

Getting Some Answers Pt. 1

Chase stared at Sophia's former Gamma Wyatt. I asked him, "Why? Why did you betray Sophia?" Wyatt snorted, "I was offered the Alpha position." Derrick growled, "You should've said no! You were the Gamma of your Alpha!" Wyatt shrugged, "Could've set my kids up to be Alpha's." I growled, "They wouldn't have EVER been of Alpha blood. They would have always been susceptible to attack. You would've lost the support of all the allies around. Alpha Conners would've taken over the pack in a heartbeat. I WOULD'VE taken over your pack. I wouldn't allow myself to have a weak border. Alpha Hammond was rapidly becoming one. He wasn't going to last long." Wyatt snorted, "You don't know the whole plan." I said, "Enlighten me then." Wyatt rolled his eyes, "If I wouldn't tell Sophia, why would I tell you?" I said, "Because I'm not as nice as she is, and I give no shits about you. Sophia was one of your dearest friends. Me, though, I could give a s**t less. It hurts me in no way shape or form to tear you to piece. To rip the esh from you. Bringing you all kinds of pain means nothing to me. I didn't grow up with you. The thing that stands between me and what I want... is you. That's not a place you want to be Wyatt." Wyatt said, "What could I be standing between? Your marriage alliance with Sophia is over." I said, "Oh but it's not. Because of you, I'm still married." Wyatt snarled, "WHAT?!" I said, "I say that often about this situation. Don't I, Beta Matt?" Matt said, "He throws things. I have a furniture store on retainer right now. Actually, I bought it in my Alpha's name. Have I told you that you now own a furniture store too? If I didn't, you do. I have a call into Beta Caleb about our unmated pack members attending the fairy princesses' training sessions. I need a fairy who can snap things back to normal. It's becoming too expensive. Owning things is so tedious. You have to worry about their stock, workers, all sorts of shit."

Wyatt glared at me with hatred, "You aren't good enough for her!" I laughed, "In love with your Alpha? Interesting. Why would you betray her then?" Wyatt said, "You wouldn't understand." I smirked, "Wouldn't I? I married her so she could take over." Wyatt growled lowly. I laughed, "You really do seem to like her..." I trailed off. Oh no f****g way. Derrick questioned, "Alpha?" I growled at Wyatt, "Are you her mate?!" Wyatt didn't answer me. I punched him in face. He went down hard. He hit the side of his face against the silver bars. He screamed in pain. He yelled, "NO! Ok. No, I'm not her mate." I asked, "Were you ever? Did you two reject each other?" Wyatt said, "No, I would've never accepted her rejection." I said, "I'm confused." Wyatt said, "What's new?" Matt growled and Derrick moved quickly to Wyatt. He wrenched Wyatt's hand behind his back and popped it out of socket. Matt said, "I'd have gone for the hip, but I like the idea." Derrick hissed, "You disrespected your position as Gamma. You disrespect your Alpha, and your pack!" Derrick spit on him. "You are disgusting." Wyatt said, "Yes, you made your disdain clear as you kicked me the ENTIRE way here." I raised an eyebrow. Derrick said, "I was upset." Wyatt said, "WHY? You were growling like a crazy person then suddenly you were ne. I'd watch him Alpha Chase. Your Gamma is going feral." I rolled my eyes, "He's part of my pack. He can't go feral you moron." Matt linked me, "Could.... could his mate be near?" I said, "Why wouldn't his wolf just tell him that?" Matt shrugged, "Could be something in the air. Jenna's wolf has been antsy a few times but isn't telling her what's going on." I sighed, "Do we have eyes on Gamma McCann?" Matt said, "Yes. I'm insulted you have to ask. He did not take the news of his brother's death well. The sister didn't seem to have a problem with it."

