Taking Alpha's Twins Away After Divorce

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I froze when I heard her. I blinked when I realized what she had meant. She was still smiling at me.

I slowly moved my hands away from the window and took a step back.

She looked away from me and said to the driver,

"Let's go."

The driver immediately nodded his head and started the cab.

My eyes were glued to Natalia the entire time. Her smile was her face. But why was it hurting me?

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The car began to move. After a few minutes, it faded from my sight. I stared at the way the car had left.

I lifted my hand and pressed against my chest. My heart was pounding faster.

I balled my fist and curled my fingers around my shirt. I hissed when I felt pain in my chest. It was a wound that I never let my wolf heal. It was a wound I got from her. I wanted to see it every day to remind myself how much she hated me.

The sound of a ringtone echoed down the lonely road. I had no wish to pick up the call.

My legs moved forward as my eyes could not fix at anything. They

roaming here and there as my mind was messed up.

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I was unable to imagine her being with another man. Why was that doctor in her house?

I thought about it for a while before something came to me.

Without any delay, I took my phone out of my pocket.

I dialed a number and held the phone close to my ear.

"Alpha."

"Harold."

"Alpha, is there anything I can help you with?" Harold asked me politely.

"How is Alpha Jason's treatment going?" I asked.

Though that man was deadly sick and not a head Alpha anymore, I still referred to him as 'Alpha' because once he was a pack leader. I could take her pack away from him but not his rank or respect. I would never allow my pack members to disrespect him in any way just because he once humiliated me in front of other Alphas.

"Alpha, I am no longer in charge of Natalia's brother's health anymore."

Hearing Natalia's name made my heart desperate once again. I shoved her thoughts and asked,

"Why?"

"Doctor Max Harrison himself will take care of Alpha Jason. He agreed to help him since he is the biggest healer who has every cure for every disease."

My eyes became calm as well as my heart.

'So he is only helping her,' I thought.

"Alpha, I think he is able to help Alpha. Jason. Do you want Doctor Max to treat him? It was my suggestion. If you want to stop the treatment, Doctor Max can't treat Alpha Jason. It's all your decision, Alpha."

Harold's voice took me back out of my thoughts.

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"It's good. Let Doctor Max treat him."

"Okay, Alpha."

I cut the call and put the phone in my pocket. I turned my head in the opposite direction.

My car was parked on the street. I walked over to the car and climbed in.

Gazing ahead at the road, I turned on the car. I had intended to take her somewhere tonight. That was why I discarded my driver before entering the coffee shop.

But she did not even talk to me as if I were some stranger to her.

You said you had chosen your man. But only I can be your man. I will never allow you to be with someone else."

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Third POV

The day for Noah and Aria's birthday had finally come. Everyone in the pack house was busy. The pack house was decorated beautifully. At the birthday celebration, people from various packs were invited.

Why would they not come?

After all, Alpha Adrian sent invitations to them. Ty were eager to attend the party.

In the bedroom, Adrian was checking on a file while sitting on the bed.

His fingers were holding the cigarette while turning pages. His gaze was fixed on the papers.

He got interrupted at work when he heard a knock on the door.

"Come in," he replied without looking at the door.

The door opened, and his mother's voice reached his ears.

"Adrian, why are you still working? It's already time. The guests have already started to come to the pack house."

He turned his head to the window to glance at the sky. Every light was left out of the sky to conceal its true appearance because it was so dark.

Adrian lifted his hand to take a deep puff of the smoke.

Grace Miller stared at her son. She did not know where life was leading her son. He was her only son, and she and Lucas loved him.

the most.

She had no idea why fate was ruining their son's life like that. He had no fixed way of living. All he ever did was work.

He was so powerful that even Lucas could not say much in front of him. That put him at a disadvantage. He could not get the parents' suggestions into his life. He was living a life where he was doing what he wanted. But was he getting what he wanted?

Grace stepped inside the room and closed the door behind her. She walked toward her son and sat next to the files that were scattered around the bed.

"Adrian."

He turned to the nightstand and smashed the cigarette bud into the ashtray.

"Speak," he muttered, setting his files.

"How long will you keep working like that? In the past six years, you have become a robot. What about taking a leave from work for a week and going on a vacation?"

Adrian's hand paused. He lifted his gaze at her.

"Did you talk to Lynda?"

She was shocked. He was a clever man. But she shook her head and replied,

"No. But I want you to enjoy your life fully. You are a young man. If you keep burying yourself in work like this, you will miss your youth later."

Adrian sighed, getting out of bed. He looked at her and replied,

"Lynda and I break up."

Grace stood up from the bed and said,

"You can't break up with her. You did the same with Natalia, too. I told you not to divorce her, but you did. Now, you are pushing another woman out of your life. What about your future? How will

you survive all alone? A woman who is capable of taking care of you, loving you, and treating you softly is what you need."

Looking into his mother's angry eyes, Adrian kept quiet. She should not have taken Natalia's name in this matter.

She reminded him of how he used to tell his parents about divorcing Natalia at every family dinner.

His eyes moved to the shadowy sky behind his mother. He muttered in a low tone.

"Don't compare her with another woman."

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"I wish I could," he muttered.

A smile appeared on Grace's face. She lifted her hand and rubbed his hair. "Don't worry. You will have a lot of chances in the future. Don't miss any of it. Every woman is begging to be with my son anyway. Who will resist you?"

Adrian remained silent. Grace patted his shoulder.

"Get ready fast. Don't you want to see your beautiful kids? They are eager to go to their party.

Adrian's eyes moved slightly when he heard about his children. He looked at his mother and gave her a nod

When Grace left the room, Adrian decided to take a shower.

After wearing the expensive black suit, Adrian looked in the mirror.

He did not care much about his looks. The only reason he glanced at the mirror so often was because of the wound that was located in his

chest

He slightly shifted the shirt so he could see his chest in the mirror. The three claw marks caught his eye.

He caressed the marks, thinking about the woman who left her mark

on him.

After the night when she left him to meet Max, he sent her the invitation to the birthday party.

However, she returned the invitation to him. So he lost all interest in attending the party.

However, he was unable to avoid the party. He would introduce his children to the whole world tonight.

Adrian walked out of his bedroom and toward his kids' room. When he entered the room, he was amazed.

Noah looked very handsome in the black suit. It was the same suit he was wearing. He indeed looked like him. Why did he never notice it before learning the truth?

"Dad."

He turned his gaze, and it immediately landed on Aria. She was wearing a baby pink dress. She had a pretty little crown on her head. She looked very beautiful.

Adrian felt that his heart softened just looking at his children.

Sometimes, he felt angry at Natalia. He had missed seeing his children grow up. But then, her words reminded him of the reason for keeping them apart from him.

"You both look good. Let's go," he said, turning to the door.

Aria pouted her lips. "No."

Adrian turned to her. "What no?"

Aria extended her hards cutely and said, "Take me in your arms, dad."

Adrian smiled at her sweet tone. He started to walk toward her. He lifted her into his arms and turned to face Noah.

Noah remained silent as usual. He did not talk to Adrian while

watching the father and daughter.

Adrian extended his hand for Noah to take hold of

"Let's go."

Noah hesitated to take hold of the hand as he gazed at it. Over the last few days, Adrian had been trying to communicate with him a lot. He did not forget her mother's cries. He had a strong dislike for

Adrian

"Noah, hold dad's hand. Let's go to the party. I'm so excited. It will be our first party," Aria said excitedly.

Noah blinked his eyes and turned away from Adrian's hand. He lifted his hand and held it hesitantly

Adrian sighed as Noah's hand came into contact. He walked out of the room with his twin

This party would be one that they would never forget.

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Everyone turned around when they saw Alpha Adrian descend the stairs with two children.

Their eyes were filled with amazement as they observed them. They had never seen Adrian with children before.

Upon closely examining his kids, they discovered they were identical twins. They resembled their father quite a bit.

When Adrian came downstairs, he put Aria down and told her to enjoy the party.

Noah let go of Adrian's hand when he noticed his old school friends. He raised his head to look at Adrian.

Adrian smiled at him and rubbed his hair softly.

"I invited them for you and Aria."

Aria and Noah both ran to join their friends. They looked very happy, which made Adrian feel better in his heart.

"Alpha Adrian."

All of the Alphas from other packs who had traveled to this pack in order to attend the birthday party approached him. They greeted him politely.

"Your twins are beautiful," one of the Alphas said.

Adrian cast a quick glance in the direction of his twin and murmured under his breath, "Just like their mother."

All of them were Alphas. They heard him clearly, despite the noises. around them.

"I noticed the news about your-"

"Alpha."

Beta Patric came to interrupt an Alpha when he tried to raise Natalia's matter with Max.

He chuckled and excused themselves by saying that they had something to talk about.

"You look good. "A handsome and caring single father," Patric said as he handed Adrian a glass of wine.

Adrian said nothing while sipping his drink. He was getting bored. He had no intention of staying here for a long time.

He noticed his parents were coming towards him.

Lucas Miller and Grace Miller came to stop in front of their son.

Patric let them talk to Adrian and went to join other officials who were enjoying drinks.

"Adrian, my boy," Lucas said, patting his son's back with pride.

His son had two children now. Being mature enough, he chose to accept his kids before the whole world.

Grace locked her arm with her son and mumbled,

"I am happy for you. It is now time for you to settle down in your life.

Adrian rolled his eyes. "Settle? I am already settled, Mom."

Lucas chuckled at the duo of mother and son. His gaze shifted to the kids running around the pack house with the other kids. They made. new friends with children from other Alphas.

As long as I am able to spend my last moments with my grandchildren, I will be content.

Adrian turned his head toward Lucas. Even though he had been angry with his father for all of these years, he finally came to the realization that his father had done right when he made him marry Natalia against his will.

"Your last moments? Why would you die? Your son is still alive to protect you from any danger."

Lucas immediately looked at him. Upon hearing that from his son, his eyes welled up with emotion.

Adrian averted his gaze from him and turned away.

Lucas was aware that his son did not have a strong emotional side. He never cried or pleaded for anyone. Since childhood, he has been a cold—hearted person.

He fixed his gaze on Adrian, whose eyes were cold and

expressionless.

However, after a few seconds, the cold pair of eyes suddenly moved.

It caught the attention of both Grace and Lucas. They turned their heads to see where Adrian was looking.

Their brows furrowed as they noticed a beautiful woman enter the pack house dressed in a stunning gown. Her beauty was unmatched by others, like a glowing star.

Then they heard Adrian's voice next to them.

"Natalia?"

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Adrian's POV

I stared at Natalia. Her appearance was royal. Her stunning, coffee- colored gown hugged her figure. She looked like a mermaid. She did not look pale or like an ordinary woman, but as if her beauty had bloomed, she appeared to be the most beautiful woman in my eyes.

I could not take my eyes off of her.

I did not conceal the small smile that curled around my lips from

anyone.

Her lovely eyes were straying until they settled on my kids.

"I am glad that you invited their mother," my dad said with a happy tone. He still adored Natalia, just like before.

My mother did not say anything as her eyes fixed on Natalia.

I moved away from my parents and started to take steps in Natalia's direction.

Suddenly, my mood changed about remaining at this party. I really wanted to spend a lot of time here now.

Just as I was about to approach Natalia, another person entered the pack house.

He walked directly toward Natalia and said something in her ear. Natalia turned to him and chuckled, then shook her head.

"Max Harrison," I muttered.

Tonight's party was a big one, and Max Harrison was one of the important guests in this pack. So he was also on the guest list.

I noticed Natalia and Max walking in the opposite direction. My eyes were fixed on Natalia, who did not even look for me at the party.

'So she rejected my invitation and came here as Max Harrison's partner?' I thought, getting angry.

I made my way to the middle of the hallway before Natalia could get to Aria and Noah. I asked for a microphone. Delta Julian brought along a microphone and spoke into it.

"Ladies and gentlemen, may I have your attention, please?"

Everyone stopped what they were doing. I cast a glance at Natalia. She stood in the center with Max, looking in my direction.

When her gaze met mine, my inner wolf howled. He wanted her. He wished to keep her in his arms and never let her go.

Alpha Adrian wants to have some words about the party."

After saying that, Julian handed the microphone to me. Natalia broke eye contact, and I looked away from her.

My eyes wandered around the hall, as I could see many guests here. The party was going on in the hallroom of the pack house. It was located on the back side of the house.

"Today is very special to me. This is because I want to introduce my children to all of you."

I looked at Aria and Noah. My mother instructed them to join me..

Like good kids, they came to stand next to me.

"They are Noah Miller and Aria Miller, my blood and my heirs. Being their father, I consider myself fortunate to have them."

Everyone began to clap. However, they stopped clapping and focused on Adrian's words when he started talking again.

"All these years, they lived with their mother, Natalia Hansley. But from now on, they will be with me."

The majority of the guests were taken aback after hearing what I had said. They were not aware that Natalia was my ex–wife. They only recognized her as the CEO of Blue Blood Pack's company.

"Natalia Hansley is Alpha Adrian's ex-wife!"

"How is this even possible?"

"Is that why Alpha Jason attempted to insult Alpha Adrian in that meeting?"

"Is that the reason Alpha Adrian snatched the pack belonging to Natalia Hansley's brother?"

There were a ton of questions floating through the hall. As I shifted my gaze toward Natalia, she became the focus of my attention.

I expected her to be pleased that her children now had their father's

surname.

She, on the other hand, gave me the exact opposite vibe. The cold look in her eyes was enough to make my heart freeze.

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Natalia's POV

"So Natalia Hansley was hiding them from Alpha Adrian all of this time?"

I listened to Adrian's announcement. But the way everyone looked shocked, as if he had said something forbido,

What exactly was there to whisper about? Could they not see that this man allowed my family to live in this pack? Why did they keep reminding him of his brother's actions against him?

I noticed Adrian was staring at me. I gave him a cold look. This man was responsible for all of the drama.

Despite everything he had done to me, he pretended to be an innocent father.

My gaze gradually shifted down to my children.

My eyes welled up with tears as I struggled to keep my emotions in check.

They were my babies and my life. It had been a long time since I had seen them.

"Take it."

I heard Max's voice. I glanced at the handkerchief he was offering me. I turned my head toward him. He nodded to me as though to let me know he was with me.

Though I turned down Adrian's invitation, I came here with Max. I was Max's partner rather than Adrian's guest.

I took the handkerchief and dabbed the corners of my eyes.

"Mommy!" Noah's voice echoed down the hall.

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Other guests moved out of the way to make won for him to approach me,

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I cradled them both in my arms,

"My babies, I miss you too."

When I broke the hug, I cupped their cheeks and Kees ther he

"You are two of the most beautiful little souls"

While having a conversation with my children, I noticed a pair of expensive leather shoes approaching me.

I raised my head to look at the person.

His tall figure, towering over me, blocked the light from the chandelier hanging in the center of the hall.

