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NA...

This soft smoke in shape of wolf was the same color like Cane's wolf and this gave the same feeling like when she saw the same thing happened when alpha Gill tried to disgrace her and Cane didn't seem to see it, because he didn't give any indication that he did, since the black smoke hovered around his body, as if it was a living thing.

"Calm down, Iris!" Cane said sternly, he didn't want to hurt her, but she struggled to get away from him and rushed toward the forest. "You can go anywhere, but not to the forest!"

He would let her to do whatever she wanted to vent out her anger, but not to the point to endanger herself.

However, Iris couldn't take it, she felt so suffocated to be in that pack. She didn't want to return to that place anymore and be in that an awkward situation with them, especially after what happened with Kaz and the other.

They bonded with each other like family and with her not forgave them, she could imagine what kind of judgment they would throw at her.

Yes, Cane could prevent them from disrespecting her, but it was not the same when you were being respected genuinely.

Iris was desperate, she didn't want to comeback, she didn't want to meet them all! She wanted to leave.

Being a snack for the monster probably would be a better choice than have to prolong her suffering with their judgmental gazes.

In her desperation, Iris managed to free one hand and grab the smoke, which was the shape of wolf and squeezed it. She did that out of instinct, her last attempt to free herself from Cane and his people. She didn't want to go back.

"Ah!" Cane dropped to his knees and clutched his chest, as he let go of Iris's hands. He felt this sharp and sudden pain in his chest, which made his whole body was shaking. It almost felt like someone squeezed your heart and it stopped for a second.

On the other hand, Iris was stunned to see Cane was in so much pain. She froze, unable to move, as Cane was breathing raggedly, clutching his chest. His face contorted, showing how much he was in agony and this snapped Iris back to the reality.

She remembered alpha Gill was also in so much pain when she strangled the smoke in shape of a wolf that hovered around him.

What was going on?

"C- Cane?" Iris stammered when she realized what she had done. "Cane? Are you okay?" All of her grievances replaced by worriedness, as she dropped to her knees and check on him. "Are you in pain? Cane? Say something..."

Iris was trembling when she reached out her hands to cradle his face. Cane closed his eyes, as a distress crease could be seen between his eyes. He was trying to breath, while clutching his chest. Iris had never seen him in so much pain like this before, even when he shifted into his lycan form, he was not like this.

The horrified thing was; Iris knew that Cane had a high tolerance of pain, thus if he was in this kind of pain, it must be very unbearable for him.

"Cane, I am sorry, I didn't mean to hurt you... I am sorry." Iris was so distraught, she felt so guilty for hurting him.

She was not clear what that smoke in shape of wolf was, but she was sure, it caused so much pain. Haco's opinion was; it was their spirit, their wolf. Was it that? She harmed Cane's spirit? She harmed him?

"Cane, I am sorry, I didn't mean to hurt you..." Iris didn't know what to do now. She was afraid, something bad would happen to him, she remembered when Aria wanted to break the mate bond and what came after that. "Cane, what should I do?"

Cane shook his head, but he couldn't utter a single word, as the pain overwhelmed him. Every time he breathed, he felt like someone twisted a knife in his chest. The pain was too much for him to bear, but he was still able to hear Iris's distress voice, calling his name. He wanted to reassure her that he only needed some time to let this pain to pass, but he couldn't.

Cane felt like he was surrounded by darkness and someone pulled his feet down, wanted to burry him. He felt his body was sinking deeper and deeper and Iris's voice felt so far.

Cane wanted to open his eyes to see if Iris was still with him and didn't go to the forest, because he didn't think he could follow her, but when he could finally open his eyes, he saw a figure right in front of him, staring at him with his red eyes.

He could feel the anger...

And that was the last thing Cane remembered, as he was sunk into the abyss of the darkness.

Meanwhile, Iris couldn't stop shaking, as she called his name a few times, since Cane didn't respond to her. His body was so cold and her anxiety hit the roof when all of sudden Cane's body relax and he dropped his hand that clutched his chest.

He fell to the ground and this made Iris screamed, a wave of a strong panic attack hit her so hard, she almost couldn't breathe herself.

Did she kill him? What she had done?!

"C- Cane...? Cane, please, you scared me..." Iris cried so hard, her tears blurred her vision, as she stretched out her hand and prayed like crazy to the goddess that he was fine. "Cane, please open your eyes, you scare me..."

However, before Iris could check his breathing, Cane opened his eyes and she breathed in relief, but not until she saw his red eyes. Those red color was the reddest color she had ever seen and this stopped Iris from touching him.

Cane pushed his body off the ground, as if nothing happened, he stared at her. "Na..."

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Cane looked fine when he pushed his body off the ground, he was no longer having a difficulty to breath, but when he lifted his head to look at Iris, the sight of his eyes made her stopped in her track from touching him.

"Na..." Cane whispered.

This was his face, this was him, who was sitting in front of her, but Iris felt like she had lost Cane. What was going on? Why his eyes turned into red color? That was the same color like... the lycan.

"Na..." Cane whispered again, he moved closer to Iris, but out of instinct, she backed away from him, which made him frowned with this gesture. He didn't like her to be away from him. "Don't go, don't be angry, I promise I will be good."

The furrow between her brows deepened when she read what he said. What did he mean with that?!

"Wh- what?"

"Na, I promise I will be good. I will not hurt people. I will not kill them." Cane moved closer to Iris and then rested his head on her laps, as he took her hand to caress his head. "I will be good, I promise you."

Iris was dumbstruck, what was going on right now?! What Cane meant with his words? She couldn't understand what he was talking about.

What she had done to him, which caused him to act so strangely right now?

"Cane?" Iris caressed his head dumbfoundedly, because he wanted her to do so, as he closed his eyes, ready to fall asleep again. "Cane, is that... you?"

Iris was not sure if she was right about this situation, but her mind told him the worst case scenario that she thought it was too wild to actually happen.

"Cane?" Iris called his name again. "Cane, is that you? Answer me."

Cane opened his eyes again and they were still the color of red, but he didn't say anything, instead, he brought her hand to his lips and kiss her knuckles gently, this gesture sent shiver down her spine. His lips were so cold, his skin was so cold and deep down, Iris knew it was not her mate...

Iris didn't know how to describe it, but she simply knew it, just like how she purified the black magic stone, or how she could sense dark magic, it just happened.

"This is not you, Cane..." Iris felt suffocated, she was at lost. What she had done? What she had done to her mate?

Cane shifted his attention toward Iris's face and then let go of her hand, as he extended his hand to wipe away tears that she didn't even realize had rolled down her cheeks.

"You can call me with whatever name you want, but don't cry. I don't want to see you cry." Cane brought his wet fingers, because of her tears and licked it. "I never like your tears."

"You are not Cane," Iris said, her whole body was trembling. Where is he? Who is this person on her laps? Was this... "You are the lycan." The words came out as a soft whispered, her voice trembled when she knew she was right about it.

This was not Cane, this was the lycan that had been residing inside of him. If the lycan came to the surface and take over his consciousness, what happened to Cane?

What she had done was the cause to this?

"You are the lycan, right?"

Cane's red eyes dimmed, but instead of answering Iris's question, he hugged her waist protectively.

"Can you... can you give him back?"

"No."

"Why?"

"I don't want."

Iris bit her lips, she stared at Cane's face, but it didn't feel like him. She was angry with him, she was angry with the member of his pack, but she didn't wish something like this to happen.

"I need him... can you give him back?" Strangely, Iris talked to the lycan as if she had done it several times before, or probably, it was true in a sense.

"You don't need him he is a nuisance," Cane said, he played with her hair that cascaded down to his face. "Tell me the story about the little girl and the monster. Your favorite story."

