxed into Sage, and I found myself hating that I was about to shatter that slight bit of tranquillity he was uncovering in the company of my wolf.

“Char wants me to show you quicker than her trying to explain and you asking a million questions. We have a giant pain in the ass to save... Ok!” Sage whispered into Kane’s ears while nibbling on his ear like the horny bitch I knew her to be.

“No shouting at me this time, or I will bite this off.. got it!” She announced, nipping Kane’s ear and given the metallic taste washing over my tongue, I knew it was harsher, but then I would have been brave enough to bite him.

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I felt her do as I asked, as she opened up our memories to my mate, allowing him to walk through my mind, but the bitch didn't quite listen. She made sure to start from me, leaving Mike tied up in a chair, bleeding and pathetic. Satisfaction. washed over the bond, but I knew he would have questions later.

"Bitch!" I snapped at Sage, who chuckled in response before silencing me and continuing the slide show, leaving nothing out from my visit with Seline. I could feel Kane stiffen against me and knew from the silence in his mind both he and Rolo were at a loss, but one thing was clear as Sage pulled away from him and a pair of golden eyes settled on mine.

"Not a fucking chance! Do you hear me!" Kane growled with the authority of Rolo. "I mean it, both of you." He warned, pushing off the wall and me to get space.

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"No!" he hissed, still shaking his head. I watched him fire up angrily and knew that he was processing everything. "Who even suggests an offer like that?" He roared, bending at the waist, but I felt him let go of the hope of ever feeling his father's warmth or hearing his voice as he stood and his eyes met mine.

"Kane!" I breathed, overwhelmed by everything I felt in our bond. Closing the gap between us, he pressed his body into mine just as Sage relented and gave me full control, clearly not wanting to be put in the war path of an angry alpha male! -

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His forehead pressed firmly against mine as his hands found my wrists and pulled them against his chest above his strong heart.

“No! I won’t lose anyone else! Do you hear me? I need you to promise me, Charlotte. Promise me you won’t agree.” I watched the tears pool on his thick lashes and freely fall down his face, his chest fit to bust with the pain that losing me would cause him. I wanted to promise him I wouldn’t agree; I knew that was what he needed to hear. But.. Knox!

“Kane. It could...”

“NO!” He bellowed, slamming his body into mine until I was crushed between him and the wall. “So help me, Charlotte. What are you not getting!”

“She said you had to talk it over with us both, and this.” He declared firmly, motioning between him and me, “Is us talking.. and my answer is no!”

“But Knox!”

“His answer will be no! Fuck she **just** said a sacrifice. It could be our bond; **it could** be **our** wolves; it could be our future! No! I need you! I need you AND Knox... Selfish as it is, I need you both more than my father!”

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Knox POV

“What is taking them so long!” I barked, growing irritated. Running my free hand down my face, I sighed, knowing I would lose my nerve if they took much longer.

“I don’t know, but I would guess they are trying to think of something to say to you.” The stranger offered from the corner of the room; he had suggested he hide so that I had a witness and support in case they tried to have me overpowered and silenced. He just wanted to help me, and I was grateful.

“What do you mean?” I asked, spinning to look into the darkness, but I couldn’t see him any more.

“I mean, you sounded upset; they know you are suffering after what you did. I imagine they are trying to find ways to calm you down and lies they can tell you to ensure you stay subdued.” He expressed into the empty ballroom, his voice bouncing off the high ceilings.

“Oh.” I whispered. I wanted to take responsibility for my actions; I needed to. I got that, or they would spend the rest of their lives trying to live down my mistake. Or the guilt of having to kill me! Looking down at the blood-stained tiles, I sensed that familiar lump form in my throat and wondered how I had let everything get so wrong. I allowed my eyes to drift up the stairs that Lottie and I had less than an hour ago walked down together, hand in hand. Ready to present her as my mate, my world and the pack’s Luna.

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“Hmm,” I replied, refusing to pull my eyes from the stairs. I could sense her approaching and knew she wasn’t alone. Kane was with her. I could feel the apprehension rolling off him in thick waves and knew it was because he was scared I was going to hurt her, too. My friend was right about him. He no longer trusted me I got that; I no longer trusted myself.

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“You ok, stud.” She whispered, looming until I could feel her reaching for me; stepping away from her touch, my eyes drifted to the curtain that I had hidden behind with her, my fingers bringing her to a rather beautiful release that I was pleased was one of the last moments together—something to remember me by.

“What are you looking at, Knox?” Kane asked, his voice firmer than the Lotties. Turning, I finally faced them; my eyes drifted over Lottie, and I felt my heart lunge at the sight of my stunning mate; she had her mother’s dress on still, although I could have sworn it had blood on earlier. At least, it did in the memory my friend had shown me. I suddenly felt a little confused by what was real and what was not.

“What happened to your dress I asked.” Pointing to it with my hand that held the dagger I planned to use to free us all of our problems.

“What the fuck is that?” Kane hissed, stepping towards us. Clicking my tongue at my brother, I pulled the blade from his reach and hid it behind my back, but it was too late; the damage was done; they had seen it.