I nodded to Derrick and spoke out loud, "Work out whatever aggression you have since Wyatt isn't in a chatty mood. I'll check back later. See if you've changed his mind after... whatever it is you're going to do." Derrick smirked, "I have the best Alpha." I laughed and walked outside with Matt. I asked, "What did you learn about McCann's sister?" Matt said, "The sister's mate was the lead warrior. Seems little brother didn't like that. He outspokenly didn't agree to the match. The sister was waiting for the lead warrior to come home. She'd just moved into his house, and he planned to mark her that night. They found him on the border with his neck broken. The Alpha blamed rogues, but the sister and MANY pack members blamed the little brother. It's why he's been traveling. The sister can't stand to see him." I frowned, "How did she go into heat then?" Matt frowned, "Unclear. The sister told a friend in a different pack she needed to leave her pack and get some air. She was traveling to her friends but didn't make it in the timeframe she was supposed to. Seems her older brother, the Gamma, arranged for her to stay with a pack along the way. Miraculously, she goes into heat and conceives while she's staying with this other pack." I frowned, "What pack?" Matt said, "Fascinating question. No one knows. Not even the sister. She's fuzzy on her entire time there. She was found on the border of her friend's pack with an unknown powerful smell on her. It's presumed her child is of ranked blood. Alpha, Beta, or Gamma. The sister barely allows her family around her child. The child, a boy, is apparently a happy little guy." I frowned, "They sold their sister to some ranked wolf? To produce a child? They killed her mate, a lead warrior? Why?" Matt shrugged, "Apparently Gamma McCann and his brother were enraged when they got word the father of her child had died. They don't use his name, and the sister was relieved the baby wolf daddy was dead. Seems the sister is well loved in the pack, and the Gamma brothers are tolerated."

I sighed, "Hopefully, she can keep her son away from them." Matt snorted, "I'd be more worried about baby daddy's family showing up. Anyone who drugs a she wolf, and somehow sends her into heat; then abandons her and the pup she's carrying? That's a s**t wolf." I frowned, "You think they drugged her?" Matt snorted, "How else would she not remember? Oh and her brothers circulated in her grief she forced her heat and couldn't control herself." I gaped, "That's the dumbest thing I've ever heard. No one believes that... do they?" Matt said, "The Alpha said he cannot disprove what they are saying. Not that the Black Path Pack has a reputation for protecting their female wolves. How the Davis family is still the Alpha's in charge, I really don't understand. He should be removed; hell his father should've been removed. He never helps his pack's members. I mean at minimum he should've demanded a name from the brothers. What would you have done?" I snorted, "I'd have gotten a damn name, and I'd have gone there myself. There would've restitution if not me taking over the damn pack. Everything that wolf had would've gone to the girl. If my lead warrior had been murdered someone would f****g pay. I would not presume anything. I'd solve the damn murder. Even if it was a rogue, they didn't hunt it down. As improbable as it is a rogue could take down a lead warrior; IF they did then it's a wolf with Alpha, Beta, or Gamma blood. For the safety of the pack, that rogue needed to be found." Matt said, "Exactly. Their Alpha did NOTHING Chase. Nothing about any of that. The situation reeks of a payoff. Someone wanted the Gamma's sister and paid for her. They basically raped her Chase, and her family let it happen. Her Alpha LET it happen. What the hell is worth a pack member being murdered, and a she wolf being raped?" I said, "Nothing. Let's keep an eye on them." Matt said, "It's hard. They are all the way in Nashville."

I snorted, "I'm not asking you to keep eyes on someone in California, Matt. It's the same damn state." Matt said, "I'm just saying I got this information because Jenna's college friend was in the pack the sister was supposed to be coming to. Their Alpha was appalled. He couldn't prove any of it, but he offered the sister membership to his pack. I'm told she was considering it then her brothers showed up and brought her home. Kicking and screaming apparently. She hadn't accepted the Alpha's offer so he couldn't stop them from taking her. He did demand they not drag her off in his territory." I snorted, "How kind. And how well run are the packs in Nashville?! The f**k is going on?" My phone was buzzing like crazy and so was Matt's. I was about to look when Derrick came back up, "I don't know about you guys, but I feel so much better." I laughed, "Well, that's good. Let's go see what Wyatt has to say about this coup attempt." I walked back down to Wyatt and managed not to gape at his appearance. I had never known Derrick to be this upset. Matt said, "DAMN DERRICK! Mad respect owing through me for you right now." I laughed, "Wyatt, do you want to answer my questions now? It's going to be Matt's turn next. Then it will be mine. I think we both know you don't want to get to my turn. Why did you try to take over and kill Sophia?" Wyatt spit out blood, "Kill her? Who the f**k said I was going to kill her?" I looked at Matt, "That's how you take the Alpha position when you aren't the named successor, Wyatt. You kill the current Alpha." Wyatt said, "I would never kill her. The plan was for me to run the pack and mark her as mine."

