

Once Rejected, Thrice Accepted

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Cass caught up with me as I headed toward the families. guess he had been in the car behind us but I was too busy to notice. I was thankful he was. My hands were so sweaty, and my mouth was so dry SEARCH THE website to access chapters of novels early and in the highest quality.

I could barely focus on the people around the bodies that they had put on low podiums with a few chairs around them. The family could sit with them until it was time to bury them, and friends could swing by to say their good-byes. Birth and death always brought everyone together. "You got this, Luna! Just talk to them like you would family or friends when something bad happens." He linked his arm with mine helping calm the nervous butterflies in the pit of my stomach.

"I don't even know their names. Their names, Cass. What kind of Luna am I?" I started to spiral thinking of everything I didn't know about them. "I am going to make their families feel like they aren't important to us and they are. Every pack member is!"

"Breathe and just focus. I can tell you everything. You have had so much on your plate and the pack gets that." I nodded for him to continue as I focused on my breathing." The guards were Kyle and Trevor. Kyle just found his mate six months ago in the same pack mine is at. He brought her here instantly. Trevor has had his mate for six years and they have three kids. The rest of the group is family. I will introduce you to them."

"Thank you. And while my mind is on it your mate must come here. Call or text him that he is welcome to the pack!"

Just tell me what needs to happen to get him here."

"I will but for now let me introduce you to the warriors' mothers."

We had finally gotten close enough for them to notice us.

They all looked at me with tears on their faces. A few had more anger than anything and I deserved that. I should have stepped in sooner. I shouldn't have held back. I am-was stronger than them. I should have done better.

"Hello, Mary. June. This is the Luna." Cass shook both their hands when they walked toward us.

"We know who she is, Cass. We aren't so old we have forgotten the important stuff." Mary patted Cass on the arm. "It is nice to meet you in person."

"Yea, finally. All it took was the death of some of our family.

"One of the men in the group mumbled not so quietly.

"Hush it. You show your Luna some respect." June growled in reply sending the group into shock. "She didn't do anything wrong. She has saved us time and time again when she didn't have too. Your just pissed she can outrun you in the training." Cass laughed unable to hide his smile. "She can outrun most everyone."

Instant red, embarrassed cheeks. "I just wanted to get better and do better by my pack. I am sorry I haven't made the rounds to get to know everyone. That is on me and I am so sorry."

"Nonsense." Mary grabbed my outreached hand and pulled me into a hug. "You are amazing and don't let men who can't handle competition bother you."

I pulled back and thanked her before giving my condolences to the rest of the family. The men's mates hadn't moved from their bodies so I moved to sit between them. I held their hands and told them what happened.

"Your mates saved several of the pack including myself and your beta here. We were attacked by rogues, and they never let them break the line. I am sorry that by being with us today it caused them to leave you forever. I won't ever forgive myself. I did kill one of the wolves that had taken them down and made him feel what they did."

"Thank you for taking the time to come sit with us and tell us about our mates last few minutes. It means the world to me." One of their mates stated without looking away from her mate. "I am not mad at you. I do not blame you. I blame that stit head person who paid these rogues off that caused them to get hurt. I blame whoever started this war on the royals because so many of us will lose our mates, children their parents, and what is the reason? So they can be in charge and change a few laws. It is stupid." "I agree with her, Luna." The other mate stated looking over at me. "My children are going to suffer because some Alpha wants to be able to ruin families and turn law into chaos. I hate them. I can't wait for you to kill them one by one until the only thing left is their children who will be taken in by better wolves and parents to raise them right.

Thank you for taking out one of the wolves who took away our loves and thank you for having the balls to tell the truth on what happened even if it didn't put you in the best light."

I nodded and waited. The man who stated his opinion earlier started nodded at me which I took as an apology before starting in on a story about the guys growing up together and how much trouble they always got in even if there was a five year age gap. It was like a gate was opened sending out stories from everyone and each story healed your heart a bit. This was what I had hoped for and it was better than words. These two

families lost someone important today but in the end they were getting closer and stronger together instead of letting them use the pain to weaken themselves.