I stood up, diverting my gave away from Adrian.

"It's good that you decided to come here," Adrian said.

Before I could reply, Maz spoke out next to me.

"I asked her to accompany me."

Adrian shifted his gave from me to Max. The darkening of his eyes gave the impression that he did not like Maz.

"Alpha, we meet again," Max said, extending his hand toward Adrian

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Max's sharp response stal Adrian. He did not expect Max to greak that way chased my throat and interrupted their conversation.

I looked at my twins, who were staring at their father before to face Max

They might be curious about who Max was. So I smiled at them and odhood Max to them.

leet him, babies. He is Uncle Max, my-"

Max interrupted me and said,

"Your mommy's soon-to-be boyfriend."

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I was stunned when Max said that to my children. I meant I would tell them about it later. I wanted to make them comfortable around him at first. But his sudden confession took me aback.

"What did you just say?" Adrian's angry voice came out like a blaze of fire.

Other people began to glance at us. I rolled my eyes at Adrian.

He was such a dramatic man. What was wrong with him?

"Alpha Adrian, don't forget that we are your guests. Respect us at least," I said to Adrian sarcastically.

However, it was as if my voice did not reach Adrian's ears. He glared at Max and stepped toward him.

"You are aware of which pack you are in right now. Am I right?"

Adrian's words were intended to warn Max. I stared at Adrian. What did he want? Did he want to push away every man who wanted to enter my life? He wanted me to suffer and be alone for the rest of my life.

But I would not let him keep doing that.

I took a deep breath and leaned toward Max. I locked my arm with him and turned my head at Adrian.

"He knows where he is standing. You should consider yourself lucky that he is in your pack right now. He is a healer who can help you in any way."

Adrian's eyes slowly lowered as they stopped on my arm, which was wrapped around Max's arm.

"Help? Yeah, sure. By saving your brother?" He muttered in a low

voice.

I was shocked to learn that he was aware of Max's treatment for Jason. Suddenly, I felt scared that he would stop the treatment.

He was the head Alpha of the pack. Max would be unable to continue the treatment if he gave the order to stop.

"Listen, just mind your own business," I mumbled.

Max smiled when he heard my mumblings. Hatted my hand and turned his head toward me.

"It's okay. Alpha must be thinking about his reputation. But he doesn't know how much we wanted to be together."

I gulped when I heard Max. The way he was looking at me made me

blush.

I looked away from him. My gaze was drawn to Adrian's fists, which tightened. I moved my gaze, and it landed on my children.

I was about to speak with them when Adrian spoke up.

'Max Harrison, don't mess with me."

On the other hand, Max gave Adrian a cool, collected look as though he had no fear of dying.

"I'm not messing with you, Alpha Adrian. It's my life, and I know what I am doing. Right now, I'm pursuing Natalia Hansley."

I wondered how Max mustered the confidence to talk with Adrian in such a way even the Alpha of his own pack was terrified of him.

I cleared my throat and turned to my children.

Aria stared at Adrian, but Noah was looking at Max.

I slowly let go of Max's arm and fixed my attention on Aria and Noah.

"Babies, I wanted to tell you something," I told them.

Noah shook his head and replied,

"Mommy, I like Max Uncle. Make him your boyfriend."

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Adrian slowly turned his head and lowered his gaze to look at Noah. His eyes were darkened, as if Noah were not a little boy, he would have beaten him to death.

Max was surprised, too. He did not expect one of them to say that.

Adrian grabbed Noah's hand. "You are talking too much. I think it's time for me to discipline my own son."

My eyes widened as I was about to reach Noah's hand to stop Adrian from taking him away.

But Max grabbed my wrist and stopped me. "Don't worry. He will not do anything to his son. He is a successful Alpha. He knows his son's worth. "After all, Noah is the heir to this pack."

I watched Adrian drag Noah into a corner. Noah turned his head to look at me. As I watched him in despair, tears welled up in my eyes.

Max released my hand when he got a phone call. I glanced at her phone as I saw his head Alpha calling him.

He received the call.

"Alpha."

I could hear what his Alpha was saying to him because his phone was on my side.

"Ask Alpha Adrian for forgiveness on my behalf. I couldn't attend his children's birthday party because your Luna is sick."

"Sure, Alpha."

"I sent my beta to the party. Please receive him. He is on the way. I sent him with birthday present."

Max turned his head to the door to see if his pack's beta had arrived

or not.

"Let me check, Alpha."

He hung up the call and looked at me. "Our beta will be here at any moment. I'm going to check.

"Of course," I replied, nodding my head.

Max walked away from me, heading to the entrance.

felt a hand clutching my dress. I lowered my head and saw Aria looking at me with teary eyes.

I immediately took her into my arms and wiped her eyes.

"Baby, don't cry."

She hugged my neck and mumbled with sobs. "Mommy, please go to dad and tell him not to punish Ngah.

I was stunned. I glanced at the corner where Adrian took Noah.

"I won't let him do anything to your brother."

After telling her to stay with her friends, I put her down on the floor.

The guests gave me a sidelong glance, but I ignored them. I walked past them and headed in the direction I had seen Adrian go a while ago.

I hated that man so much that I wanted to kill him right now.

How dare he scare my children like that?

I passed through a hallway. The interior directions of this pack house were unknown to me. In my two years of marriage, I came here for family dinner only a few times.

Desperate to find Noah, I cast a glance around.

When I saw a few doors, I realized Adrian had taken Noah into one

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of those rooms.

As I stepped toward the rooms, I heard Noah's voice. When I heard what he said to Adrian, I went completely still.

"We were so happy without you. Why did u come into our lives?"

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"Noah!"

I said as I pushed the door of the room.

Noah and Adrian both turned to me. I noticed that Noah was standing in front of Adrian while he was seated on the couch. "Mommy."

I walked to Noah, ignoring Adrian completely.

"Baby, how many times have I told you not to disrespect your father? He is your dad. You can't talk to him like that."

"No, mommy. I don't like him. He is not my dad. Because of him, you always cried."

I tightened my fists to control my emotions. Even as a small child, the image of his mother sobbing pierced his heart, and he had not yet moved on from it.

"Don't say that, baby. I was not crying for him but for my own fate."

"Fate?" he mumbled with a confused face.

I rubbed his hair and said,

"Go back to the party. Aria is waiting for you."

Noah glanced at Adrian. I realized that Adrian was silent all the time during my conversation with Noah.

When Noah left the room, I turned around and looked at the man sitting calmly on the couch.

However, when I looked carefully at him, I saw a blaze in his eyes. They were not calm. They were cold.

His eyes were fixed on the door. From the moment Noah left the

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1 frowned at him "What did you do to my son? Did you dare to hit

My heart was pounding just at the thought Noah, like Adrian, was stubborn even if this man hurt hing, he would never say anything to

Adrian ignored my question. He picked up the packet of cigarettes that was resting on the table.

He in one and began to smoke. His Arrogant attitude was arousing d Be of rage de me

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I grabbed his wrist tightly and snatched the

od the cigarette from between his fingers in my other hand.

I threw the cigarette in anger and said,

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I was about to release his wrist, so loosened my grip

But suddenly, he stood up, took hold of my arms, and pressed me against the wall beside the com

I gasped at his sudden action and looked at him with wide eyes.

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puzzled my mind.

Once I realized what was happening, I pulled myself together and tried to push him.

"Move. Your smell is making me feel disgusted."

I lied to him. His scent was very alluring, and it was making my inner wolf go crazy. I despised the matebond for making me feel that

way.

Adrian loosened his grip on my arm but did not move away from me. He looked into my eyes and muttered,

"Don't test my patience, Natalia."

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I felt strange when my name came out of his mouth. I tried to gather my strength to shove him. But he pressed his body against me. It took my breath away for a second.

He tilted his head and moved closer to my ear. I clenched my jaw when I heard him whisper.

"Don't agree with him. He doesn't deserve you."

"What should I do right then? Laugh at him."

1 sneered at his words. "You mean I deserve to be alone all my life?"

"Um hm. You deserve better," he muttered, releasing my arms and resting his elbows against the wall.

I tried to make sense of what he was saying.

"Someone better? How can I get someone better? You ruined my life so smartly that I have no choice but to remain alone forever. But fate gives me another chance, and I am going to accept the cha-."

I paused when he suddenly pressed his palm against my mouth.

He turned his head away from my ear and met my eyes.

I stared at him. His eyes moved from my eyes and wandered around my face. I blinked my eyes and looked away from him.

Why was he looking at me like that?

"Ummm,"

I tried to move his hard, but he pressed it tightly.

"Do not even think about getting another chance in the name of fate. Your fate has already given you a hint of its plans. You are the one who is resisting it.".

I froze when I understood what he was trying to say. I stopped struggling to remove his hand from my mouth and gave him a cold. look.

He withdrew his hand from my lips. I felt his thumb against my lips. He parted his lips as he looked at my lips. He brushed his thumb. over my lips softly.

His eyes then lowered to my dress, and he said,

"Why did you dress up like this? You know how gain my attention, don't you?"

I glared at him sharply. Every action he took and every word he said made me angry.

I bit his thumb in anger. He hissed, as if he was not expecting me to do that.

He moved his thumb away from my lips and shook it as blood rushed out of it.

"You are a beast," I said.

He lifted his hand and put the thumb into his mouth while looking at

1. me.

He let out a chuckle after he had healed his wound.

"Beast? I am currently feeling like a free bird. It feels like I have been caged for years."

The gleam of a smile could be seen in his eyes. As if he were taking pleasure in each and every moment.

I closed my eyes to gather all of my strength before shoving him.

This time, I was successful in pushing him.

"Was that two years of bed service not enough for you? What do you

want now? Sleep with me again to satisfy your desire?"

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Adrian's POV

"Bod service?"

Why did she say that? My mind froze after hearing her. She mistook my desire for mere sexual intimacy with her.

Did she think that I was a reckless man who was able to restrain his lust?

Natalia laughed at me. "Alpha Adrian, you should eat some nuts. You are experiencing a loss of your memories at such a tender age?"

"What do you mean?" I asked her, getting angry.

The truth was that whenever this woman was in front of me, I was powerless to resist her, regardless of how angry I got with her.

She was the one who calmed my heart and, at the same time, stoked the flame of passion inside it.

"Just because I did not take your card and left it at your house the day we divorced, you forgot why you gave it to me?"

It brought back memories of the day we divorced. The moment I realized what I had said to her, I became furious with myself.

It was not what I meant to say. At that time, I was pissed off at her because she was desperately asking for a divorce. At that time, I used to think that I hated her. It was because of that one night that everything changed.

While taking a step back, I uttered, "I didn't mean that."

My heart was pierced by the look that she gave me as she stared at me. Why did she have so many bitter memories of mine?

Natalia took a deep breath and said,

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Curiosity used my wows to perk up. "What agreement?"

"Make sure that my children have prosperous life. I will never Prime you way to ge them up. For the sake of them, I am willing

to go up my happiness. You are making, trouble just because of them, 't you?"

It was imposside for me to utter a single word, I could not understand how this woman could think like that.

Did she think she would ever have the opportunity to meet them today if I wanted to keep them away from her?

Despite the fact that her words were making my heart ache, her beauty continued to captivate my attention.

Why was 1 feeling like that?

I was not treating her in the same manner that I treated other people. If there was another woman in her position and I wanted her, I would have confined her in a cage so that I could keep her.

But it was her. Why could I not force her to return to the old Natalia, who once used to be my wife?

"You are allowed to meet them from now on. There is no need to look for permission from anyone,"

When Natalia heard me, she was instantly taken aback. "Are you willing to let me meet them? What will you take in return?"

As I shook my head, I could not help but chuckle.

"It seems that you still don't know me."

1 paused for a moment, then said, "Just stay away from that Max."

Natalia folded her arms. "Why? Are you offended by the fact that

another man has the audacity to talk to you while he is looking directly into your eyes?"

"It would be best for you not to provoke me to do something that you will later come to regret."

"You can only warn like this. You have no power to do anything" Natalia walked past me as she made her way to the door.

Even though she was arguing with me, I felt good all the time. Nevertheless, it breaks my heart to see her go away from me.

I turned around and spoke out.

"I broke up with Lynda."

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It was my words that halted Natalia. I was waiting to see how she would respond.

Didn't she want that before our divorce? Her words were still fresh in my mind.

"Hubby, don't go to her. I'm your wife. Please come back to me."

When I thought back on her words, I could hear them reverberating in my head. My jaw was clenched as I felt regret for the fact that I had not ended my relationship with Lynda at that time.

Natalia turned around to face me.

What did you say?

I nodded my head and replied, "I broke up with her."

I thought she would be happy after learning that. Because of Lynda, I could not reach her like I wanted. So I broke up with her to make my way back to Natalia.

However, I was stunned when Natalia's expression turned against my thinking

A furious expression appeared on her face, and her eyes darkened. "You are not a real man."

"What?" I asked, my anger rising back up to its previous level.

"After nearly seven years of being in a relationship with that

woman, you decided to end your relationship with her? Your only skill is the ability to break a woman's heart. What can I expect more from you?"

Those words of hers left me speechless. I walked to her, but she tool a step back.

"What's wrong with you? You should be happy that I broke up with

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"Why would I be happy? What do It matter to me if you decide to end your relationship with her or if you decide to fix things with her? I have absolutely nothing to do with you or her. I believe you deserve her, and she deserves you flow can you decide to break up such a perfect couple?"

1 greeted my teeth and asked,

"How can you say that? You said you loved

Natalia parted her lips, "Love?"

It appeared as though she had something on her mind, as she turned her gaze away from me

"I used to love you. A lot...."

Upon hearing her say, "Used to," my heart was completely shattered. After that, she gave me a grin and turned her attention back to me

"I am no longer the foolish girl who wanders around Alpha Adrian just to get his attention, to persuade him to return home every day, to convince him not to talk about divorce, to make hundreds of attempts to make him understand Ohat I did not bully his girlfriend, to ask him to think about our future, and to beg him

and to beg him to love me back.

Every word that she spoke brought back a flood of memories right in front of my eyes,

"Natalia"

"No, Adrian, I don't have any feelings left for you. Now, you are just the father of my children. You have the ability to control the lives of your children, but not mine. You like to take pleasure in torturing

1. me. But I will not let you do that to me anymore."

1 tried to take hold of her hand, but she yanked it away.

"In front of your eyes, I am going to live my life to the fullest

without any regrets. And you will never be able to do anything about it, Adrian."

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Natalia's POV

As soon as I walked out of the room, I saw "ta Patric outside. He glanced at the door behind me, then shifted his gaze to me.

This man was always there for his Alpha.

I greeted him with a nod and walked past him. I did not give a damn about what Adrian was going to plan next to make my life hell.

I would fight against it.