“Oh, yeah, I wasn’t meant to show you that... yet.” I laughed, shaking my head like a fool. “Dammit.”

“Knox, give that to me, brother,” Kane demanded, stepping closer as I stepped away in a dance of wills.

“No, can do, brother. You see, I need it!” I nodded, using it to point up at the window, with the curtain still tucked to the side for Lottie to be able to see Kane.

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“Seems crazy, right baby, that not so long ago I had you pinned against that.. making promises I now can’t keep.”

“Why can’t you keep **them**?” She asked softly, although I noted she hadn’t moved like Kane had. He kept trying to edge closer like I wasn’t paying attention, and I knew all he wanted was to get the dagger away from me.

“**Stop, Kane, or** I will do what needs to be done before I get to say goodbye.” I **nodded**, my brother’s feet faltering as he processed my words.

“**Say** goodbye, **Jeez, Knox**. You are scaring **me**.” Kane growled, his face

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tightening with the pain I knew I was coursing him. “What do you mean to do with it?” He asked, but as I asked, he stayed still.

“**WHAT NEEDS TO BE DONE!**” I screamed, the sound of my broken voice echoing around the hall like a ghost.

“You are making NO fucking sense!” Kane bellowed back, his voice chasing mine around the room, like we, ourselves, had done many times throughout our lifetime.

“I **do**; I make perfect sense, brother. You just don’t wanna see the truth.” I scoffed, waving the dagger around like it was an extension of my hand. I caught Lottie tense and winced, hating the nervousness washing over her already drained

body.

“The truth?” Kane screamed. “Is that you are a monumental pain in my **ass** Knox! But NOT a murderer! You get that, don’t you? You DIDN’T kill him!”

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Lottie POV

I found myself utterly dumbfounded, unable to speak or move. I felt like my brain was still playing catch-up with my eyes and ears. This just couldn’t be happening; how had Knox, the cheeky chappy who loved life and everything in it, even be contemplating this? Especially when he had done nothing wrong! Why

didn’t he see that?

I watched Knox glance behind him into the darkness and followed his line of sight while Kane edged closer to Knox in what I knew was a crazy bid to get that dagger off him, a blade I knew was pure silver from the way it glistened in the light. I held my hand out to Kane to get him to halt because Knox seemed manic, and I did. not want him using the blade in frustration without meaning to and things being unsalvageable.

Out of the corner of my eye, I watched a shadow in the darkness move, a glimmer of red flashing, the shade I had seen already tonight. Twice! Once in Havoc’s eyes and once in... Astaroth!

flash.

“Did you see that?” I asked Sage, who was already focused on the fiery red

“Yes!” She whispered, and I felt my heart twist because that meant he had. gotten his claws into my mate, but also, it meant Knox wasn’t really feeling th

is way, at least not truly and if I could just part him from the source of his misery, maybe I would be able to get through to him.

“Ok.” I finally announced, stepping closer to Knox, my hand sliding over Kane’s arm to get him to calm down.

“**Knox**, if I come up **to** you, will you hurt me with that thing!” I asked, nodding towards the dagger. I watched **him** look at **it** and then back **at** me, his eyes popping, enraged that I would ever think he would harm me. And I didn’t, not **even** for a **second**. **But I had** to play **my role**, and I **had to play It** convincingly.

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“Of course not, angel! I love you!” He whined, his eyes shining with the first pangs of resentment from my comment. I smiled and nodded, feeling Kane tense beside me. I wanted to reach out to him through the mind link and tell him my plan, but I couldn’t risk the fucking Demon not listening in and throwing a spanner in my

plan.

you see...

“But you loved your Dad, Knox. And you claim that you killed him, so you Stud, I can’t believe you! And I can not take the risk! So, if you mean what you say and want to be a fucking moron and end your life ... FINE. But you are NOT saying goodbye to me until you have put that fucking thing down! Do you hear me!” I demanded with a seriousness I meant because I wanted him to put that thing down

before he hurt himself!

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“Angel.” He wailed as he narrowed me stubbornly, just as Kane spun to glare at me angrily, pain ripping him apart; I just hoped he would forgive me when I saved his colossal nightmare of a twin! AGAIN!

“Are you fucking insane? YOU are going to let him do this?” He roared like I too had lost my mind. I could sense that Kane was ready to explode and take matters into his own hands, just like I knew Knox hated that I even thought he would hurt me, but it wasn’t enough; he was still clutching that fucking weapon like it was a lifeline- ironically!

“What, Kane? You hear him, right?” I growled, spinning to eye my mate with determination. “He has made his mind up. He is going to throw away our bond and love like it never meant anything!” Kane made a move to grab me and calm me down, but I slapped his hand away angrily. “No Fuck him“, I hissed, and I saw Knox falter, his resolve wavering.

“So are you serious about this Stud! **You** wanna say goodbye to me?” I screamed, stepping away from both the boys I loved more than life itself and back **to** the **exit** I had just walked through with Kane.