'Gemma, We need you in the dungeons. We have learned a few interesting things and need to hear your thoughts on it.' Duncan linked.

'Be there in a minute.' I linked back slowly standing up.

"Thank you all for letting me listen to your stories. These men were amazing and I feel so much closer to them." I smiled and put my hands in my pockets. "Duty calls so I will see you tonight for the burial. If you need anything and I mean anything let me or Cass know." Cass took over letting me sneak out before I got caught up again. Thank goodness because I was almost out of tears but not sadness.

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The cells were bare except for the back one the guys had the guy in. He didn't look like they beat him up or even try to scare him. He was chained to a chair but loosely while he had a huge burger in his hands as he stuffed his face. It looked like he had a large shake and fry beside him. I was completely lost wondering if I had entered the twilight zone. "What is going on here?" I slowly stepped into the cell having the warrior on duty lock it behind me. "Not saying it isn't as nice change but my brain has been turned around enough lately."

Leo chuckled. "Well, our mate brought us nice and chatty traitor. He asked for a meal since he knew we were going to kill him regardless which stumped the heck out of Lucas."

"It did not. I can be nice and get answers." Lucas growled pouting as he stood in the far corner with his arms crossed and body tense.

"He is nice enough so we decided to be nice. He answered all our questions and even gave us details on things we didn't think to ask." Duncan shrugged. He had moved from his seat by Leo to stand against the wall beside it. "Have a seat. We have need of our Luna." "Ok..." I asked worriedly. "If you already got the answers you were looking for what do you need me for? I am ok with missing you kill someone. I have burial preparations to start with Cass."

"No, you aren't here to watch anyone die. You have had enough of that the past few months since arriving here." Duncan stated leaving no room to argue.

"We need you to use your lie detector ability to double check the truth on his answers. He has been nice and forthcoming but sometimes that isn't the best case either." Lucas shook his head. "We have been down this road a few times."

"Ok." I nodded and turned back toward the prisoner as he finished up his food. "Let's start out easy to get a feel on how truthful you are on big or small things."

"You betcha. I am ready." He wiped the crumbs off his hands and gave me his full attention.

He seemed relaxed and calm but his aura read that he was upset. Between the pinks, greens, and a bit of yellow it felt like he was good pretender but was only half pretending here.

"What is your name?"

"That isn't what we need to know. I can tell you the questions we asked." Leo interrupted as he put his hand on my arm like a child he was gently shushing.

I turned my head toward him with a glare. "I know what! am doing. When I need you to ask the questions I will. K?" I said the K sarcastically before turning my head back to the prisoner. "Please answer."

"My name is Jeffrey but everyone calls me Big J."

"Truth. Nice to see we have an honest Rogue, Jeffrey."

"Nice to meet ya, Luna." He bowed slightly. [SEARCH THE website](#) to access chapters of novels early and in the highest quality.

"Ok, now you can ask your questions again." I gave Leo a side look hoping he understand that I was not in the mood.

I was tired, sad, hungry, and in need of a cuddle pile.

"Who hired you and the rest of the rogues to attack the Luna and other pack members?" Leo pushed play on his tape recorder. "And who knew where they were going to be?"

"Well like I answered earlier Alpha Leo and his sidekick, Dylan, hired us to kill the Luna along with Lindy, Lydia, and Olivia. Leo said no one escapes his pack unless its through death." Big J's face finally got serious. "Dylan just want you dead, Luna. He said you killed his wife and son for no reason and he didn't have the energy to waste on you. He needs revenge before he helps take out our problem King."

It didn't even shock me that it was them two causing the problems. I just had to wonder why the Luna wasn't in on it.

She was normally the one to come up with some of the stupidest and most dangerous things for pack members to handle. She would never get her hands dirty but hiring rogues for everything isn't something I would put past her. "Well, Baby?" Duncan asked breaking me out of my own thoughts.

"Truth." I could feel the guys relief. I felt it myself. "What about the Luna? She wasn't apart of this?"

