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"I'm what?" "With me. Kristen's orders. You can argue with her." Alec rolled his eyes and folded his arms. "Wouldn't do any good. Funny how she didn't tell that when I was on the phone with her." "She isn't stupid." That brought a little smile to my face. Knowing my sister was giving Alec hell still was something that made proud for a reason.

"No. She is a lot of things but stupid isn't one of them." We fell into a semi comfortable silence as we watched evidence get brought out. "A-alpha?" A warrior looked uncomfortable at a crate he was carrying.

"What?" "Um..." He didn't want to say what it was so instead, he walked up to show me. Inside, there were multiple bags of blood with Penny's on them. This was all the blood they had taken but hadn't used yet.

My first thought was to save it so we could give it back to her but it wasn't kept cold and couldn't be any good. "Leave it here." The warrior put the crate on the ground and walked away. "What are you going to do with it?" Alec asked.

"Trying to decide how to dispose of it." Keeping the anger from rising was harder said than done.

"You can just dump it out." Alec suggested.

"That just seems...." I wasn't sure how to describe it. Wasteful wasn't the right word. Putting her blood in the dirt seemed dirty and almost disrespectful. I couldn't risk just putting it in the center and hoping it is destroyed in the fire. We couldn't bury the bags in case they were ever found and something was done with the blood.

"We can spill the blood on the front doors then put the gas on top of it. That way it's like she is burning down the building." "What gas?" We had slighter fluid but nothing like what he was describing.

"They found an abandoned gas station they have been using to fill their vehicles with. A few guys grabbed a couple of the cans and brought them with us. They assumed we would be burning shit." "I'm lighting the fire so they have until the helicopter gets here to clear the building. We are not missing our flight." Alec nodded and walked to warn the guys to pick it up. I wasn't sure what to do so I just stood there. Every few minutes, I checked my phone for an update from Penny. More than once, I pulled up her name and was going to hit call but just clicked my phone off and put it back into my pocket.

After what felt like eternity, the distant sounds of the helicopter made my anxiety flare up a little. "Everything is ready." Alec said.

As if right on cue, the train crumbled around the corner. Grabbing the crate, I walked over and set it down by the front doors. Pulling out my pocket knife and cutting the top off, it was easy to spill the blood on the wooden frame. The wood was so old that the blood stuck to it and seeped into it instantly.

Once I was finished, a warrior cupped and handed the gas without saying a word. The helicopter was approaching quickly, ready to land on the old parking lot. Spraying the gas everywhere was almost satisfying in itself. After all the warriors were loaded into the train, I took the lighter and lit it.

For a reason, I just looked at the fire for a moment before I touched it to the gas. There was a small blast as the fire spread quickly up the side of the building. I had to step back quickly and make sure I still had eyebrows after that.

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No one spoke as we just watched how quickly it eloped in flames. Once I was satisfied the blood was completely burned, I put my head down and walked towards the helicopter. Carson would see to it that nothing was left. My job here was done and it would honestly be a long time before I made it back to his land. .

Alec wasn't far behind so I waited until he was in the helicopter before I looked one last time at the massive fire before stepping off the land for the last time. Alec brought the hearts with him so there was nothing left there to do.

Once I was buckled in, the helicopter took off. My eyes didn't leave the fire until it was out of sight completely. More than once, I kept checking my phone for updates

but seeing as I didn't have any bars, the likely hood of getting an update was slim to none.

Being confined to this tiny moving room, I was left to only my thoughts to keep sane. Closing my eyes, I just pictured my babies from when I first met them. Cutting each of their umbilical cords and the love in Penny's eyes.

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Only when the helicopter dropped suddenly, did I open my eyes. I was home. There was a cart waiting off to the side to take us to the hospital. My hand firmly gripped the handle to the door the whole way down. So, when it finally touched down, I jumped out and practically ran to the golf cart. .

Thankfully, Alec was right behind so my warrior took off instantly. To my pleasure he drove like we were being chased so we got there very quickly.

"Alpha." I was greeted at the door by the doctor and a few nurses.

"How's my daughter?" I asked, skipping pleasantries.

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Thankfully, he turned and walked in front of me, leading to her. "She is okay. We have her on the monitors. We were able to get the rest of the fluid out and do a full assessment. were to get wife!, I'm

happy to say that all three babies are going to be okay." He opened the door for to go in. Still, I wasn't prepared for what I saw. .

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My little girl was laying in a small crib with different tubes and wire coming out of her. She was breathing on her own but there was an oxygen mask on her face. It was so tiny, like the size of my hand. A little blanket was laid acrossed her.

I was vaguely aware of the doctor behind me as I reached down and touched her little hand. Her body instantly responded to my touch. Her arms and legs started moving around and even her eyes blinked open to look at me. My emotions were caught in my throat as I looked at her. It felt like a ball was keeping me from saying anything. Nothing would come out but I felt complete joy looking at her.

“T'wondered if she would wake up to your touch. Already a daddy’s girl.” The doctor laughed to himself.

After clearing my throat, I finally find my voice. “When can she go home?” ép “That depends on her. Once I see her stats improving and she drinks an ounce of milk, she can go home.” “When is she due to eat?” I hated that didn’t know my own daughter's schedule.

“Actually, if you can get her to eat, that would be great. Let me get the nurse in here to get her ready for you to hold her and bring a bottle.” The doctor looked at me for permission. After I nodded, he walked out of the room.

“Hear that? Daddy get's to feed you.”

As soon as the word daddy was out of my mouth, there was this warm that spread over my body. €» “Colt?” Penny’s voice entered my head from the mind-link.

