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Chapter 51

Althea felt her heart was going to explode when she saw Killian was there, he was staring at Jasmine, who was sleeping. He turned around to look at him when he saw her entering the room.

His expression was devoid from all emotions, but Althea didn't care what he was thinking at the moment, because right now. she only wanted this man to get away from her sight and even further away from her and her baby's life.

"Don't be so loud, I only managed to put her to sleep," Killian said gently, he looked at her as if he didn't agree with her outburst. The audacity of this man was appalling

Althea walked past him and then looked at her baby, she checked on her, which made Killian narrowed his eyes, giving her another disapproving look.

"You don't think that I will harm our child, right?" Killian felt offended with the way Althea checked on Jasmine, as if he had done a heinous crime only by staying by her side alone.

Althea didn't answer that, she sighed in relief when she didn't find something peculiar. It was not that she believed Killian would do harm on their baby, but she simply couldn't believe him

"You are too much. Althea Killian didn't seem to bother with the fact that Althea just slapped him. She could stab him if that was all it took for her to go back with him with their child, so they could start a family together.

He always wanted a family.

But because of his s**ty, he threw one away and now he had to bear the consequences of that.

"I don't think I am too much" Althea replied, she turned around and faced Killian. This man must be very delusional if he thought that she would go with him after what he had done, especially when he didn't seem to be remorseful, there was still no apology that

came from his mouth whatsoever. I have made myself clear about this matter, Killian, I want you to stay far away from me and my child."

"You can't separate me from my child."

"Of course, I can. You are a danger to my child."

"I will never harm her."

"I thought the same thing too when I learned that you were my mate. I thought no matter how angry you were, you would never treat me that cruel with no regards whatsoever, but then you proved me completely wrong." Althea's eyes narrowed dangerously. He couldn't mess with her anymore now. "Who could guarantee that you wouldn't hurt my baby in order to take revenge on me?"

"Are you insane

"You are the one who made me think that way, Killian. Now, leave the room before I called a guard and said that you have tr**ed my room."

That kind of punishment would keep Killian away for a while, but with the support of prince Dare, Althea knew it wouldn't make any big difference.

Killian gritted his teeth, but finally he gave in and then left the room. He glanced at his baby on the crib for a while and then

to his mate

"We will be a family again one day"

"We have never been a family to begin with, Killian."

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That was her parting word,

Killian stepped out of the room with a heavy heart. For now, he had to oblige to what prince Dane told him to do because that was the only way for him to get his family back. Dane should be the king, only after that Alex wouldn't have a way to make things difficult for him the day he took away Althea and Jasmine and returned to their pack.

Abigail had been visiting his rented room for a few times in the last week, she was not relented with her demand for him to return to their house.

She wanted him to apologize to Willow for all the things that he said to her, she told him that their daughter was very depressed because right now, they had not yet seen alpha Killian

Willow became even more stressful with the thought that the alpha was being tortured in the dungeon.

Meanwhile, the five warriors that came with Killian didn't seem to know what happen to their alpha either. They were clueless too.

Not to mention a few friends that Willow managed to make with the people from the palace now avoided her like a plague once they learned what kind of dispute that happened between her and Althea.

This was the first time for Willow when someone chose Althea over her. This hurt her so much and Abigail tried her best to console her to no avail.

"You can't avoid me forever Brian!" Abigail knocked on the door, she was half crying, half angry with her mate because he was avoiding the confrontation, but in Brian's opinion all of the argumentation was pointless, since Abigail didn't want to see the error in her way: "Open the door and talk to me directly

Abigail was exasperated, now she stayed a little bit longer than her usual visit, tried to make Brian to open the door for her,

She was not going to leave until he d

did

But suddenly the door was swung opened and Brian was standing there. He looked at his mate with unreadable expression and Abigail immediately threw herself toward him. She was a crying mess when she hugged him.

It had been so long ever since she could touch him and this was the biggest and the longest fight that they had. It didn't make her felt good in the slightest

"Brian Abigail cried and Brian only stood there, he didn't even offer a comfort and when she realized it, she lifted her head and then looked at him "Brian?

"I think I can't do this anymore, Abigail"

"What do you mean?" Abigail seemed to know even before Brian answered her, she shook her head, as he said the rejection.

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“Look! She is walking” Althea was thrilled to see her baby took her first steps. Jasmine was ten months old right now and she was already able to call her mama. That happened the first time when she was only six months old.

Of course, that was the moment that Althea would never forget. The moment that she would always cherish in her entire life.

“Look! Oh, heaven! My baby is big already, Althea said.

Currently, she was having a picnic with Alex after a long day. In the past eight months there were a lot of things that happened and this of course changed the situation around them too.

Killian became prince Dane’s advisor. Yes. He was an alpha, but he became the advisor of the prince. Therefore, Alex and Althea would see him often at court

Especially now when Althea had become the future queen of the kingdom. Alex introduced her as such after the morning meeting four months ago, this caused an uproar from their opponent, but Alex’s supporter had been informed beforehand, more so, it would be very obvious by that time that Alex had chosen her to be his mate.

The ceremony for that would be held three months from now after Jasmine, birthday,

“She is so smart, Alex cooed the baby, he picked her up and raised her high, which made the baby Laughed and giggled. He was well aware that she was not his, but he had never treated her as such. He loved her genuinely, as if she belonged to him.