'Why does he always try to get close to me? When I was married to him, he used to stay out of the house to avoid seeing my face. Was it his wolf who wanted to get close to me?"

I recalled his wolf in the war. But did he allow his wolf to take over him?

I shoved all the thoughts away from my mind and returned to the party.

There, I met Delta Julian. I was searching for my purse, which I forgot somewhere.

Julian handed me the bag and asked,

"Are you looking for this?"

"Yeah, thanks a lot."

I took out my phone and noticed a number of missed calls from Max's number.

I bit my tongue because of my careless behavior. I immediately called Max to tell him where I was.

"You seem to be close to the healer."

I heard Delta Julian. I looked at him and gave him a nod in response. "You are right. We are quite close now."

His brows lifted as he looked away from me and murmured,

"Alpha will not accept it."

"Excuse me? Did you say something?"

He shook his head in reply. "Nothing."

I smiled at him and was about to move in another direction, but a middle–aged couple caught my attention.

I walked toward them. They turned to me when I approached them.

"Natalia, how are you?" Alpha Lucas, Adrian's father, asked.

"I'm fine, Uncle. How is your health?"

"Just fine."

I noticed Adrian's mother did not look happy to see me. So I said,

"I believe you are not pleased to see me here. You did not even answer my calls while my children were locked inside this pack house. Why, Aunt?"

Grace looked at me and replied in a cold voice,

"Why did you keep my grandchildren hidden from us? Who gave you the audacity to do that?"

I lowered my head. In actuality, it was me who was at fault. I should not have kept the kids away from them. But their son was not a good man. I was afraid for my children's lives.

"I was scared he would kill those little kids because I was the one who gave birth to them."

Grace was stunned by my words. However, Lucas was calmly

looking at me.

"Past is past. Where are you these days? You did not come to meet me in the whole month."

I chuckled a little. "Uncle, I wanted to meet you, but I thought Aunt did not want it. Maybe she doesn't want to see me."

My words were directed at Grace. When Lucas looked at her, she looked away.

I could not forget how many times I tried to contact her just to let me meet my children; she and her son were both ungrateful.

Someone caught Grace's attention as her eyes brightened. "Lynda."

I saw her walking towards Lynda, who had just arrived at the party.

I rolled my eyes while thinking,

'Now what is this woman doing at my children's party?'

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"Natalia."

I turned my attention back to Alpha Lucas. He was a good person. I could see gratefulness in his eyes. I saved him, and he did not forget it.

"How are your parents doing? Are they doing alright in this pack?"

I gave a small smile and lowered my head. "How can they be, uncle? You know, as the former Alpha and Luna, they felt humiliated when they had to leave their own pack and seek shelter in the pack that had won their home."

Alpha Lucas raised his hand and placed it on my head. I looked at him.

"I have heard about your brother's treatment. Doctor Max is an excellent healer. I believe he will do something."

I turned my head and looked around the hall, only to find Max conversing with another man.

I understood that it might be the beta of his pack. Max's eyes locked with mine, and he smiled at me.

I smiled at him back, which did not go unnoticed by Adrian's father. "Are you two really close?"

I blushed when he asked me that question. "Yeah, you can say that."

Alpha Lucas stared at me for a while. He seemed to want to say something to me, but he hesitated.

I was perplexed, wondering what he wanted to say.

I was about to ask him what was on his mind, but then my gaze shifted behind him.

matched Adrian enter the hallway Behind him was Beta Patric. He

saying something to Adrian.

Brian, on the other hand, looked calm.

I scoffed inside my heart. That man was really something.

"Excuse me."

I excused myself from Alpha Lucas, and he immediately gave me a

pod.

I turned my heels and headed in another direction. However, on my way, I nearly collided with a man.

"Relax," he muttered, taking a step back so his body did not come into contact with mine.

It was as though, if somehow I collapsed with him, someone would kill him.

I looked at him and asked,

How are you, Gamma Benjamin?"

My gaze was drawn to his frowning reaction. "It looks like you are in a hurry to escape from someone," he said, glancing behind me.

turned my head and saw Adrian standing far away from me.

I ignored him and replied to Gamma Benjamin,

"What can I do? Your Alpha left me with no other option but to escape."

He returned his gaze to me and said,

"I don't want to disclose anything, but as the gamma of this pack, I should do what I need to do."

His words confused me. "What do you mean by that?"

He cleared his throat and averted his gaze from me. "Don't tell Alpha that I told you that."

I smirked at him. "Why would I?1 did not bribe you to say anything. But what secret are you going to reveal?"

I felt some kind of excitement. Was Adrian's own Gamma about to betray him by revealing a secret?

However, I froze as he replied,

"Alpha can't concentrate on his pack because of you. These days, he behaves and speaks strangely. I have never seen him this way before. He always thinks about you.

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1 looked at Gamma Benjamin with a frown. He gave me a brief glance before shrugging his shoulders. He noticed Theta Emon wa oming our way, so he immediately said,

"Forget what I just said."

After saying that, he left my side. I stared at his back for a while.

His words went beyond my head.

I turned around to glance at Adrian, who was not looking at me anymore.

Sitting on a stool in the bar, he was sipping a glass of wine.

'What are you cooking up in your head, Adrian? There is no way you can think of me without plotting against me, 'I reasoned as I looked

at him.

"Stop staring at him. You can't seduce him. He is mine."

I recognized a familiar voice. I let out an annoyed sigh. Why did this woman come to me?

With a smile, I turned to face her. "Hello, Lynda."

Lynda appeared to be stunned by my grin. She was dressed in a hot red dress. Her clothing choice almost made me disgusted.

It was a birthday party for children, not a bachelor party where she wore such a short dress.

If it were someone else, I would not bother to judge her. But it was Lynda, the wicked woman. I was fully aware of her intention.

"What are you doing here?" Lynda asked, folding her hands across

her chest.

"It is my children's birthday party; of course, I should attend. By the way, why are you here?"

Lynda glared at me as if she expected me to be scared of her gaze.

"Me? I am Adrian's girlfriend. He personally invited me here."

I nodded as a thought occurred to me. "I see."

"Let me warn you. Stay away from Adrian."

I laughed in response to her warning. "Tell your boyfriend..."

I paused, smirking at her. "I mean your ex-boyfriend."

Her

eyes widened when she heard me. "W-What nonsense!"

I gently held her hand and patted the back of it with my other hand. "Tell your exboyfriend not to come after me. I have no interest in him. But it looks like you can't seduce him properly. He is not satisfied with you. Isn't it the reason for your breakup?"

I winked at her to spread a pinch of salt in her invisible pain. When Adrian and I were married, this woman caused me a lot of pain.

How could I pass up such a wonderful opportunity?

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She shook her head in denial. "You are wrong. You have a misunderstanding. He didn't break up with me. So do not take a chance with my man. If you dare to even look at him again, then- ahhh!"

She released a low moan of pain. I gave her a light twist of the wrist. She tried her best not to scream in front of others.

I grinned at her with amusement in my face.

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interfere with my life."

I let go of her hand, and she huffed with a shocked face.

I patted her cheek and said,

"Good girl. Now go and start seducing that man like past days before some other bitch like you snatch the chance away from you."

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Alpha 266

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Third POV

"How long are you going to stare at her? Go and tell her what is on your mind," Beta Patric said to Adrian.

Adrian's gaze lingered on Natalia. He saw how she was talking to Lynda. His keen eyes picked up on the way she twisted Lynda's

wrist.

But for the first time, he did not want to go between the two women. He was curious to know how far Natalia would go.

He thought back to the last time she broke Lynda's hand.

"What is Lynda doing here?" Adrian asked Patric.

Asking Delta Julian to come to the bar area, Patric mindlinked with

him.

As soon as Delta Julian came, Patric said,

"You had the guest list. Have you extended an invitation to Lynda?"

Adrian looked at Julian to know the answer. Because he did not invite Lynda to this party.

"No way. In fact, I double-checked the guest list. She was nowhere on that list."

"Does that mean she came here without an invitation?" Patric asked.

Adrian turned his gaze to Lynda. Then he saw his mother approaching her with some guests. By looking at how delighted his mother was to introduce Lynda to others, he understood something.

"I know who invited her."

"Who?" Patric and Julian asked together.

Adrian motioned his gaze in Lynda's direction. They spotted Grace with Lynda together. They also realized that Grace was the one who invited Lynda to the party.

Her intentions were clear to them. She wanted Adrian to patch up with Lynda.

After a while, a large birthday cake appeared in the hall. Gazing in amazement, all the kids made circles around the cake.

Aria peered at the cake with a smile. "Look at our birthday cake, Noah! It is so beautiful!"

Noah remained quiet. His expression was not amused as he took a quick look at the cake.

Meanwhile,

Natalia noticed her children's mood. She was with them, trying to spend time with them as much as she was able to.

She kissed Noah's head and asked.

"What happened to my big boy? Why is he not happy?"

She had been asking him what Adrian had told him or done to him. But he refused to answer her every time.

It dawned on her that he was exactly like his father.

Arrogant and stubborn.

"Nothing, Mommy."

Gripping her children's hands, Natalia made her way to the birthday cake, which stood in the middle of the hallway.

"Babies, come to your grandma. Let's cut the cake," Grace told the twins as she stood there with Lucas.

Natalia looked at her twins and smiled at them. "Go to her. She is calling you two."

Aria tightened her hold on Natalia's hand. She was unwilling to leave her hand. She wanted to cut the cake with her parents together.

"Mommy, come with us."

She pulled Natalia along with her. Noah was quietly following them.

Natalia could not help but stand with the twins in front of the cake.

All the guests looked at her. She saw Max standing in the crowd. He gave him an assured nod, which caused her to smile.

"Where is dad? Dad?" Aria suddenly asked.

At that time, Adrian entered the crowd and came to stand next to Aria.

He put his hand on Aria's head with a smile and glanced at Noah, who ignored him.

"Princess, cut the cake."

Everyone witnessed Natalia Hansley and Adrian Miller standing together with their twins. It was only possible because of their children.

Alpha 267

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"Noah, baby, hold the knife with Aria," Natalia said to Noah when she noticed his upset face.

Noah listened to his mother and held the knife, and then both of the

children cut the cake.

At first, they fed the cake to their mother. Adrian stared at them, avoiding looking at Natalia.

Seeing that no one was paying attention to her, Lynda lowered her head. She was about to step back when Grace stopped her.

"Lynda, come here."

Lynda walked to the kids with a fake smile on her face.

"Happy Birthday, babies," she said to the twins.

Aria looked frightened. Meanwhile, Noah was glaring at her.

Natalia tightened her fists when she saw her twins' reactions.

She shot a glare at Adrian.

He was the reason her children were acting that way. That woman terrified them to the point where they could not hide their emotions or express them to others.

Adrian was not looking at her. She looked away with a sigh of irritation.

The party proceeded smoothly. The other Alphas spoke with Natalia and inquired about her brother's health. Some of them even asked forgiveness about the day they saw her in Adrian's company's meeting room.

Natalia wondered why they were apologizing to her. They appeared

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to be frightened, as if she did not forgive them, they would be in big trouble.

Her gaze was drawn to Max, who had not approached her after going to his beta.

'Did he warn these Alphas about something?' she thought in her mind and smiled.

Everyone had dinner after a while.

Max was silent during the dinner, which made Natalia feel strange.

Natalia said goodbye to her children when it was time to leave. She felt emotional, thinking about when she would get to see them again.

It was the fault of her fate. It separated her from her children.

Her children hugged her and said they were her strong kids. When they left the hall with their grandmother, Natalia felt empty inside.

She glanced around the hall and saw that all the guests were still present, but they would depart soon since it was getting late.

At that time, all the lights in the hall were turned off.

Natalia could hear the noises of the guests. She walked a few steps in the dark.

Then, all of a sudden, a light suddenly came on and fell on her.

She was shocked.

What was happening?

The whole hall lit up, and her eyes fell on the man sitting on his knee in front of her.

"Maxl"

She let out a gasp. She heard whispers around her.

"What are you doing, Max?"

"Forget about what people say. Your well-wishers will always support you.

Max's words brought silence to the entire hall.

Natalia blinks her eyes while looking at Max.

He extended his hand to Natalia while holding a ring in his other hand.

"Will you be my girlfriend, Natalia?"

Natalia's eyes widened. Though she agreed to him before, she did not expect him to propose to her like that in front of everyone.

"H..."

Max gave her a wide smile and said,

*If you agree, I will exchange the ring for an engagement ring in the future. I would like to take some time to cherish you first."

No one had ever made her feel special like this before. She ignored the other guests and smiled at him.

She put her hand over his and answered,

"Yes, I will be your girlfriend."

Alpha 268

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When Max placed the ring in Natalla's hand, everyone around them started clapping.

Some of the guests were clapping with concern. They were puzzled. A few days ago, they heard rumors that Alpha Adrian was pursuing. Natalla.

They were unsure whether the rumors were true or not. They were afraid of offending Adrian if this was true.

Max stood up after kissing the back of Natalia's hand.

Natalia hugged him with a smile.

"Thank you for not making me regret my decision," she muttered in at low tone.

He wrapped his arms around her and whispered into her ear.

"I told you, I like you. That was why wanted you to be with me. I only want you to be happy."

They chuckled as they broke the hug.

Meanwhile, sitting on a couch in a far distance, a man was piercing his gaze on them.

He tightened his grip on the glass he was holding. The pressure he applied to the glass caused it to shatter inside his palm in a matter of seconds.

"Alphal"

Theta Emon let out a gasp.

All the officials turned to Adrian and looked shocked when they saw the blood rushing out of his palm.

"Call Harold immediately," Beta Patric said.

Delta Julian gave him a nod and dialed Harold's number.

He frowned as he said, "Why is the pack doctor not receiving the calls?"

All the officials looked worried for Adrian. Though his palm w heal soon, what about the flanks of the glass that pierced his p

"I can do that, Alpha. I know the basic treatment," Gamma Benja said, approaching Adrian..

But Adrian did not move. He had a chilly expression in his eyes. gaze lingered on Natalia's closeness to Max. He felt a sharp pair his chest as he saw her smiling at another man.

He had never felt this way before, not even when he saw her w Eric.

Perhaps it was because Eric did not propose to her like that in fro of his eyes. The way Natalia was behaving so softly with Max wa killing him inside.

He tightened his fists again when he saw Natalia blushing as sh hugged that man.

"When she said a new life, she meant a new man," he muttered

under his breath.

Gamma Benjamin was a young man with a short temper. When he saw Alpha's face reflecting pain, he could not stop himself.

"That healer! Let me teach him a lesson."

He was about to go in Max's direction, but Beta Patric stopped him by grabbing his arm.

"Control your rage. That is what your Alpha will take care of. You

can't kill the healer. He is not a member of our pack but a chief guest."

The beta's cold tone prevented Gamma Benjamin immediately. He lowered his head with a nod to calm himself.