Big J chuckled. "Oh she was there but neither of the guys would let her speak. He riled her up until she couldn't take it and left. The Alpha didn't even notice."

"Huh, well good. The only thing she spouts is stupidity and venom." I looked at Leo and nodded for him to continue.

"Tell us what you know about an incoming attack like when will it happen and where." Leo had his notebook out checking off the questions as he asked them for a second time.

He took a moment before replying. His aura turned bright red for a split second before turning back to the normal since he had been captured. I guess he thought about lying.

"I saw that, Jeffrey. Let's keep it honest or that burger might have to come back up with some pain as the side." I warned him.

He nodded. "My bad. Let me try that again." He rubbed his neck like he was stressed. "This is a hard question to answer since they didn't give us all the information and a lot of it sounded like absolute crap."

"Just tell us." Lucas yelled moving from his corner to standing behind Leo but only because he had been stopped by Leo grabbing a hold of his legs.

"In a weeks' time they will be attacking three different packs that would ally with the royals. Yours being one of them. Dylan said he would leading the attack on this one.

The rest of their allies and followers should already be joining them for last minute prep." He threw his hands out and shrugged. "That's all I know."

I growled already knowing he was lying before his aura blazed red. "You're lying. You know more!"

His innocent expression dropped being replaced by a sinister smirk. "I know I was buying time for a few friends to make their way here. I have no plans on being here when the attack happens." "Boom!" An explosion sounded blocking off any response we could have had.

We are under attack! A link rang out among everyone.

I want warriors around and in the prison. They are here for this asshole and I plan on smashing his face in after we take them out!" I linked Cass as we all ran out locking Big J in.

You got it but promise I can be there.' Cass linked back cutting off the guys from yelling at me to run to safety.

'Deal.' I turned back to my mates without stopping. "I am helping and you can shut the hell up." I would be paying for that later

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"Okay somebody needs to tell me who is out there starting s**t with my pack!" I yelled as we made it to the front gate. "Absolutely nuts. They have to know they won't win. Search the website to access chapters of novels early and in the highest quality.

Warriors were in their positions along all of the pack borders linking each time they saw someone in the woods so that we knew where the enemy was. The guys stayed hot on my trail even as we made it to the gate. I barely had enough room to breathe between them. Cass promised to guard the prison personally. He knew that was one of my top priorities. That asshole held back so much and only put together a story that resembled the truth. I should have trusted the funny colors and static blasts of red. Next time I spoke to him I would get every detail even if I had to resort to my mate's way of getting answers.

"From the way they aren't coordinated or working together it seems to be rogues but there is one dominant broke that seems to know where to hide to make it hard to get location on him." One of the warriors yelled from his position on top of the gate. "There are four who haven't shifted standing by the tree line. It seems they are waiting for something as they haven't broken their gaze on our gates. I am not sure what to do from here." Another warrior yelled. "Do we attack them and the rogues before they have found a way to get in."

I climbed my way up to the top borrowing a warrior's binoculars and looked to see these so-called for wolves that were attacking us. I focused on the rogues as they paced the surrounding area growling out warnings. A few were getting closer and closer to the wall like they were looking for a hole or something to help them jump it.

The dominant once they couldn't keep track of was moving from tree to tree in almost a blur. His aura gave off rogue but the strength level was huge. His aura also showed guilt and unease almost like he didn't want to be here or he didn't want to be attacking us. He would be a good option to capture if we could.

Next was the four standing still. I moved the binoculars and instantly regretted even looking their way. I knew who they were and who they wanted. Damnit.

"I know exactly who the four are. We need Olivia, Lindy, and Tiberius up here." I snarled turning toward my mates. "It's a few from our old pack and I think we should give them one hell of a reunion."

One of the warriors nodded putting through the orders to find my friends. Duncan got the Binoculars and studied the four I was talking about.

"Who are they?" Leo asked taking the binoculars from Duncan and taking his turn. "That one looks familiar but I don't know from where."