Dada dada Jasmine babbled, which made Alex stopped for a while, he was stunned when he heard that

“Did she just call me, dada?”

“Oh.” Althea didn’t know how to explain that and her first thought was; Alex was offended by that I am sorry. I think she heard Amelia called her father often, because they used to play together and she mimicked her..”

Althea felt so bad, but Alex shook his head and approached her, he kissed her softly. “Don’t be sorry, I feel very happy right now. Why would you feel sorry?”

“Because I thought.

“No. I love her like my own. Althea I see her as my own child”

Althea bit her lip, she felt her tears was almost spilling out from her eyes when she saw the sincerity in his eyes. He was serious when he said that and she could feel it.

“Thank you. Alex

All this time, he had never done something wrong to her, he always tried to make her happy and now he said this precious thing. She knew that he was genuine with Jasmine, but hearing him to say it clearly was different feeling entirely

“Thank you for always be there for us...”

The next day Alex took Jasmine in his morning meeting, he introduced her to be the princess of the kingdom and once the ceremony was done, she would be given the tittle.

As expected, his opponent caused a ruckus again, but like before, Alex didn't give a s**t about that.

And the day of the ceremony was here, all the corner of the palace was decorated beautifully with white daisy, Althea's favorite flower, as she dressed in beautiful purple and black dress, this was the color of the kingdom's.

Therefore, by her using this color, it meant, she was part of the royalty now Jasmine was also dressed in beautiful

pink color.

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she looked so adorable and would melt anyone's heart

However, if there was people, who didn't enjoy the festivity, it must be the king's opponent and more importantly was

Killian

He threw everything on the table, he destroyed everything that he could touch, even his five warriors couldn't calm him shown

Once he was appointed to be the prince's advisor, his five warriors were invited to live in the palace as well and because of that Willow could no longer to have an access or even communicate with them

Last they heard, she was still in the mainland with her mother, so did Brian, but they couldn't care less about that information, since she was no longer significant

"What happened here?" Prince Dane came to see Killian, because he knew this man would be throwing a tantrum and he couldn't be more right with his instinct. "If you kept doing this, I can't allow you to attend the ceremony

"F**k you!" Killian cursed loudly, he was enraged, he didn't see prince Dane for his status anymore, he wanted him to disappear along with his king brother. "It has been a year, but there is no plan of yours that worked!"

After a few plans that they concocted, all of them met with failure and this made Killian become even more desperate to take Jasmine away and returned to his pack. It had been a year since he left his pack and he was no longer felt like he belonged to that pack with his obsession toward Althea and their baby.

I didn't appreciate that, prince Dane said, he gestured for all the five warriors to leave them alone.

Joe, one of the warriors, nodded and then took the rest of the warriors out of the room, giving them some privacy to talk

There were a lot of things that they needed to sort out at this point.

"Well, do you want to keep doing this? I need to advise you to not attend if you are not able to behave."

"Don't talk to me as if I am a child!"

Then don't act like one."

Killian growled, he shifted into his beast and was ready to attack this prince. This man only barked no bit. He put the blame

of their failure on him.

"Are you really doing this to me?" Prince Dane narrowed his eyes and then shifted into his beast as well.

He was part of the royal family, therefore his beast was visibly bigger than Killian

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One day before the ceremony, there was a warrior that knocked on Brian's door that asked him to come with him, because there was someone, who wanted to see him.

Brian was doubtful at first, but then he saw the emblem of the royal family at the door of the carriage, he had a wild guess, but he didn't allow himself to get too hopeful, because hope was a painful thing to have

The warrior took him to one of a famous restaurant and then **guided** him to a private room, where there was someone, who **had** been waiting for him.

"Hallo, father."

It was Althea, just like **what** he had hoped, but this situation **was** very surreal, Brian couldn't believe his own eyes.

"Althea, is that really you, child?" Brian could feel his voice was trembling when he approached Althea. She looked beautiful and happy

"Yes" Althea walked toward her father. She had heard everything that **had** happened to her father in the last few months.

Alex kept checking on her family, even though she didn't ask, just in case she wanted to reconnect with them and knew

about what happened to **them**.

Therefore, when Althea finally reached out **to** him and ask to know about what her parents and sister were doing. already had the answer for that.

Alex

She was surprised, but she wouldn't put it passed him **that** he must have come up with something like this. This man was unpredictable, but he did everything for her.

"Althea." Brian called her name again, he finally met with her. "I am sorry, my child. I am truly sorry.

Brian couldn't imagine what Althea had gone through in **Killian's** hand and the knowledge kept him awake every night,

He wanted to punch that man harder in the face. He should have done that when he had the chance.

Althea then hugged her father. From what she heard, her father was no longer stayed with her mother and Willow and every day, without missing a day, **Abigail would** turn in

his rented room to beg for him to accept her back, **willow** would come occasionally in order to persuade him.

However, every day as well, Brian would **turn** them down. He didn't want to see them.

If it happened for a week or two. Althea could understand, but it had been going on for more than half a year and not even once Brian wavered, thus, she thought her father deserved a second **chance**, more so, she wanted him to be in her

ceremony

"Do you want to see Jasmine? Althen asked after a long hug

"Yes, please. Brian's eyes lit up.

The fight between the prince and the alpha didn't last for long because prince Dane managed to tackle him down and make him unable to move, which only angered the alpha even more.