Iris remembered she told the story during the new moon when they were in the alpha Gallot's pack, the night when Redmond took Cane's place to bed Sofia.

So, the lycan did hear what she said?

"Tell me that story, I want to hear it again..." Cane nudged her arm to get her attention. "I want to hear your voice."

Iris's mind swirled wildly, as she had a lot of question and was too shocked to know what to do with this whole situation.

A lot of things happened in the span of a day.

"Tell me the story and I will tell you mine."

Iris felt her throat suddenly dried, as if she just swallowed sand. "Lu?" She tried and Cane smiled.

"Yes?" He lifted his head slightly, so he could get a better look on the auburn woman. "I always love the way you call my name. My sweet Serafim. I finally found you again... I will protect you within the shadow of the dark. I will always be with you. I will find you no matter where you are. You are mine to protect, you are mine to love. Even when death tears us apart, I will find you again."

The last statement shocked Iris. She had heard the oath was being said before, but she forgot about it the moment she woke up from her dream.

And now, this lycan recalled every single word perfectly. He chanted it in a way she heard it in the first place.

And then... a Serafim? His sweet Serafim?

But then, Cane pushed himself from the ground and moved so fast to shield Iris behind his back when he sensed someone was coming.

"Cane! Come here, there is a reply from the Celestial Moon pack!" Ethan waved his hand to the alpha.

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OLD FRIEND

Iris was startled when Cane suddenly took a defensive stance, his face contorted and his eyes shone dangerously.

What was going on? Iris tried to peek over his shoulder only to see Ethan walked toward them hastily, his face was slightly confused with the way Cane glared and growled at him.

"I have an important report for you from the Celestial Moon pack," Ethan repeated what he said earlier, he thought, Cane didn't hear him. "Cane?" He tilted his head and saw Iris behind him. "Luna, can you tell him to stop growling at me? I am being serious now."

Ethan had been away when the confrontation in the kitchen happened and he was overwhelmed with the new task Cane gave to him to have time to update his knowledge about what was happening.

"Ethan, I think you can't come over," Iris said hastily, as she grabbed Cane's shirt, as if it would stop him if he really attacked the gamma. "Stop!"

Ethan stopped walking closer, he was ten steps away from them and now, because of Iris's warning and he was a little bit closer, he could see Cane's eyes shone in red color, he was not sure whether he saw the right thing, because the only light here was from the pack house in the distance. It was not too dark, but it was not bright either.

"What is happening here?" Ethan asked, dumbfounded. "What happened to him?" he could feel the tension in the air and the animosity that came from the alpha. "Is he alright?"

"Where is Haco?" Iris asked from behind Cane, but she couldn't move away, because he reached out to his back and hold her leg down.

"He is with Grace... I think, if I am not mistaken."

"Ethan, call Haco here."

"What? Why?"

"Call him here!" Iris said sternly,

Ethan gave a start when Iris raised her voice and then immediately nodded. "Oh, okay..." he rushed away from there, but instinctively, he would glance over his shoulder, because he could feel Cane's eyes bore a hole on his back, he could sense a danger from him.

Ethan was not sure what was going on, but Cane acted very strangely.

"Don't do that!" Iris hit Cane's back with her fist, enough to make the lycan turned his head and looked at her.

"He was bothering me," Cane said sullenly.

Iris was really not familiar with this man, she would never think there was a day she would see Cane sulking. This was not right.

"Don't hurt him." Her words were firm.

Cane tilted his head and stared at her intensely. "The same..."

"What? What is the same?"

"You asked me the same thing in the past..." Cane's red eyes turned a little bit warm when he smiled gently at her. "My sweet moon."

Iris narrowed her eyes, she caught his hand, which was about to caress her cheek and held it away from her face. "What do you mean with the Serafim?" she caught the word earlier and she was going to figure out what was that. If this lycan had taken over Cane's consciousness, she needed to make the best out of it, if he knew something about the riddle of her power. "What do you mean with what you said before?"

However, at this time, the lycan chose not to say anything, neither he was willing to answer her question, he just stared at her with fascination and played with her hair between his fingers.

"Cane, no, Lu, tell me, what do you know about the Serafim?" Iris swatted his hand from touching her hair and cupped his face, so he could look at her, but then he leaned over and stole a kiss from her, which made Iris growled, annoyed. "Stop it!"

Somehow, Iris didn't feel right when Cane kissed her earlier, because it was not him and she felt like she cheated on him with him, if that made any sense...

Cane slouched his shoulders and pouted his lips. The sight of it drove Iris crazy, because this kind of expression was not something that he would make.

Iris would never imagine Cane was being pouty and sullen.

"Don't be angry, please. I don't like to see you be angry." Cane reached out his hand again and caressed her cheek. "I miss you."

Iris bit her lip, as she was not sure how to face this lycan. "Lu, answer me. Can you answer my question? Can you explain to me about what you said earlier? Why do you want to protect me?"

And there, the lycan became quiet once again, refused to answer her question, as he stared at Iris with fascination in his eyes. There was longing and pain that radiated from him when he touched Iris carefully.

He treated her like a vulnerable thing that would break if he put a little bit pressure and the way he stared at her, as if he would worship the ground she walked in. It was a mixture of love and devotion.

He had been waiting for her for so long, he had endured everything for her and now he finally could touch her again, he couldn't care less about anything else. He would make it right in this lifetime.

However, Iris didn't think the same, she was not familiar with the man in front of her. This was not the Cane she knew and this fear started to creep in about what actually happened to Cane. Did she... kill his spirit, in extend... him?

The thought of it made Iris wanted to vomit.

No, that was too wild. Alpha Gill didn't die immediately at that time and Cane still had time to torture him.

"My sweet moon," the lycan chanted the endearment again.

Not long after that, Haco came with Ethan and Jace, he frowned to see the sight before him. "What is it? You want to show me your lovey dovey moment?"

With that, Cane turned his head and smirked at the sorcerer. "Long time no see, old friend."

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THERE IS MORE ABOUT IT

The lycan could smell his scent from far away, but he was too busy to stare at the woman before his eyes, touching her soft skin to make sure she was real, basking himself in her presence and her sweet scent, though she looked so confused, but he missed her confused expression too.

Only when Haco opened his mouth and spoke, he paid him some attention. "Long time no see, old friend." Cane smirked, the corner of his lips tugged upward viciously.

"What do you mean old friend, we are not friend," Haco said, as he approached them and the beta and gamma followed behind him, they were not sure what was going on, but from the way Iris reacted, it was something crucial.

"Are you sure?" Cane asked, he grinned in amusement to see the realization finally dawn on the sorcerer.

Ethan and Jace glanced at each other, because Cane didn't use to be so expressive. He was smiling and grinning now.

"No way... no, there is no way this is happening..." Haco staggered back, as if he was afraid to come closer to Cane, until he fell on his butt.

"What is it?" Jace demanded. Ethan came to find him when he looked for Haco, at the same time, he managed to take care of the situation in the pack, so it wouldn't escalate further, while Kaz and the other had been sent to dungeon per Cane's instruction.

There wouldn't be someone, who would disrespect Iris anymore, right? They would think thrice before they did so.

However, the problem with Sofia had not been solved, he was not sure whether he had to move her from the luna's bedroom or not, because Cane didn't give any instruction relating to her, he only said to leave the matter, as if it was not his concern where that woman was sleeping.

"No way... no way..." Haco shook his head, but his eyes fixed on Cane.

"What do you mean? You irk me now." Ethan scouted down and followed Haco's line of sight, aside from Cane's strange behavior and his red eyes, he didn't find anything that could make this sorcerer as shock as this. He was literally so pale, as if he was seeing a ghost. "Mind to explain why are you like this?"