“Hey. I just got here and came straight to Elaina’s room.” I felt a little guilty for not talking to Penny sooner. &» “Okay, we will be right there.” Penny didn’t cut the link but pushed it to the side.

“Hello, Alpha. I understand you are going to feed Miss. Elaina?” The nurse walked in and immediately put hand sanitizer on her hands.

“Yes.” “Perfect. It would actually be helpful if you would like to grab a pillow and sit down on the chair. You're not wearing

a shirt so that is perfect. Skin to skin is extremely important for bonding.” It wasn’t my place to argue with her on this. She knew what my daughter needed better than I did right now so I did as she asked. I wasn’t sure what she was doing to Elaina but I didn’t have to wait long.

Sitting in the chair with the pillow under my arm, the nurse brought over my daughter. She was tightly wrapped in a blanket and was fussing. Her little cries broke my heart. As soon as the nurse put her in my arms, Elaina stopped crying and started cooing.

“She is going to have you wrapped around her finger.” The nurse laughed at the sight. The door opened and Penny walked in, carrying two other babies. “Hello, Alpha Penny! We were

going to see if Alpha Colt would be able to feed Elaina.” She walked over and grabbed a little bottle and brought it back to me.

Taking it from her, I brought it awkwardly up to her lips. Not entirely sure what to do, I rubbed the bottle on her lips to see if she would open up.

Instantly, she pulled the bottle into her mouth and started sucking away.

“Oh good!” Penny smiled and sat down on the couch.

“Let me clean the crib out and you can put the boys in there if you wish. Do you need any supplies in here?” The nurse asked Penny.

“No. I don’t think so. Thank you.” Penny smiled at the nurse.

She didn’t verbally respond but nodded

and started clearing out the crib. Once she was done, she quietly left the room.

“She is doing really well.” Penny said after a few minutes.

“How are you doing?” Looking over at her, Penny was looking at our daughter. The circle under her eyes were dark and her entire face looked sunken.

“Weak. Tired. The doctor said they took too much blood and now my hemoglobin is very low. I don’t want our babies out of my eyesight.” Looking back at Elaina, I couldn’t blame her. Everything that happened was incredibly traumatizing. I had opened my mouth to say something when a knock sounded on the door.

“Come in.” I said after Penny nodded at me.

Kristen stuck her head in to see if it really was okay for her to come in.

“How is everyone?” She asked as she opened the door more. Alec slipped in behind her and closed the door. He stayed at the door with his arms crossed.

“Still processing I think.” I answered for us.

Kristen came up to me and looked down. She didn’t try to touch Elaina but just smiled. “She is too perfect.” “She is.” I agreed.

Kristen moved to sit beside Penny.

Instantly, Penny handed her one of the babies but I couldn’t see who it was.

"These boys have quite the job of keeping our girls safe!" Kristen laughed but it was the emotion in her voice that made me look at her. She avoided my look but I could tell she knew I was looking at her.

"That they do." Penny agreed.

"So, listen. I really do understand the traumatic experience you have been through. I completely understand you wanting to lock yourselves away in your house with your babies and not let anyone in. I really do but Penny, you are struggling and need some help.

Obviously you have Colt but there is still stuff that needs to be done. Can I come over with Adalynn and help you take care of the babies? I'm not staying all day, just while Colt is at work and | then I'll leave. I'll do all the laundry | and dishes. I'll cook and clean and you

Sw» "19 BONUS can just lay in bed and hold your babies. Let me help you."

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"I wasn't going to argue. I'm too tired to argue. Not only have I been too uncomfortable to sleep, I have been living in fear someone will take my babies. Now that I know they are safe, I just want to sleep." Penny gave Kristen a small smile.

Elaina pushed the bottle from her mouth. Setting it down, I pulled her up so she was on my shoulder and tried to burp her. "You're good at that." Kristen said to me.

"Only doing what I saw in the movies. I have no idea if I am doing it right." As if Elaina had the perfect timing, she let out a very large burp. "That's my girl." I chuckled as she curled her head in my shoulder.

"She didn't do that for me." Penny frowned.

"She is a daddy's girl." I said back as I leaned back and got comfortable. There already was a soft spot in my heart for her.

Alec's phone started ringing. He looked down at it and then walked out of the room. I just wanted him to go, conflicted on what I should do. My heart wants to say with Penny and the babies but I knew I still have a responsibility to the pack to finish this. "Penny, I know you don't feel good but there are things you will need

to be told and make decisions on. Those obviously don't need to be done right now but when you are ready." Penny sighed. She handed the other boy to Kristen and stood up. She started walking to the bathroom. "Tomorrow. I'm ready to go hand sleep." Closing the door behind her, it was just Kristen and I left in the room.

"Thank you for offering to help, Ice." "We are family. The only family I have. Of course I would do anything to make you sure both are okay." "Is it weird to think a year ago you were stressing about finding your mate?" "Seems like a lifetago." Ice laughed. "Alec said that Alpha Carson wants to have a party to celebrate before everyone leaves." "He mentioned it." I vaguely remembered that.

"I'll get it all figured out and organized." Ice said as Penny cut out of the bathroom.

"Organize what?" She asked before sitting back down on the couch.

"Alpha Carson wants to throw a party for our victory before everyone leaves." Kristen told her.

"That's all you. I'll show up but that's it." Penny sighed and curled up in a ball.

"Ice, can you ask the doctor if we can leave since Elaina ate all she was supposed to?" "Of course." Kristen stood up and put the babies in the crib since Penny didn't move to take them.