Prince Dane then let go of him and then roared his order. "Shift"

In hierarchy, the alpha would be the highest in the pack, but this was not his pack, none of these people belonged to him and **the** prince was way more intimidating than him.

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Therefore, without another choice, with the direct order from the bigger predator in the room, Killian didn't have another **chance** but to oblige, even though it tore him **apart** to actually follow his order, he felt like he was going to kill this **man**, though it was only a **thought**..

"I don't think you will be able to attend this ceremony with this behavior, Killian," Dane said, he lamented when he saw the anger and killing intent in his eyes, he contemplated, touching his chin and nodded to himself. "Hm. I am right. You are not **ready** to attend this ceremony. I want you to sit **this** one out."

"Bastard!" Killian roared again, he marched toward Dane, but he stopped himself before he did something stupid to this prince. "You didn't have a better plan, did you? Even after **a** year, there is nothing significant that happened, there is no change and all of your attempt to sit on the throne is a failure!"

"**If** I were you, I will take back what you said earlier, because when I was no longer being nice to you to let slide all of your

1. ul. your head will be on the street." Dane narrowed his eyes. "You are not really worth it actually, since I couldn't see why that slut **wanted** to choose you

over a king, so your presence here is not really helping with my plan, if you don't want to listen to my order, you can walk out of this room and never return."

Killian gritted **his** teeth, he had a lot of curse words **that** he wanted to deliver to him, but he held himself back, knowing the gravity of his situation, because the moment he walked out of this room and he was being kicked out of the palace, there was no way for him to be able to return and Dane knew that

"Yes, just like I thought," he said lightly, nodding his head, as if Killian gave him the answer that he wanted to hear, "Sit **this** one out, alpha. We are going to talk **again** after I attending the ceremony."

After saying that, Dane walked out of the room, his expression didn't **show** any emotion and this only made Killian event enraged.

He couldn't go to Althea's ceremony!

But then, what he could do if he came to attend her ceremony, it was not like he was able to **stop** it. It would only burn his blood with rage.

Probably, it was wise to let him stay **behind**.

Yet, Killian picked up what he had been doing earlier, as he thrashed everything that he could touch and turn the room into a nightmare.

All the five warriors that came with him from the pack could hear his angry howl from behind the **closed** door and they didn't say anything, not even shared a look with one another

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Brian came to her daughter's ceremony, but before that of course, Abigail and Willow had to make a fuss over it.

They actually had been waiting for him outside of his door the moment he opened the door, Abigail threw herself to him and hugged him so tightly, he thought, he was going to pass out, while Willow stood there and had her eyes on him, her gaze was intense and Brian knew why.

She saw the way he dressed and didn't like with the fact that he might be invited to the ceremony, because there was no reason at all for Brian to be so neat this early morning.

“Where are you going father?” Willow finally asked, while Abigail was still crying in Brian’s arms.

Abigail was very sad because today was the day of the ceremony of the union between her younger daughter and while the whole kingdom knew about it and celebrated it, she didn’t even hear a peep about the invitation, even though Abigail was sure that Althea knew she was still in the mainland.

A year. It had been more than a year for her to be mad at them, it should be enough for her to calm down, but no, Althea chose to burn all the bridges and didn’t acknowledge her family at all

How could she was so heartless and cruel to her own parents, how she could be a parent herself when she abandoned her family?

She was not a good future queen if she didn’t want to acknowledge her own family and right now, Abigail came here to ask for support from Brian, because she thought they were on the same boat and if there was someone else, who knew exactly how she felt about the whole situation, it must be him.

However, after Willow’s remark, she finally realized that was not the case.

Abigail pulled herself together and blinked her tears away, as she looked at Brian with a pale face. “Wh- what is this?” she stammered because she couldn’t believe that he was very well prepared. “Are you going to the ceremony?”

Brian didn’t expect this early visit, but he expected them to come, after all they had been visiting him relentlessly for the last

year.

“Yes.” There was no way for him to lie and Brian didn’t even want to lie to her. Abigail should see the error in her way of treating their two daughters and this was only the consequences of her action that finally bit her on the butt.

As if on cue, Abigail started to wail, as she dropped to her knees and cry so hard, Brian had to pull them inside the room so they wouldn’t attract any attention in the hallway.

However, once they were inside, he didn’t know what to say, there was nothing he wanted to say to her, because she was still the same.

“How could you by yourself?”

do this to me? How could you not let Althea to let me attend the ceremony? How could go to her ceremony

Brian didn't have any sympathy for Abigail, it was weird to see her cried so hard like this, but he felt nothing, because this woman was the woman that he used to care the most, someone that he thought, he would spend the rest of his life with, but as it turned out, the only thing that kept them together was a mere mate bond that kept fading away.

And right now, not even a mate bond kept them together because he had rejected her.

"Father, how could you do this to us?" Willow cried as well. She was so upset, because her father was so stubborn. She wanted to visit the palace and see Killian, she had been waiting for this moment, but she didn't give any invitation

She came here to try to convince her father to visit the palace even without the invitation, but as it turned out, he got the invitation.

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You betrayed us."

Brian lifted his eyes and then met with Willow's, there was something in his eyes that made her took a step back out of instinct. The look on her father's eyes was... terrifying to say the least.