“Wait!” Knox roared his hand in the air, tightly gripping the dagger. Turning to look **at** him, I shook my head **in** disgust.

“**Do you** have **ANY idea** what **I** have done for **you tonight? To prove** you are **Innocent! And this** is how **you** thank me!” I snapped, **waving** him off, hating **how**

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cruel I was being.

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“NO! You wanna do this, then do it, Knox,” I screamed, calling his bluff because, in his grief, he had forgotten I could sense him through the bond and I knew he

didn’t want to!

“I mean it; drop the dagger, Knox, or I walk out of this room, and you can do what you want, but you will be doing it **WITHOUT** saying goodbye to me! And I will **NEVER** forgive you!” I roared, my tone so severe I knew he had brought what I was buying because even Kane was pleading with me with his eyes to stop.

“We are meant to be pulling him off the fucking ledge Charlotte not pushing him off it!” Kane hissed through mindlink, and I shook my head, my eyes glued to Knox

“No! He has made his choice, Ace!” I snapped aloud for Knox to hear; turning on my heels, I headed to the door only to pause, hearing a clunk as something hit the floor and slid towards me; looking at the floor at my feet, I saw the dagger and finally let myself breathe.

“If you can hear me, Demon, know I will find you, and when I do, I am going to let my mates use this thing on you until you are screaming for death. Do you hear me?” I declared internally, knowing he would hear me like he had before.

“I look forward to it, princess!” He replied just as coldly as he did earlier. “But until then, good luck with lover boy... I hope you have a padded cell hidden away in this packhouse because lord knows he will need it... Unless you are willing to make a deal with me, of course?”

“Go. To. Hell.” I hissed as I bent down to pick the blade up, only to see it had vanished without me knowing.

“Sorry, Luna, I can’t take the risk.” He laughed before whatever link he had used to enter my mind snapped.

Turning, no longer caring for the Demon, my eyes travelled over Knox, who was looking at me with tear-filled eyes, the threat of me never forgiving him enough to get him to relent. His arms lowered in defeat. Quickly, I glanced at Kane, who looked at me with a mixture of love, confusion and absolute pride.

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Kane POV

It felt like years since I had the pair of them this close to me, when, in fact, it was hours! I could sense the tension in Charlotte’s body as I squished her between my brother and me. I knew there was more she needed to tell us, but I understood why she was holding back. We may have convinced Knox to step down from the ledge, but the reason he was on there in the first place was still an issue. Sliding my fingers up my brother’s neck, I gripped his head and pulled his forehead against mine.

“Look at me, Knox!” I demanded, but my brother’s eyes remained stubborn and focused on our little mate between us. Guilt eating him up from the inside.

“Knox!” I warned sternly, his eyes finally leaving Charlotte and settling on me, those blue endless pools now red and not from Havoc but the exhaustion and despair coursing through him. “Have I ever lied to you?” I asked, my eyes remained glued to his, hoping to get him to see the truth in my words.

“No!” He finally replied with a soft **sigh**.

“Right. So hear me, brother. You didn’t do this! Knox, I don’t know what you think you saw, but it wasn’t the truth; it was just your mind playing tricks on you!” I watched him shake his head, refusing to hear me and knew this was going to be a

battle.

“Allow Charlotte to show him as she did us!” Rolo barked while watching Knox through my eyes, equally as concerned as I was. Honestly, I wish I could, but I couldn’t risk him agreeing to Selenes’ offer in a moment of weakness. He wasn’t in the right frame of mind; despair was consuming him, and I knew it would be a **decision** he later regretted,

“**You** did not kill **Pops**, but he is still dead, **Knox**; I think you are in shock and blaming yourself.” I **clarified** sadly, hating seeing him so damaged.

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“It isn’t that..” He tried to explain, and I sighed heavily, allowing him to pull away from us. I watched him pace, my hands sliding protectively around Charlotte from behind when she tried to step closer to our brother. I was so over her taking charge; we were a team, something she needed reminding of.

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“We have been out for her...”

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“You mean bully her!” I corrected my wolf with a sigh. “But yes, I get it. Charlotte has gotten used to looking after herself, but we are back now, and she needs to learn to let us help.” I snapped moodily, her

head twisting over her shoulder to look at me, those big, beautiful eyes pleading with me to let her go to Knox. Ignoring her, my eyes locked on Knox, watching him spiral back down.

“Knox, If I had done something about Mike and stopped him from giving everyone those fucking drinks, maybe Father and Sebastian...” I couldn’t finish that sentence for the ache that tore through my chest. “Fuck! If I had done something, Knox, everything would be different! So you want to blame yourself? I get it; I am doing the same.” I admitted. The stress in Charlotte was so ripe I could taste it as my words sunk in; I waited for one of them to reply, not wanting to push either of

them too much.

“Knox, why don’t you **tell** me what you think happened?” She asked, but her **feet** remained in place, and not just because my arms were caging her to me. She needed my arms for comfort; I could feel it. Knox’s eyes lifted to hers, and he stopped pacing. I watched him glance between us and back to the shadows and wondered what was happening with him. I was missing something!