As soon as she was gone, I looked at Penny. "You don't have to go." "I know but I need to. Like you still have responsibilities to the pack, so do I. I can't ask them to call Alpha and not act like one. I'm going to take a break from my duties but I will still make public appearances for awhile. It looks like Elaina will be okay so now it's just getting back to a new normal." The door opened quickly. "I heard you are ready to spring loose?" The doctor said as he walked in.

"She ate her whole bottle and it would be nice for us to settle in." The doctor looked at Penny and nodded. "She needs bedrest and sleep. It will take time to rebuild her blood supply. Her wolf has already healed her from childbirth so I think maybe a week and she will feel back to normal but the more sleep, the better." "You won't get any fight from me." Penny yawned as she spoke.

He looked at me. "Any questions?" "No, Doc. Thanks." "You know where to find if you need anything. They need at least three diapers a day or not more. They should be eating every two to three hours. Here is a pamphlet on everything you need to know about babies." He placed reading material in a small bag that was sitting by the door before walking out of the room.

"I'll get everything in the car. You can make your way when you are ready." Kristen had a huge smile on her face. She started cleaning as I looked at Penny.

"Go ahead and get into the car. I'll grab the babies and follow you out." "The carseats are at home." Penny looked around and realized we weren't prepared.

"It's fine. I'll hold them." "I'll drive you home!" Kristen said a little too excited.

"No...I will be driving. The goal is no more scary situations." Alec raised an eyebrow at Kristen, daring her to respond.

"Ass." She muttered as she carried a handful of stuff out of the room.

Standing up, I grabbed the boys and Penny led us out of the hospital room. "Don't worry. Kristen isn't cooking for you either. Your freezer is completely stocked with meals and there is a meal train set up for you." Alec muttered quietly before we walked out of the hospital. .

All I could do was smirk as we were in earshot of Ice. She had opened the door for Penny and before closing it behind us. However, she didn't get in.

"Not coming?" Penny asked, rolling down the window.

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"Not yet. I'll be there shortly. I am and going to start on a few things and any things then head over. Alec is staying with you and is very capable of changing a diaper." .

"Baby diapers only. I don't do adult ones." Alec said a little too aggressively. Penny and I both started laughing at this and Kristen just rolled her eyes.

"See you soon!" She said and started walking off.

"Alec, if you would rather work, that's okay." Penny said as he started driving.

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"Are you serious? You have worked with Kris before. Do you honestly think I will accomplish anything with her in the office?" He looked through the rear view mirror at Penny. .

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"Fair enough." Penny gave a look and smirked. We both knew how Kristen was and found it funny it was his turn to deal with her. There wasn't any sympathy but we shared a look that said we might poke the bear a few times for our own personal entertainment.

I was surprised as we pulled up to our house. It was decorated in pink and blue streamers and there was a very large sign that said, welcome. "What's all this?" Penny asked.

"Sherry." Alec muttered as he parked the car and got out. Opening my door first, he then moved to help Penny out. She didn't require assistance walking so he walked beside her.

Alec opened the front door for us and I was not as surprised to see a very large bassinet sitting against the wall with a little changing station that had taken over the living room. It was almost like they just got it up with a fresh pot of coffee, snacks and even a blanket folded over the recliners.

"This was nice..." I said as Penny helped set the babies down.

"When did she do all this?" Penny asked Alec.

Alec looked at his watch and shrugged before closing the front door. "They must have just left. Jacob was here with her. He knew you didn't want her in your house without someone with her. He is working on building that trust up again so this was her trying to get brownie points." "Penny, why don't you go upstairs and shower or go to bed. You can take a nap and relax. I'll handle the babies for awhile till you get up." Penny immediately turned and headed towards the stairs. "You won't get an argument from me." We watched her go up the stairs and waited until the door shut before Alec brought up anything else. "The center is completely leveled now. They are finishing up the cleaning and then will be leveling all the other structures on the property." He moved to one of the recliners and sat down.

Since the babies were still sleeping, I took the coffee cup and the other recliner. "That is for the best. Do we know how many survivors there was?" "Not yet. A few dozen anyway. Most have track marks

and said they have very little memory from their life before. The doctor thinks they were given a drug to make them forget so they wouldn't resist as much." "Damn. We have a list of girls that were kidnapped and or missing. Hopefully they will be able to match them." Taking a sip of coffee, one of the babies instantly started fussing. Not wanting them to wake the others, I got up instantly and picked little Elijah up.

"Kristen wanted to schedule the party for in a few days. That way they will get out as soon as possible. However, we still needed their help with cleanup so it was a compromise." Alec watched as he rocked in the chair.

First thing I did was check his diaper and he had a little blue line that I was 90% sure meant he was wet. Putting him on the changing table, I started to get him undressed. "I don't know to where even go from here. What do we even do with that land?" "No idea. We never did find a normalcy after Kristen was taken. Maybe we just need to focus on getting the pack's moral back up and then worry about it next year." As soon as I pulled the diaper off, I could see he was in fact wet. Pulling the diaper off and tossed it into trash that was sitting beside us. Grabbing a new diaper, I was about to put it under him when he started peeing. It went up and over his own head and on the floor. "SHIT!" I was both surprised and impressed with how far that went.

Alec started laughing at me. Wanting the pee to stop, I just put the diaper over his penis and waited. Elijah was crying because he got pee on his face, was naked and the goosebumps followed the shakes.

Grabbing a wet wipe, I tried to clean his face up but that just pissed him off more. He was so loud that Elaina and Cooper were now awake and crying. "Dude, you are doing a great job." Glaring at Alec, I was suddenly overwhelmed and amused at the stime. "How about you help me." "Fine." Alec got up and took Elaina.

"Why didn't you take Cooper?" I said as I finally got Elijah cleaned up and pulled out a new onsie.