Meanwhile, Cane stood up and stalked toward the sorcerer.

"It has been a while and you look so old," Cane said, amusement dripped from his words and Haco was still in denial.

On the other hand, Iris knew that she was right. She had done something to make the lycan came to the surface and now it was him, who occupied Cane's consciousness.

"Damn it! How can you do this?!" Haco cussed under his breath. "What you have done to the alpha?!"

Ethan and Jace frowned so hard, they felt like they had missed a lot of things when the conversation between Cane and Haco barely started.

"I did nothing, my moon is the one, who had done it." Cane's eyes filled with warm when he talked about Iris. He glanced over his shoulder to see Iris

stood up from the ground and approached them, but when he extended his hand for her to take, Iris ignored it, which made him sullen again.

"Iris, what you have done?" Haco asked, his question was akin to a whisper, as he was still in so much shock. "Iris, whatever you have done, this is not right, this is too dangerous..."

Cane grabbed Iris's waist when she was about to lower herself so she could talk with the sorcerer about what happened.

"Wait! What is actually going on here?" Jace asked in frustration because even Ethan had no clue about this situation. "Cane, why do you have red color? This is not new moon yet."

"He is not your alpha, beta. He is the lycan," Haco said.

"Oh, crap!"

They were currently in the alpha's study room, staring at Cane, who curled himself in front of the fireplace, resting his head on Iris's laps, sleeping.

"What now?" Jace asked, he stared at Cane, but his mind was blank, he didn't know what to think, while Ethan was completely speechless. This was not something he expected to happen in the middle of the urgent situation.

There were a lot of things that needed Cane's approval and no plan would work if they didn't know what the end goal of it, since Cane didn't explain more than they should know in order to finish the task they were given.

It was Cane, who knew about the bigger picture of the whole plot, but now he was... gone? Was that the right word to say for his condition?

"Haco, do something, is this temporary thing or what?" Jace was frustrated beyond word.

Meanwhile, the sorcerer stared at Iris, who had been very silence ever since she told them about what happened, but he had this inkling that Iris didn't tell them the truth. She only said Cane suddenly dropped to the ground and the lycan appeared in his stead. No, that was not something possible to happen without any prior action that caused it.

"Can both of you leave? I need to think about this matter, I can't think if you keep pestering me about a solution that I don't have now," Haco grumbled, he chased the two of them away. "Both of you have a lot of things to do, right? Go now and take care of your assignment." He shooed them away. "Keep demanding me now will not help with anything. Go away."

Ethan and Jace were grumbling and arguing a few more before they finally left the room. The beta made a nice gesture to pat Iris on her shoulder, as if telling her to not mind with what happened before. Iris didn't respond to that.

"So? Will you tell me what actually happened?" Haco asked Iris once Ethan and Jace had left the room. "There is more about it, right?"

"Yes. There is more."

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DID I KILL HIM?

"Did I... kill him?" Iris felt her throat had turned dry when the question came out of her lips, while the lycan was still sleeping on her laps.

She couldn't say what actually was happening because she was afraid, they would judge her. After all, no matter how she put it, it was her, who had harmed Cane and brought out the lycan to the surface, but Haco was different, he was not from this pack and he didn't share the same bond with Cane like the member of the pack.

Iris was not sure how Jace and Ethan would react if they learned about this. She had enough people judged her unfairly, she didn't want the beta and gamma joined them too.

"I don't think so," Haco said, he was deep in thought, as he stared at Cane, who slept peacefully, clutching Iris's dress. "I don't think you killed him, but you indeed weakened him." Haco moved closer to observe Cane more. He furrowed his brows and mumbled something to himself and Iris was unable to read it.

"How we can get Cane back?" Iris asked. This was the most crucial question that needed to be answered. Haco was the only person, who knew the lycan really well, since this cursed creature had resided within him for over five decades. "Can we get him back?"

"There is one thing that you should know about the lycan, Iris," Haco said, he lifted his head. He looked tired and his grey hair looked a little bit dull, which made him looked very old. "The lycan doesn't usually appear like this."

"But, the lycan have ever appeared when he resided in you?" Iris tried to grasp all the information that she could to understand their current situation.

"Of course," Haco said affirmatively. "Just like how he will appear every new moon, the same thing happened to me too."

"But, you are not a shifter." In Iris's mind she thought about Haco turned into a lycan or something.

"Nah, it's not necessary for him to appear as a lycan, but because I am not a shifter, usually he would take my body, he would be in my consciousness. Probably, the same like what happened now. The lycan took over Cane's body because you injured his beast. Even though this is not a new moon yet, but because the vessel is weak, the thing inside it will leak out, that's how thing works between Cane and the lycan."

That was also the moment where the lycan took over his body that he messed up in the Holy Kingdom, which caused him to be banished from that place and eventually left the continent to end up here.

Iris grimaced when Haco mentioned she had injured Cane's beast. How bad it was until the lycan took his consciousness over?

"How long until we can get Cane back?" Iris dreaded the answer, because she was not ready to be told 'there was nothing they could do' or something along that line.

"I am not sure, Iris. I have never encountered a power like you before, hell, I don't even know the power like you is existed in the first place. How can you see the wisp?" Haco was way more interested with Iris's power than the predicament that the lycan would bring.

"I don't know," Iris answered honestly. "But I don't think this is the same wisp that came out of Cane, because I am sure he did not notice it. I think, it's only me, who can see it."

Haco furrowed his brows, wrinkled his nose. "Weird."

And with that, silence befell upon them, as there were a lot of unanswered question that swirled in the air with this revelation.

"Haco, I think his mate's name is something with 'Na' and he called me his sweet Serafim." Iris wanted to leave out this unrelated information, because she thought it was only a slip of tongue, but then on the second thought, it was too weird for the lycan to call her that. "What he meant with that."

"Serafim..." Haco was deep in thought, his eyes shook, while he was thinking thousand of possibilities. "... Iris, I think this is crazy... no, it's completely crazy if this is right..."

"What is it?" Iris didn't have patient to be put in suspense. This sorcerer, should have explained what he meant, instead of mumbling to himself. "What is it, Haco?"

"No. This is crazy..." Haco shook his head, but then he stared at Iris and his sight fell on the sleeping Cane. He was unbothered with what was going on, being so docile in the presence of his mate. "This can't be... right?"

"Haco!" Iris hissed impatiently. "I can read what you said, but I can't read your mind! Talk now!" Iris was too frustrated to be her sweet self and there were a lot of things happened to her, especially today, which put her on edge. Forget about being sweet, she felt like she was about to claw this sorcerer if she could to pry the answer from him.

"Are you a Serafim?"

Iris felt like her head was going to burst. "No, you are right, you are indeed crazy."

"No. No!" Haco shook his head and grabbed Iris's hand. "No! Look! All the sign is there, Iris. Look at it in different perspective. You can purify the black magic stone and feel the black magic, you can tame the lycan and he literally called you the Serafim."

"What about the Serafim in the Holy Kingdom now? Is she fake? That's an outrageous claim to say that."

"That's..." Haco couldn't find a proper answer to reply that. "But, I think what I feel from you is divine power..." he said unsure.

"Shouldn't you know immediately whether this is divine power or not, since you lived there in your young age."

"I am still young," Haco grumbled under his breath. "Iris, you don't realize your power until recently, at least, that's what you told me, because you have been kept away from people, since you were little. There is this case where some power didn't develop to the fullest and has this oddity, this abnormality can be seen on the magic user, who can't use magic, or a shifter, who can't shift into their beast and we call that as a runt. You have been known as a runt yourself all of your life."