“I saw it!” He whispered, looking longingly into the shadows. “I saw how I killed him!”

“saw it?” Charlotte asked, her body stiffening.

“Selene?” I asked her through mind link, but she shook her head just as Knox looked back at us.

“I can get him to show you, too... Maybe then you will listen and let me go!” **Knox nodded.**

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“Well, that ain’t happening!” Rolo roared in my head, the idea of a life without his twin and mine unbearable to even think of. We had come into this world

together; I would be damned if he left me in it.

“What?” I asked, my tone laced with bewilderment. “Show us like Sage showed **us..**” running my tongue over my teeth, I begrudgingly finished my sentence. “What Mike did to Charlotte?” Was all I could manage to say without erupting in a fit of

rage. That bastard had a lot to fucking answer for.

“Yes.” he nodded, rushing into the shadows like a child chasing a dream.

“I need you to let me go, Kane.” Charlotte whispered, her eyes momentarily moving from Knox, who was searching the dark corners of the room, to look at me. “I know who he is talking about.”

Chapter 106: **Do It**

Kane POV

‘Thank you’, Charlotte mouthed, stepping into Knox, his arms opening for her instinctively. She was a blessing in some ways, but in others, fuck, she was a pain in the ass., one I could not ever be without. Like Knox!

“It’s fine, Stud.. just tell me what you saw.” She whispered, taking his hands in hers and wrapping them around her waist as she nuzzled into him, a smart move given the way his body relaxed the second she was in his arms. I was a fool to doubt the love he had for her or the power she had over us.

“I was fighting Bash; I wanted to kill him because that was who the hit was on.” I listened, approaching slowly like one might a startled deer.

“You know... The one that your father needed sorting.” He rambled, “Havoc was scared with all of Mike’s talk that something would go wrong and we would lose you, so he wanted to take Sebastiaan out to secure our bond.” He conveyed, and I could see his wolf’s reasoning, but it didn’t make listening any easier because I did remember seeing him fighting with Sebastian. I watched his eyes flicker with the memories, his shoulders bunching, his fists pulsing, his inner anger boiling to a dangerous level.

“Pops tried to step in and stop me..” Knox screamed, shoving Charlotte away as regret mixed with his anger; catching Charlotte in my arms, my jaw tensed, and I wanted to punch him in the fucking face for being so rough with our mate. I turned just in time to see him scream into the air.

“Fuck!” He growled, his eyes moving to me quickly, the mania from earlier fast returning. Charlotte’s eyes met mine, letting me know that she was ok..

“Kane, I am sorry!” He whispered, pulling our mate back against him; he was erratic, and I felt Rolo surface, ready to pounce if he kept going. I stood by watching as Knox nuzzled his head in Charlotte’s Ivory neck, her hair covering **his** face partly, but I could still see **the** tears that **rushed** from his eyes.

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“Pops shoved, Havoc sent him flying back, and lost his shit that Pops challenged him.” His eyes met mine over Charlotte’s shoulder as she stroked up his neck, her fingers winding into his hair in that way he usually loved, but now he was utterly devoid of recognising her touch for what it was: a plea to calm down and

come back to her.

“It’s ok!” I tried to soothe Knox because it was; he hadn’t done this! Even if I could see how deeply he believed in what he was saying, but it wasn’t true. I caught this part of the fight: our father never engaged with Havoc, not yet anyway; he was quarrelling with a stranger.

“Havoc put Pops on his ass, Kane! Slamming his paw onto his chest, crushing it until he was

killing him...slowly!” Spinning away from Charlotte as she slipped and landed on the floor, my lips curling in a snarl, seeing her wince. But Knox was clearly beyond understanding what he was doing as he screamed into the air, slamming his

chest with his fist.

“Here, he crushed him here, his lungs filled with blood! SHIT, the pain he suffered!” Knox exploded haphazardly.

“No!” I answered, wanting to sound firm because I needed Knox to know he was wrong, but seeing him like this was terrifying; it was like watching a firework ready to go off, and you were too close, about to get caught in the blast.. or rather Charlotte was.

“Son, please! Don’t do this! I love you!” Knox repeated, his tone laced with unbearable sorrow. The tears rained from my eyes like they were Knox’s because if he genuinely thought this was what happened, no wonder he was distraught and beyond reach.

“Kane!” Knox roared, crossing the room to stand in front of me, his nose touching mine as his manic eyes searched my face for understanding.

him!”

“They were his last words! He begged me not to kill him! He begged me to save

“No, he **didn’t!**” I **seethed**, grabbing my brother’s shoulders, wanting to shake him to his senses.

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“Don’t touch me!!” he roared, spinning and returning to pacing the room.

“How am I ever meant to live with myself knowing all that? I can’t! You understand that! I have to... Fuck where is the dagger!” Knox sobbed, rushing

ng to the door that Charlotte had been standing at when he tossed that fucking thing to her.