Patric glanced at Adrian when he noticed other Alphas approaching them to ask permission to leave.

"Tell them Alpha is busy. I'm taking him inside. If not, who can predict what storm lurks behind his quietness?" Patric said to others, then grabbed Adrian's arm to help him.

Adrian yanked his arm away. When he got up from the couch, blood started to drop on the floor.

"I'm leaving."

Alpha 269

Alpha 269

All of the officials were stunned. Adrian saw Natalia leaving the party with Max. She did not even bother to glance at him for once.

"Where are you going? Beta Patric asked him

Adrian remained silent and reached for the suit jacket he had removed and placed on the couch a while ago.

He walked past everyone and made his way to the entrance. His jacket was hiding his wounded hand.

"Adrian."

He stopped his steps and turned around.

Lynda approached him and looked at him softly.

"You didn't even talk to me during the whole party. Are you starting to see me as a stranger?"

She continued to move her wrist, which appeared swollen. Adrian's eyes landed on her hand. It reminded him of how Natalia had hurt

her.

"Go to the pack hospital to get your hand treated. I don't think it's a major wound since you can move it."

After saying that, he turned around and headed to the entrance once again.

Lynda's jaw tightened as she fixed her gaze on his back.

"Even though he knows that woman hurt me, he is still warning me not to make a scene in front of people. He was just giving me an indirect warning!"

She knew Adrian very well. His words were not simple, like others,

but full of meaning and warnings.

She stomped her legs on the floor in anger. "Why are my plans all failing miserably?"

She was depressed. She had no idea why Adrian was acting so viciously. In his eyes, she was he one who saved him in the past. How could he have ignored his life savior in such a way?

Indeed, no one could tempt him.

Meanwhile,

Adrian left the pack house and came outside.

His driver rushed to his car because he had been outside for a while

dinner.

"Alpha, are you going anywhere?" the driver inquired, unlocking the

car.

Adrian opened the door and shoved his jacket inside the car.

He turned to the driver and said

"Give me the keys."

The driver was about to hand him his car keys, but his eyes widened when he noticed blood all over his palm.

"A-Alpha, your h-hand."

"Give it to me," Adrian said calmly.

But the driver could see how icy his eyes were. He immediately handed him the keys and stepped aside.

Adrian got inside the car and started it. The driver observed him gripping the steering wheel with his bloodied palm.

'How is he going to drive like that?' The driver thought in concern.

Adrian drove out of the pack house area, heading to a place he had not been in six years.

His eyes were on the road, but his mind was reminding him of what had happened at the party.

His face did not stay calm anymore. His eyes turned red, and his face became fiercer.

He tightened his grip on the steering wheel, and his hands and forehead started to pop veins.

Even though the tight grip was dripping blood, he chose to ignore the pain. In front of his blazing heart, nothing existed.

The car finally stopped in front of a house.

He leaned against the car after getting out of it.

He stared at the house for a while, and then memories started to pour in.

He inhaled deeply before making his way to the front door.

Just before he pressed the doorbell, the chief maid, Amanda, opened the door with a shocked expression.

"Alpha, welcome back home!"

Alpha 270

Alpha 270

Adrian's POV

'Home?'

Adrian thought, and he glanced behind Amanda. The sight of his home caused his eyes to become dark.

It had been a very long time since he had entered his home. So many years had passed. That was the home he and Natalia shared

once.

This place was starting to feel lonely to him after Natalia left. Therefore, he made the decision to never return.

However, after so many years, he came here. He desired to experience loneliness once more. But it was not the whole truth. With that loneliness, Natalia's memories were here too.

"How are you, Amanda?"

His question shocked Amanda. He had never asked that to her before. Her expectation was that he would return home, but he never did. She was upset that Natalia had divorced Adrian. She had seen how that girl used to stay here alone in this house without her husband.

Sometimes, she slept on the couch in the living room while waiting for Adrian to return. But she always felt her heart was broken.

Later, when Adrian took another girl into the house at that time, Natalia cried a lot. She had witnessed Natalia's breakdown.

"I'm fine, Alpha. What about you?" Amanda said, stepping aside to let him enter the house.

"Hmm, good."

Adrian entered the house. Amanda could not understand if he replied to her question or just responded to her answer.

"Alpha, your hand!"

Amanda was taken aback when she noticed blood dripping on the floor from Adrian's hand.

"That's nothing," Adrian said to her and headed upstairs.

Amanda was a few years younger than Adrian's mother. She had

seen Adrian growing up. She was aware of his demeanor and behavior.

That was why she was stunned when he saw him here.

Meanwhile,

Adrian went upstairs and approached a door. He stopped at the door and stood there for a while, hesitating to enter.

After a while, he grabbed the doorknob and opened the door.

Almost immediately, so many reflections came to his mind. The room was locked for years.

He slowly stepped inside and reached his hand for the switchboard beside the door.

When the room was illuminated by the light, his eyes wandered around the whole room.

He remembered coming to this room for the first time with Natalia after their marriage. That night, her smile was contagious as she talked endlessly about her day.

Later, he was getting annoyed with her voice and reprimanded her to stop talking. At the time, he felt that she had completely ruined his life, and he hated her for it.

With a slight cough, Adrian made his way to the bed. He sat on the bed, remembering how he used to spend his nights with her.

He wondered what he had done to her that she despised him so much. Because in his memory, he only avoided coming home and ignored her all the time.

Was it all his fault?

Suddenly, his eyes moved to the drawers of the nightstand. Het slowly opened the first drawer and saw the diamond ring that Natalia had left there.

It reminded him of the ring Max had put on Natalia's finger today.

His blood boiled once again.

The card was also present, which he had foolishly offered her that day. But he did not mean it for bed service; he just wanted her to

day with the money on the card.

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He checked the second drawer and took out his ring, which he had placed there after their divorce. He closed the drawer after grabbing the ring and putting it in his pocket.

He did not want to stay there any longer because his mood was worsening.

However, his eyes fell on the last drawer. He had never looked inside the drawer.

He slowly opened the drawer and found an album and a diary.

The album contained photos of both him and Natalia. But his gaze was drawn to the dairy.

He could not help but think,

'Is this her diary? She liked to write diaries?'

Alpha 271

Alpha 271

Adrian's POV

I stared at the diary for a while. The brown hardcover of the diary caught my attention. It was soft yet hard, and its mesmerizing paint was visible on top of it.

I sighed and stood up from the bed. With the diary in my hand, I left the room, glancing around for the last time.

When I closed the door behind me, I saw Amanda outside the room.

"Alpha, Doctor Harold is here to treat you."

I frowned at her. "Who told him that I'm here?"

She lowered her head in response. I did not need to take time to understand that it was she who informed Harold and asked him to come here to treat my wound.

"Tell him to come to the study room."

"Yes, Alpha."

Amanda left to call Harold while I walked in the direction of the study room.

I opened the door and found the room clean, indicating that the maids clean this room every day.

After shutting the door, I made my way to my chair. After sitting on the chair, I put the diary on the table and moved it aside.

After a few minutes, Harold came to the study room. He requested me, as he said,

"Please come to the couch, Alpha, I need to disinfect your wound first."

Though I had no wish to treat my wound, I stood up and went to the couch.

I sat down while Harold sat next to me. He then began to pull out the tiny pieces of glass that were still pierced in my palm.

I felt no pain. That pain was nothing to me. I remembered the most painful wound of my life.

It was when Natalia dug her claws in my chest to rip my heart out of it. I was hurt that she wanted to kill me in the war, when my intention was to go to that war only to save her from any harm.

I glanced at my hand and noticed Harold using some potion on it.

"What is it?" I asked him.

The red potion felt like a thorn in my wound as I hissed and shook my hand.

Harold grabbed my hand and began to apply some ointment.

"Alpha, that's the new potion wal got from Doctor Max."

I yanked my hand away and grabbed his collar in anger. He shook in fear.

"A-Alpha."

"How dare you use it on me? Who told you to to use it? I don't need anything from that man. You got it?"

"Y-Yes."

I realized I was a little harsh on my head doctor. I let go of his collar and glared at him.

"Now fix it as soon as possible."

"Y-Yes, Alpha."

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He hurriedly bandaged my hand and stood up after putting all the things in his first-aid box, which he had brought with him.

"Then permit me to leave your house, Alpha.

I gave him a nod. When he made his way to the door, I asked,

"You are friends with Natalia. I saw her giving you flowers too. Did you know that she was going to be with Max Harrison?"

Harold turned around to look at me. I did not look at him; I was only waiting for his reply.

"Alpha, Natalia is an Alpha female, a powerful woman. She can get any man she wants."

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When Max left the study room, I tried to think about what he meant.

"She can get any man she wants? Does she want Max? Does she like him? Why? What is in him that makes her want him?"

So many questions flowed through my mind. I wanted to ignore them, but they kept roaming in my head.

My eyes moved to the desk where I put Natalia's diary.

Suddenly, I became very curious to see her handwriting and to know what she wrote inside it.

I stood up, went to the desk, and took a seat in my chair behind the desk.

I grabbed the diary and opened it.

My brows lifted when the first page appeared in my eyes.

It was adorned with a photograph from our wedding. There was a small note written underneath it.

"My married life with the person I love the most."

My fingers curled as I read the line again and again. It was just the day we married; how could she write that she had loved me the most?

I turned the page and started to read.

There were many details about me. She thought of me as her superhero because I saved her from that old man that night.

I read on about her attempts to fit in with the culture of my family.

Her handwriting was beautiful, and the way she wrote was a clear explanation of her feelings.

When I read about her inner thoughts after I married her, a smile. appeared on my lips.

She was very excited and nervous about how she would spend the rest of her life with me.

A frown formed on my face when I read something bitter.

"Today, Mom and Dad arranged a yacht for me and Adrian. Since he refused to go on a honeymoon with me, they planned a special night

for us.

I am very excited because Adrian has agreed with his parents.

I am wearing a red backless dress. It's not like I wanted to seduce him, but I wanted to look beautiful for him. I want this night to be memorable for us."

It was like she wrote that before going outside. Because after a page, she wrote something else.

There were a few drops of tears that were dried on the page, which caught my attention.

"Adrian was not picking up my calls, so I went to the port alone. I thought he would be there.

But when I reached the port, I only found Dad's men, who helped me get into the yacht. They said Adrian would come soon.

The yacht was looking very beautiful, decorated with flowers and candles. Under the darkness of the night, it was illuminated on the river.

I waited for him for a long time. I told myself he would come, but he never did.

When I saw the yacht begin to move, I was scared and rushed to the captain. I asked him why he started it because my husband had not

arrived yet. He just replied to me that Adrian would not come.

I had to spend the whole night all alone on the yacht, staring at the lonely river.

don't know why he hates me so much. Why can't he see how much I love him? I am his newlywed bride. What's more important to him than me? Or he doesn't care about me at all?"

I moved my eyes from the dairy. My eyes turned dim as I recalled that night. I indeed ignored her and spent my night at the bar,

drinking.

A bitter taste of regret filled my heart as I realized how lonely she must have felt that night.

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"I am trying to learn Adrian's favorite things. Mom said Adrian likes stargazers. I was overjoyed to finally know about his favorite flower.

I went to a flower shop and bought some fresh stargazers. The saleswoman was very sweet. When she heard I was buying the flower for my husband, she made a perfect bouquet for me.

But it seemed like Adrian no longer liked this flower. Or I could say he did not like it when I bought it for him. It was my first time giving him something.

All of my excitement was crushed when he threw the bouquet in the dustbin and said to me.

'Everything can turn into ashes with the touch of your hand.'

I cried after coming back to the bedroom. Why did he dislike me so much?"

I closed my eyes as I put Natalia's diary on the desk. I leaned my head back against the chair.

I did not realize the feelings she was expressing through those flowers. I had no idea she used to love me and care for me.

That time, only one thing was fixed on my mind, and that was that she was a wicked woman who only wanted Luna's position.

I recalled the day when she gave me another present. It was a white shirt. I poured red wine on it to show her that her gifts were

worthless to me.

I knew she wrote about that in her diary too.

I did not want to read anymore as the guilt sulked at me inside.

I opened my eyes after a long time.

Unwantedly, my hands moved to the diary again. I turned a few pages, as I could only see her bitter memories with me.

Something grabbed my attention all of a sudden.

I sat up straight after reading the first line.

"Today he brought a woman home with him."

I began to read her thoughts after seeing Lynda. I knew she did not feel good since she used to love me.

"I was so shocked when I saw that woman. I must say, she is very beautiful. Maybe that's why Adrian likes her.

I am feeling self–conscious about my look now. I think I am not that beautiful. Because whenever I try to dress well for him, he calls mè ugly.

This is what my parents called me, too. They are right. I am ugly. Adrian does not deserve me.

But what would I do? I have loved him for a very long time, even before our marriage. I can't leave this man. He is my life. I have no one in this world except him."

She used to love me before our marriage? I was confused.

I let out a shaky breath. Why was I even reading this? To make myself feel even worse? It was full of sadness. Did I never give her any moments of happiness?

I was about to close the diary when the wind that came inside the room from the window turned a few pages.

My eyes darkened as my eyes landed on a page and I read it.

"Why is Lynda doing this to me? Because of her, Adrian yelled at me today. I was scared he was going to slap me. That was not how my

husband used to be. He had only said bitter words before. But now he has turned into someone else.

Lynda said I abused her. But I never said or did anything to her. I don't know where the fingerprints came from on her cheeks, but it wasn't me who slapped her.

She always lied to Adrian about me. I always try to make him.

understand that I have never done anything to Lynda. But he only believes in her.

Maybe he loves her. That's why my scream of truth never reaches his ears."

I almost tore the page as I curled my finger on it.

'Did Lynda always tell me lies about her?"

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Alpha 274

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"No. No. How is that even possible?" I muttered, grabbing my head with my hands while shaking it in stress.

I recalled the days when Lynda told me how Natalia slapped her, cursed her, abused her, and even threw her out of the house. because she just wanted to wait for me there.

"Did she really lie to me?"

I remembered that I always scolded Natalia because of Lynda. It was because Lynda kept talking about Natalia all the time. She urged me to divorce her as soon as possible.

But I always ignored her request since, somewhere in my heart, I did not want to divorce Natalia. In fact, my wolf wanted her.

I only scared her about divorce, but it was never my plan.

I glanced at the diary and shut it. Though there were many more pages to read, I closed it.

I had no patience to read since I wanted to know something else."

I needed to ask Lynda why she did that.

I rose up from the chair and walked to the window. I saw the sun begin to rise.

I wondered how long I had been reading that diary. I did so many terrible things to Natalia that it broke my heart.

I should not have done that to her.

Now, I realized why she hated me so much. It was because I had hurt her in a really bad way.

I lit a cigarette as the stress was grabbing my head with a deadly

headache.