Iris lowered her gaze, trying to comprehend Haco's explanation. "Do you want to say because of this oddity, you can't be sure whether it is the divine power or not inside me?"

"Yes, more or less. If you put it in that way, I think it's because your power is not developed to the fullest, or maybe I can be wrong."

Iris was frustrated with this uncertainty. "Or, maybe you can be so wrong."

Hace glanced at Iris. "A Serafim born with a tattoo on their back, what about you? Do you have it?"

Her back...

"I don't know," Iris murmured. She was very ashamed of her back, as it looked so horrendous, so she stopped staring at her scars long time ago.

"Should we ask someone to check on it?" Haco looked so excited.

Iris bit her lip. "Let's continue this conversation tomorrow," she said immediately before Haco insisted. "I am so tired."

Seeing how pale Iris was right now and heard what had happened to her before the incident with the lycan, Haco nodded. It's indeed a tiring day.

However, before he left, he said something softly, as if he was a grandfather, who was talking to his granddaughter, someone that the sorcerer would never have.

"Don't treat all people with kindness, Iris. Not everyone deserves it, but give them your silence when you feel not appreciated, because not everyone deserves your attention."

Iris lowered her gaze, because his words hit her so deep and it came from 'an outsider' like her too.

Iris woke up early and found the lycan was still hugging her waist possessively, as they slept in front of the fire place, inside Cane's study room.

His body temperature was so different, while Cane was so warm, his was so cold. Probably, because he was the epitome of black magic? Iris was not sure, if that was the case, why she couldn't purify it? Or probably it was not as simple as that with the lycan.

More so, if it was Cane, he would have woken up by now and started his busy day so early, though he would make time to have a breakfast with her every morning in their bedroom.

Iris shifted her body and stared at Cane's face. He looked like a young boy when he was sleeping like this, he looked so peaceful and she was afraid to disturb it.

For a few more minutes, Iris spent it by staring at Cane, hoping he would open his eyes and she would meet with Cane's dark eyes instead.

Leaned over, Iris kissed his cold lips, while speaking softly. "Come back to me, please..."

She didn't have any idea how long it would take for Cane to heal from the injury that she gave him. It was so reckless of her.

But then a question crossed her mind; would she be able to kill him, if she completely gained the control of her power?

Iris didn't want to think about that, she pushed herself from the thick carpet, where she and Cane slept and walked toward the door.

But then, Maria had been waiting for her there. "Luna Iris," she greeted her politely.

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BAD MOOD AND GOOD MOOD

Iris wanted to go out to get breakfast for her and Cane, because she didn't feel like to ask someone for a favor, but when she opened the door, she found Maria. She had been standing there, for who knew how long, yet she didn't dare to knock on the door, thus he waited either it was the alpha or the luna to come out.

Maria was startled when Iris opened the door, but she immediately dropped to her knees and lowered her head. Iris was sure, she said something, but from her standing point, how could she read her lips?

Hungry and didn't feel like she wanted to start the day with someone begged her for something, Iris stepped aside and walked away from Maria. Cane was still sleeping and no one in their right mind would be dare enough to wake the alpha up, so she didn't need to worry about that.

However, when Iris moved aside, Maria caught the hem of her dress, still kneeling and begging her, this time, she lifted her head to look at Iris.

"Luna, please..." Maria pleaded with her, tears welled up in her eyes and her hair looked disheveled, it seemed she was in a lot of distress. "Kaz is already so old, his body will not be able to take the hard and cold dungeon anymore. Please, have a mercy on us. The girls were so young, they had been gone through so much when we were still slave, they are so afraid of the dungeon." She shook her head when she saw Iris's eyes became so cold. "No. I will not blame you for that. I promise, I will make sure they learn their lesson."

"Blame me? Blame me for what?" Iris stared down at Maria coldly. "Why do you even think to blame me in the first place for something that I didn't do? Something that I don't responsible for?"

Maria gasped, she knew in her uneasiness she had said the wrong thing. "No, no, no, that's not what I meant, I am sorry if it came out like that."

Iris stared at the crying woman, but when she was about to feel sorry for her, she remembered all of the mistreatment she received and her heart turned numb. She felt indifference with her tears and this a little bit terrified her to realize this change in herself.

"Whether they learned their lesson or not, I am not the one, who gave the punishment." Iris yanked her dress from her grip and took a step back, so Maria couldn't reach out to her again. "I am not your luna, so you need to stop calling me that."

Iris felt petty with her last statement, she felt like a child, who was throwing a tantrum, but that was how she felt. She meant it when she told them she didn't think of them as her own people, so when they called her as 'luna', she felt like it was a misplaced title.

After saying that, Iris walked away, leaving Maria cried, while two guards, who had been standing aside to watch everything unfolded, came to her and helped her to get on her feet. They must be telling her some consoling words, which Iris didn't care to know.

They must think how heartless she was to turn down someone else's plea.

And here she was, became a villain in their eyes again.

Iris felt her mood had turned very sour, she didn't think she wanted to eat. Thinking of meeting another member of the pack depressed her. Should she look for Hanna instead of going to the kitchen alone?

Having a bad mood in an early morning was not a good sign.

This time, when she walked in the hallway, everyone would greet her, bowing their head toward her and showed the respect she deserved.

But then, she felt what they showed was very hollow, since she knew what the cause of their change.

She felt guilty because she asked for too much and actually felt bad because she was feeling this way. All of this only stressed her out even more, she felt like she was fighting with herself and it was so tiring.

"Luna Iris! Luna Iris!"

Someone called Iris when she walked around the laundry room, where she usually could find Hanna. She needed someone to talk, to get the comfort she needed, though she couldn't tell about a lot of things to Hanna, but having a conversation with her was comforting for her. Kept her mind sane enough to face the current problem.

More so, the king entourage would arrive in two days, there was a little bit delay because of the monster attack.

"Luna Iris!" A young boy raced toward her, knowing his mistake to call her from behind. "Luna Iris," he called her again when he skidded to stop in front of her.

Iris startled to see someone suddenly appeared before her eyes, she was not paying attention to her surroundings.

"Oh, I am sorry, if I startled you," the young boy said apologetically. He smiled brilliantly at her. "Luna, do you still remember me?"

"Joel?" Iris remembered him, but he didn't look like this the last time she met him, which was almost half a year ago.

In her mind, he was a young boy with a vibrant aura and looked so happy in whatever he was doing, seeing him alone, could make you feel a little bit cheerful. He almost looked like the younger version of Ethan. Both of them were a chatter and could lighten up the mood in the room.

"I am so glad you still remember me!" Joel's eyes lit up, which drew a small smile on Iris's lips.

"You look so different from the last time I saw you," Iris said with a chuckle.

Joel looked like a young man now, he had grown so tall, though the last time Iris remembered, his height was not so different from her, but right now, he easily towered above her. What did he eat in the last few months? If she could, she wanted to grow a little bit taller too.

"Luna, I will not be a young boy forever," he said, a little bit offended when she laughed, but then his expression brightened up again when he told her about his achievement proudly. "I have become a warrior now!"

"Congratulation!" Iris was genuine when she said, her happiness was very sincere. "We should celebrate that."

"Thank you!" Joel said shyly, because Iris looked so beautiful when she was smiling like this. He heard what happened yesterday in the kitchen and felt sorry for her, because the pack member treated her badly, especially after Sofia came.

Apparently, not all the member of the pack agreed to accept her, but because Kaz was someone they respected and he rallied a lot of people behind him and most of them only went with the flow, going along with the crowd, while the rest of them chose to be neutral, which meant, they couldn't care less with what was going on between Iris and Sofia, thus this matter was snowballed to this point.

They thought, being a neutral party meant not to take side, but with their indifference, they had taken side in this matter too.