I let Lucas take his turn while rushing Olivia. I did give her and Lindy a heads up because being blind sided sucked Olivia's raged out answer made me feel better about my own anger and boy was I angry

I was livid. Moonlight wanted to rush forward and just rip them to pieces. She felt like putting their heads on a pike especially if it was someone like these four after everything they had done. I knew who the two bimbos were and I had dealt with their blows many times. I was ready to show them their punches show how weak they were.

The two guys ignore the girls as they rubbed all over them I knew even better and it was from more than physical pain.

It was the rejection kind of pain. My first mate, Eric, was out there with Trinity's w***e hands wrapped around his arm. Shane stood next to him looking like a f*****g i****t with Sasha beside him. If they were here to fight they brought the wrong bitches to help them. They would run and tuck their tails before actually doing anything for anyone else.

"I am going to kill him first and then her. I can't believe he brought her along." Olivia shouted as they finally arrived.

"Ok tell us who they are." Lucas demanded.

"The guy in the green polo and white pants like a doofus-"

"Is my ex mate and the girl in the short dresses and high heels like she always is would be his side piece, Sasha. I once walked in on him plowing into her and calling her another girls name. Yet she is still by him." Olivia growled. "And the other two? I think I know where this is going." Duncan crossed his arms trying to look calm but I knew better.

"Its Eric, the betas son and my mate who rejected me. The girl beside him is Trinity. She is just an easy lay for everyone in the pack." It did hurt knowing he chose lose vag trin

over me but my anger was way more needy right now. "Lets kill them." Lindy grabbed the gate swinging it open."

They hurt my besties and I am not ok with that."

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Tiberius tried to stop her but failed. Olivia and I ran after her along with our mates and several warriors. The rogues attacked but they weren't properly trained so easily taken out. I guess we were gonna fight our way to deal with our ex-pack members. Moonlights was all for it.

Half-way there the rogue we couldn't keep track of finally stepped out from hiding and kept his gaze on Olivia. She wasn't paying attention so I stepped in front of his view.

"I don't know who sent you here but you touch my friends and Ill rip your heart out!" I yelled over the sounds of what was left of the rogue army attacked. "It will be a good warm up for my ex over there."

He ignored me stepping even closer before his eyes widened. "Mate." His eyes hadn't left Olivia.

She had finally turned around after hearing me yell so she heard hm say mate. I thought she would lose her s**t but she just repeated it back before losing her crap and laughing so hard she cried. Things just got really weird

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"No f*****g way!" Shane yelled from their spots on the edge of the field with their backs to the forest. Way too trusting for me. "Shut up asshat." Lindy yelled giving Olivia more time to focus on the big burly man walking toward us.

"What is happening? Should we let them talk and we head over to deal with these four nut cases?" Tiberius asked as he paced beside Lindy. He was keeping awful close to her almost like his possessiveness had went nuclear. It didn't hit me until he sniffed her neck for the third time in a matter of minutes. "She has to get off the field. She can't shift with a pup growing inside her. Moonlight stated a bit upset that she was out there with us.

I knew what I had to do. I know Lindy would love to rip these girls a part after the crap we dealt with from them especially in high school but we just couldn't risk that.

"Get your pathetic asses over here so we can be down already. I have better things to do than deal with your ugly asses." Trinity yelled with a smirk. I had to imagine breaking her nose to keep from shifting and tearing her apart.

"Somebody shut that b***h up before I have to." Duncan yelled looking at me for our next move. I f*****g love that guy-

"Tiberius, take Lindy back home and keep her safe." I shook my head when she started to protest. "I know what is going on with you and we have to keep you all safe." I looked at her stomach and back up sat her.

"Fine but I better get all the details later."

"Deal."

Tiberius didn't give her anymore time. He picked her up and ran back toward the gate. He did link to tell me thank you. [Search The website to access chapters of novels early and in the highest quality.](#)

His wolf was riding him pretty hard about being out there with her. I totally got it.