Turning, I watched him; it wasn't there because I had already checked when he was going off like a fucking firecracker. This wasn't right; my brother was the strongest male I knew, besides my father! Yet, for whatever reason, he was reduced to this utter madness. Lifting my eyes from Knox, they settled on Charlotte, and I

sucked down a breath and nodded.

“Do it,” I whispered,

“Tell her we agree!” I commanded, knowing I was being selfish. I was taking a gamble, but I had to believe that the Moon Goddess would not sacrifice our bond and mess with our fate!

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Author Note: Sorry for the delay guys I have found these chapters rather hard to write, I wanted to get them right. Please no panicking. It will all be alright on the night ;)

Lottie POV

The ballroom, once a scene of pandemonium and despair, now stood frozen in time, the haunting scene of Havoc's chaos left behind as the blinding white light of the realm Selene resided in took hold and washed away the mayhem of the night with her blinding white light.

“What is happening?” Knox demanded, his tone riddled with confusion as we travelled through the fabric of time itself; guided by forces beyond our comprehension, we emerged in a realm bathed in the silvery light of the moon. And there, amidst the celestial glow, stood the moon goddess, her ethereal beauty casting a spell of awe and reverence upon both my mates.

I stood at the centre of the room, flanked by my mates; Kane's hand slipped to my lower back as Knox spun nervously; my heart ached for him; he has been through so much. I could sense both my mate's guilt and grief, and I knew they needed solace. I just hoped I could give it to them now with the help of the moon goddess.

“Lovely Charlotte.” Selene coed. Her voice was like a gentle breeze, carrying **with** it a sense of calm and reassurance. “Knox, Kane Maddox, welcome.”

My heart fluttered at the sight of the moon goddess; she was just as I remembered, her radiant presence a beacon **of** hope in the darkness surrounding our lives. I remembered our previous encounter, the offer that had been **made**, and the price that had yet to be revealed.

“**Selene.**” I gushed, seeing the light settle to **reveal** her sitting at the same **beautiful** fish pond **I had** seen her at before. Approaching her, I paused, feeling **Kane’s** hand **grip** my **wrist**.

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“Charlotte...” He warned anxiously, his eyes flickering to Selene.

“He is scared I might punish you for being so bold as to approach me.” Selene smiled over at me. “Rest assured, Kane Maddox, I have no intention of hurting your mate today.” She promised her pink lips just as amused as mine.

“Selene...” Knox asked, his breath catching in his throat. “You’re kinda hot for a chick hundreds of years old, you know.” He announced, my head snapping around to look at Knox; Kane’s face warped into an expression of shock.

“Sorry, I didn’t mean to upset you, baby girl. YOU are still the prettiest girl in the world!” Knox laughed, nodding over to Selene. “But she is hot! You know!” Rushing to him, I threw my arms around his neck.

“I am not jealous, you fool! I am relieved! You’re back!” I laughed, covering his face with light kisses. “I mean, it’s you!” I whimpered, my eyes filling with tears.

“Who

else would be so bloody reckless.” Kane laughed, joining us, his hands sliding up my back.

“You don’t think I am ‘hot’ Kane?” The moon goddess asked, lifting from the stone seating to cross the glowing white floor.

“I didn’t mean that..” Kane stumbled over his words, a red flush crossing his cheeks that had me and Knox exchanging a surprised glance. “I just meant..”

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“It’s ok, Kane Maddox; I know what you meant; you are referring to the respect you think your brother should be showing me instead of being the playful scamp he is!” She nodded over at Knox, who at least had the decency to look a little shameful.

“I wouldn’t have used the word scamp..” Kane grumbled, shoving his hands into **his** pockets as he **toed** the floor;

“I know exactly what **you** would call him!” Selene smiled as she approached, nodding for me **to let Knox** go, which I **did**, moving to rest my head on Kane’s shoulder to watch her interact with my other mate.

“**May** I touch you, **Knox?**” She **asked with a smile. Knox nodded** in true cheeky

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chappy style, his lips twisting into a provocative smile.

“Depends where you wanna touch sugar; I have a mate now, you see.. and she is a bit of a lioness when it comes to what is hers.!” He grinned at the moon goddess, the sound of her chuckle running through the air around us. Face palming, I buried my face in Kane’s shoulder.

“Your head is just fine!” She expressed. Knox’s eyes shot up, about to say something just as crass when Kane growled through the room.

“Watch your damn manners, brother, or she might yet turn you into a frog!”

“Can you do that?” Knox asked, nodding in appreciation.

“No, but I could give Havoc a green coat if you like.” She winked back at Knox. I leaned up to look at Kane, his eyes mirroring my glossed-over expression.

“He is going to be ok!” I whispered to Kane, “We have him back!” I smiled, lowering his eyes. He met mine and nodded, and I could sense the lump forming in his throat and knew he was choked up, relieved and beyond grateful.

“Because of you!” He nodded, and we both knew what he was saying without saying. “Because of whatever I was about to agree to.”

“You have been infected with darkness, Knox,” Selene announced, her hands still pressed to the sides of his temples.