I growled, "You said you weren't her mate!" Wyatt said, "I'm not! We can have chosen mates!" I said, "You'd have marked her against her will?!" Wyatt glared, "Who said it would've been against her will?" I said, "She's only twenty-two. She wouldn't have given up on her mate yet." Wyatt said, "Not yet." I said, "How did you get caught?" Wyatt snorted, "Ask Sophia. I don't know. She got some tip. I honestly don't even think she knows who it was from. We KNOW it wasn't you. You weren't here. Your pack would've told you. Alpha Conners was my best guess, but when I asked Sophia if it was him.... I just don't think it was. I'm beginning to question if it was a wolf at all. Other than you, your brother, Alpha Conners, Alpha Kyle, an Alpha Lyons...they would've wanted me in charge of Sophia." I said, "Again, even being her mate does NOT mean you are in charge. She still would've been." Wyatt said, "Really? You don't think it would break an Alpha's spirit to be marked against their will? She'd have been broken and tied to me. I could've ruled." Matt said, "That's just f****g disgusting." I said, "Did Alpha Hammond help you?" Wyatt smirked, "He was letting the rogues into our territory. He even kicked out a few warriors so they would become rogues. Sophia though, she took them in realizing where they'd come from. She offered them a place to stay and trained them. They are completely loyal to her." I said, "How many?" Wyatt said, "How many what?" I said, "How many rogues were from Alpha Hammond's pack?" Wyatt said, "Thirty." I gaped, "He kicked out thirty members to help you take over? Why?"

Wyatt laughed, "He's a sexist bastard." I said, "Soon to be was. He's wanted for trying to take Alpha Lyons mate. He ed his pack. Did you not noticed Cameron wasn't with us? Our allies offered the pack to him." Wyatt paled. I smirked, "Realizing Hammond could never take on my brother? He will NEVER get that pack back from my brother. Alpha Conner's fairy princess SLAUGHTERED everyone and anyone in her way to get to her husband. Alpha Hammond is on her s**t list." Matt said, "Beta Dylan said they think his wedding will be attacked. We got word of that yesterday. They want everyone on alert." I snorted, "So we have to dress in costumes and prepare for an attack. This is the most apt Halloween wedding of all time." Derrick said, "It's kind of awesome, and completely Beta Dylan. The costume wedding party part anyway." I sighed. I was glad Lexi couldn't come to the wedding with me now. Now that I thought about it, Alpha Hammond would think all our defenses would be down. He was probably going to attack. I'd have our warriors on high alert. He would be stupid to try to come through me, but I did need to warn Sophia. She had Alpha Hammond sympathizers in her pack. I asked, "What I really want to know is if Former Beta Alfred Sr. had anything to do with this plan." Wyatt smiled, "I wondered when you were going to get there. I'll tell you what I told Sophia. I'm not going to tell you." I broke his arm. "I didn't think you would, but you see Wyatt now I know you have hope. I'll have you back here the SECOND that hope is destroyed."