I turned back toward the four as Shane snarled jerking his arm out of Sashas. He was getting more and more pissed as Olivia talked to her second-chance mate. A few warriors were close by in case he tried anything but so far it was like a switch had been hit and he was super sweet instead of super scary.

"Meet us in the middle or f**k off. I have s**t to do and you have to bury your dead." I felt the shock from a few of the warriors with us from me speaking like that but they would get used to as I took on more responsibility as the luna. I didn't p**ky foot around if I didn't have to.

"They were useless rogues. No need to waste our time collecting them. They can rot." Shane stated looking smug.

We just needed distraction so you would end up meeting with us.

All of this yelling back and forth was getting on my last nerve. "Olivia, can we table the mate thing or should you two head back inside? I don't know how much longer I can be civil with these wolves."

Olivia gave her mate one last look and he nodded. "Let's kick some a*s. Oliver here has an opinion about wasting a wolf's life for nothing."

I shook my head. "They just wanted a way to belong. They died fighting to be wanted and respected. Even if it was against us it wasn't a waste. They had a dream and they went for it. In most ways Rogues end up better than the spoiled rotten members of a

pack." Oliver's head jerked to look at me. "You actually believe that don't you?" He sounded like he was shocked.

"I do, Alpha. We have much to discuss later." His mouth dropped open when I acknowledged his true power.

"Olivia, you are mine and no one else's. You will learn to be better and I won't have to put you in your place anymore.

Just come home." Shane yelled stomping his foot like a toddler.

Before anyone could yell anything back Eric finally decided to speak. "We will meet you in the middle." Short and to the point. Something had changed this guy.

Everyone took formation with Olivia and lined the middle again. It wasn't worth the fight when I knew I would move to the front to have the actual conversation. Plus it was actually helping keep me in the moment when all my mind wanted to do was show me reruns of the beatings I had taken from each of them physically and mentally.

Eric started the conversation when we had reached our destination. "We have orders to take you, Olivia, and Lindy back to the pack." He stood there with his arms crossed against his chest.

"Dead or alive so don't do anything stupid or I will finally be able to end your pathetic life." Trinity laughed letting her wolf's claws come out for show.

"Our Alpha says since you are Luna of this pack you can step down along with your mates and he will take over this pack. He will take it as your first step toward making amends." Eric finished ignoring Trinity's added details.

Silence. That was all the response he got. I was in disbelief that Eric and my old alpha were delusional to think that would ever happen. He was just trying to scare us because he was scared we could kick his ass. That felt pretty damn good but there had to be another reason why he sent them, specifically them, to have this chat with us.

"I call bullshit." Olivia laughed. "Your Alpha sent you both here hoping we would either be so pissed and jealous of your new chosen mates we would fight you without back up and you could kill us sending my new alphas into a rage."

I saw where he was going with this. "Or that we would see you and still feel the mate bond sending us into crying messes wanting you and accepting anything you say." My body shook in disgust.

"No f*****g chance of either." Olivia stated with me agreeing.

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Sasha growled and took a leap at Olivia before anyone could stop her. Olivia was ready catching her mid-air by her throat keeping her in the air with the smallest space in between her toes and the ground. I couldn't help but chuckle. Oh how the tides have turned with the beaten being the strong ones

"Anyone want their b***h back?" Olivia laughed squeezing her hand tighter sending Sasha into freak out mode scratching at Olivia. "There was a time where she would have done this but taken it farther, almost beating me and Gemma till we passed out. Wonder if I should show her some of her own medicine." "Don't put your filthy omega hands on her." Shane growled out.

"Somebody is protective. Where was that when you had your fated mate who was made for you by the goddess?"

Who made you stronger than ever?"

"Last warning you filthy mutts. The Alpha told us he would prefer if you were alive but the rest of us would rather see you dead." Shane growled staring straight at me.

I nodded at Olivia so she dropped Sasha letting her crumble to the ground. "Next time you charge me be ready to kill me because I will kill you. I don't have time to deal with slutty wolves." Olivia growled which made Sasha crawl backwards even faster like getting back to Shane would protect her.