"You need to think twice before you hurled that word to me, Willow." Brian didn't raise his voice, but the firm tone made Willow clamped her mouth.

"How could you do this to us?" Abigail wailed and then there was a knock on the door.

"I think you need to go." Brian was familiar with this scent, it was the people from the palace, who came to pick him up to the ceremony and this made Willow and Abigail became even crazier,

"Do you want us to go, while you attending the ceremony?" Abigail couldn't believe that.

"All of this happened because of you, Abigail, don't play victim with me. You are the one, who didn't even try to be with her, you didn't even try to stand up for her!"

"Did you?" Abigail then stood up, her eyes blazed with anger after the tears didn't work. "Did you stand up for her when she was accused of murdering Willow? You didn't, Brian. You didn't stand up for her even though you are the father, even though you are supposed to be the protector of the family, but you didn't do anything, don't lecture me about something that you didn't even do,"

That was a sore spot for Brian, because he knew how wrong what he had done and there was no word that could describe how much he was sorry for that moment, but of course, he had something to tell her, to open her eyes.

Yes, I admitted that was the biggest mistake in my life and I redeemed myself," Brian growled at Abigail, but this time, she didn't show any fear. "But, I couldn't say the same to you, in your eyes, Willow is still innocent, right?"

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The oromony went so well, Brian had tears in his eyes when he watched how beautiful his daughter was and he could tell than the Bully was happy, she looked so beautiful, stunning

He was very thankful to her for inviting him here and welcomed him back into her life.

However. Brun could feel the tension in the air and he knew why There were a lot of people, who didn't agree with Althea to be the queen of the kingdom, because she had a mute before and she had a daughter from the previous mate

I was a taboo and had never happened, therefore, the union was frowned upon. Brian felt his heart was constricted because of the trouble thar Althea had to endure in the future, but he was grateful the king would be there.

He believed that he would take care of her and love her the way the deserved it. If only he could help with something regarding this whole situation, he would do it in a heartbeat.

In the party, Brian couldn't see Killian, he was not in the ceremony too and even though it didn't really bother him, he was curious enough to ask around, since apparently Killian became the advisor for prince Dane, the opposition, who wanted to dethrone the king

"You look so gorgeous, my child" Brian complimented Althea when they finally had alone time.

"Thank you, father." Althea had changed her dress into a night gown, she was stunningly beautiful with a streak of innocent in her eyes.

Brian then told her about Abigail and Willow's visit this morning. "I didn't mean to ruin your day, I only want to warn you that they might try something to you

Althea chuckled. "There is nothing that they can do to me, father, you don't need to worry about that"

After that, they talked about trivial matter, but it didn't take long before the topic went back to Willow and Abigail again.

"Someday will you be able to forgive them?" Brian asked carefully. "You don't need to answer this if the question makes you uncomfortable."

Althea lowered her head. "I am not sure father, whether I can forgive them or not, but I will definitely not forget what they

had done."

Brian nodded. That was fair enough.

And then, Thalia came to them because Jasmine had been asking her mother, the little one was upset because there were so many people that occupied her mother's attention and she wanted to get some from her, therefore she was being fussy.

Brian's eyes

up when he saw his granddaughter, she looked so adorable in her red dress and ribbon, she had her father's eyes, but her face looked like Althea when she was little.

They talked about light thing, while Althea calmed Jasmine down. She told him about a few things that Jasmine could do recently and how she was a very shy person, it seemed, she got it from her mother.

"Do you want to be with grandfather?" Althea asked.

Jasmine looked at Brian for a while before she raised both of her arms and Brian's heart melted, he picked her up from Althea's arms and kissed her chubby cheeks.

She smelled so define and the way she looked at him curiously was so adorable. They just met a few days ago in the restaurant and it seemed, she remembered him.

"You are the cutest baby that I have ever seen, baby." Brian cooed her

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After that, the ceremony went smoothly, though there was a few hiccups here and there and how Mathilda stared dagger at Ahhea, because she hated her to be the queen of this kingdom. Althea wouldn't let her ruined her day.

She had dealt with her mother and Willow all of her life and even survived Killian, a Mathilda wouldn't be able to break her.

And now, it was official that she was the queen of the kingdom and for the king.

I time, she would spend her night with the

Well they had seen each other before, but they had never done the deed, though it was so close to it, but Althea would have a panic attack and Alex would stop

He was being very careful and thoughtful with her and she didn't know how she deserved someone like him.

Althea wondered, what kind of good deed that she had done to have this man in her life, she would trade a thousand Killian for him, even though the former was her destined mate.

And now, all she could do was to focus herself for tonight, she was so nervous. She didn't want her trauma to get in the way between her and Alex.

The man had been very patient with her, but she couldn't push him to his limit. Frankly speaking, he had his needs too and if Althea couldn't fulfill that, he might find it somewhere else and that was the last thing that he wanted.

Althea dreaded the thought that some random woman would touch him and Alex was finally fed up with her and her trauma and decided to give in to the temptation.

It was not like Althea could do anything about that. Her true power came from Alex, thus if she didn't win him over, would only be another woman for Alex.

That was how Althea thought about the whole thing. She was scared, confused and was very frig

frigid

Her mind and emotions s***ed.

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"You look so stunning Alex said, as he walked toward her, he just finished to take a bath and they were ready to bed after a long day.