Wyatt stared at me. I smirked, "I'll keep you down here for the time Sophia and I agreed on, but I'm going to give her a call. Seems to me once Alpha Hammond is dead.... You will lose all hope of a rescue. Even if Beta Alfred Sr. is involved.... He can't take down Sophia. You know that I know that, and even he knows that. Once Alpha Hammond is dead it's over. You have nothing." Matt laughed, "How very true." I grabbed Wyatt and ung him into the silver bars and walked out. I walked into my oce and called Sophia. Sophia said, "If you're calling to tell me he already told you the answers we want to know; I'm going to need pointers on your techniques." I said, "He didn't tell me if your Beta's father was involved, but he did tell me some things." Sophia said, "What did he tell you?" I said, "That you were tipped off somehow to what was going on. Seems he never planned to kill you." Sophia cut in shocked, "He didn't? But... that's how you take over!" I said, "Seems the plan was for him to forcibly mark you." Sophia snarled and gasped. She was quiet for a long time, but I heard that she was crying. "Sophia..." Sophia said, "What else?" I said, "Alpha Hammond was sending rogues to your border in an attempt to weaken you. Even banishing his own pack members turning them into rogues." Sophia sighed, "They didn't know why he was banishing them, and neither did I. I only suspected. He did them a disservice. He thought them weak, but once they caught up to our training level...All of them are excellent warriors. I thought I was being paranoid thinking he was turning his own pack into rogues because of me."

I said, "Not paranoid evidently." Sophia said, "Well, that's more than I've gotten out of him." I told her, "He has hope. He didn't know Alpha Hammond was no longer in control of his pack. He had no idea Cameron took over." Sophia said, "He wouldn't know, no. The only people who see him are Alfred and me. We certainly weren't going to tell him about our allies updates." I said, "Once Hammond is dead, his last hope of being rescued dies right alongside him." Sophia said, "He thinks he's going to be rescued?" I said, "Hammond was working with members of your pack. I'm sure he believes Hammond will defeat you somehow." Sophia snorted, "Please. That pandering buffoon couldn't take me. Alfred Sr. knows that." I said, "Everyone knows that. You trained with your father. They've seen you ght. I don't know what their plan is, but they seem to have something in mind. Wyatt still has hope his plan will succeed." Sophia said, "I WILL NOT be in this area would. I think 'Wife or not Sophia, I would not let that stand. None of the Alpha's is forcibly marked." I said, "If my wife or not Sophia, I would not let that stand. None of the Alpha's is forcibly marked. I think the fairy princess would come up with something creative to decimate them to dust. She's friends with the Black Arrow. Those two could definitely do some damage." Sophia laughed, "I would actually be curious how the princess would handle that. Of course she's friends with the Black Arrow. That's the dream team right there." I said, "She'd handle it by shedding blood...in some fairy ridiculous way." Sophia said, "This is the most civil conversation I've had in a while." I ignored that, "I'll keep Wyatt until my allotted time. We can pass him back and forth, but I think once Hammond dies; we hit him hard and get your answers." Sophia said, "So you agree with this memo I have. Hammond will attack Beta Dylan's wedding." I said, "I do." Sophia said, "It does make the most sense."

I said, "Hopefully, we can get this resolved quickly once that happens. How did you find out about the coup attempt?" Sophia sighed, "I don't really know exactly. A supernatural being walked up to the front door. They'd made an appointment with me through Alfred. They handed me a le with everything in it. They said it was important to someone close to them that I have this information." I said, "What kind of supernatural being?" Sophia said, "A fast one? I don't know he left as soon as I had it. I asked if he collected the information and he said his boss did. Who the f**k his boss is...? No clue. Why it mattered to his boss? Again, no clue. I owe his boss, and when I tried to tell him that; the man said no charge and shot out of my oce as if I'd shot him." Matt, Derrick, and I exchanged glances. "Alright Sophia. Have a good night." Sophia said, "You too Chase. Thanks for sharing this new information." I said, "If my Gamma betrayed me, I know you'd have done the same." Sophia said, "I would have, but Derrick wouldn't betray you." Derrick linked me, "Damn straight." I said, "I am sorry for the hurt that must have caused you." Sophia said, "With the exception being you; It's been what my reign as Alpha has been, betrayal after betrayal. It is what it is." I frowned, "I'll talk to you soon." Sophia said, "Alright Chase." I hung up the phone.