While taking a puff of smoke, I pulled it out of my pocket and called Patric.

As soon as that man received the call, he barked on the phone.

"Harold informed me that you are at that house. Why are you there?"

"Stop barking. It is me, not you, who is your Alpha. Now stop asking questions and come over to my company's apartment. I am heading there."

"Adrian, we haven't slept the whole night thinking about what was wrong with you. Now you are calling us for work? Is it time for work? You should take a nap first. Wait, are you drunk?"

I rolled my eyes and cut the call. I was in no mood to reply to his numerous questions.

He was aware of what the phone cut meant. I wanted them in my apartment right now.

I turned around to leave the study room. Before leaving, I glanced at the diary on the desk. I walked to it and put it inside my desk's

drawer safely.

As I left the study room, a few maids bowed to me with stunned faces.

I realized that since it was early in the morning, all the maids had just woken up.

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I gave them a nod while walking past them. I went downstairs and came to a stop in front of Amanda who was standing near the

staircase.

Amanda."

She quickly bowed to me and replied,

"Yes, Alpha."

I glanced at the room where Natalia used to stay. I took a deep breath and said,

*Clean that room just like it was six years ago. Don't change a single thing. I am going to move here soon.

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I drove the car to my company's apartment. On the way, I sent a message to the person I needed to talk to the most.

When I arrived at my company's apartment, I pulled over my car and got out of it. I saw many cars there, indicating to me that all of my officials were inside my house.

The moment I walked inside the house, I saw them seated on the couches. When they noticed me, they stood up from the couches.

"Are you alright, Alpha?" Theta Emon asked. The tone of concern. lingered in his voice.

"I'm fine."

I strolled over to the couches and took a seat. I was tired, but my mind was thinking about something else.

"Are there any commands for us to follow?" Gamma Benjamin asked.

I glanced at Patric, who gave me a suspicious look. He was my best friend for a reason. He understood my state of mind. He realized that something was not guite right.

"What happened?" he asked.

I told them what I found in Natalia's diary about Lynda.

They were looking at me with shocked expressions. But Patric looked calm yet confused.

"I knew there was something wrong with this woman. How can anyone be so innocent?" he said.

As soon as I heard him, I remembered all the times he had told me that Lynda was not the right fit for me and that she was not cut out to be the Luna of our pack.

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I always avoided his advice because I believed that, as the person who saved my life, this was the only thing I could offer her. I could give her my name, my respect, and the position beside me.

In a hushed voice, Gamma Benjamin muttered, "I think Natalia did not lie."

According to his reaction and words, he trusted Natalia, but he did not trust the woman who had been his Alpha's girlfriend for a

number of years.

Was it because Natalia helped him heal his wound?

"I also think so," Delta Julian said.

As I heard their opinions, I remained silent and fixed my eyes on the door.

When Patric noticed that I was looking at the door, he asked,

"What are you looking at?"

All of the people in the room heard a knock on the door at that moment. They turned their heads at the door.

"Who is here at this time?" Theta Emon said.

"Open the door," I told him.

He obeyed me and got up from the couch. He walked to the door and opened it.

When he opened the door, Lynda's face appeared in his sight.

"Lynda?"

She gave him a push on the shoulder to get him to move away from her, and then she entered the house

"Your Alpha is the one who perse

wanted to meet me."

After saying that to Theta Emon, she turned around with a smile. Immediately, her eyes fell on me, sitting with my men.

She looked uncomfortable, seeing other officials here. She might have thought I was drunk and wanted to spend some time with her since I had lost my mind after watching the woman I loved with another man.

But the situation was something else.

She started to walk to me with a confused mind.

She stood in front of me and said with a smile on her face,

"You wanted to see me, Adrian. I'm here for you."

Alpha 276

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Third POV

Despite the fact that Lynda was completely unaware of the reason why Adrian had called her, she was filled with joy on the inside. It was true that when she saw all of his officials in his house, she felt a little taken aback.

On the other hand, that was completely unrelated to her. Adrian himself called her.

She was feeling hypnotized as she gazed at the dashing man who was sitting in front of her. All these years, she had wrapped him around her fingers, so when suddenly he asked for a breakup and told her that he loved Natalia, she was shocked.

Since Natalia was running after Max, instead of solving everything with Adrian, it was easy for Lynda to take Adrian back to her.

Adrian signaled for Lynda to sit next to him. Lynda went to sit next to him on the couch while maintaining a cheerful expression on her face.

During this time, every single official appeared to be anxious. They exchanged a quick glance with one another, unsure of what Adrian would do next.

Adrian asked Lynda without looking at her,

"When I met you after my marriage, what did you say to me at that time?"

The question that he asked left Lynda feeling lost. She cast a glance in the direction of Beta Patric, who appeared indifferent.

Her gaze then returned to Adrian, and she responded by saying,

"What are you talking about, Adrian? It is hard for

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With a frown on his face, he listened to her response. As soon as he turned around to face her, she became aware that this man was in a very gloomy mood.

After taking a deep breath, she cleared her throat.

"You mean our first meeting?"

"No, our second meeting."

"Oh, yes. S–Second meeting," Lynda replied, thinking that she almost got caught.

"What did I say about Natalia to you?" he asked again, this time a little more clearly.

As she pondered the reason behind his unexpected inquiry about Natalia, she raised her eyebrows.

"You said you were married, but you wanted to give your Luna's position to me."

"I said, what did I say about Natalia?" he muttered under his breath. His eyes were fixed on her, giving her shivers all around her body.

After a brief moment of reflection, Lynda was able to comprehend what he was referring to. After a while, she realized what he wanted to know.

"You said your wife has nothing to do with me. You assured me that she would never hurt me, and at the same time, you took a promise from me not to hurt her."

As he observed her facial expressions, Adrian continued to stare at her. She did not look like she was pleased talking about Natalia.

Every line that Natalia wrote about Lynda in her diary reflected on his mind.

His fists tightened as he thought about those days when he yelled at Natalia and even slapped her once.

Just thinking about the slap, his blood was boiling as his eyes darkened.

His dark gaze shot at Lynda as he asked with a deep and sharp tone,

"When I said she had nothing to do with you, then why did you hurt

her?"

Lynda's lips parted. "What are you saying?"

"You abused her in my absence, didn't you?"

Lynda's eyes widened as she stood up from the couch.

"Adrian, what are yo-"

He interrupted her as he asked her another question.

"Why were you misleading me about her and forcing me to mistreat her?"

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Lynda took a step back, and Gamma Benjamin came dangerou close to colliding with her. However, he grabbed her arms and moved her away from him.

When Lynda caught a glimpse of him, she was filled with fear because he appeared to be a beast who could attack her at any

moment.

She averted her gaze and looked at Adrian with a nervous face. "Adrian, why are you saying that? When did I do this?"

Adrian did not stand up; instead, he leaned his back against the couch as if he were not in a bad mood.

When Lynda saw Patric handing him a cigarette and lighting it for him, she swallowed her breath.

She was frightened by Adrian and each of his officials.

Only one question roamed in her mind:

'How did Adrian get to know about this?"

After a collection of thoughts, she dared ask him a question.

"Did Natalia tell you this? Adrian, she lied to you."

Adrian stared at her. His face looked cloudy from the fog coming out of his mouth and spreading around him.

She made her way over to him and sat down on her knees in front of him. With a soft voice, she took his hand and said,"

"I have never lied to you, Adrian. You were mine from the be Then why would I choose to lie?"

Adrian yanked his hand awa

shock.

"If you knew it, then why did you make up stories and tell me t she always abused you? The first time you showed the fingerpri on your cheek, those weren't her fingerprints. Who slapped you t day?"

Lynda's eyes grew wider. Why was Adrian going so deep?

She had already forgotten about it. It had been seven years sir she first met Adrian. How would she recall every single thing no

"Adrian, now you are accusing me. I am a dignified woman. You can't blame me for anything like this," Lynda said, getting on her f

She turned around and began to walk toward the door. But Delta Juliana stooped her as he stood in her way.

"How dare you stop my way?" she yelled at him, losing her mind.

She knew how clever Adrian was. If she remained here for more time, he would make her spill everything.

"Don't talk to my Delta like that: Don't forget who made you that dignified woman."

Adrian's deep voice shook her inside. She slowly turned around: saw Adrian getting up from the couch.

She took a step back when she saw Adrian moving his steps tow her.

In a blink of an eye, he came in front of her. It was like the world soomed to have come to a halt, and the only person who could m around was him.

Upon noticing something in her face, Adrian fu concentration.

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from me?"

She shook her head as she mumbled.

"Adrian, I didn't lie to you. It was that bitch who is making a fool of yo

Almost immediately, Adrian's hand grasped her neck as he let out a growl of anger.

'Don't you dare talk about my woman in that way ever again."

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Adrian's POV

I i I had lost my mind when Lynda said that. It was impossible for me to hear any bullshit about that woman. It was already too late for me to make amends with her. I was realizing it with passing seconds.

I was feeling regretful that I had not given her my attention when she required it, that I had not shown her that I cared when she

specifically requested it, and that had failed to love her when she had shown that she loved me.

Lynda's eyes were widened by my action. I was still holding the cigarette between my fingers while grabbing her neck.

My officials hurried to me as they grabbed my hand and pulled me away from Lynda.

The realization dawned on me that I had lost my mind for a second.

With a look of disbelief on her face, Lynda looked at me. Tears began to form in her eyes.

"This is what you are giving me for loving you all these years?"

Her question was emotional, but it did not work on me. I gave her a stern look and inquired,

"Why did you do that? What was the point of causing her pain when I had already assured you that you would be my Luna? There is no excuse for you to have lied to me. Because of you, I had to treat her so badly that she can't even forgive me now."

Lynda stared at me. My fingerprints were visible on her neck, showing that I was harsh on her.

"Do not forget that I was the girl who came to your rescue many years ago. I put my life in danger in order to co

you for anything; you were the one who found me and asked me to be a part of your life."

When she brought to my mind the time when she had saved me in the past, I could not help but blink my eyes. I recalled Harold telling me that Lynda was admitted for months because her bones were broken and she was in severe pain.

My eyes were diverted away from her because I was at a loss for what to do at that precise moment.

On one side was the woman I loved; she was my mate too. On the other side, there was the woman who saved me in the past.

I felt my wolf growl inside me, reacting oppositely to me.

1 heard him say,

"The whole world knows how ruthless you are. How come you are showing concern for another woman?"

What he said caused me to frown. I knew he only wanted Natalia. But how could I be so selfish as to show my other side to my savior? At the end of the day, I could not deny the fact that, because of her, I was alive today.

I tried to calm myself down and nodded my head.

"Leave."

She did not move and said what she should not have done.

"Adrian, you are right. I lied to you those times. Do you have any idea why? Because I fell for you at that time. You said I was the only woman in your life, but whenever I tried to get close to you, you only called her name. She was the source of my anger. What was in her that I did not have? I wanted you not to go to her. I wanted you to hate her. I was afraid that you would change your mind and throw me out of your life. The thought that you would have a soft or

your heart for her made me very anxious."

I growled at her because her words did not make sense to me.

I broke the hold of my officials and grabbed her neck once again.

"How dare you do that? By reminding me of saving my life, you have done many things that I didn't even count. But that doesn't mean I will forgive you for hurting my woman."

Alpha 279

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Third POV

As Adrian's hold tightened, Lynda found that she was unable to breathe. It would have been better for her to leave when he told her to do so. It appeared as though her confession stoked the flames of anger within him.

Adrian let go of her neck when he noticed that her face was. becoming pale.

Lynda came to a crouching position and started coughing while she was holding her neck. The coughing continued for a while before she finally raised her head to look at Adrian.

She was able to observe that his eyes lacked any sign of emotion. There was no remorse in his heart for the way he had treated her.

She had always been treated with care and respect by him. For the first time, he attacked her as if she had no value in his eyes.

"Adrian, you did that to the person who saved your life; you are aware of that, right? How can you be so cruel?"

In response, Adrian gave her a glare and said,

"If I could hurt my wife all those years she was married to me, you should have realized that this man was not right for you. You were a good woman in my eyes. Never in my life did Limagine that you would turn out to be such a deceitful woman."

Lynda stood up straight and wiped her eyes. "You want me to die, don't you? You are blind to that woman's love, who is now in someone else's arms."

Adrian clenched his jaw, controlling himself not to do something that would make him fall into a guilt trip!

She caressed her hand, which had a burn scar. She stared at muttering,

"You saved me, and because of that, I am letting you go today I get to know that you are hiding more than I know about you, I swear no one will save you from me."

Lynda turned around and dashed out of the door. She was while mumbling before leaving.

"I hate you, Adrian. You broke my heart today for that woman."

Adrian lifted his hand and took a deep puff of the smoke. Only smoking could ease his mind.

"Don't you think you were a little harsh on her?" Beta Patric as walking toward the bar to make a drink for himself.

Adrian calmed himself as he replied,

"I treated her in the same manner that she forced me to treat Nat many years ago."

The next day,

Adrian tried to focus himself on devouring his work. However, was unable to forget what he had read in Natalia's diary. It was li he was watching her situation and her cries in front of his eyes.

What had happened at the party and how Natalia had accepted Ma slipped his mind.

It was noon when he was reading a file. His secretary knocked o the door and then entered his cabin

He looked at his nervous face and asked.

"What happened?"

He handed Adrian a tab to che

"Alpha, it seems like some news media leaked your and Miss Lynda's private photos online."

Alpha 280

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Adrian let out a ferocious growl. He threw the tab on the floor when he saw some pictures of the night when he broke up with Lynda.

Someone clicked photos of Lynda and him when Lynda was trying to kiss him. Though he did not let her kiss him that night, the photos looked the opposite.

From that angle, it looked like they were making out.

Adrian was already in a terrible mood. The news and the rumors that were not true hit him like a ton of bricks.

"What nonsense! Who dares to upload those photos?"

Upon hearing this, his secretary lowered his head in response. It was evident that he did not know anything about it.

"Which news agency is it?"

"Moonlight Star," the secretary replied.

Adrian tightened his fists as he muttered,

"Call that company and talk to them about it. Ask them what headline they make about Alpha Adrian."

Almost immediately, his secretary gathered the number of the company and then called the company using his own personal number.

When a man received the call, the secretary spoke out,

"Hello."

"Who's speaking?"

The secretary immediately put the phone on

"Is it the office of Moonlight Star News?"

"Yeah."

"I was hoping to inquire about the latest news regarding Alpha Adrian. Would you mind telling me what the headline is that you made about him today?"

"What is the reason for your inquiry?"

The secretary cast a quick glance in Adrian's direction and noticed that his eyes were fixed on the phone.

"I have some news about him. If you can help me, I can help you too."

After a brief silence, the man replied,

"The headline was simple. After his ex—wife accepted the love of the healer Max Harrison, Alpha Adrian patched up his relationship with his ex—girlfriend."