However, both of them knew, it wouldn't only end up with Althea was sleeping like a baby in his arms like they usually did, because there was a certain expectation for their first night together.

"I-I will take a bath, Althea said, as she rushed toward the bathroom, but Alex grabbed her hand.

"Do you need help

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Althea laughed when he offered to help her with her dress, but the look in his eyes told her that he was deadly serious with his offer, which only made her blushed

No Lam not a child, I can do it on my own." Althea replied, she smiled at her and wriggled her hand, which thankfully, Alex let go, because if he insistes, she didn't think she would be able to argue with him in this.

Inside the bathroom, she took her time. Actually, she took longer time than she needed to prepare herself and her heart in order to face Alex later

She knew that he wouldn't force himself to her like Killian did, he might even relent to mate and mark her tonight and give her more time to accept him.

However, Althea didn't want it, she didn't want to let him wait and she didn't want her trauma with Kilian ruin her future with Alex

"Come on, Althea. You can do this." She felt so angry with herself because she still let Killian to control her. The thought that he was still having some sense of control over her body and mind was truly disgusted her.

Therefore, for almost two hours. Althea finally made up her mind and walked out of the bathroom, only to find Alex was sleeping He breathed slowly, as he laid on the bed with eyes closed.

Somehow, there was a mix of relief and annoyed that washed over her, but mostly, it was a relief, because she had an excuse to postpone it

She would be ready tomorrow, maybe not tonight, but she would definitely be ready for him tomorrow.

Althea immediately slipped into her night dress and climbed the bed, she laid down on her side and stared at Alex. He must be very exhausted because he had to greet all the guests, everyone wanted to talk with him and he led all the conversation, while Althea could only smile by her side because most part, she didn't even understand what they were talking about

She had been learning about the state affair, but she still had a lot of things to catch on, since she was not born into the royal family, so it sufficed to say that she had a lifetime of Alex's knowledge to catch on if she wanted to have such stimulating intelligence conversation with him and his people,

"Good night, Alex." Althea moved a little bit closer to him and then kissed his cheek, before he retreated and then curled herself to sleep.

She didn't want to be cuddled, because she felt like she was being suffocated. It happened once and she woke up with panic. Alex had never tried to do it again and Althea felt so bad because of that.

The room was quiet and the sound of the late party had faded in the background, the guests must have retreated to their own bedroom

And when Althea finally fell asleep and her breathing became shallow, Alex opened his eyes. He tilted his head and looked at the girl beside him.

As it turned out, he didn't even sleep, he only pretended to be asleep, because he knew that Althea was not ready for this. After she took so long inside the bathroom and didn't come out even after an hour had passed, he knew tonight was not the night and decided to pretend to be asleep.

If he rejected her advance, she would feel bad, but if they proceeded with the next level, she was not ready and he would feel

bad to force it.

Therefore, what he did was the safest option, though it was a little bit childish in his opinion.

"Good night too, lovely." Alex kissed her forehead and closed his eyes again, this time, he fell asleep for real. Her scent alone

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was enough to calm his nerve.

The next day, they went for breakfast like usual, but there were a few people, who looked at each other with questioning look

their eyes, because they couldn't see the mark on her neck.

Last night should be the night, where the king marked the queen, but Althea had not yet bore the mark

However, they didn't make a big fuss about this, only feeling a bit curious and gossipy. Yet, Althea could feel that, she was well aware of the way they saw her and how their eyes trailed down to the juncture of her neck.

She tried to keep herself composed and not worry about that, especially when Alex didn't make a big deal out of it.

This morning, he apologized to her because he fell asleep, because he was too exhausted and promised that he would make it up to her tonight. Althea blushed and felt a little bit guilty because she felt relief, while he felt guilty.

"Queen, Althea

Althea stopped walking and turned around to see prince Dane approached her, he was alone and to her relief, Killian was not with him. She didn't see him in the ceremony too, though it made her sick to her stomach that she looked for him.

But of course, it was different reason

"Prince Dane, it's nice to see you," Althea greeted him, she kept her smile, but she didn't put her guard down, because she knew this man's appearance wouldn't be a good thing for her.

"It's nice to see you too, my queen. Prince Dane stood in front of her, his towered her small body, but the smile on his lips was very warm, if Althea didn't know any better, she would think this man was decent, only if she didn't know what he had been up to in the last year to try to drag Alex down. "Is it okay for me to walk with you my queen."

No. Althea didn't want to walk with him, she wanted to walk alone.

"Sure, I am going to visit the king

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No, Albes didn't have any plan to visit Alex, but she thought by doing so, she could make this man went away, because in ninality, she didn't want to walk with him.

However, prince Hane didn't seem mind with her decision and walked with her anyway. He also added that he wanted to thee with his brother as well

Great. Now, Althea was walking in awkward silent with the prince by her side, but apparently, it was only her, who felt the awkwardness, because from the look of it, prince Dane didn't feel the same.

"I think you and Mathild can be a good friend, since from the way I look, you don't make many friends here."

Althea smiled politely, but she knew that she and Mathilda wouldn't make a good friend at all. Their first encounter didn't feel pleasant

"Thank you, I need some time to adjust."

It was not that Althea didn't want to make a friend in the palace, but most of the royal family had been friend since they were little and they were very close with one another, knowing her background didn't help her to socialize with her.