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"I'm used to girls and girls don't pee on your like that." Alec took a diaper and went to the couch. Out of them corner of my eye. I watched him expertly change her diaper and swaddle her back up by the ti got Elijah dressed. In my defense, he kept moving where Elaina was a perfect princess. .

Putting Elijah back in the bassinet, I took the last crying child and started changing him. This time, I had the new diaper ready. Putting it under the old one, I pulled the old one out and immediately covered his penis with the new one.

"Look at you learning!" Alec slapped my back and walked to the kitchen.

"Fuck off." I muttered under my breath but I made sure it was still loud enough for him to hear. By the chuckle I heard in the kitchen, I was successful.

Alec cback a few minutes later as I was finishing up swaddling Cooper. He walked into the livingroom with three bottles and three burp rags. "Sit down." He told me.

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I wasn't sure how he wanted this to work so I just listened. He flipped the leg rest out and put this U shaped pillow around my stomach. My first impression of this pillow was how comfortable this was. My arms rested nicely on this and I could easily put a bowl of salsa on it. .

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Alec cback with Elijah. He positioned him so he was laying flat in front of me. Then he grabbed m Gooper and did the same. He put a velco big around their necks and handedtheir bottles. As soon as he sat down with Elaina, his phone rang. .

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It was easier than expected to feed two babies than it was to change one of their diapers. Still, this was something I was going to have to get used to. "I am going to put ssupper in the oven. Kristen should be here soon and we will take off." Alec got up and put Elaina down in the bassinet.

"You guys can stay for supper." It didn't feel right to just kick them out.

"Afraid you can't handle the babies if Penny doesn't wake up?" Alec teased.

"You have one baby. I have three. You can stay the night and see how good you are then." I pushed back. Getting up, I put the boys back in the basssince I needed to pee.

"Excuse me. I have a baby and a Kristen." Grabbing the door, I couldn't help but laugh as I walked in. "Poor thing." I teased in a baby voice.

After peeing, I was washing my hands when I heard the front door open and close quietly. There was smuted whispering that I couldn't make out but when I cout, Kristen had put little Adalynn in the basswith the triplets and was walking to the kitchen. Alec was taking a deep breath.

"What's up?" I asked. Looking over the bassinet, Adalynn looked so similar to the boys. Elaina got a little more of her mother but the boys were all and Adalyn looked like her mother.

"Just pack ." Alec waved off.

"We should get a DNA test done on them. Since we are identical twins, we share the sDNA. That means you are both the father to my kids and I am the mother to those triplets!" Kristen gave a look before retreating back to the kitchen.

"Is that how that works?" Alec asked quietly.

"I think it would be they would show up as more half siblings than anything but I guess technically yeah. Adalyn should genetically be considered the triplet's half siblings." I wasn't completely positive on that but I knew it was something along those lines.

"Whatever you say?" Alec rolled his eyes walked into the kitchen.

"Colt. Why don't you go lay down with Penny and We will watch the kids?" Ice offered.

I wasn't sure what to say. Walking into the kitchen, Alec was on a stool, looking at his phone and Ice was chopping fruit. "I....." "After what you guys been through, you need to quiet with Penny. Let watch the kids. We won't leave the house and if we need you I will get you." She wasn't wrong. Everything I wanted to lay down next to Penny but I had kids now and my heart was torn. "Are you sure?" Kristen smiled at me. "Of course. Get going!" She took the knife and motioned for me to leave with it. Smirking, I gave her a kiss on the forehead and headed up stairs.

By the time I got there, Penny was laying in bed asleep. As much as I just wanted to climb into bed, I needed a shower first. The hot water felt amazing on my skin but I didn't linger. After getting out, I just put shorts on and crawled into bed. Penny immediately turned and curled into her sleep. Wrapping my arms around her, I was asleep within seconds. I wasn't sure how long I slept but I woke up because of two things. The first was Penny was tracing my face with her finger and the second was because the babies were crying.

However, it was dark outside so we slept decently. Everything in my body ached. It had been so long since I actually got a decent amount of sleep. At this point, I was used to running off fumes. Content to be alone in English "Are you awake?" Penny whispered.

"No." I answered and tightened my hold on her.

Penny giggled but accepted being forced against my chest. She was unable to touch my face anymore. "I'm being suffocated!" She laughed.

"If you can laugh, you are fine." I grumbled. I wasn't ready to be awake but one of the kids let out a massive wail that made us both pause.

"We should probably get up." Penny sighed as I let her go.

"I'm sure Ice is fine." "ALEC!" Right on cue, Kristen's voice echoed up from the livingroom. Whatever Alec was doing or not doing was seriously stressing Kristen out.

"Alright, fine. Let's go." Not giving a shit that I was only wearing shorts, Penny went to the bathroom and I headed down. As soon as our door was opened, the smell of BBQ and something cheesy made my mouth water. "What are you doing?" Taken in the scene around me, Kristen was on the floor with three babies. She was trying to change them and Alec was just standing over her with an amused look on his face.

"I'm trying to change three diapers at once and two sets of clothes since Alec spilled formula on them!" Her hair was pointed in very direction like she was about to lose her shit.

"Ah, my little angle is the only one not crying?" I laughed as I picked her up and held her against me. She cooed and snuggled into my chest as Penny cdown.

"You boys are just going to stand around and watch her struggle." Penny said in a very disapproving way before sitting down and helping Kristen out. "I have BBQ meatballs and cheesy potatoes staying warm in the oven." Kristen said in a much more calm voice as her own belly growled. Penny looked up at Alec. "Alec, why don't you dish up four plates for us?" In a sweet voice that basically told us that he didn't have a choice. "I'd love to." Stomping out of the livingroom, he was clattering plates together as he did as he was asked to.