“What?” He asked, his eyes flashing with fear. My heart pounded in sync with the rhythm of the breeze here. The ethereal figure of the Moon Goddess loomed, her presence commanding and serene. Selene focused solely on Knox, her hands pressed against his temples. I watched with a mix of apprehension and hope as the Moon Goddess delved into Knox’s mind, her touch seeking out the darkness that had taken root within him.

“**Kane!**” I whimpered, his hand sliding around me and pulling me closer, but his eyes never wavered from Knox.

“**The** darkness has been gnawing at **you** for hours, twisting your thoughts and

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Lottie POV

“I will explain when we get home.” I mumbled to Kane who snorted and looked down at me.

“You think!” He replied, irritated that I had kept it from him, but honestly we had enough to deal with today without my theories that I could not prove.. Not yet anyway!

As the Moon Goddess probed deeper, I could sense her unravelling the threads of darkness that had ensnared Knox’s **mind**. Her power was vast and ancient, a force of purity and light that seemed to push back against the encroaching shadows with every touch.

When Knox finally opened his eyes, they were clear and unclouded, and the weight of the darkness lifted from his shoulders. I could sense the relief flood through Kane, mingled with gratitude towards the Moon Goddess for her intervention.

“So what I saw...” Knox asked, his eyes dancing with the familiar glimmer of hope. “What I did to Pops?” Stepping from Knox, she looked over at Kane and **me**, and **with a slight** smile that I noted didn’t quite touch her eyes, she looked back at

Knox.

“Kill your father?” She asked as she headed back to the pond. Sitting on the white wall, she looked at the three of us, pondering the best way to answer his question.

“No more than Kane or Charlotte did.” Her words hit me. Look a ton of bricks; she wasn’t saying we were blameless, just that we didn’t deliver the final blow.

“Then who?” Knox asked, his teeth clenched tightly,

“I am sorry, Knox, I can not give you those answers.”

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“But..” He started to protest, needing more.

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“Enough,” Kane ordered. “It doesn’t matter. What matters is that you did not do this, Knox. So, no more talking about daggers and leaving me! got it!” He ordered, his tone laced with the same authority that hooked me from the day in the kitchen. I listened to them bicker, but my mind was elsewhere on the memories I shared with them and those yet to come that I may have to give up. I just hoped I got to keep the memories of my boys and me over the last few days.

Lifting my eyes to the beautiful white gaze of Selene, I sucked in a breath, seeing her eyes watching me knowingly, amusement playing on her pink lips. I felt a deep blush dance across my cheeks when I realised that I had even had those desirable thoughts for my mates in front of Selene.

“Don’t be embarrassed. I like how much you crave your mates!” Selene whispered, but given how two sets of baby blue hues turned to look at me, mimicking the look of amusement Selene wore, I knew she didn’t whisper quietly

enough.

“The only thing I want is to kick their ass to tim–buck–two!” With a chuckle, Selene patted the seat beside her, her eyes levelled on me.

“Come!” She requested and I realised we had yet to discuss a payment for what she did for Knox. Something that meant our respite would be short-lived as the inevitable question hung in the air between us. What was the cost of such a gift? I held my breath, fearing the answer, but the Moon Goddess surprised us both with her response, answering before I had a chance to ask.

“It costs nothing,” she declared, her voice like a gentle current through the air. “It is a gift freely given, for I wish to see good triumph over evil in the world.”

Tears pricked at the corners of my eyes as I realised the magnitude of her generosity. In a world so often fraught with darkness and despair, her offer was a beacon of hope, a reminder that even in the bleakest of times, light still had the **p**ower to prevail.

“Thank you!” **Knox** uttered, his tone purely enchanted by the kindness she **had** shown **him**. She **waved** him off, but I noticed **that** both he and **Kane** were frozen, **the**

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air around us still.

“I know why you came and that you have spoken with your mate. You have made your decision.” She reminded me, my eyes still locked on Kane and Knox.

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“Why are they frozen?” I asked nervously because it made no sense Kane already knew and what ever we decided would affect Knox. And with the moon’s goddess gift for Knox, did we even need to do this? Did we need to take the risk?

“Unfortunately, sweet girl. When you travelled here, you had made your **mind** up; both you and Kane resolved in your decision to bring his father back. I have already granted your request; you will find him when you return to your home. Well and very much alive!” She explained.

I wanted to thank the Moon Goddess, knowing that her gifts here had not only saved Knox from the grip of darkness but had also restored the pack’s strength and given my mates and me the resolve to face whatever challenges lay ahead. It would clear Knox’s name and lift the cloud of suspicion from them. But the words felt empty. She had given us so much.

“If that is the case, why are my mates frozen?” I asked plainly. “They will want. to thank you themselves.” My eyes darted to Knox and Kane, and my heart soured. for them momentarily before I remembered the offer she made came with a

sacrifice.

“They are not fully frozen, lovely Charlotte. They can hear and see all that transpires. I just wish to talk to you without interruption. What I am about to say is not going to be easier to hear. And your mates are a little... hot head! If you hadn’t noticed!” She teased with a warm smile that did not quite reach her ears.