Joel felt so bad for Iris, thus he wanted to look for her this morning to greet her, after all, he had not seen her in person ever since she and the alpha arrived a few days ago.

"Luna Iris, if you don't mind, instead of celebrating it, can I ask a favor from you?" Joel asked her timidly. And there, the boy Iris met for the first time.

"What favor?" Iris was in a good mood.

Meanwhile, many people watched this interaction between her and Joel and they could see how easy the interaction between them two. And how genuinely happy Iris was to learn the boy had become a warrior, it was indeed a great achievement.

"I heard you taught the warrior that came with you to the capital city how to read and write," Joel said hesitantly. "They have been bragging about it and refuse to teach the other warrior how to, they are very stingy to share their knowledge and has been very annoying to always bring a book with them, saying they read to spend their free time. They act like they are very cultured to be able to read," Joel complained.

Iris pressed her lips into a thin line, she shouldn't be smiling to receive such protest, but when the image came in her mind, she couldn't help, but found it hilarious.

"I am so annoyed, luna," Joel said with irritated expression. "Can you teach me how to read and write too? I am a fast learner, luna, I will not disappoint you, I promise!" he crossed his finger in front of his chest, as if he swore. "I want to get back at them! They said you favored them more, that's why you taught them, but I don't think that's the case."

Iris couldn't help, but let out a soft chuckled.

"Luna, I am serious. I swear, I will learn quickly." Joel frowned to see Iris's reaction.

"I am sorry," Iris said gently, as she stopped herself and put on serious expression. "Sure, I would love to teach you, come to me whenever you have free time."

The people, who had been following their conversation was dumbstruck with Iris's willingness. They thought, Iris would turn Joel's plea down after the dispute that happened yesterday.

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APPRECIATION

People stole a glance at Iris with a mixed of expression, because they thought, Joel's request was out of the line, especially after what happened yesterday and how Iris refused to help Kaz and the other to get out of the trouble from the alpha.

They had heard about how Iris had taught some of the warriors how to read and write, but because most of the people in the pack house didn't interact with the warriors constantly, the fact was burned on the back of their mind.

They knew it, but didn't think much about it, just like how they knew Iris had helped her tremendously and go far and beyond for them during their darkest time, but they overlooked it so easily.

However, seeing the interaction between Joel and Iris, they felt like someone just poured them cold water. They didn't know what to feel, as they lowered their heads.

Meanwhile, Iris couldn't care less about them, because she wanted to find Hanna and ask her to get her and Cane breakfast, because on the second thought, she didn't want to go to the kitchen again, especially after she saw Maria.

"Joel, have you seen Hanna? I am looking for her," Iris said, as she and Joel walked away. The young boy looked so excited to learn new thing from the luna, the way he walked, almost looked like he was jumping up and down.

"Oh, I saw Hanna went to the market this early morning," Joel said, because he bumped onto her when he was about to go to the pack house and Hanna wanted to go out.

"Oh." Iris was a little bit disappointed, as she thought she needed to go to the kitchen by herself.

"Do you need some help, luna?" Joel asked, seeing how Iris's expression slightly changed. "Tell me what you need, I think I will be able to help."

"No, it's..." Iris didn't know how to bring this up. "I want to get some breakfast for me and Cane," she finally said.

More so, she didn't think going to the dinning hall was a good idea, where she would meet a lot of people there. The last thing she wanted was to be crowded by the people, who judged her.

"Why don't you..." Joel was about to blurt out about why she didn't ask for another omegas or servant to serve her, but then he remembered what happened and stopped himself. "I will get you breakfast, luna, don't worry, is there some specific food that you want?" He looked excited to help and this made Iris felt a little bit better.

"No." Iris shook her head, but then she remembered. "Can you bring more meat?" Cane was a meat eater.

"I will bring all the meat!" Joel said expressively, which made Iris chuckled a little. "You can go back to your room, luna, I will deliver it to you as soon as possible."

"Okay, thank you." Iris was truly appreciated his kind gesture and returned to the alpha's study room, and thankfully, Maria was no longer there, but the two

guards were still standing on the same spot. They nodded politely at her when she walked past them, yet, Iris couldn't care less about their existence.

It almost felt like her personality changed one hundred eighty after she was no longer talking with Joel.

Once Iris inside the room, she found Cane was still sleeping, he curled his body in the same position, when Iris left him. How could he sleep without moving at all.

Slowly, Iris came to him and sat down next to the alpha, she extended her hand and caressed his soft hair, in which, he seemed to notice her presence and snuggle closer to her touch, though he was still sleeping at this moment and this made Iris smiled.

"Cane, come back to me, please. I am sorry, I didn't mean to hurt you." Iris ran her fingers on the scar on his face. He looked so beautiful even with the scar.

From the window, the sunlight filtered through the glass into the room, which made an array of light that looked so beautiful with the dust swirled in the air. Iris stared at the sight, deep in thought. She remembered her conversation with Haco last night.

But, she was snapped back from her reverie when Cane suddenly woke up and sat down, his face contorted, as his eyes fixed on something, or someone at the door.

"What happened?" Iris was startled and out of instinct, she followed Cane's line of sight to the door and found Joel, Avid, Eron and Dyne entered the room.

Iris knew Eron and Dyne because the two of them came with Cane to the capital city and they were also assigned by the alpha to be her personal guard during their time in the Riverside pack.

The four of them came, while carrying a tray with them and Joel didn't look happy with it.

"I told you I can do it myself!" Joel grumbled. "Why do you want to go here in the first place!?"

"Tone down boy. What? Do you want to get all the credit for serving the luna?" Eron asked.

"Nah! Be nice, we are here to help," Dyne chimed in.

"I don't need help!" Joel was frustrated because these two insisted to help him to carry the luna and alpha's breakfast when they saw him in the kitchen, while Avid followed them also and because his rank was higher than them three, Joel couldn't complain to him.

Seeing this sight, Iris suddenly got the idea, 'the warriors', who had been bragging about knowing how to read and write.

However, their heated banter suddenly stopped, as they took a step back, only then Iris realized, Cane had been growling dangerously at them.

"Cane!" Iris hissed to the lycan. It was still this creature, who got Cane's consciousness. "Stop it!"

The lycan immediately stopped, but his growl turned into a whimper, as he curled his body again on the rug sullenly.

Iris didn't know what to do with this creature. The lycan was sulking, but all she could see, it was Cane and never in her wild dream she thought, she would be able to see him acted like a five years old child.

This was so weird and so wrong in so many level, especially when she found amusement in it. She would make sure to tell Cane about this once he could get back his consciousness from the lycan.

Iris ran her fingers through his hair to placate the cursed creature. That's why, come back to me, Cane. I missed you.

"You can put the breakfast on the table," Iris said to the stunned four warriors. It seemed they didn't notice Cane's red eyes, since they lowered their head upon hearing the alpha was growling at them. "Why do you bring me too much?" Iris was fascinated to see how these warriors managed to ransack the kitchen by bringing so many meats.

"You said the alpha loves meats and I think you also need some more meat to nurse your body, you have been running around arranging the welcoming party for the royal." It was Dyne, who replied to Iris, while Joel was not happy. "The luna is talking to me," Joel grumbled under his breath, but the other three ignored that, as they made a small talk with Iris before they left.

"Joel, can you find Ethan, Jace and Haco, and tell them to come see me here?" Iris asked before they walked out of the room.

"Yes, luna! I will find them." And before he could hear Iris thanked him, the young boy had bolted out of the room, which rendered the three warriors speechless.

"Luna Iris," Avid said, he looked a little bit hesitated, because he didn't think this was his place to say this, but then he thought, the luna needed to hear this.