"I'm pretty sure it was an accident, Ice. No reason to bite his head off."

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"It isn't the first time." She tried to justify it.

"It's not the first time you are both a pain in the ass and a life saver." I said back and walked into the kitchen. Alec was standing at the stove, putting cheese potatoes on a plate. "There is an apron hanging in the pantry if you need it." "I'll put your food in a dog bowl." Alec pointed the spatula at me.

"So tense." Sitting down on a stool, Alec went to the fridge and pulled out two beers.

Twisting off the lid to the first beer, Alec smirked at me. "It's fine, I'll get laid tonight and be okay." Fake gagging, he took it too far. "Gross." Taking the beer and getting a big swig.

"Two can play that game." Alec said as the girls walked in.

"Go lay her down so we can eat." Ice demanded.

"Still mad I see." Getting up, I wasn't going to push too hard. She did stay over and help with the babies and will be back. Laying Elaina down, she turned her head and rested her forehead against Adalynn. Those girls are going to be best friends.

"Who made this?" Penny asked. I had just carounded the corner and saw her blow on the BBQ and before taking a bite.

"A pack member. I'm not sure who. We put out a memo about wanting freezer meals and so Penny could recover with the babies and not worry about food. There was many members that offered to cclean and help out, too." Kristen said and took a bite.

"We only put the memo out because speople asked what they could do when you cback." Alec asked.

Penny seemed really touched by this. "That is so sweet." Kristen looked at Penny. "You know you don't have to go to the party." "I know but I think I'll make an appearance. It would only be appropriate seeing

as they all chere to help me... help us." Penny sighed.

"If you are worried about not feeling up to it..." Kristen started.

"That's not it. My wolf has completely healed me." "Seriously? I'm not even fully healed." Kristen looked shocked. "I have a powerful strong wolf!" "She is a pure alpha female." Alec noted and took a swig of his beer.

"What is bothering you about it?" I asked. Taking the last bite, I took mine and Alec's plate to the sink. "Leaving the babies." "We have sgreat nannies that have offered to watch the babies. However, I figured you would feel that way so I have a room being made into a nursery for people to bring their children to. It will be in the pack house so we can have warriors posted to make sure the babies don't leave. The party will be outside under a tent since it will be a nice evening. I didn't do anything fancy, just a BBQ and music." "Perfect! Thank you." Penny was visibly more relaxed. "I can always go into our old room and sleep if I get too tired." "Or we can just leave." I said as I sat back down. She was done eating so I pulled her stool closer to me. She sat between my legs and I kept my hand on across her waist as I drank my beer. Just having the physical touch was helpingand my wolf.

"I think you should probably stay for awhile. They were your allies that cto help." Penny rested her hand on my leg.

"We will see how the night goes." It was all I could offer.

"As much as I love you all, I am ready to go to bed. Adalynn doesn't understand what night and day is." Kristen yawned.

"Difficult like her mother." Alec followed suit as he took the rest of the plates and went to the sink. He started loading it in the dishwasher. Penny jumped up and started putting the covers back on the food before putting it in the fridge.

"Kiss my ass." Kristen tried glaring at Alec but he just laughed at her. Pulling her into a hug, he faked being annoyed.

"Thank you both for everything you have done for Colt and for me." Penny smiled watching their exchange.

Of course. I'd do anything for amily." Kristen smiled back at Penny. "When you guys get around, come to the office in the morning. I have a nanny set up in your old room for the kids to be while we talk bout something." Kristen let go of Alec and they started walking to the door. Alec grabbing the car seat from the closet and Kristen picked her up. "Sounds good." I said and checked on my babies. They were sound asleep but I knew that wasn't going to last.

"Drive safe." Penny wrapped her arms around my stomach as they waved and walked out the front door.

"We have like an hour before they need to be fed again." Penny looked up at me.

"What do you want to do?" Looking down at her, she was looking at with a tinkle in her eyes.

Let's go! Grabbing her arm, I pulled her upstairs. We half ran up the stairs. Tossing her on her bed. I climbed on top of her. Pressing my lips firmly against her, she was already trying to take my shorts off. My dick was painfully hard. As soon as my dick was freed I was just about to rip off shirt when the babies started crying.

"Seriously?" My body froze and their screams went from annoyed to extremely pissed in about five seconds. "Con. Let's get them fed and get back to it." Penny crawled out from under and tossed my shorts. "A day old and already cock blocking me." I groaned as I got dressed and followed Penny down the stairs. "They are worth it." Penny smiled at and headed towards the kitchen. Grabbing the fancy pillow, I got comfortable.

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"We are here!" Penny literally kicked down the office door and set down the one car seat she was carrying.

As much as she tried to tuck her hair and look decent, it remained frizzy and pointed in every direction. There was baby spit up on her dress that she didn't realize was there until we were already headed this way.

Everyone in the office looked at Penny and tried to hide their laughter. Alec got up and grabbed the car seat and followed out. "Rough morning?" "Do you know what is worse than not sleeping at all?" "What?" Looking back at him. His amusement was annoying. "Sleeping for two hours at a time then waking up for an hour to do it all over again." Alec snorted as we got to my room. "Adalynn believes the middle of the night is play time." "Hello!" There were two middle aged women sitting on the couches. Ice really did rearrange this room. The living room was really spread out with bassinets and baby items. There was a large blanket on the floor that they could feed or change the kids.

"I wondered when you were going to get here!" The other woman said as she clapped her hands together and rushed over to see the babies. "We made it easy. The hats on the kids have their names on it. Once you get to know them." I said and watched as they took each kid out of their car seat and carried them to the bassinet.