The man's words caused Adrian to let out a chuckle as he listened to them. He shook his head and said,

"When it comes to headlines, you guys are really bold."

The man was taken aback when he heard Adrian's deep voice calling out to him.

"Who is speaking?" he asked.

Adrian took the phone from his secretary and placed it on the receiver before he resumed his conversation.

He put the phone close to his ear and replied,

"Your demise."

"W-Who?"

"Who gave you the audacity to publish something about me with my permission? You have no idea what you have done; you are completely clueless. I wonder what I should do for your family."

"A-Alpha!"

"You are the manager, aren't you? Where is your boss? Give him th news that I am going to shut down his business because he attempted to interfere in the personal life of the head Alpha."

"Alpha, we didn't do anything. The photos were sent to us by an unknown sender from a number that we do not know. We just mad the headline."

Adrian was not a fool. He did not need to think much to know who could send the photos.

"That is the reason why I inquired about the headlines rather than the photos."

The man was shocked. He could not help but only contact the boss

about it.

Meanwhile, Adrian tossed the phone toward his secretary.

"Shut down that company and forbid all of the banks that had provided him with loans over the course of all these years. They should go bankrupt by tomorrow morning."

The secretary nodded his head in response. It was not new to him to do this kind of job. After all, he was the secretary of Alpha Adrian.

When the secretary left

thought came to his Adrian became

lonely in his cabin, a

Without any delay, he got up and picked up his suit jack

heading towards the door.

"I won't let her misunderstand

Alpha 281

Alpha 281

Natalia's POV

"Natalia, why don't you have lunch with us?"

My mother asked when I was about to leave the house.

When I turned around, I saw her approaching me. She was in my brother's room in the morning.

"Mom, you know Miss Liana is not at the coffee shop. I need to open the shop right now. Everyone who works there is currently on their way to the shop. I got late today since I didn't wake up in the early morning."

"But, my child, health is important too."

"Mom, I will eat something there. I don't want to disappoint Liana.

"I am sure you didn't give her any reason to be disappointed with you. You are such a hard—working employee. There is no doubt that she is very pleased with you."

I gave my mother a hug and tried to persuade her that I was unable to make it to lunch with them.

When I just turned around at the door, my legs froze.

A frown appeared in my face when I saw a car that I was familiar with coming to a stop in front of my house.

I could clearly see the man getting out of his car because my house's door was ajar.

"What is he doing here?" my mother asked with annoyance.

1 gave her a quick glance and then responded,

"Mom, you should go inside. Let me see what he wants."

"But-"

"Mom, please. I don't want him to talk to you and Dad again. So please go to your room."

My mother glanced at the man for the last time and turned around to go to her room.

I returned my gaze outside my house. I saw him approaching my house.

My eyes were fixed on him as I stood at the entrance.

I saw the news today. He was kissing his sweetheart when he was photographed by the press.

1 could not help but laugh to myself, thinking that he had never actually ended his relationship with that woman. The night that

Lynda denied me about their breakup, she was absolutely correct in her place.

"Natalia."

He let out my name as soon as he stood in front of me.

"Adrian Miller," I muttered under my breath.

I could see the maids glancing at the door, looking at Adrian with wide eyes. They might feel a fan moment since they always drool over his photos on their phones.

I turned to look at the maids and said,

"Leave me alone."

My order appeared to have left the maids feeling dissatisfied. They nodded their heads and glanced at Adrian again before leaving the living room.

I returned my gaze to the man, whom I did not w

"I am curious as to why you are here, Alpha Adrian."

He looked at my face as if he was trying to determine whether or not I was pleased to see him there. A chuckle came out of my mouth in response to his gaze,

"You must be lost and come here mistakenly."

He took a deep breath, shook his head, and then spoke up.

"I came here to tell you that the news is not true. There is nothing between Lynda and me anymore. Those were old photos, and I didn't kiss her. The entire thing is nothing but a fake rumor."

Alpha 282

Alpha 282

Adrian's words took me by surprise

"Did you come here all the way just to tell me that the rumor is fake? "I asked him with disbelief.

"Adrian, have you lost your mind?"

He let out a sigh as if he were relieved. He lifted his head and rubbed the back of his neck, averting his gaze away from me.

I heard him muttering,

"I thought you would misunderstand me."

I raised a brow. There was something odd about him. I could see that he was behaving strangely.

"Why would I misunderstand you? I don't have anything to do with you. I have my own boyfriend now. I don't care about anyone else's breakup or patch—up," I replied with a grin.

I thought about Max. I was impressed by the way he let everyone know he liked me.

I glanced at Adrian, who stared at me. His eyes darkened as if he did not like what I had just said.

"You should not have accepted that man. He is not good for you.

"Excuse me?"

He stepped toward me, which caused me to take a step back. He stepped inside my house, and his eyes roamed around it.

"What's wrong with you? Why did you enter my house like an uninvited guest?"

He scoffed at me and repl

"The whole pack is mine. I don't need anyone to welcome me."

He walked past me and went in another direction. I frowned as I turned around.

"Where are you going?"

"Where is Alpha Martin?"

I walked to him and grabbed his hand. My wolf reacted to the touch.

I turned Adrian to face me, ignoring my wolf.

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"Why do you want to see my dad? Is there anything left to say to him? You have already insulted my dad a lot. I won't take today."

He glanced at my hand, which was wrapping around his wrist.

"Language, woman. In a few years, your way of speaking has changed a lot. This is not how a Lu-"

He paused when I raised a brow at him. He looked away from me and murmured,

"No woman should talk like that."

I rolled my eyes at him. "You came here to argue with me, didn't you?

I let go of my grip on his wrist, but he grabbed my hand, making me pause.

He gazed into my eyes. I noticed something that made me feel awkward.

His eyes became softer. I blinked my eyes and looked away from him.

"Leave my hand," I muttered in

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He drew me closer, which shocked me. I was about to yell at him but his soft tone dug into my heart. It was the tone I wanted to hear all the time in the past, but he never once tried to talk to me like that) as if I were a lifeless doll to him.

"Natalia"

I took a deep breath as I glared at him. "What new thing do you

come

up with? What's your reason to come here? Tell me."

Then he said something that reminded me of my past once again.

"I had done very wrong with you. Throughout our marriage, I

believed Lynda's lies and misunderstood you. I am sorry, Natalia."

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Alpha 283

Alpha 283

Third POV

Natalia was speechless. She could only stare at Adrian as all the pain came to her in flashbacks.

She almost forgot everything and tried to start a new life. But it looked like this man could never let her forget anything.

"Sorry for what? For hurting me? For humiliating me? Keep showing me my place in your eyes?"

Her question left him shaken. For the first time, he felt his heart burning while looking into her eyes.

It was because she opened up her emotions and allowed him to see the condition of her broken heart.

He clenched his jaw as his heart started to beat faster.

He wanted to hug this woman and told her that he was apologizing for everything, though he knew she would never forgive him.

"What about meeting after many years? What did you do? Was it Lynda who forced you to separate my children from me? Was she the one who forced you to insult my parents? What about the days I had to suffer for you?"

She yanked her hand away from his grip and stepped backward.

"I hate you from the bottom of my heart. What you did to me is unforgivable. Even if I want to move on, your past haunts me at night. I can't forget the days of my pregnancy when I spent nights waiting for my husband to find me to get me back."

"Natalia"

"Don't come here again. I don't want to even see your face. You see

how happy I am right now. That's why you came here to ruin it by reminding me of my past. This is all you can do, Adrian Miller."

Adrian shook his head. But every time he thought about her being with Max, his blood boiled. He could not just calm his anger.

"I am your mate."

He had no other option but to remind her about their mate bond. He wanted to get her back in his life anyhow, even if it was because of the matebond.

"Max will mark me so-

He grabbed her hand once again and muttered,

"Don't you dare. You can choose to punish me. But I will never let you be his mate."

Natalia was shocked by his warning. He stared into his eyes.

"What do you want? What should I do?" she asked, feeling defeated by his continuous approach.

His eyes caressed her face as he tried to find words to explain t her what was on his mind. He decided to let go of his ego and finall tell her how he felt about her.

He wanted to tell her that he loved her and wanted to cherish her. H wanted her to leave the other man and give him a chance in her lif

Natalia, I-"

drian was interrupted by a deep voice. He turned his head and sav lpha Martin descending the stairs. His gaze was fixed on his hand hich was holding his daughter.

What is going on here?"

Alpha 284

Alpha 284

Natalia turned around and saw her father. He did not seem pleased

to see Adrian there.

Natalia yanked her hand away from Adrian and moved away from him.

"Dad," she mumbled.

Alpha Martin walked up to her and looked at Adrian.

"All hail to the head Alpha," he said, bowing his head to him.

Natalia clenched her fists around her dress in an attempt to control her anger. Her father had never bowed to another Alpha before.

It was because his son eventually took over as the head alpha after he had been one for a while. He was not required to bow down to his son in order to be respectful.

But now, he was bound to bow his head toward Adrian.

All the old pain washed away from her heart as they reminded her of the hatred she felt for Adrian.

"Raise," Adrian said to Alpha Martin, glancing at Natalia.

Alpha Martin stood straight and looked at him. "Is there anything we can do to help, Alpha?"

His voice was emotionless but professional. He did not forget how to talk with a head Alpha, and at the same time, he could not forget how this man rejected his request when he begged him not to ruin his daughter's life once again by taking her children away from her.

"I wanted to talk to your daughter. But..." Adrian let out a sigh and continued,

"Alpha Martin, I think we should talk first."

Natalia frowned in confusion. What was he going to talk to her father about?

Would he give him some warning again?

At that moment, Natalia's mother, Jade Hansley, walked back into the living room again.

She was in her room, but she was not feeling well inside. She was worried for her daughter, so she came here to check on her.

"Natalia, what happened?" Jade asked.

Natalia shook her head, indicating that there was nothing to worry about.

Alpha Martin agreed with Adrian and gestured him in the other direction.

"Of course. We can talk in the study room."

Natalia shook her head at her father, telling him not to go with Adrian.

She did not trust that man for a moment.

But Alpha Martin did not listen to her since Adrian was the head Alpha and he could deny his wish.

He led Adrian to the study room and gestured for him to sit down on the couches.

Adrian looked around the room. There were many books on the bookshelves.

Instead of sitting on the couch, he walked toward the bookshelves and began to look at the books.

He checked to see if Natalia had written any more diaries. Sin

liked to write, he was curious to know how she spent all these years without him.

"Why are you here, Alpha?" Alpha Martin asked directly.

"Do you like to write diaries, Alpha Martin?"

Martin was baffled by his question. "Diary? No."

Adrian turned around and muttered,

"Bad thing. You should write about your daily life. It will make you remember your past if you by any chance forget about it.

"Alpha, please let me know what you would like to discuss."

Adrian did not waste his time. He did not beat around the bush and replied truthfully,

"I love your daughter, Alpha Martin."

Alpha 285

Alpha 285

Alpha Martin's eyes widened. But then it was surrounded by

darkness. The air of mystery hit him as he stared at the mysterious man, Alpha Adrian.

There was no way this man could love someone. The man who only knew how to rule packs without any emotions could never love

someone.

Martin could never forget how Natalia had to pass her days alone. He could never forget the condition in which Jason found Natalia in the forest.

"Alpha Adrian, you are the great Alpha who has many packs under your rule. I can only request that you let my daughter go."

His reply made Adrian growl. He could talk softly with Natalia, but not with her father.

His aura changed as he walked toward the middle–aged man. This man was still strong enough to walk with all of his strength, giving off the vibe of how he used to rule a pack a few years ago.

"I think you didn't listen to me carefully. I said, 'I love your daughter'."

His voice came out as a warning to Alpha Martin.

Alpha Martin stared at him calmly.

"I am helpless at this moment. As you can see, I have nothing in my hand. My pack is also yours now. So I have nothing to offer you to leave my daughter's life."

Adrian glared at him. "Why did you keep talking about leaving her? Don't you know that she is my mate? Can you deny her fate?"

Alpha Martin let out a shaky breath. He was close to the couches. So when he took a step back, he fell onto the couch behind bir

Adrian came to him and asked,

"Are you okay?"

Alpha Martin was surprised. The man, who did not even like to think twice before killing, was asking him if he was okay.

Adrian shut his eyes and tried to calm himself.

He sat on the couch across from him. "I just want to tell you that Max Harrison is not a good match for her."

Alpha Martin coughed a little. Adrian grabbed the glass, which was placed on the tea table near the couches.

He poured a glass of water and handed it to him.

"Well, it should be you who are supposed to ask me about drinks. But it's okay. You are her father. I let it slide for today."

Alpha Martin drank the water and then set the glass on the table.

"Alpha, my daughter is strong enough to protect herself. I am not the one to tell her what to do. If she feels that man is not good for him, she knows how to step back just like she did years ago."

Adrian felt a pang in his heart. He looked away from Alpha Martin.

After a moment of silence, Alpha Martin stood up from the couch. Adrian's eyes followed him as he saw him walking to a bookshelf.

Martin pulled out an old book, from which he removed a photo. He went back to Adrian and handed the photo to him.

Adrian frowned as he looked at the photo. But his frown disappeared almost instantly.

His eyes widened in shock just looking at the photo.

Alpha 287

Alpha 287

Adrian stared at Alpha Martin for a while.

He looked like a broken father who could only beg for his daughter's life.

"I have already lost my child. I can't lose another one."

Adrian tightened his grip around the doorknob. He felt his heart turn cold.

The cloud of emotion changed into darkness in his eyes as he nodded his head.

"I granted your request."

After saying that, Adrian left the study room.

Alpha Martin could not believe his ears. Did he hear right? Did he really finally convince Alpha Adrian to stay away from his daughter's life?

He followed Adrian behind while glancing at him. He had heard a lot about Adrian when he was the head of Alpha.

In fact, his father, Alpha Lucas, was in a good relationship with him. But everything changed when someone stole Natalia when they were coming to visit this pack.

They tried to find her everywhere but could not get her. From then on, he stopped every connection with this pack.

As soon as they reached the living room, Natalia stood up from the couch and rushed to her father.

Adrian's steps halted as he turned his head to look at her.

He remembered the photo he had seen in the study room. He did not return the photo to her father. Instead, he kept it in his pocket for himself. It would always remind him of what he had done to her.

"Dad, is everything okay?" Natalia asked in a worried tone.

Adrian could see how worried she looked. He looked away from her and began to walk to the

entrance.

Natalia's mother, Jade Hansley, called him from behind.

"Alpha."

Adriam turned to her without replying. Jade cleared her throat and asked,

"I set the table since it's time for lunch. We can not let you leave without eating something. Adrian moved his gaze at Natalia, who shook her head at her mother, indicating that she did

not want him to remain here any longer.