"Yes?" Iris waited for him to say something, while Eron and Dyne had gone, probably they wanted to tease Joel again and find the beta, the gamma and the sorcerer first.

"Thank you for what you have done for us. Either it's something you have done in the past or right now. I can't say this on behalf of everyone, but for me, you are the perfect luna for this pack and I really appreciate all of your effort. Thank you."

Reading what Avid said, Iris felt like there was lump in her throat and tears in her eyes. She couldn't utter a single word, but then even if she could, she didn't know what to say.

And when Avid closed the door, tears streamed down her face. She felt like someone squeezed her heart, but it was not in a bad feeling.

She should be happy to get such appreciation from Avid, but why she was crying right now? She felt relief and the knot in her heart disappeared.

She didn't know how much she wanted to be appreciated until Avid said those words. She always brushed off the way she felt about the people here, but she didn't know how much it hurt her, until Avid said the words she wanted, to feel appreciated.

Cane pushed himself from the floor and pushed her head against his chest silently, as Iris cried in his arms, for a moment, she thought it was really Cane, who was hugging her, until he made a comment.

Cane cupped her face and stared at her seriously. "Can you continue crying later? I am really hungry now. I promised I will hug you when you cry."

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HORRIFIED

Iris didn't know, whether she had to laugh or cry at this point. She was completely speechless, but for different reason entirely.

It was clear to see that the lycan and Cane had totally different personality. They were polar opposite.

"Why are you crying for something he said, that's the bare minimum the pack member has to show you," the lycan said nonchalantly. "They should have kissed the ground you walked on for everything you have done for them."

Didn't know how to react to this and her tears suddenly dried, Iris shook her head and took his hand. "Let's eat our breakfast," she said in defeated tone and the lycan followed her happily.

The four trays filled with food and most of them were meat, greeted them and Iris could see it in Cane's eyes how elated he was to see this so many foods.

"They brought so many foods." Iris was worried they would waste food, she particularly felt bad for this kind of thing, yet the lycan had different thought.

"They should bring more."

"You can finish it?" Iris knew Cane ate a lot, but even for his portion, this was too much.

"I can eat more." Cane pulled a chair and let Iris to sit down, as he took a seat next to her.

"No. You can get sick if you eat too much!" Iris didn't want this lycan to ruin Cane's health, after all, Haco had told her how reckless the lycan was when he took over his body once a month.

However, Cane shoved a piece of meat into her mouth to make her stop chiding him. "Eat more, you need more meat than I am."

Iris munched on the meat and could only sigh. This lycan was a handful. It was less than a day since he took over Cane's consciousness, but Iris could say this was not going to be an easy job to deal with him. Thankfully, he listened to her this far.

When they were having their breakfast, Jace, Ethan and Haco came to the study room and sat together there, to discuss what they were going to do when the royal arrived tomorrow with Cane was like this.

"I can do something with his eyes," Haco said, nodded at Cane, who gobbled up a big piece of meat and nudged Iris to eat more, while she had given up long time ago, her stomach was not as big as his.

"Don't you dare to do anything with my eyes!" Cane growled.

"Lu!" Iris reprimanded him and the lycan lowered his head, focused on his meal, while Ethan and Jace were both dumbstruck.

"I don't know if I can recover from this sight..." Ethan mumbled. "I have never seen Cane was so docile, not even when he is a child."

"I don't think I can either," Jace agreed with the gamma. The sight of Cane was being reprimanded by Iris was too absurd for them, they were in denial to see how ungracious the alpha was. This was something Cane would never do. People would start to see the different between their alpha and the lycan.

"Yes, but the problem is not only with his eyes," Iris stated their main problem. If it was Cane with red eyes, the alpha would find a way to get himself out of the trouble with some story here and there, but they didn't think the lycan would have the decency to care so much about the whole situation.

"I know." Jace looked defeated. "We can say the alpha is being cursed or something, so no one could see him for the meantime."

"No way!" The lycan strongly rejected the idea. As a cursed creature, it was an insult for him. "What do you want? You want me to meet with that useless king, who can't put his dick inside his pants? I will meet him, see, what I am going to do to him."

The four of them felt like they were going to have a hard attack to hear such declaration.

Jace held his head, because he felt like he was going to have a constant headache, while Ethan started to think that was not a bad idea, after all, he hated the royal family, while Haco could only slouch on his chair, mumbling. "I am doomed." He had cursed princess Osana and Cane was the only protection he had and now, this lycan was going to ruin his life again.

On the other hand, Iris could only stare at him, unable to say anything.

"What?" the lycan frowned at their reaction. "Your alpha also thinks the king is useless."

"Yes, but he will never say it out loud," Jace argued and the lycan scoffed at that statement.

"Because he is a coward. If he wants the throne, kill the king and take his seat, easy," the lycan said nonchalantly, as he munched on his meat. "I have killed a thousand beasts for him, do you think I can't kill only a measly man, who only knows how to reproduce?"

"I think I am going to see Grace after this to get a medicine for my headache," Jace said under his breath.

"Actually, I like that idea though..." Ethan tilted his head, voicing out his opinion calmly.

However, the lycan seemed to please to hear such confession. He raised his greasy hand at Ethan, curled his fingers inside and gestured to the gamma to exchange a bump with him.

"Great thinking, gamma!" Lu said with a big grin.

Ethan raised his fist and bumped it against his, grinning as well.

"Don't give him an idea!" Jace scolded the gamma and he only shrugged his shoulders nonchalantly. "You know it's not as easy as killing the king!"

"I am just saying," Ethan said in small voice.

He knew it was not as easy as saying it. Though the king was incompetent, in the end of the day he was still the king.

He had a hundred times the number of warriors than them, not to mention with several packs that were still under his control, even with the help of the lycan,

it would not make their strength equal and if the whereabouts of the lycans was known and proven the Howling Wolf pack had a connection to this cursed creature, not only the continent in which they have to face but also the Holy Kingdom would also get involved too.

Not to mention the fact that Cane had gotten the Seraphim to this continent, seeing the plan from their current situation right now, just like a suicide.

They were deep in thought about what they were going to do with the king arrival tomorrow, this was their main focus now.

"Can't you give us Cane back?" Iris asked gently, she even made a gesture to touch his arm and looked at him pleadingly.

"Don't want to," Lu said simply.

"Or at least, give us a chance to talk to the alpha, so we know what his idea about this situation," Jace coaxed the lycan. They were so desperate for their alpha's guidance now. They were not a meticulous schemer like Cane, thus they were at lost now.

"Don't want to."

"Or, at least, do you know what Cane has in his mind? There are a lot of things that need his instruction, but he never explained the whole thing to us, can I ask you a few questions about it? See what he is thinking and what his next instruction?"

"No. His way of thinking is too complicated, I don't like to hear it."

Apparently, the lycan could share his thought with Cane, but because he was too lazy to listen to his thought process, he used to lay dormant. The only thing he cared was when the new moon came and he would feel Iris nearby.

Knew this didn't work, they gave up giving any suggestion.

When the room fell into silence, as they wrecked their brain to think of a solution, Lu suddenly spoke to Haco.

"Fix this," Lu said, as he leaned his back against the seat, he wiped his dirty hand with the napkin.

"Fix what?" Haco frowned, there was nothing good from a request of the lycan.

"This." Cane nodded down there. "My penis."

Iris felt like the little lizard just spit fire on her face, as she turned so red, while Jace and Ethan choked on their own saliva and Haco facepalmed himself. He had heard about what had happened to Cane and what he had endured, thus he knew what he meant.

However, Lu didn't seem to be bothered by their reaction as he continued.

"I want to have a child with my mate. Fix this," he said in a matter of fact tone.