"When did they eat last and what is their schedule?" She asked without turning around.

"They ate about thirty minutes ago and eat every two hours but we are trying to move that to every three hours so please try to accommodate that. They do better when it is longer between feedings. However, do what they demand. They all have excellent lungs." "Sounds good! Obviously, you can reach us here. We will not be leaving this room unless you ask us to bring them to you." She finally turned to look at me.

"Sounds good." I said before turning to leave. Just for safe measures, Alec had a guard standing at the door.

"Has the meeting started?" I asked when we were down the hall.

"Nope. Waiting on you guys." "Okay." There wasn't much to say as we cup to the office. Penny was sitting in my chair, half asleep as everyone was else was just gossiping.

"Oh, sorry." Penny went to get up but I made it around in tto push her back down gently.

"You're good." Standing beside the chair, I just crossed my arms over my chest and looked around. "Who wants to go first?" "Alec has the stuff." Anthony leaned back on the couch. He seemed rather disinterested in the whole thing. Everyone was used to it by now that they just ignored his behavior.

"It looks like there was ten werewolf girls that were in the cages. We are waiting on DNA proof as for who they all are because all the missing girls were babies or toddlers when they were taken. There was a total of fifteen human males and twelve human girls that were saved. All were dropped off at their designated hotel with the money you provided them. So far, there wasn't any push back." "The only deaths were theirs. We had a few injuries but nothing terrible. Everyone will be healed within a week." Jace added.

Carson pulled out the map and laid i Out. Looking at Penny he went to explained what she was seeing. This is the entire area that is zoned ogether His finger traded the thick "These red X's are the buildings that we raided. The purple was a train they built from where hey were developing the mutants and where they would ship them off oo. They did the development where the orange X is. The casino is he big blue outline. That is the vhole casino property." "This a huge chunk of land." Penny had leaned forward and was looking over it all. "Who owns it?" "It is registered under Midnight River Pack." Carson said as he locked eyes with Penny.

She was silent for awhile. Her eyes didn't leave Carson's as she processed it all. Finally, she looked over at me. "Does that mean.... all that... that's all... mine?"

"That is exactly what it means. We will need to file for a change of nbut yes, you are the only heir and since you are the alpha, it is all yours." I clarified for her.

"That's so far away." Penny seemed unsure of what to say as she looked back down at the map.

"It is. There is neutral territory between our pack and that land. It's big enough to be it's own pack. Truly, the options are endless. You could do so much with it or just let it sit there for awhile also." Honestly, I wasn't even sure what to do with it. Part of hoped that she knew what to do. "Is that all forest? What did you do with all those buildings? Wait! Do I own the casino?" "Honestly, I'm not sure. We were focused on finding you and not that part. Alec is still trying to find out who owns it. However, with that being said, I do believe that you are the owner of the casino." Carson leaned back off the desk and looked unsure.

"That would be so much extra incfor the pack. Penny said under her breath. "Not that we need it but it could fund my projects." "You can expand your projects." I said to her. She looked up at me, confused. "That land, we could build a research center, Summer camp for kids, maybe just more outreach programs for those in need. If it is out there, you can include humans who just need help. Maybe an adult education center or sorts." "Do I need to decide now?" Penny asked without looking at me.

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"No. We are going to start with the casino. Let's wait to make sure that we have ownership and address that. Then we can look at the land and decide. Everything has been flattened." I could feel the instant relief flood Penny.

"However, I would suggest flying over it to make sure there aren't any rogues or squatters." Lars pointed out.

Looking at Lars, he wasn't wrong. "That's not a bad idea." Carson slappedon the back. "Either way, I think you have it handled from here on out. Obviously, you can reach out to us if you need anything." "As much fun as this way, I am ready for that party and then to go home." Hank groaned as he stood up.

"Not that I want your life in danger again but thanks for the rush. Sometimes it gets boring sitting behind a desk." "Again, I can't thank you all enough for all you did for us. Keeping Colt sane probably wasn't the easiest thing." Penny looked up atand smiled.

"I wasn't too bad..." I knew I was a nightmare but I wasn't ever going to admit it.

"Shit." Alec rolled his eyes and everyone stood up. Apparently, the meeting was over.

"Just so everyone knows, we are having the party tomorrow. Make sure everyone is aware but that is when the D.J was available last minute." Ice finally contributed to the conversation.

"Sounds good." Jace said and followed Anthony out of the room.

"See you for supper!" Lars smiled at us and took off.

Soon, there was one the four of us in our office. "What now?" Penny asked.

"Colt has to do all the paperwork in filling out what happened and submit it. Declaring the war over and we are the victors. Then he has like two weeks worth of papers to sign." Walking around the desk, Kristen grabbed a stack of papers that were hidden behind a cabinet and dropped them on the desk for effect.

"What happened to you handling things?" I groaned.

"I did! I answered phone calls and kept everything in a pile as it cthrough for you. Don't worry, I signed all the important things. This is all maintenance stuff. No need to thank me!" Ice slapped on the shoulder a few times before walking away laughing.

"Anything fun happen while we were... occupied?" Penny asked. She pushed the paperwork in front of the chair and got up. Motioning for to sit down, she walked over to the couch beside Kristen.

"Nothing really. There has been so many mates found from the different packs. There is a list of transfers in there, somewhere. A few even mated with the girls that were rescued." "Oh really?" Penny's eyes shot up.

I mean, it was good news but on the other hand, it wasn't a surprise. They were wolves and everyone has a mate out there... unless they died. Alec went to the chair and pulled up his laptop. "You can use Penny's computer." I said and nodded to her desk.