The white light cascaded from behind Selene, casting a silvery glow over where my mates stood frozen, trapped in time by her commanding will. It was a necessary measure to ensure our conversation remained private, shielded from the prying eyes and ears of others.

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“The price,” she said, her voice echoing like the whisper of the wind through the night. “The price for your Alpha’s return is two bonds of the heart.”

“No!” I gasped, looking over at my boys, my breath catching in my throat as her

words sank in. Two bonds. The fated mate bond that bound me to Knox and Kane.

“Is there no other way?” I asked only for Selene to pause and look over at my mates. Their expressions unreadable yet painfully aware of the weight of the impending choice.

“Yes, which is why I have your mates frozen.” She expressed with a heavy sigh as if she, a celestial being, was nervous to share the news with ME. Her voice, soft yet commanding, broke the silence that hung heavy in the air.

“Lottie,” she began, her tone carrying a weight of solemnity and reverence, “There is more to the gift I have bestowed upon you.”

“Can you just tell me?” I snapped, knowing my voice was sharp, but I couldn’t take the build-up; my heart hammered in my chest, a mixture of curiosity and apprehension coursing through me as I awaited for her revelation.

“What more could there be?” I groaned, my eyes flickering between my mates and Selene. What further twist of fate awaited the three of us? “Have we not been through enough already?”

“Oh, sweet Charlotte, your journey has only just begun!” Selene laughed with a gentle grace before she continued, her words weaving a tapestry of wonder and disbelief. “You carry within you,” she said, her voice echoing like a gentle breeze through the night, “**Life...** Not one, but two precious lives. **Twins.**”

“Pregnant?” I snorted in disbelief. “Twins... **Are you Insane!**” I couldn’t believe it. **The word reverberated In my mind, a symphony of astonishment and awe.**

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“A testament to the love and union you share between Knox, Kane.” Selene offered in reply.

“Are you sure?” I asked, my eyes drifting down to my stomach. “I was hurt tonight; I fell..” Suddenly, I remembered the events in the ballroom:

“I am sure!” She replied firmly.

“Twins!” I repeated. Two souls, two hearts, entrusted to my care...

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“Two bonds!” Selene interjected my thoughts. “And... You owe two bonds of the heart.” Another revelation rocked me to my core. I was to choose between my

mates and our children?

“You can’t be serious?” I laughed. “They are innocent!”

“I am. And I am sorry for that.” The Moon Goddess revealed, “Two lives growing inside you like precious treasures, sweet girl!”

I was stunned, speechless! How was it possible? We had only been together for days, and yet here I was, bearing the fruit of our union. Questions raced through my mind, doubts and fears clawing at the edges of my consciousness.

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“Are they...” Looking back at my mates, whose faces were still as frozen as before, I let out a small sob. “Ours?” I asked hesitantly, the words barely escaping my lips. “Or could they be... Makes?” My mind flitted back to my ex and the tangled web of our past.

“They are yours. Yours, Knox’s and Kanes!” she declared, her voice ringing with authority. “Each child carries the essence of their father, a testament to the bond that unites you.”

“Thank heavens!” I whispered absentmindedly, stroking my stomach. I felt a surge of relief wash over me, mingled with a sense of wonder at the miracle unfolding within me. **Knox and Kane**, my mates, were the fathers of **my** children. **It was a revelation that filled me with a newfound sense of purpose**, a connection that **transcended** time and **space**, yet the one giving me **the blessing** wanted **to** take it

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“How?” I asked, riddled with confusion.

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“Two eggs, two fathers!” She admitted understanding what I was asking without the need for further clarification.

“Why?” I asked, my voice trembling with a mixture of disbelief and dread.

“Why must I choose between my fated mate bond and the lives of our unborn children?” My voice cracked with the sorrow ripping me apart. The Moon Goddess met my gaze with a knowing look, her eyes holding secrets that spanned aeons.

“Balance must be maintained,” she replied cryptically. “And sometimes, sacrifices must be made to preserve that balance.” Her words sent a chill down my spine as I struggled to comprehend the gravity of her demands.

“Fuck balance!” I snapped my hands, landing on my stomach protectively.

“You don’t mean that!” Selene sighed, “You respect the balance and the old ways.” She admitted, but I shook my head angrily.

“Not when it’s costing me everything.” I snapped, feeling lightheaded from the emotions rippling through me.

“It is not costing you everything, dear, just two things. Your mates or your children.”

“Oh, sorry, I didn’t realise it was that simple!” I roared, getting to my feet and pacing back and forth as anger rippled through my chest.

“I know it’s not!” The Moon Goddess sighed. Her revelation struck like a thunderbolt, casting a shadow over my newfound happiness. The lives growing within me were not just a blessing but a burden to be borne, a payment for the debt owed to the universe. A sacrifice!

I glanced back at Knox and Kane, their faces frozen in a mask of silent anguish. **They** had heard everything and seen everything, and yet they **were** powerless to Intervene.