Adrian smiled at Jade calmly and replied,

"Thanks for asking, but I am not hungry."

After saying that, he left the house.

He walked to his car with a lost look. His driver opened the back door for him.

He slowly got inside and leaned back against the seat.

His body felt lifeless.

He came here with so much pain in his heart, but now he was leaving with the pain that could never be heated.

"Alpha, where to?" the driver asked.

Adrian blinked his eyes and turned to the window as he muttered,

"Where no one can find me."

The driver was shocked after hearing him. "Alpha..."

He looked at the driver and replied,

"To my home,"

The driver immediately started the car, confused about why he chose to return home after so

many years.

Adrian's eyes were outside the car. He saw how his pack members lived so peacefully under his rule.

However, why could he not feel peace anywhere?

He closed his eyes and thought,

'Even if I want, I can never get you. The pain I gave you is beyond repair. Why did I fall for you when fate was always against me? What is this love that I can't even express to you?'

Alpha 288

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A FEW MONTHS LATER

Natalia's POV

Today was a really good day. Because today my brother moved his finger. It was clear evidence that he was getting better.

I was so relieved to see that with my own eyes that I was unable to express it to anyone. I was shocked when I noticed that, but then I realized the day was not far when my brother would get back to us soon.

I wanted to give Max full credit for my brother's recovery.

He was a really kind person. When I accepted to be his girlfriend, I did not know what his personality was.

As the days and months passed, I discovered more and more about him.

He was not only a healer, but also a mysterious figure. He possessed many abilities that could heal anyone. I admired the mark on the back of his neck. It glowed red whenever I touched it.

According to him, the red color there could only be seen by another healer. I had no choice but to believe him since he was my boyfriend.

He always told me that I had the potential to join him in the medical field. So he assisted me in carrying on with my research in that particular field.

I began a study that dealt with both potions and medications.

He was teaching me how to make potions for any disease. I was shocked when, for the first time, I successfully created a potion like his.

It was the same potion that I had to give Alpha Lucas to save his life.

Max told me that I would learn a lot more about these powers. It was posh old that someday I would also get a mark like him as a healer as well.

"Natalia, they are here."

Theard my mother calling me. Hearing that they were here, I rushed out of my bedroom with a bright smile.

When I passed the bel

"Mommy."

Aria and Noah ran to me when I entered the living room. They had just entered the house.

I bent down and hugged my babies.

"How are you two?"

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"Mommy, we missed you."

"What about us?" My father asked them.

They went to hug him and then hugged my mother. I got to my feet, smiling at them.

"We missed you two," Aria and Noah said to their grandparents.

I stood there, looking at how happy my parents were to have them.

It had been a long time since Aria and Noah started to meet me.

A few months ago, when Adrian left my house, he sent my children to my house with Delta Julian. He said my children could live with me four days of the week and with him the other three days.

I was so happy and wondered if my father was the one who asked him for it.

I was still curious about what he had said to my father that day in the study room. My father never shared with me the conversation that Adrian had with him on that day.

Alpha 289

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"Mommy, let's go somewhere today."

It was Aria who was trying to convince me to take her somewhere outside.

"Baby, I need to go to the coffee shop. Can we go outside this weekend?"

Noah walked to me after he had finished his homework. He sat next to us on the bed and said it to Aria like a big brother.

"Don't bother Mommy. Or I will complain to Dad."

Noah calling Adrian "dad" did not surprise me.

Adrian somehow changed his mind and created a little space in his heart for himself.

It was because nowadays he gave his children his full attention whenever he was at the pack house.

"No, don't complain to Dad. He said, If I disturb Mommy, he won't call me princess."

I raised my brows, listening to their conversation. It was true that I still hated that man. But I was surprised at how he handled the children, especially Noah.

"How is your punishment going?" I asked Noah.

"Mommy, that's not a punishment. Uncle Benjamin said I will be the head Alpha in the future. So I need the training," Noah replied to me proudly.

I chuckled as I heard him.

I always wondered what Adrian did to Noah at his birthday party. Later, I got to know that his punishment was to start his training at this age. Though it was a little early for Noah to learn fighting, it was really not a punishment either.

"You are a fan of your dad."

"No, he is not. My friends' mommies are fans of Dad. They always ask me about him. They told me to tell Dad to pick me up from school." Aria said, leaning on the bed with a laugh.

I scoffed while thinking how shameless those women were who were asking a child about her father.

"Don't listen to them. You are a good kid. Don't disturb your dad. He is a busy person."

"Yes, Mommy."

As a mother, I had to teach my children how to behave properly and respect others. I was only doing my duty.

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"Nothing Mommy"

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"Okay, bye

I said to them and left my bedroom. When I was about to take a step foard / hear w talking with each other

"Why doesn't Mommy go to Dad's house" Ara said to Nowh

"You know they are not together. Our friends say that too Noah replied

After a pause, Aria said,

"But Dad talks about Mommy all the time

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#Alpha 290

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I chose to ignore their conversation and proceeded to leave my house.

They were children who could easily be brainwashed. What was most upsetting to me was the fact that they had to listen to a lot of taunting remarks at their school.

We could not stop anyone's mouth.

Their father was single, and their mother had a boyfriend, which might be a big topic among their friends and their parents.

But I could not do anything about it. I finally realized that I also had a right to live my life. I should not care about what others say about us. I was just worried about my children's mental health.

After hailing a cab, I climbed inside of it. I headed to the Moon Lovers coffee shop.

The time was in the afternoon.

At that time, the coffee shop was completely full of customers because this was the time of day when the most customers came in.

After arriving at the coffee shop, I went inside. I smiled at the employees while heading to the

counter.

"Laiana."

I greeted Liana, noticing that she was sitting on a stool behind the counter.

"Am I too late for today?" I asked her, walking toward her.

"No way."

In response, I gave her a nod and then proceeded to put on the apron.

When I started taking orders, I noticed that some of the customers recognized me.

"Aren't you Natalia Hansley?" A young woman asked me.

"Yeah."

"If it is okay with you, would you mind if I took a selfie with you?"

"Yes, please. Can we?"

Not only did that woman make the request, but a few other women who were sitting next to her did as well.

I chuckled at them in response, as I did not know what to say. Every day, people recognized my

face and asked for selfies like that.

I could not help but look at Liana with an awkward smile She nodded and walked over to the table.

"I'm sorry, guys. But no photographs of our employees."

"But why?"

"See that board. It is a rule at our restaurant."

They turned their heads and looked at the white board hanging in a piller, saying,

No Photos With Our Employees.

The women felt upset. They could not take pictures with me, so they started to write a status about meeting with me, the ex—wife of Alpha Adrian and girlfriend of Max Harrison.

Though I had my own identity in the Blue Blood Pack, here they only focused on their head Alpha.

"What would you like to have?"

I continued to do my job. I did not feel like a celebrity or someone special. These things disturbed my mind a lot. However, associating my name with powerful men had a big impact on my daily life.

As I was making coffee for the customers, I got a phone call.

I glanced at the phone and saw that it was Max.

I wiped my hand with a warm towel and grabbed my phone.

I went to the changing room and received the call.

"Max."

"Where are you, sweetheart?"

I blushed when he addressed me by sweetheart. We were getting closer slowly since he was giving me time to move on from my past.

"I'm working right now."

After speaking with him for a moment, he stated,

"I am back to the Crystal Blood Pack. When you are done, I will come get you."

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Alpha 291

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Third POV

"Okay," Natalia replied to him softly.

She flashed a grin as soon as he hung up the phone. She felt that he was a caring person. He called her to know what she was doing.

She could not meet him for the last few days because he had to go back to his pack. His head Alpha wanted to discuss something with him, so he had no choice but to return there.

"He is back! That's nice," she mumbled, walking out of the changing room.

Afterwards, she focused all of her attention on the tasks at hand.

At the time that it was time to close the shop, each and every employee said their goodbyes to her.

It was Natalia's duty to close the shop like that all the time.

She locked the door and stood outside the shop.

It was cloudy outside, but she was unaware of this while inside the store.

The dark clouds were hiding the color of the sky, leaving no shadow of the moon.

When Natalia looked up at the sky, she noticed that there was lightning in the sky. A few seconds later, she heard the sounds of a thunderstorm.

She took her phone out of her bag and looked at the time. Max would be here anytime.

"Should I call him?"

She thought for a moment, then decided to call Max.

Max received the call, telling her that he was on the way.

Natalia hung up the phone and put it inside her bag.

She felt a drop of rain falling on her. She looked up at the sky, and slowly, a few more drops fell on her face.

She smiled when she saw that it was raining.

She chose to feel the rain when she smelled it in the wind.

As she started to move, the rain started to fall over her.

A car stopped beside her, and Max got out of the car. He swung an umbrella hastily open and placed it over her head.

"You will catch a cold. Don't get wet in the rain."

But at that time, Natalia was already drenched in rain.

She turned to him with a smile and snatched the umbrella from him. She tossed it somewhere and grabbed his wrist.

"Max, feel the rain. It's so refreshing."

Max stared at her for some time, then blinked his eyes. He took a hold of her wrist and pulled her closer to him.

Natalia was stunned. Under the rain, she was looking at his face.

"Nothing is more refreshing than seeing you again," Max said loudly, so that she could hear him in the rain.

He lowered his head to kiss her cheek. She pushed his chest with a shy smile.

Max chuckled as he observed her enjoying the rainfall.

Meanwhile,

Under the rain, there was another car that was parked close to the coffee shop.

A man was in the driver seat, looking at the couple with dark eyes while smoking. The raindrops were making sounds as they kept falling on the rooftop of the car. He was not bothered by anything but the closeness between them.

His eyes paused when he saw how happy the woman looked without him.

Alpha 292

Alpha 292

The next day.

It was too late for Natalia to make it to the coffee shop. She caught a cold. Last night, she did not listen to Max and got wet in the rain.

Later, when Max dropped her off at her house, she began to sneeze. She had a little fever this morning, so she slept for a long time

After lunch, she decided to go there to do her duty. It was not her shop that she could refuse to go there anytime. Just because her boss, Liana, was a good woman, she could not take advantage of her.

You look pale. What happened to you? Liana asked her.

Natalia fold her about last night, and Liana chuckled at her.

"You young people really find rain enjoyable, don't you?"

"Not everyone, but at least me. Max tried to stop me a lot of times. I should have listened to him."

Liana made a cup of cappuccino and handed it to Natalia.

Natalia smiled when she smelled the coffee and felt refreshed. "Thanks, Liana.

She returned to work after drinking the coffee.

The half of the day went busy as she had to manage a few aspects of the shop's modification

Liana thought of redecorating the shop to attract more customers. So Natalia worked with the architecture. She directed everything

The architect team was stunned by how talented Natalia was in the marketing and financial fields.

When one of them recognized her, they learned that she was once the CEO of the Blue Blood Pack, the boss lady every Alpha wanted to deal with.

Thank you so much, Natalia, Liana said, appreciating her hard work.

That's nothing" Natalia said, sneezing

It was late in the evening when she took a quick look outside. The fact that it was the rainy season meant that there was a chance that it would rain continuously throughout the night.

"You are free to leave now; I will lock the shop today," Liana said.

Natalia turned to her. She wanted to tell her that she could handle it. But her hea really badly.

"Okay."

She agreed with Liana and took off the apron. She looked at the clock to check the time. She found it was nine in the evening.

After saying her goodbyes to Latana and the other people, she exited the coffee shop.

Natalia came to the realization that she had left her umbrella behind in the coffee shop. But she thought she could get a cab in a few steps, and the rain was not that heavy either.

She started walking for a while, but she was unable to locate a cab anywhere in the area. The rain began to pour heavily, which made her feel pain in her head.

As her steps were getting slower, she felt she was feeling dizzy.

She blinked her eyes a few times and realized that she had come to the highway while walking

She looked left and right to hail a cab, however, the raindrops felt harsh on her head.

She closed her eyes as her head began to spin and her body began to feel lighter. She held her head and was on the verge of falling to the ground when a pair of arms wrapped around her body to hold her.

She tried to open her eyes to see the person, but she only caught a glimpse of his face. "Adrian?"

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Alpha 293

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Adrian took a look at the woman he was holding in his arms. He carried her to his car and put her in the passenger seat.

After fastening the seat belt, he placed his hand on her forehead to check the temperature.

She was burning with a fever.

When he stood up straight and shut the door, his gaze eventually moved away from her face.

Water dripped from his hair locks as he walked in the rain to reach the driver's seat.

He got in the car and started it before glancing at her.

The car was silent, as the woman in the passenger seat was unconscious and the man in the driver's seat was driving the car in the opposite direction of her house.

The car was filled with the sound of a ringtone, which caused Adrian to frown.

He looked at his phone and noticed it was Theta Emon.

He received the call and said,

"What?"

"Alpha, we are at the club for a meeting. Where are you now?"

Adrian turned his head at Natalia and then returned his gaze to the road.

"I can't come."

"What are you saying, Alpha?"

The phone got snatched from Theta Emon as Beta Patric spoke out.

"You said you would arrive in half an hour. What exactly has happened now? It's a pack meeting, Adrian."

Adrian did not give a damn about any pack meeting. He was currently with the woman he desired but never had the opportunity to be with.

"She has a fever. I can't leave her in this condition," he muttered.

All the officials got confused by his words. They could hear them when Beta Patric put the phone on loudspeaker.

"Who?"

He took a deep breath, then let out her name with his deep voice.

"Natalia."

"What? What is she doing with you? My Alpha, you can drop her off at home and come here. We can wait one more hour."

Adrian scowled in anger when they did not understand him. "I'm not coming tonight. Cancel the meeting."

After saying that, he cut the call and switched off his phone.

It was difficult for him to concentrate on the road when Natalia was beside him, completely wet from the rain.

He kept glancing at her while driving.

She was the center of his attention for the last few months.

Even though he was far away from her, she was very close to him. He did not go to her or let her come close to him. He loved her from afar.

Wasn't taking care of someone you loved from afar also called love?

He drove for a long time until the car stopped in front of the familiar villa.

He parked the car and got out of it. He opened the door next to Natalia and knelt down to pick her up and carry her in his arms.

While he was holding her in his arms, he made his way toward the entrance of the villa.

Without delay, the security guards opened the door for him while cautiously glancing at Natalia.

When he stepped inside the house, Amanda walked to him with a stunned face.

"Alpha, Luna is back!"

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Adrian did not stop as he made his way to the stairs.

"Amanda, follow me."

Amanda hurriedly followed Adrian behind him. She was worried about Natalia.

What had happened to her?

Since the last time she had seen her, so many years had passed. When she saw her again, she was overjoyed. But she was concerned that Natalia might be sick.

"Open the door," Adrian said, signaling Amanda to the room where Natalia used to stay before.

As quickly as she could, Amanda made her way to the door and opened it for him.