"I'm good. Everything I need is on here." He didn't even look up as he started typing away.

Penny and Kristen's gossip drifted into the background. I was just happy to see Penny relaxing and not being so stressed out. Going through these papers, it was easy enough to glance through them and sign it before putting them into their own pile. A few times, Alec got up and walked into Penny's office to take a call before coming back down and continue to type away. "We got to go feed the babies." Penny's voice cutout of my bubble.

The girls stood and headed to the door. "Do you want us to meet you for supper or you can head down when you are done?" Alec turned and asked.

"We will just meet you down there. I have no idea how long this will take." Kristen sighed.

"Emmy has her baby up there right now." Penny said right as the door opened before Kristen had her hand on the knob.

"Oh, sorry!" Jacob and Jasper weren't expecting the girls to be right there.

"It's okay!" They slipped around them and Jasper shut the door.

"How's it going?" Jacob sat down in the other recliner.

"Why didn't you do any of this?" My glare held very little real anger.

"Take over your position?" Jacob put a hand over his heart like that was a personal attack on him. "I would never!" "All action!" Jasper shrugged like he agreed with Jacob.

"What have you boys been up to?" Alec finally looked away from his computer and frowned at them.

"All the girls have been released from the hospital. They have their own rooms and the DNA will be in tomorrow." Jacob put his arms behind his head, like he just did the best thing possible.

"Why are you boys so happy?" It was like they couldn't wipe the smile off their faces.

"We might have set a little something up." Jacob looked up at the ceiling. He paused like he wanted to guess.

"I don't really care what you did." Alec turned back to his computer.

"You should, it's for you too." Jasper leaned against the wall with his hip.

"We set up a little party at the club. It's for the warriors to have a drink and let loose. They deserve it after all this. You both are suppose to give a speech." Jasper smiled at me.

"Or at least one of you." Jacob said, instantly.

"Exactly how is this a surprise for us too?" Alec looked at him like he was stupid.

"There will be a babysitter for all the kids and it is finally a night out for all of us, Like old times!" Jacob looked more like a plead for snormalcy after everything than anything else.

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"How late are we staying?" Penny yelled from the closet. I was in the bathroom, fixing my hair. I was in bad need of a haircut but this shaggy look was in so maybe it wasn't so bad.

"Till you are ready to chome." I yelled back. All the babies were going to be watch here with four different nannies. Two of which watched them today. The house will be surrounded by warriors so I felt pretty safe.

However, both Penny and I felt weird about leaving them. They weren't even a few days old and we were going to leave them to go drink? Penny didn't want to go but I felt obligated to go. They set it up as a thank you to the warriors for their hard work and for putting their lives on the line for us. So, I felt it was only right that we went for at least one drink and that stupid speech Jacob is makingdo.

Penny had to makecshower. Elaina was laying on my chest and I had a movie on. We were both so comfortable that my obligation seemed less important. She wasn't happy about it anymore than I was.

"How do I look?" Penny stepped into the doorway. She was wearing a tight fitting black scrunchy looking dress. It had one sleeve and a slit to the upper high on the other side. Her hair was left loose in curls but she kept her makeup light.

"Damn." It was more involuntary than anything.

"Doesn't it not look good? I feel so weird in my own skin." "It doesn't look like you had three babies a few days ago!" Walking up to her, my wolf kept trying to take control. He wanted to rip that off of her and fuck her right then and there. "So sexy." Penny's cheeks turned pink as she tried to find the right words. "It's....

um...." Grabbing the nap of her neck, her face looked up at and I pressed my lips firmly against her. Pulling her tightly against me, I was suddenly ready to stay for another reason.

"I... oh..." Penny stammered as I moved down to her throat.

"HELLO?" Kristen's voice yelled from down stairs.

"Are you fucking serious? I muttered as I let Penny go. "WE HAVE A FUCKING DOOR BELL FOR A REASON!" I yelled at her.

She didn't answer but Penny laughed as she took the chance to run down stairs without holding her hostage again. After taking a moment to collect myself, I headed down too.

"Did I interrupt?" Ice batted her eyelashes at me.

"Fuck off." Rolling my eyes, I walked into the kitchen and grabbed a beer as another person opened my front door and let themselves in. "EMMY!" I heard Ice yell.

"You did not just have triplets?" Emmy's voice raised an octave.

"I know! Right!" I'm glad they were gushing over Penny. She did look amazing but I didn't want her to lose confidence. Her stomach had stretch marks and there was just the littlest bit of loose skin. The fact she carried my babies in there make every single one sexy as hell. "Got another?" Alec asked as he came in.

Not saying a word, I opened the fridge and tossed him one. "This is where the men are?" Jacob came into the kitchen. He was wearing the most ugly looking snake inspired brown and black shirt.

"The fuck is that?" Alec asked before I could.

"Something Sherry picked out." Jacob shrugged and grabbed his own damn beer. With that shirt, he was now our beer bitch.

"Party is here!" Jasper walked in, holding up two whiskey bottles.

"Does no one know how to use a door bell?" I asked the room.

"As soon as the nannies are here, we are good to go!" Jasper ignored me. Opening the bottle, he took a swig before passing it to Jacob. He took a drink and gave it to me. Needing the little extra energy to make it through the night without molesting

my mate in front of people was going to be rough. Alec was the last one and took the longest swig. "They're here!" I heard Emmy shout. Her voice was hard to miss.

"We got a limo for everyone to ride in!" Jacob smiled.

"No." Alec and I said at the same time.

"What?" His face fell a little.

"Penny had three babies two days ago. We aren't staying until two in the morning." "Swish Kristen." Alec filled in.