Sometime, she felt like they were mocking her, because she didn't know about a certain thing, but probably was because of her sensitive side only,

"Yes, I can see that Prince Dane smiled with full of meaning, as he glanced at her. "I think you need more year to be able to embrace your role as the mother of the nation, not only the mother for your child."

The way he mocked her was not very subtle, just like his mate, he seemed to hold a grudge against her when in reality, he supposed to be bothering Alex instead of her.

"What is your daughter's name again? I forgot her name, because I don't feel the connection with her, since she is not the blood of the royal. Don't get me wrong, but it will be messed up our bloodline if her name is put in the royal stone."

The royal stone was the stone that listed all the royal family's bloodline from generation to generation.

"Of course not." Althea appeared unfazed with his subtle derailment and she kept her smile bright and sweet. "I will make a stone for me and my daughter. You don't need to worry about that. But, I thankful for your grace concern, because it is such a trivial matter, but apparently bothered you so much."

Prince Dane smiled at her bravery for turning the table on him.

And thankfully, this uncomfortable walk didn't last forever, as they arrived at the king's study room.

"I forgot there is something that I needed to handle, so I think I will meet with my brother another time. Prince Dane nodded politely at her and then left.

Meanwhile, Althea stood in front of Alex's study room and watched his retreating back. She decided to pay Alex a visit, since she was already here.

"It's a pleasant surprise to see my queen here," Alex said, flattering her like usual. He gestured for her to sit on his lap. Althea blushed, but she relented and then sat on his lap, just like the way he wanted her to be.

"Something is upsetting you?" Alex kissed her neck, he was tempted to mark her right there and then, but he held himself back, because he didn't want to do it this way.

It was getting hard to be around her when he knew that she was his right now and there was no amount of what people said could change that. Legally, she was his. She was his in any form and shape.

No Altes closed her eyes, she relished the testing of his lips in foreskin or huge has warmth fire tickled her LETNES

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Alches side want to tell host aliout this because she didn't dink dis was a big deal, but Alex knew her well and she was not a god har than she told him aloo their conversation

"Tim. "Alex contemplated, he kissed land of her eyes, because he liked it, it seemed, he couldn't get enough of her n matter what I think you are right, we need te roke out now stone. The star of mur family, what do you think about tha

Ahhew giggled that even a thing"

"To will be a thing if you wanted it" Alex but her chin and licked the spot where he hit her "What do you think?"

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will loss Althea said with a giggle. She stared into his eyes and then leaned over to kiss her and Alex tayed will sto let her to take the lead and didn't face her to do something that she didn't want to, as he sat there and resiprated what she gave to him

Alibes then melged him to open his meth and he did exactly the way she wanted it, her wet tongue explored his month and he sucked it lightly, waiting for her reaction and when she didn't pull away or there was any sign of discomfort, Alex continued

Her hand was on his hair and she caressed his neck, which made him hard and Althea could feel it, because she was sitting on him hard on but she didn't dare to make a move, despite knowing that

"You are so f**g beautiful, Allie do you know that?" Alex said breathlessly, as he kept nozzled the side of her head she was devastatingly beautiful no matter how you looked at her.

And then, Althea did something hole...

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Althea grinded her a** against his hand on, as he kissed his neck and this elicited a deep growl from the king

Mex's eyes widened with this movement, he couldn't believe what Althea was doing to him right now, especially when she was determined to keep this going

The pleasure that he felt from her movement was heavenly and he was barely able to hold back his urge to lay her down on his table and f**k her right there and there.

"Althea.." Alex called her name in warning tone. His eyes darkened, as he felt her sucked on the sensitive spot on his neck. "Althea if you keep doing this. I will not be able to control myself back.."

His breathing became ragged and he was not sure that he would be able to hold himself back if she kept teasing him th

WAY.

However, Althea licked his skin instead as a reply, which made Alex gritted his teeth, because it was very apparent that she didn't want this to stop, but he needed to know whether she did this because she wanted it, or because she only did this out of obligation.

Alex would be very **d if he didn't realize the way people looked at her with curiosity because there was still no mark on

her neck.

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was no way it slipped his eyes.

“Stop this for a while.” Alex said, his control slipped from his fingers, as he wanted to say **k it and f**k her, since she was the one, who had initiated it.

But, the rational side in his mind didn’t allow him to do so. It was Wrong alright to do the deed when she was not in her right mind.

completely wrong for him to think that it was

Alex then put his hand over her chest and squeezed it, which made her flinched and stopped for a mere second.

That was enough for the king to know that she was not ready for this. More so, they were not going to do this for the first time on his desk, he wouldn’t be able to work on this desk anymore in the future.

“Stop this, Althea,” Alex said, this time, his voice was firmer, as he pulled away from her, but she whimpered.

“No,” she said softly. Althea looked at Alex, she could see the desire behind his eyes, but he reigned it and she felt so bad. “Why.. Don’t you want me?”

Alex smiled helplessly at her. He leaned over and pecked her lips. “You know how bad I wanted you, Althea. You can feel it that too, right?” His eyes flickered down, indicating his hard on, which made Althea blushed

Of course, she could feel it, she could feel how hard he was, after all, she was sitting on it.

However, he stopped her, he didn’t want to continue this and as if Alex knew what was going on in that pretty little head of hers, he answered the unspoken question.

