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Phoenix: 1

After wearing my uniform, I brushed my hair and then fixed the mask on my face. Last night it was pretty hard to fall asleep because Sebastian didn't visit.

Though it was I who stopped him but I still didn't like the feeling. I was again falling for the same man who had failed me two years back.

"It's good that he wasn't here," I mumbled and then checked Kiara's necklace against my collarbone, "Perfect!" 1

To hide the necklace, I wore a light armor vest that was part of our uniform. Jai took special permission to let me wear it.

Werewolves didn't feel cold, so they never needed cardigans or jackets. My issue was different.

I was giving a once-over to myself in the mirror when I received the call from Beta Brian, "Beta!"

"Phoenix!" he seemed to be in a hurry, "Where are you? All the warriors are here in the grand hall."

He sounded tense, and I knew why.

"I'm ready, Beta. Sorry. Will be there in no time," I tossed the phone aside and then buttoned up my vest so that nobody could see that I was wearing Kiara's locket.

On my way to the exit, I found Kiara's room door open, and a few Omegas were there looking for something.

Poor wolves!

They were supposed to attend the ceremony, but here they were, looking for a useless piece of shit.

"Hello!" I surprised Jai while sliding into the chair beside him.

"You're late, Goddess," he rolled his eyes, "Where were you?"

"There were two ladies in a bus..." I leaned towards him, "They both were fighting for this empty seat. One said she spotted the seat first, so she should sit on it. While the other said it's hers because she reached it first..."

A crooked smile formed on his lips, "Let me guess. Did you take that seat?"

"No!" I shook my head, "The bus driver turned around and snubbed them. *Don't you two have empathy for others? The one who is the eldest*

among you will get the seat."

"Okay!" amusement was evident in his voice,
"Then who took the seat?"

"No one," I shrugged, "The seat remained empty
for the whole journey."

Jai's eyes got wide before he threw his head and
laughed hard. Today I could see my old friend in
there.

He must have also felt the same. Because
suddenly the smile had vanished from his face

"Where were you, Phoenix?" he asked me
silently, and I was aware of what he was asking.

"I was always here, Jai. And will always be here
for you," squeezing his lips into a thin line, he
started shaking his head, "Well! We will see,
Phoe!"

He had been acting strange lately. Like one
moment he was mad at me, and the next
moment he was still my old friend.

"It's good to see you here, Phoe,"

When Beta Brian stopped near my seat, I almost
jumped out of my feet, "Yes, Beta. Here I am."

He looked down at his older brother and nodded
his head, "You did a good job, brother. Only you
are the one who can tame her."

I scrunched my nose and looked at Jai in confusion, who had closed his eyes in embarrassment. So he took the duty to tame me?

I sat back on my seat but didn't say anything. All this time, that's what he had been doing?

Tame me?

"Phoe!" he wanted to offer explanations, but I squeezed his hand and shook my head.

"No hard feelings, Jai. This is my pack and I can give my life for it," he seemed to be relaxed, sitting beside me.

My eyes were now on the stage where the Royal guests were being seated on the chairs. Sebastian, Tina, and Luna Tamia.

Sebastian wasn't the only one whose eyes were on me. Luna Tamia and Tina were watching me, too. Their faces were too tight, like they didn't like what they were seeing.

Sebastian nodded at me with a small smile. I was about to return the smile when I saw Amora standing behind him.

I was sure the witch was still invisible to others.

Alpha Blake was seated on the side of the stage with other pack alphas. Their eyes were on stage, waiting for their head warriors to make

their way forward and take the oath.

After the announcement was made, a man from the senior council stepped on the stage to hand over the royal crests to the selected warriors.

The five soon-to-be Royal warriors, including Kiara, also climbed on the stage and stood at the back.

The senior council member held the mic and ran a gaze on all the people of the five packs gathered in the clearing.

"Today we have gathered here to bestow the royal titles on the five head warriors who not only proved themselves in their packs but also kept their packs safe at the times of fights."

I could feel the eyes of my pack member on me, but I didn't let it show on my face. Everyone in my pack knew that Kiara never fought a real battle. 1

"But before assigning those titles, I ask you all to come forward if you have any objection. I give you my word, we will investigate and take your accusation seriously if you will provide proof."

Nobody spoke.

Alpha Blake's eyes lingered on me for a moment before he diverted his gaze. Jai tilted his head to look at me and then held my hand, "You are a brave woman, se*xy warrior..."

He was complimenting me as if I were a child and he could shush me with a chocolate. I gave him a tight-lipped smile but didn't look at him.

"Anyone who wants to come forward and challenge our decision should do it now," The elderly man repeated the announcement, looking above his reading glasses.

I sighed and opened the buttons of my armor vest, "It's too hot today," I mumbled and took the vest off.

The man on the stage was repeating the announcement when Kiara narrowed her eyes and watched me from the stage.

Ignoring her, I held the pendant between my thumb and index finger and looked around while fumbling with it casually.

Look at it, bitch! That's what I want you to do.