"If you ask for a healthcare advise, you are asking the wrong person." Haco rubbed his face roughly. This was not an appropriate conversation, more so, this matter was not as important as what they had to face tomorrow. At least, not at this moment.

"You can fix this." This time, Lu pointed at his member. "Try."

"I am not in the mood to see that part of your body!" Haco was freaked out, so did the rest of them when Lu was about to stand up and pull down his pants. Iris immediately pushed him down to sit again, now her face was as red as her hair.

"You can use dark magic, you know."

"It will need a thousand sacrifice of people's lives!"

The lycan then looked at Ethan. "How many people live in this pack?"

"NO!" All of them shouted at the same time, horrified.

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INCIDENT

Lu slouched his shoulders upon hearing their harsh rejection for his brilliant idea. Why they accepted Cane's opinion and followed his order blindly, but didn't even consider his at all?

"Why not?" Lu looked at Iris sullenly, because she looked so mortified when he suggested that, even though this idea would benefit her too. "You don't want to have a child with me?"

Once again, Iris was not sure how she looked like, but she didn't want to look at her own reflection on the mirror right now. She knew it wouldn't look great.

"You don't even like those people, so what's the problem here? Instead of getting rid of them and wasting such resource, it will be great if we can make the best out of them."

"By... sacrificing them?" Ethan asked foolishly, as he was too shocked to hear such idea from Cane's mouth, despite knowing it was not their alpha.

"Of course."

If there was one similar thing between Cane and Lu, it must be how they saw the value in people around them, but this lycan brought it to a whole new level of different shade of dark with his suggestion and his simple way of thinking.

"Luna... I don't think we can deal with him..." Jace shook his head, as he massaged his temple. His voice sounded so exhausted, albeit he only sat there and the day was too early.

Iris held Cane's hand, it was so cold, as if he had been holding an ice cube. "No, no. We will not do anything related to dark magic, you are not going to perform any dark magic. Okay? Promise me."

"So, no fixing for my penis? Which mean no child?"

Iris really wanted to cry now, how could he talk about such thing so freely without any trace of embarrassment at all. This was one topic that Cane wouldn't talk about out loud, even the people around him, who knew about what happened, would be careful to bring a topic of child with him.

"No. No fixing it for now." Iris shook her head and then changed back the topic about the dark magic. "No dark magic, no sacrifice, okay? Promise me, please."

Lu narrowed his red eyes. He didn't say anything, but only stared at Iris.

"Lu?"

"You are still going to make me promise the same thing again? No, I don't want. The last time, it cost me greatly." He turned his head to the other side, so he didn't need to see her pleading eyes, because it would falter his resolve.

Iris frowned. "When did I ever ask you to promise me something?" she shook his hand, but he refused to see her.

Yet, Lu determined to not answer her and ignore her completely now and because Iris kept holding his hand, which made his resolution faltered, he moved away to the sofa and lay down there, sleeping again now he was full.

"The king will arrive tomorrow, what should we do?" Jace looked at Cane helplessly. "Can you do something to bring Cane back before the royal arrived?" He looked at Iris with expectation in his eyes. "Can you tell us again in detail about how the lycan took over Cane's body, probably we can figure out something to bring Cane back."

Iris bit her lip nervously, her guilty feeling resurfaced. She pulled her hair in attempt to calm herself, but it didn't seem to work.

Thankfully, Ethan and Jace didn't have any suspicion toward her and Haco was there to deflect the topic.

"Why don't we check the preparation for the welcome party for tomorrow, maybe we can figure something out by the end of the day. I will stay here with the lycan..."

But, when Haco said that, Lu snapped at him from the sofa, his red eyes glared at him. "I don't want to be with an old man like you."

"Damn it, Lu! You have been using me for five decades and this how you see me?" Haco glared back at the lycan.

For a moment, they threw a dagger look with each other. There was some occasion that Haco would scare of the lycan, but he knew him better to know, this creature wouldn't hurt him.

"Fine." Cane closed his eyes again, looked like he was sleeping, but they couldn't be sure about that.

With that, they went about their day and the sorcerer stayed in the study room with the lycan.

"So, Lu. What's your deal to come out?" Haco asked Lu, who was still sleeping, as he sat down on the opposite sofa. He stared at Cane and felt sorry for the alpha. The lycan could be stubborn and it didn't seem like he was going to give up his body willingly, unless it was Cane himself, who took over.

However, Haco was not sure how much the damage Iris had made to his spirit and how long it would take for him to recover, if there was a chance for him to recover at all...

This was a blind spot that Haco couldn't understand about the lycan and the power that entailed with this cursed creature.

Lu opened his eyes, as he knew it was only Haco in the room. His expression was very serious and his eyes turned cold.

"The symbol," Lu said curtly, but his voice dripped with viciousness. This was so different from the sullen lycan that he showed in front of Iris, right now, he lived up to his name as a cursed creature, he looked so dangerous.

"What symbol? Ah!" Haco remembered the symbol that they found inside the hut when they were in the Riverside pack. "What is it with the symbol? I recognized it as Decratic's symbol."

There were a lot of question that Haco wanted to ask to the lycan at the same time, but he knew, he couldn't do that with Lu, or else, he would withdraw and say nothing at all when he was being forced to reveal something.

"It's him. His worshipper is going to revive him."

Haco had thousands of questions in his mind, but he chose one that straight to the point he wanted to be cleared about. "Lu, is the first Serafim was your mate?"

Ever since his conversation with Iris and how Lu called her the Serafim and now he realized they lived in the same timeline, the question didn't come out of the blue.

On the other hand, Lu's red eyes dimmed slightly when he heard that. He didn't answer the question, but his expression showed sorrow and anger, but at the same time, he looked so forlorn.

Iris was in the main hall with Hanna to check on the decoration, this was a party that didn't include any sex and endless alcohol, thus to replace it, she must come up with another amusement. Cane had given her a few suggestions and now she worked on it.

That was why, the party this time, needed a meticulous preparation. This could be said the first party that didn't have a lot of naked women walked down the hall and a bunch of Floence powder, also the smell of sex that permeated in the air.

But, when Iris checked on the final preparation, from the corner of her eyes, she could see Sofia walked into the hall, tears in her eyes and Jemma by her side. The servant looked furious.

Iris was not ready for another drama, thus she walked away and wanted to inspect the next thing in her list.

Meanwhile, the people treated her with respect, as they didn't even dare to look at her in the eyes, but everyone there could feel the tension and the awkward silence, as they were working on their task.

"Luna Iris!" Jemma called Iris, her voice boomed inside the hall, but Iris had turned her back, thus she was not aware of it, only Hanna, who narrowed her eyes at this young servant dangerously, as if she was ready to tear her apart for talking like that to Iris. "Luna Iris, wait! Stop there!"

"Who are you trying to stop the luna?!" Hanna barked viciously, as she stood in front of Jemma to block her from coming closer to Iris.

Hanna had heard what happened to Iris, but when she came to console her, Iris simply looked so ignorant, she didn't care about it. She thought, her missy would have cried like usual and hide herself in her bedroom, but she had spent her time in the alpha's study room with the alpha.

"Move away!" Jemma was rude, she acted like this was alpha Gallot's pack, where Sofia was quite favored by the alpha. Not to mention, she was pregnant now with alpha Cane's baby, which should increase the importance of her existence in this pack.

But, ever since what happened yesterday, people was afraid to be close to Sofia and this make her sad, because they were afraid they would offend luna Iris and get punishment from alpha Cane.

Of course, Jemma was furious, because before this they were very welcoming to Sofia, they took care and pampered her.