“It’s because you are not ready. Althea.” Alex caressed her flushed cheeks. “I want you to want me too.”

I want you. The answer was quick. She knew that she wanted him, she wanted him so bad, she was willing to do everything.

Yet, Alex proved his point again when he caressed her inner thigh and then her neck, her body tensed and Althea lowered her head.

“I want you to only think about us when we finally did it.”

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"Maybe we just need to do it anyway.

Alex kissed her cheek, he pulled her closer to him and hugged her instead, since she felt so uncomfortable with his hand in her inner thigh

"No. That will not help you." Alex caressed her back to soothe her disappointment to herself. "More so, I don't want to do it

here.

"Why?"

"I will not be able to look at my desk the same if you are going to lay naked there as I f**d you."

"Alex!" Althea was mortified with how blatant Alex was talking, sometime, she couldn't understand how he could be very attractive even when he used to talk dirty like this, but probably that was his charm.

What a weird person...

"Let's be comfortable with a cuddle first, what do you think?" Alex suggested this idea, which made Althea thought that was great and she nodded her head in agreement.

"Great" Alex kissed her cheek again and they stayed like that for a while.

Actually, Alex didn't let her go even after an hour passed and he checked all the document and wrote a few letters with Althea on his lap. He looked comfortable enough with her nearby

Yet, Althea could still feel how hard he was and she was afraid she would be a distraction for him.

"Don't worry, you are a welcome distraction." Alex grinned and continued with his busy job, as the king.

How could you not love this man. He had more self control than most of the people and Althea felt safe with him, she knew that he wouldn't do something that would hurt her, he would put her wellbeing above his need, his lust or whatever selfish

reason

"What is this?" Althea asked, she pointed her finger at one of the reports, the word 'queen' caught her eyes.

Alex gave the report to her to read.

Apparently, there was an area in the south that congratulated their ceremony, but couldn't attend because of the problem there.

Drought, that area used to have the same problem every year and every year too, they would have to be supplied by the

nearest town for water.

Usually, the king would come to come as well

to that area to inspect further what they needed more, but this time, they asked for the queen

"You don't need to go if you don't want to

-No. I want to go

This will be her first duty as the queen to check on her

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"Are you sure you want to go

There was a mirth in his eyes, clearly he wanted her to go. Actually, he was going to bring this topic up with her later, but since she was here, he haired her by showing the letter.

He knew that he was reading the report with him, thus the word must have attracted her attention.

Yes, it was a little bit manipulative, but then it didn't do anyone harmed. She could choose not to come with him too.

"Yes, I want to go with you, it's okay, right?" Althea asked, she knew that he warned her, but her self confidence was not really working met of the time and she still had a few issues that she had to handle before she could be more confidence with herself and the love Alex had for her.

"I really want you to come if you are willing Everything was about Althea's comfort and how she felt.

"Oh, but Jasmine Althea felt afflicted because she couldn't leave Jasmine alone, especially when Killian was still in the palace, though the area of the palace was vast

and the chance for her to meet with him was slim, but she knew that Killian would try to see her halay again if he learned that she left.

“Of course, we will bring Jasmine with us, silly He nudged her small nose. “Why would we leave her behind?”

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“B” Althea was still worried because this would be her first appearance in public and she knew that her baby was a sore spot **for** all the people in this kingen, more than her background.

People thought that the king could do much better, there were plenty of noblewomen, who were more than willing to be the queen by his side, someone more beautiful, smarter and more knowledgealile. Not to mention that their family **would** be a

reat support for the king and they were mon

Bia, nope. The king sended down with a moated woman, who had a child with someone else. Althea’s background was not really good either, especially when she came from different continent.

Yet, the king couldn’t care less about what people said and chose the woman that he wanted and this shut them up, though they were still talking behind his back

“Let them talk” Alex kissed her chin.

Right at that time, Greyson entered the room and was stunned to see the sight of the two of them. “Whoops, should I go back later”

Caryson and Northern find accepted their late that there was nothing could change the king’s mind and also because the ceremony had happencil, they didn’t have any other choice, but to protect the queen and the baby.

More so they could see how their king was so happy with this woman and the baby was so cute too, thus it **was** a great point

“No, no I will go Althea immediately jumped from **Alex’s** lap and rushed out of the room before Alex could catch her “**You** ruined the mood Alex **gave** his royal gamma a dirty look for ruining lus time together with his mate.

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“Well, you lighness, this is the time where you have to work, not to play around with your mate, okay? Now Greyson pur down a stack of paper on his desk. “Let’s be done with this quickly, so you can go back to you mate, okay?”

From the look on Alex's eyes, it was almost like he was going to commit a murder, but Greyson simply avoided his eyes and then continued with the report

Later that night, Alex and Althea tried to cuddle, but it **was** too much for her, thus they settled with holding a hand throughout the night, which she was fine with

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The step at a time," Ates said.

The next day, he hugged her from behind and on the seventh day, she could sleep in his arms, Cuddled with him for a long time without having a breakdown, she felt safe with **him**.

i really helped because Alex didn't force himself to her and was very accommodating

A week later, they went to the drought area with Jasmine, she was a happy child, she looked so adorable when she stared at the scenery outside of their carriage, talking and asking question rapidly to her mother and father

Althea was having a hard time to answer all of her question because she was a very curious baby. Alex helped with that and mostly, Jasmine would turn to him.