"Enough." Eric snarled taking a step forward. "You're either going to bow down to us or you're going to die. What is your choice? Fated mate or not you are nothing to me."

I laughed. "You all seem to think this pack and I are both weak. Every time you have attacked us we have won. Your Alpha wants me back for one reason. Do you know what that is?" [search the website to access chapters of novels early and in the highest quality.](#)

I already knew the answer but I wanted to see how much he had kept from them. They didn't know I was an Alpha wolf and for sure didn't know about my abilities. Sucks to be them. The day they learned about me was going to be the day they died.

"Just show them, Baby. I want to see the look on his face when he realizes how amazing you are and that he lost that by being the Alpha's sons little bitch." Leo growled out.

His vengeance and rage in his voice surprised me but in a good way.

"Don't bother. He has told us everything. You are still a weak, pathetic waste of space." Eric stated still having a cold look in his eyes. "The only good you did was keep that shithead Dennis away from the other girls with his eyes stuck on you." Moonlight sniggered telling what I already know. "Lie. You just told a lie and your aura is telling me you're scared. You know your alpha sent you on a dead man's mission yet you still came anyway out of your pathetic loyalty to a psycho." "No more talking. You decided to die so let's get the killing part." Shane pushed Sasha off of him as he faced Oliver." How about you watch while I kill my ex-mate before I kill you? I am actually doing you a favor. She is horrible in bed. Oliver let out a growl covering up the rest of the crap Shane was spewing. Shane's eyes went wide in fear which put a positive point in Oliver's column.

"I agree with Shane. I do have to be honest about one thing before we kill you." Eric's cold face changed into a sneer already warning me what he said would get his a*s killed by my mates. "I regret rejecting you that day. I wish I had waited until I got to take your v- card and felt that fated mate f**k. I hear it is amazing. Then I would have rejected you and been able to savor-

Lucas lost it slamming into him before he could finish.

Oliver joined in on the fight as second later punching Shane in the face sending him backwards onto his a*s.

"Sasha's mine." Olivia yelled running toward her.

'Guess slutty old Trinity is ours. Moonlight cackled more than ready.

"Let's show her some of the pain she put us through.'I replied watching her start to freak out as the only one of them not being attacked.

"Gemma?" Duncan put his hand on my shoulder.

"Mine." I ran forward tackling Trinity to the ground.

Recalling her favorite move I started punching her in the kidney while choking her. I remembered her phrase she used to say as her friends held me down and she did this to me. I wanted to use it against her but instead had to fight letting it in my head. My punches began to slow as memories of her beating me freshman year because I got a better grade on an English paper pushed forward. It was followed behind her and the Alphas son chasing me through the school wanting to make a woman out of me. I only got away from that because of the small hidden space in the nurse's office.

"Not now, Gemma!" Duncan yelled from behind me. He had gotten closer probably keeping watch to make sure I don't get hurt. "Later we can go down that never ending hole together." Taking his advice I shook my head clearing it and decided to just end it.

Revenge for me on this pathetic little girl meant little. I'd wait for her Alpha and my fake father for my revenge.

"End it, Baby." Lucas yelled. "Shift and show these asshats what an alpha female looks like taking her kill. Taking her place among the warriors."

Hooked over seeing everyone holding the enemy bleeding on the ground. Maybe a little show and tell would feel good. Moonlight was game so I shifted and let her bask in the glory of their shock.

She didn't waste time in ripping Trinity's head off and facing the others. She locked eyes with Eric pushing her way into his mind past the block that normally doesn't allow others from different packs in. It was like pushing through jello. 'Hope you enjoyed seeing what you could have had before you die. She cut the link and nodded at Lucas who killed

Eric with the others following.

"That felt good," Olivia laughed, giving Oliver a high five."

Now how about we get to know each other before the Luna decides to question your sexy ass?"

I laughed watching his shocked face turn into laughter. "You have the night then tomorrow he is mine before I let him join the pack."

She ran off with Oliver while the rest of us took care of the bodies. I was going to need a few days rest and spiraling after this.

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