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Knox POV

My senses had been dulled as I remained trapped within an icy prison that was the magic weaved by the Moon goddess. Incapable of moving an inch, yet in a cruel twist, I could hear and see everything; never had I felt so vulnerable.

“Kane?” I asked, trying to reach my brother through mind link, needing someone as I watched the drama unfold. Lottie, my precious mate, stood at the mercy of the moon goddess, her heart **tor**n between impossible choices. The air crackled with tension, thick with the weight of the goddess’s demands.

“I am here!” Kane fumed, and I could feel the anger wash through the bond that rivalled anything I had felt when Havoc had taken hold

“What are we going to do?” I asked my brother, hoping he would have an answer or plan because the revelation that Lottie carried our children should have filled me with boundless joy, yet a storm of conflicting emotions overshadowed it.

Kane and I had already discussed this possibility when he came to my room the night of Lillie’s mating ceremony. Our father had refused to let us be together, so we took drastic measures to ensure we got to keep Lottie out of Mike’s hands and with

US..

We had one aim and plan in mind over the next three days. Lottie would only leave my bed once we were certain we had done everything possible to bind her **to** us. Including the possibility of filling her with a child, we knew there was a risk. involved and **had** agreed that if we managed it and she fell pregnant with one brother’s **seed**, the other would not resent the child or Lottie but love them eternally.

So finding **out** now that **not only** was she pregnant **but** with twins, confirmed by the moon goddess, **filled** me **with** satisfaction.

“Kane?” **I prodded**, needing him **to** answer.

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“I don’t know, Knox.” He whispered. “When she told me about this offer, I never thought it possible that the price would be so high; I would never have told her to agree. I am sorry, Knox!”

“You knew?” I hissed; anger burned within me like a smouldering ember, fueled by the knowledge that they had kept me in the dark about Lottie’s dealings with the moon goddess. “How could you make decisions like this without consulting me? Without considering the consequences?” I roared inwardly, and given the way Lottie’s eyes met ours, she could sense the turmoil pulling me apart.

“It was to save you from yourself, Knox! You were.. shit, brother! I have never been so scared of losing you!” Kane offered,

“So you sacrificed HER and OUR children!” I bellowed through his mind.

“I am sorry, Knox!” But even I heard how hollow it sounded. My anger, although tangible, was not solely aimed at my brother or Lottie; I understood why they had done what they had; it was aimed at another!

“The moon goddess“, Havoc growled, his presence a welcomed one; after all we had been through, I could sense the calm washing through him and knew that whatever the Moon Goddess had done had saved him from his self–destruction. Even **if** she, a figure of unfathomable power and capricious whims, was currently the focus of my wrath.

“Stay calm, buddy!” Kane whispered to Havoc, who I could sense was seething with fury at her audacity and the cruelty of her demands; a sudden thought crossed my mind.

“Did you know she was pregnant too?” I asked Kane, wondering how far their **secrets** ran.

“No!” He resolved himself, and despite my anger, **I** believed him.

“How dare she threaten **our** happiness, our family, as if we were nothing more than pawns in her cosmic game?” Kane **added**, his rage boiling **further**. But **amidst the anger** and despair, a flicker of hope emerged, hearing **Lottie** beg **for us to be** unfrozen. **The frozen** stillness shattered as the moon goddess reluctantly released

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“Angel” I gushed and surged forward, my heart pounding as I reached for Lottie. Our lips met in a desperate kiss, tears mingling with the fierce intensity of our embrace. She and our children were safe for now because I would ensure it, and

that was all that mattered.

“I am sorry, I am sorry!” Lottie sobbed, her fingers clawing at me to pull me closer. The way her body trembled infuriated me. Feeling Kane beside us, I watched him lean down, his lips pressed against her temple tenderly.

“You do not have anything to be sorry for!” He soothed, but the storm crashing inside him was clear.

“But..”

“No!” I demanded, hating that she and Kane had made this choice without consulting me because as torn up as I was about my father, I would never have taken a gamble with our future like this, not even in my misery. She was my solace and light in the darkness, something I needed desperately. “You are not to blame.”

“Either of you!” I sighed, meeting my brother’s gaze, my fingers squeezing his hand, feeling him ready to explode with outrage.

“We will find a way..” Lottie sobbed breathlessly... “Because..” Unable to finish her sentence, her hand slipped to her stomach, and I watched Kane’s eyes drop, a smile slipping across his lips as he eyed her with devotion. My hand covered hers, wishing this moment... the moment we discovered that we were to be parents, that our love had made life... was so very different.

Kane’s hand slid to ours, and I felt the lump form in my throat, knowing precisely what Kane was considering because I, too, was **thinking** the same.

‘Could we give up Lottie to save our children?’ It was an impossible request and one **that** should **never** have **been made**.

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eyes were pools of **turmoil** as the moon goddess, **a** looming **figure** cloaked In lunar radiance, ap
proached, **her presence** made **by that** enduring **way**

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she called to Lottie.