"Are you like this when you were little?" Alex **asked**, he nudged Jasmine's cheek, **as** she ate her fruit, but still found something

to ask

"I am not sure," Althea replied between her chuckled when Jasmine tugged Alex's sleeve to ask about something. She simply couldn't stop with her curiosity and was very excited with her first trip.

They arrived at the drought **area** and occupied the pack house's guest bedroom, the alpha and the luna welcomed them warmly, they even acknowledged baby Jasmine and accommodate the baby's need, which Althea was very grateful **for**.

They looked very genuine and warm people. Althea could sigh a relief, because she dreaded the worse.

Thalia canie with them too, as she would take care the baby, while the other two maids would attend to Althea.

I trust you with the baby, because I don't trust anyone, as much as I trust you?

That was what Althea said when Thalia thought she was being replaced with the other two maids **and** Althea didn't want her anymore

The statement was enough to cheer Thalia up. She loved the baby, thus it **was** an easy job for her.

Meanwhile, the problem with the drought happened because there was a path that was ruined and the carriages that carried water supply couldn't pass it.

But, as Althea listened to that, she had a bright **idea**.

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Althea's idea was to make a pipe that connected from the other town to this town, through the woods.

The carriages that carried water supply had to take enroute, because they couldn't go through the woods, since there was no path could be used for the carriages to go through, therefore, it took a longer time from one town to the other.

However, a big pipe would be sufficient to connect the two towns through the wood, where it was a shortcut.

"Oh right. We can do that!" Alpha James said excitedly. "You are really brilliant, my queen"

"Thank you." Althea replied sheepishly, it felt so good when someone acknowledged your effort and was happy for your

suggestion

And when Althea looked at Alex, he was staring at her and she could feel how proud he was to her, which made her heart swelled with pride and happiness.

"Thope everything went well, Althea said again.

After that, they discussed about a few details and then wrapped it up quicker than they expected.

The next day, the king and alpha James made a few instructions to create the big pipe that connected the two town.

The news about it spread like wildfire in the capital city and the towns nearby. They praised the queen for her quick thinking

Of course, the news came from the king's men and Alex emphasized to them to tell the truth about the queen's suggestion and how she solved the problem.

This helped people to see Althea in different light, though it wouldn't change their view on her overnight, but Alex was working on it, so did Althea

The king wanted the people to see the woman that he chose, someone that he decided to spend the rest of his life with. This was only small thing that they learned about Althea, but he promised they would learn more about why he loved this

Meanwhile, the news about what Althea had done in her first public appearance, of course, reached Killian and he became more conflicted and depressed.

He became more agitated because not only Althea did great in her first duty as the queen, but she also changed the public opinion about her. He didn't like this. He didn't want anyone to have any idea about her. He only wanted her for himself.

He had never seen this side of her and now, people knew about this and he was not t was, even he had to admit that the idea was exceptional.

He hated it

"When it will happen?" Killian asked grimly at prince Dane.

Three days. Within three days, thing will take in a good turn for us.

the first time to know how brilliant she

Killian gave him a glance, he didn't really trust him, because the last time he said the same thing and their plan failed

For a few weeks, they had been silent, because they were concocting new plan. The road to the drought town was not able to

acres not because without any reason

Prince Dane was the mastermind behind the ruined road.

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"Are you sure with this Kalan asked, he was sick to be in this continent. He wanted to go back to his pack, but he had gone

De and he was not going to go back without his mate and daughter.

“Are you betting me now prince Dane raised his brows, but Killian didn’t say anything. “It will work now.”

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grated his teeth. “Yeah, I hope it will work.” There was a hint of sarcasm in his voice when he spoke, but prince Dane mored that

Right now, there was only the royal beta and the royal g**a in the palace, who ran the palace affair without the king’s

presence

Something big would happen in three days.

On the other hand, Abigail and Willow heard about the news as well. They didn’t say anything, not even had any discussion about it, because what else to be discussed? It was not something that they would pleasantly talk about over meal

However, there was a tension between their relationship. Abigail stopped bothering Brian anymore after the ceremony, she felt this hollow in her chest because the couldn’t attend the event and even more because of the fact she had not yet seen her first granddaughter

For some reason, she would stare at the old lady with their grandchildren every time she went out and she was jealous of their relationship. She had grandchild too, but she had never seen her, she only knew her name and that was it

Abigail had been asking Willow to return to their pack, but she refused, she still wanted to see Killian, trying in her own Way to get an access to get into the palace and confronted him, but of course, it was close to impossible.

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when the other person didn’t want to see her. The palace was not a place where she could come and go as the

“Let’s go back to our pack, Willow, there is no point for us to be here,” Abigail said one day, she looked tired. The bond between her and Brian was ruined and she didn’t know what to do now, she only wanted to rest

“No, mother. If you wanted to go, you can go by yourself, I have never asked you to come. Willow was frustrated with her mother, because she was not supportive and helpful enough to get what she wanted

And that was the first time. Abigail finally snapped at her daughter, she looked at her with teary eyes.

“How could you say that and dismissive my feeling after everything that I have done for you?” Abigail was so hurt. “Why would you want to chase after the man that clearly didn’t want you anymore?!”

He wants me!” Willow screamed back. “He is only confused right now, he only wants his child, that’s all! Once he got his child back, we will be together again

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