Matt said, "So... the Hood cares about Sophia staying in power?" I said, "Wouldn't you? Their shroud is her territory. With a weaker wolf in charge there would be turmoil outside their walls. Despite what Hammond must have told Wyatt and his conspirators... His plan HAD to be to take over the pack once Sophia was forcibly marked. She would have been unconscious for a few days. It would've been the perfect opportunity for him." Matt said, "We'd have killed him... them actually. HELL ALL OF THEM would've died. That's a terrible plan." Derrick snorted, "His plans are crazy. He's losing it." I said, "But why?" Matt looked at us both like we were crazy, "Ummm... hello? His mate died. Do NEITHER of you read the memos I put together for you. His mate was a witch and was taken by vampires. We recently discovered his mate died because she gave birth to his daughter around vampires. They couldn't resist and drained her. The witch appeared to Luna Emmaline in some sort of weird plane. That's a direct quote from Beta Dylan. She wanted some member of their pack to take her daughter. Haley and Luna Emmaline saved the baby, killed the vampires, and now the baby is safely with them. They aren't giving away the baby's name in memos in case Hammond sees one. Seriously. Why do I even put these things together for you? You OBVIOUSLY don't read them. It's a complete waste of my time." I gaped, "Hammond has a daughter? A half witch half werewolf daughter? How the HELL did he let someone take his mate?" Matt winced, "I mean I don't know, but he obviously didn't have her by his side." Now I winced. Lexi was vulnerable because I was doing the same thing. I didn't know what witch this was, but Lexi was powerful on her own. She could handle it. "What witch?" Matt looked away, "I'd rather not say." I growled, "Tell me!" Matt said, "Emmaline Ryder."

Both Derrick and I gaped. Then I had to laugh, "That was a match made in hell if I've ever heard one. They are actually perfect. How the hell did they take her?" Matt said, "Those details weren't given. I'd imagine only Millie can tell, and she's not sharing from the beyond weird plane she's communicating from. Hammond might now know, but he's lost his damn marbles. So I'd say him sharing how it happened is out." I sighed, "Alright. Well...shit. She was a powerful witch." Matt nodded, "But your mate is in the hood. The Black Arrow said it herself, they come for their own. If something happened to Lexi, we'd have their assistance to bring her home." I growled, "NOTHING will happen to her." Willow knocked on my oce door. She was laughing, "We've been trying to link you guys, but you've blocked yours out." I bolted up, "Are they alright?" Willow said, "They are hammered but ne. They are running around screaming the troll is not worthy of Sally f****g Quaid." Derrick said, "Who's Sally? This is Quaid? That's a pretty name." Matt was looking through his phone. He laughed, "This is Sally f****g Quaid. Green dress." Derrick inhaled, "She's beautiful. I don't know who the troll is, but... they are right. He's not worthy of her." I said, "Her string is who is not worthy. He is in love with Lexi." I growled. Derrick growled, "He HURT her that way? I'll TEAR HIM TO PIECES!" Matt stared at Derrick in surprise. I said, "Ok.... go for another run Derrick." Derrick was pacing, but he nodded to me and left. Matt said, "He linked me to send him the picture. Is it me... or is he losing it?" I said, "He will be ne. He's just easily irritable right now." Matt snorted, "He's ying off because you clearly missed that." I said, "We will gure out Derrick another day. What else Willow?" Willow shrugged, "Also the troll is being prank called. Repeatedly. Seems the fairy princess came up with a game from what we've gathered. They are shooting arrows at a target off his face. So random arrows have been ying around the territory. We sent Kevin to the border's idea. Alpha Conners know. He was going to tell your brother since it was his wife's let."

I snorted, "Drunk, plus arrow shooting. What could possibly go wrong? The troll is a normal day in the shroud." Willow smiled, "Yes, they've been shouting the troll is bad in bed. Not a generous lover. Sally claims she doesn't know what an orgasm is. He's never gone down on her but expects it from her. Let me see, oh and he has no power over Lexi Scott. His controlling ass can't control her anymore." I growled, "No he can't." Matt said, "Look at the pictures Chase." I pulled out my phone. My pants instantly tightened. "f**k!" Lexi was in a skintight black dress. Everyone else was a blur to me. Her hair and makeup were all done. She looked so damn sexy, Matt said, "Come on let's call Cameron! I bet he had more details." I frowned, "Why would Cameron have details?"