Jacob and Jasper both rolled their eyes. "They just want to get laid now their mates aren't pregnant." Ignoring them, we walked into the living room to see the girls giving instruction to the nannies. We stood by and watched. As soon as they were done, the girls all headed out to the cars. "Ladies." I said to get their attention. Alec was the only one left in the room. "I am forbidding you to let anyone take these kids outside of this house unless I tell you otherwise. You will do everything in your power to protect them. They better stay here and live when I get back." My aura made them shudder but they all nodded. Alec turned to leave and I was right behind him when I stopped and looked back at them. All of them were looking at me, half scared and half confused. "Thank you for watching them." After one last look at my children, I walked out and shut the door. There was a warrior at the front door, one on each corner of the house and two in a car. Alec went to his car, the limo was pulling out and I got into mine.

"Don't you think that was a little much?" Penny asked as she took my hand.

Starting the car with my left hand, I put it into drive but didn't move. "After what we just been through... no." I said and then pulled out of my driveway.

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The club was shaking from the bass as we pulled up. I couldn't even remember the last time we were even here. It felt like it had been years. All the paperwork has been sent to the pack instead of the bar and we hired a general manager to oversee day to day activities so there wasn't a reason for us to be there. Now that I was here, a little bit of excitement fueled me to smile... just a little.

Parking in my designated spot, Alec and Kristen were just barely ahead of us as I turned off the engine. Getting out, I was able to open Penny's door before Kristen jumped in.

"Aren't you so excited!"

"Thrilled." I responded. She gave me an eye roll and pulled Penny in front of us.

"If we get them drunk enough, they will be passed out in your office and we can relax," Alec muttered. By the glare we received, they heard him,

"I would never do such a thing." I said loudly but rolled my eyes at Alec. He chuckled and grabbed the front door for the girls.

"About time!" Jacob had two beers in his hands. Raising them above his head, he seemed already drunk but I knew better. Jacob was the life of the party, didn't matter if he was drunk or not.

"Double fisting already?" Kristen laughed at Jacob.

"Naw, this is for Sherry. Come on." Waving up to follow him, he lead us through the crowd. Everyone here was a wolf. There was half of a dozen packs but this place was filled.

Coming up to a table they had set up, we sat down. It was a high top but it was directly in front of the dance floor. Almost like they set up a head table at the club. Pulling Penny's chair so she was between my legs, I had my body sideways with my back to the wall.

"Alphas.... lunas..." Multiple people came by and bowed in respect and kept going or got on the dance floor. I couldn't hear myself think but Penny was smiling.

"Colt!" Jasper walked up to us.

"Where's Emmy?" Kristen interrupted.

Jasper looked over at Kristen. "In the bathroom. She will be out in a second." Kristen nodded and he looked back over at me. "It's time for your speech."

"Go get'm!" Penny slapped my leg and laughed.

"You can come with me." I growled and picked her up. Moving her with me, we

walked up to the D.J. booth. After standing for a minute, the song ended and he handed up the microphone.

"ATTENTION!" Jacob yelled. The room quieted down.

Bringing the mic to my mouth, I had to quickly come up with something to say. "How about those warriors?" I yelled. Instantly, the room erupted in chaos. There was cheering, high fives and even some people whistling in response. Only when they calmed down, did I continue. "Being part of a pack means we look out for each other. When someone is having a hard time, we help them. When someone accomplished something, we celebrate. This time was different. This time, it wasn't just an attack because we were bigger. They didn't attack us because we have the most land or the biggest guns. No... they attacked us because who your luna is." I had to fight getting visibly emotional. "Penny's blood makes her the strongest wolf on this planet and they wanted to steal that from us. They wanted to take human life and create an arm. Everything they tried to do was something we don't stand for. I was given an option. Option one... mail Penny's blood to them and in return, they left us alone."

The room erupted in growls and cussing. "Fucking bullshit!"

"Coward!"

"Asshole!"

Raising my hand, they quieted down. "As you can see, I chose option two. I said fuck you and that I would be killing them." More cheers erupted. "The best part, I am being petty enough that I sent the hearts of Vin and Sir Joe back to the mafia as a reminder what happens when you fuck with me."

That wasn't common knowledge so there was some gasps, some cheers and most applause. "When someone gauges a pack, their first thought is the alpha. You have a bitch ass alpha, people will attack you. Now, I have backed up everything I have threatened, however, I am a firm believer that an alpha is only as good as his warriors. Yeah, I beat Vin and Joe but I was only able to achieve that because of you. You guys allowed me to not only kill them, but save Penny. You saved my children. You saved the future of this pack. You saved humans from being experimented on. You saved. You. Tonight is about victory, yes. Victory is only plausible with warriors who work hard, who are dedicated and who value what it means to be part of a pack. Everyone here did their part. Regardless of how little or how big, we remember everyone. I am beyond proud to stand beside you. Not only as your alpha, but as your leader, and as your comrade. I'll stand by you on

the battle field and anywhere else you need. Everyone here has made me proud. I can't thank you enough for helping me bring back our luna."

Looking down at Penny, I smiled at her. The cheers became a faded noise as I leaned down and kissed her. I could feel the embarrassment but she didn't turn me away. Only after a few seconds, I pulled away.

The D.J. went to take the microphone back but Penny stopped him. "Can I say something?"

"Of course." He said instantly and backed up.

"Good evening." Penny said with more confidence that I expected. This experience really showed her what she is capable of and what it means to be an alpha. She isn't forced to sit behind a desk but can still be a leader. "I have something short to say before I let all you get back to your fun evening." Penny said and paused.