Adrian walked inside the room and laid Natalia on the bed.

The bedroom was completely clean. A few months ago, he told Amanda to make the maids clean the room. After that day, he came to the house to stay in the room whenever his children left the pack house to live with Natalia.

This bedroom reminded him of her. So he liked to stay here.

Adrian's eyes observed Natalia's face. She was completely drenched in rain from head to toe.

The focus of his attention shifted to her light—colored clothing, which clung to her body and revealed her inner wear.

Instead of staring at her body, he turned his attention to Amanda.

"Is she okay?" Amanda asked him in a worried tone.

"She is running a fever. Change her clothes into a comfortable one.

After saying that, Adrian left the bedroom.

Amanda glanced at the door. Adrian could have changed her clothes. But he told her to do that.

Did he truly care about her feelings to the extent that he did not want to touch her without first obtaining her permission?

"Only if he showed his care to her before divorce.." she mumbled while shaking her head.

She went to the closet and took out a towel, then began to wipe Natalia's body first.

"Luna, everything has changed the moment you left."

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Adron was smoking while walking back and forth.

Even though the rain had soaked his entire body, he did not seem to care about it. He was word about that woman

He wanted to call Harold, but stopped himself from doing so.

She will make up soon anyway.

After some time, Amanda came downstairs. She bowed to him and said.

Alpha, I wiped her body and changed her clothes

He gave her a nod. He looked upstairs as he smashed the cigarette bud on the ashtray that had been placed on the table near the couches.

Adrian was about to walk to the stairs when Amanda spoke up.

"Alpha, you should also change your clothes. You will get sick."

"Don't worry about me."

It was in the last few months that Adrian started to speak gently with her. He was like a son to her. It gave her a good feeling that this young man was treating her well.

As Amanda watched Adrian go upstairs, a smile spread on her face.

She had never witnessed Adrian showing such concern for anyone else. She saw worry in his eyes, which indicated that he really liked that woman.

Or perhaps it developed into love.

Amanda shook her head while heading into her room, which was in the other corner of the house.

"I hope this night will change everything and bring them closer once again."

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As soon as Adrian entered the bedroom, the first thing that caught her attention was the clothing that Natalia was wearing.

She was wearing his white shirt and black sweatpants.

A tiny smile rose on his lips as he saw her in his clothes.

He walked to the bed and stood beside her. His gaze rested on her face as she looked refresbed. He put his hand on her forehead. He frowned when he saw that her fever had not subsided yet.

After he had finished wrapping a blanket around her body, he moved back and went to take a shower. He needed to change clothes too. He did not want to sit on the bed with his drenched clothes.

When he came out of the bathroom, he was in casual clothes. His black t-shirt and black

sweatpants gave him a young look.

He rubbed his hair while walking to the bed. He threw the towel on a couch and sat on the edge of the bed beside Natalia.

He stared at her for a while after checking her fever. He decided to place a wet, warm cloth on her forehead.

Just as he was about to get up, he noticed her head moving.

He paused and looked at her carefully.

He lifted his hand and cupped her cheek. He gently rubbed her cheek with his thumb.

"How are you feeling right now?" he asked in a low tone.

Natalia slowly opened her eyes but hissed when she felt her head aching.

It took her a few tries before she finally opened her eyes. She blinked her eyes a few times, and after that, she noticed that her vision had gained some clarity.

At first, she did not understand anything; she only felt a warm touch on her cheek, which made her feel better in the fever.

But when she realized who was in front of her, she immediately jerked up. She tried to sit up while pushing him away from her.

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"Adrian? What are you doing here?" She mumbled, trying to understand what was happening.

Not feeling well, she put her hand to her forehead. The blanket dropped from her upper body down to her waist, causing her entire body to shiver in cold.

It was making her feel chilly.

Adrian moved away from her and stood up. "Take it easy."

"What are you doing here?" she asked him again.

She tried to get out of bed in that state, but Adrian stopped her by holding her hands.

"Adrian, leave me."

"You should get some rest. You can't go anywhere right now."

She shook her head, as she was feeling annoyed by him. The fever was making her feel unwell.

"Leave."

"No, I can't."

*Adrian, I need to go home."

"I will let your family know about it."

"No, you don't need to do that. My children are at my home," she said in a mumbling tone.

She was losing all of her strength.

Adrian was about to say no to her again, but he froze when his eyes fell on her chest.

Her cleavage was visible as the shirt moved slightly around her chest.

But that was not caught in his eyes.

It was the claw marks over her breasts that grabbed his attention.

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Natalia could not tell where he was looking. She assumed she was looking at her breasts. So she quickly crossed her hands over her breasts.

"Pervert."

Adrian was stunned by seeing those marks, so he did not pay attention to what she had just

said.

He moved away from her and muttered,

"So this is the reason why you are losing your strength day by day."

Natalia could not understand what he was saying. She tried to cover her chest by covering her body with the blanket.

She felt warmth inside the blanket, which gave her body a little relief from the cold.

She saw Adrian moving toward the door and thought she was leaving her alone.

Glancing around the room, she recognized that it used to be their bedroom.

Her consciousness slowly returned to her as her sight became more clear.

The sound of the door being closed caused her eyes to move to the door, and she looked at it.

Her eyes widened when she saw Adrian locking the door.

"What are you doing?" she asked with a raspy tone.

Her throat was throbbing with pain. She felt hurt while speaking.

Adrian turned around and did not reply to her.

Natalia felt she was getting weak in front of this man. Her body was becoming numb from the fever. She wondered why these days she was getting sick so often.

She was an Alpha and used to have much strength to blow away this type of fever overnight.

Why not now?

Adrían came to a halt beside her. She looked at him suspiciously.

"Look, I'm sick right now. I am not in the mood to fight or argue with you."

Instead of paying attention to what she had to say, he lowered his gaze to her chest. The sight of his gaze caused her to frown.

As she wrapped her hands around the blanket, she tightened her grip. "What are you looking

at?"

He grabbed the blanket and removed it from her body.

She gasped in shock. Her eyes grew wider with his action.

"Adrian, what a coward you are! When you saw I was not at my full strength, you took me here to take advantage of me." She let out an angry yell.

She got out of bed and started to hit Adrian on the chest.

"You want to sleep with me to take advantage of my this weak state, don't you? Cheap man! Cruel man!"

Adrian grabbed her hands, then locked them behind her back. It caused her body to draw closer to his.

He sighed when she looked at him with wide eyes.

"Relax. I'm not taking advantage of yo-"

She did not let him finish and started moving again. But this time, it caused Adrian to lose his balance.

Both of them fell on the bed together as their bodies pressed against each other.

Natalia could not be more shocked.

On the other hand,

Adrian was taken aback when he realized that she was not wearing anything inside the shirt.

He could feel that.

It took Natalia a few seconds to react. She again tried to push him.

However, Adrian grabbed her hands and locked them over her head with his one hand.

He looked into her eyes and said,

"Don't move to awaken my inner beast. I am just going to heal your wound."

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Natalia stared at Adrian for a while, as he did not move from her body.

He is going to heal my wound? How? Why?' she pondered to herself.

Her eyes widened in surprise as she recalled how he had given her fingers a healing.

"No, I don't need your help," she replied right away,

Adrian observed her expressions and smirked at her.

"It appears that you have some memory."

Natalia tried to break away, but she found him stronger than her,

"Adrian, I am not feeling well. Don't mess with me right now."

Adrian ignored her remarks and lowered his gaze. He slowly shifted all of his weight to his knees so that she did not feel anything.

He moved his other hand to the buttons of the shirt.

Natalia shook her head. "Don't you dare, Adrian Miller."

He frowned at her and asked,

"It's not like I haven't seen them before. I still remember every single mole in your body."

She blinked as she looked away from him. Her cheeks turned red in embarrassment.

"Shameless man!" she muttered.

He chuckled at her words.

"Crazy woman, just take a deep breath and relax You will be fine soon."

Adrian undid the shirt's second button to make the wound more visible.

His eyes turned red when he saw the claw marks properly. It covered half of her upper chest and hung a few inches below her collarbone.

Natalia shook her head as she felt awkward. She tried to free her hand.

"Stop looking at my body like that. I am feeling disgusted by your gaze."

When Adrian lifted his gaze te meet hers, she paused. His eyes were blazing with fire. She bit her bottom lip as she swallowed her breath.

"I will not let you get weaker like this. You are a trong lady, and you should be the strongest. Allow me to heal you."

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His words came out as if he were asking permission from her.

Her fever was gradually robbing her of her awareness. She was unsure of what to say.

"Adrian."

Just as she let out his name, he leaned down on her chest. Half of her breasts were visible in front of his eyes.

He did his best to cover her nipple with the shirt, which could take his attention to another side..

Natalia wanted to deny it once again. But she gasped loudly when she felt his tongue swipe over her breasts.

Her eyes were wide as she stared at the ceiling with a shocked face.

The touch and the feelings were familiar to her.

It almost took her breath away.

Even though she was in a fever, it reminded her of the days when she used to fantasize about him in her dreams.

Adrian leaned her mouth against her chest and licked the open wounds that had never healed.

Natalia curled her toes as she felt both pain and a strange pleasure inside her.

She could not help but let out a moan.

"Aaahh!"

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Natalia's moan caused Adrian to shut his eyes it was so alluring that he wanted to forget everything and almost did what he was trying to resist.

Natalia closed her eyes as she realized how close they were, and how intimately he was licking her wound.

A–Adrian, let me go. My boyfriend won't like it if he gets to know."

Hearing her call Max her boyfriend, his eyes flung open. He lifted his head to look at her face.

When Natalia felt him leaving her breasts, she opened her eyes slowly.

She could not help but gulp when she noticed the blood on his lips. His eyes were dark as he gazed at her.

"If you talk about another man once again to distract me, I will do something that you will regret tomorrow."

She did not want him to heal her wound. But the way he was warning her, she was afraid that he would do what he was saying.

She turned her head to the side to move her gaze away from him.

Adrian returned to her wound and focused on it. The wound was not his problem, but where the wound was located was the main problem.

It was the biggest distraction for him.

if he still controlled his desire and let her go after healing, that meant he was really a man of stone

He closed his eyes and licked her wound. It was bleeding the more he was licking it.

He was the only one who could heal that wound So he wanted to heal it as soon as possible. He could not see her in a weak state.

On the other hand, Natalia started to feel a pain in her chest. With time passing, her wound began to hurt

She felt like someone was rubbing salt on her raw wound

As Adnan's grip loosened around her hands, she immediately placed them on Adrian's shoulder

She tried to move but failed. She felt restless as he caged her with his arms.

"It will ease soon," he muttered.

She bit her bottom lip to control her moan. She was unaware that the healing process would cause her pain.

When the pain slowly eased, she stopped moving and looked at the ceiling.

Slowly, all of her pain washed away. Her wolf started to jump inside her. His touch caused her body to react as well.

Whenever Max tried to kiss her, she somehow always managed to push him away because her wolf and her body did not agree with it.

But right now, they wanted to get touched by this man.

It made her feel betrayed.

When Adrian finished healing the wound, he kissed her breasts and rubbed his nose against her cleavage. He could not resist it.

He looked up at her and saw that she had fallen asleep.

He let out a shaky breath as he glanced at her clean breasts. There were no marks on them. It was like her body was inviting him to touch her.

He shook his head and moved toward his face. He stared at her for a while without moving. He tilted his head to the side and kissed the corner of her lips, then murmured,

"I wish I could mark you as mine right now. But I will never do that without your consent."

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When I opened my eyes, I was in my bedroom. The moment I realized where I was I let out a gasp. I slowly sat up and looked around at the room that I was familiar with.

After lowering my head, I noticed that I was dressed in men's clothing

Adrian's scent was coming from the clothes.

Slowly, one by one, every single thing that had happened last night came back to my mind.

I brought my hand up to my chest and placed it there. Using my finger, I gently stroked my upper breasts in an attempt to locate any signs of claw marks.

It came as a surprise to me when I discovered that there was no trace of the marks.

I felt lost as I began to think about when I had slept and what he had done to me after that

However, my full clothing indicated that nothing had happened after that.

"Stop thinking too much."

I flinched when I heard a deep voice coming from beside me.

I slowly turned my head and saw Adrian sitting on the bed, reading a file. "What the hell!"

I immediately got out of bed, moving backward.

He looked at me and raised a brow to give me a questioning look.

"What?"

"What are you doing here?"

"You are asking the owner what he is doing in his own house."

"I mean, what were you doing in the bed where I was sleeping?"

He placed the file on the bed and grinned at me before getting out of bed.

He approached me and came to a stop in front of me.

"Isn't it obvious? Do I need to tell you what we were doing last night?" he asked, winking at

1. me.

I frowned at him and replied,

"Nothing happened. You healed the wound that you gave me in the war. And that's it

Adrian looked into my eyes. I could see a smile reaching his eyes

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That's it? What about after that? You lost your sanity and wanted me to fu-"

pressed my hand against his mouth and stared at him with wide eyes.

Stop fooling me Adrian. I am sure nothing happened."

I fet his lips move against my pelim.

Did he just kiss my palm?

I moved it away and wiped it on the shirt. I glanced at him and noticed him looking at my Crest.

I lowered my head only to realize that I was not wearing anything under the shirt.

Many things that I did not want were visible to him. I crossed my hands across my chest. Stay away

He took a step back, his gaze returning to mine.

You don't have to worry about your safety when you are with me."

He sounded off, but I did not care. I saw him turn away from me.

He walked to the door, but paused and said,

"You may take a shower if you are disgusted by my touch after I healed you last night."

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After Adrian left the room, I huffed and ran my fingers through my hair in anger.

How did I end up coming here?

I tried to recall everything, then realized that I fainted in the road and the last thing I saw was Adrian's face.

Why did he take me to this house? He could drop me directly at my house too.

As I was getting enraged at him, my eyes fell on the paper bag lying on the couch.

I walked to it and grabbed it to see what was inside. As soon as I opened the bag, I found a dress inside.

I rolled my eyes. That man was really something

I understood that he arranged the dress for me.

I hurriedly went to take a shower in the bathroom.

This room was very familiar to me.

Every corner of this room was filled with my memories. My mind kept reminding me of everything.

I took a quick shower, and left the bathroom after wearing the dress.

I rubbed my hair with a towel while my eyes were searching for my bag around the room.

My children and my parents might be very worried about me.

And Max...

I needed to call him to inform him that I was okay.

I left the bedroom and went downstairs. My sight captured the house, which I had missed a lot all these years.

The maids seemed new to me. So they did not look shocked after seeing me.

I glanced around until my eyes landed on a middle-aged woman.

"Amanda,"

I smiled at her. She did not change much. She still had a strong appearance. Her hair set so perfectly in a bun that not a single hair was unpatched from it.

"Luna!"

Hearing Luna from her mouth reminded me of the past few days.