"Back off!" Hanna snapped back at Jemma, her body was shaking with anger to see the disrespect she displayed.

However, Jemma was hot blooded and Sofia didn't restraint her, and it happened so fast when Jemma raised her hand and clawed Hanna's face.

At the same time, Iris realized Hanna didn't come with her and turned around to witness the whole incident.

Hanna fell to the ground and blood dripped from the wounds on her cheeks.

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Iris realized Hanna didn't come with her, but when she turned around to look for her, she witnessed something that made her blood ran cold.

Jemma raised her hand at Hanna, she moved so fast and when Iris thought she was slapping her, she immediately realized, it was not a mere slap, she extracted her claws and injured Hanna's face.

On the other hand, Hanna didn't expect that and her body fell to the ground because of the impact, she was about to stand up and fight her for real when she realized blood oozed out from the wound on her cheek, dripped to the ground and only then the pain came. Hanna was stunned.

Everyone in this hall held their breath to see what was going on and Jemma smiled smugly to see Hanna in such state. She let out a triumphant scoff, feeling superior.

"You should know your place!" Jemma hissed.

Meanwhile, Sofia was surprised by what her maid had done, but she didn't say anything, neither she reprimanded her for her action, seeing nobody said or did anything about it.

The truth was; everyone was still in shocked, they needed a few more moment to process it in their head, it didn't occur to them to come forward and help Hanna, they were stupefied, because right now, their attention shifted to Iris, waited for her reaction, since Hanna was the person, who was very dearest for her.

Silence in this hall was so suffocating, one could cut through the air that filled with a lot of tension when Iris finally moved and approached Hanna, who was whimpering in pain. Apparently, Jemma had clawed the corner of her eyes.

Iris dropped to her knees and look at her dearest one, blood soaked Hanna's face and stained her face, while her hand covered her wounds.

Iris felt the beating of her heart, as she extended her hand and touched Hanna's blood that smeared her fingers and when she finally spoke, her voice was even. It almost scared her how she could keep her calm when she felt there was storm in her mind.

"Guard."

Two guards finally snapped back to reality and rush to approach Iris.

"Bring her to see Grace."

"Miss... I..." Hanna was about to say something, but Iris's cold eyes fell on her to silence her.

"Leave."

Hanna immediately lowered her eyes and with the help of the two guards, she left the room. It was dead silence now.

The member of the pack, who were there, didn't even dare to make a noise, they didn't dare to breathe loudly, as fear gripped their heart and ran in their veins to see the calm Iris.

The luna didn't have an imposing figure, she was pretty skinny and small for a shifter, but somehow, she held an intimidating authority with the way she talked and moved, as if it radiated from her body now. They almost felt like they were witnessing the rage of the alpha instead and felt dreadful for Jemma.

How stupid that servant to strike Hanna? They condemned her act to use violence against Hanna. Probably, that was how the way she did to intimidate the other servant in alpha Gallot's pack, but she should know better when she was in different pack. Because they didn't do the same thing here.

"What? Your servant needs to be taught a lesson!" Jemma tried to make a front before Iris, but it was clear to see that she was scared of the luna.

"Luna Iris, you didn't know what happened before, but your servant was really rude to us." Sofia tried to soften Iris's anger, but if she knew, she wouldn't even try because right now, Iris's attention shifted on her.

"Rude?" Iris asked.

"Yes, she blocked our way when we were going to talk with you," Sofia replied, she tried to be as calm as Iris, but her heart was beating painfully against her chest, as fear crept in.

"I told her to do so because I don't want to talk with you, but you injured her for that?" Iris didn't give the order, but Hanna knew how she felt and the last thing she wanted was to talk with Sofia.

Sofia was surprised to hear what Iris said, but she immediately regained her composure and found a way to explain the situation.

"I want to have a talk with you Luna, regarding what happened yesterday." Sofia looked pitiful, as she lowered her head and stared at her bulging stomach. "I think it's not right for you to punish those people because they treated me nicely."

Here she was, appealed to Iris, in front of the crowd, as someone, who stood by them for pleading to the luna to lift the punishment when it was not even her, who had punished them. How twisted the way they thought process...

Iris was in tight spot, whatever she did, she would always be the end of the stick and they would never be capable of seeing her for who she was.

They thought, Iris would explain herself for why she didn't forgive Kaz and the other for treating Sofia nicely.

But unfortunately for them, Iris was no longer gave a shit to the way they looked at her, neither she wanted to explain herself for something they were able to understand, since it was they were doing.

If they wanted to hate her, she should, at least, give them a reason to do so, thus they could do it to their heart content.

"Guard!" Iris called out for the second time and two guards came to approach her.

All of the people held their breath, waiting for what order Iris would give them. Would she order them to release Kaz and the other?

However, what came out of Iris's lips made them gasped in shock.

"Drag this ungrateful servant to the front yard, I want her to be lashed a hundred times!" Iris roared her first order, probably she didn't realize it, but she used luna's voice to make them unable to do anything else, aside from accomplished her order. "Call Redmond to deliver the punishment!" She said.

Redmond had been avoiding the pack house like a plague and Iris wanted to drag him back, more so, she didn't believe the warrior from the Howling Wolf pack would do justice to whip Jemma, since she knew very well, how much they hated this punishment, especially to woman, since it reminded them of their own predicament.

But, Redmond was different, he was taught to do this since his early age when he joined the rank of warrior in the Blue Moon pack. More so, he didn't have any inclination with Jemma.

"Luna! A hundred lashes will kill her!" Sofia was freaking out, while Jemma was trying to free herself from the guards, who dragged her away to the front yard, as per Iris's instruction.

"It's so pity she will die for his own stupidity," Iris replied callously, she glanced at Sofia, as if she meant nothing for her.

"Luna, are you jealous because I am carrying the alpha's child?" Sofia asked between her sob, she tried to stop Iris from walking away from her.

"No." Iris shook her head to emphasize her answer. "You need to take a good care of your baby. A pregnant woman shouldn't be stressed." Iris then looked

at the crowd and found the one person she was looking for. "Maria, you can tend to Sofia, while Jemma is away. You are so good at taking care of a pregnant woman, why don't you take her to rest? She looks so stress. It is not good for her baby. She is carrying the alpha's first child after all."

The crowd looked very uncomfortable with Iris's last statement, as they lowered their head and Maria approached Sofia timidly, she didn't dare to raise her head to look at Iris directly. She was afraid of her, as she gave off an intimidating aura.

"La... Sofia, please come with me," Maria said, as she held Sofia's elbow.

"No! Please, tell her, her punishment is way too harsh! Her maid will recover in a few hours! She will heal perfectly by tomorrow, but a hundred lashes are too much!"

Iris simply stared at Maria, so she didn't need to know what Sofia was spouting. "She is your responsible now. Understood?" Iris didn't raise her voice, but Maria could hear her crystal clear, even when Sofia was having a meltdown.

"No! Don't!" Sofia was screaming now, she was trying to chase after Iris when she turned around and was about to leave, but Maria stopped her, trying to talk some sense into her, to calm her down.

But then, the next second, Sofia collapsed, she lost her consciousness because she was overwhelmed by her emotions and all of them screamed to see this, a few people immediately rushed to help.

Fortunately for Sofia, Maria was there to catch her fall and some people got to her in time to hold her body and laid her down on the floor carefully, thus it prevented her from the impact and something more mortifying to happen.

Iris noticed the commotion and the horrendous expression from the people around her, as she turned around and watched what was actually happening.

"Luna Iris... please, Sofia will be..." Maria was about to plea with Iris, to take a pity of Sofia.

However, Iris immediately cut her off. "I told you, she is your responsibility now, if something happened to her and the child in her stomach, you will be held accountable for that."