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Babylon

"Oh my... you're a big fella arent you?" I smile at the deviant who's running to me. Flicking my hands to deviant I feel the connection.

Anger

Uh oh. I push the deviant to the air and watch it fall down with my energy I find the metal on the campsite outside and bring it to him impaling him. Getting the chills and shake my body and turn around not wanting to see the goo coming out of the wholes in its body.

"Gross..." I sprint to the doors of Babylon guiding people inside.

I see Ikaris push a deviant who nearly killed a little girl. I leave the door I was supposed to guard and run to her. Ikaris nearly on top of us fighting the deviant I smile at the crying girl shaking in

Fear

"Hi." I said to her calmingly taking her hand. I hate this part but I feel the cold feeling go through my veins and see she's okay. I point to the door and nod my head turning around once she left seeing Ikaris fell on me.

"Ow! You're heavy get off." He dusted his suit then helped me up.

"Need a ride?" He asked and I nodded and he picked me up and dropped me in front of the gate.

"Quickly, inside the gate!" Gilgamesh yelled in Babylonian. As the doors closed I moved my hands to both statues bringing them to the door shielding them in as Gilgamesh punches the giant deviant who charged at him. The deviant crashes into the shield I just made breaking the statues.

"Okay so there was literally no point to that.." I said and looked at the deviant. Moved my hands quickly as he pushed Gilgamesh. I used my hands to bring the deviant off the ground and hold him still but he was so strong I lost my balance but stayed pushing his body crushing his bones. Ikaris flew to blast him and kingo shot his energy at him. Makkari ran to pick me off the ground and I smiled at her.

Thena and Gilgamesh came knocking the deviant on its ass.

I let go and sat down.

"Oh wait are we walking back already wait for me!" I saw all of them walk to see the disaster. I sat up and caught up to them. Gilgamesh patted my back but put too much force. I nearly ate the floor but I caught myself.

"Sorry Cora! Got too into it!" They all laughed.

"I could feel that!" I rubbed my back where he hit me laughing along.

We headed back to the domo

"Ajaks wants to talk to you." Sprite called out as she hugged me.

"Someone's in trouble." Druig said from afar leaning on the wall. I looked at him and felt

Nothing

It's weird interacting with him but I smiled and waved my hand secretly to stick his suit in between the window and the wall he was leaning on so he was stuck. I walked to ajak who was talking to Ikaris.

"You wanted to see me?" I smiled at them both. Oh.

Upset

"Cora you felt him didn't you. You hesitated and you felt." Ajak came to me.

"Yes but I didn't dig into it I swear I accidentally connected to him but I was trying to get in him to push-" I started but she cut me off.

"Cora you have to be careful I told you that you can't do that. It's too dangerous." I look down. I think I'm sad.

I feel her disappointment, but also worry.

"I know I'm sorry I won't do it again. I'll be more careful." I look back at her smiling. She hugged me.

Love

I smile and head to my room. As I pass the hall I see druig pulling on his suit. I wave my hand and let his suit go and he falls. I laugh and he looks at me and starts walking to me I don't know if he's anger or gonna kill me so I'm even more terrified. I spring to my room in the domo and wait against the door trying to hear something anything. I close my eyes and try to feel who's here.

Nothing

"Ugh I don't know if you're out there but sorry! Please forgive me and don't kill me?" I said slowly opening the door and see him there looking down at me. I smile.

"Hi!" I open the door. He looks into my room and sees the books and the papers scattered on the floor. I turn quickly and all the books fly in the air into a neat place. Smiling back at him.

"You know Cora if you continue to play these games I will have to play them too..." he said and his eyes stared at me. His blue eyes looking down at me and I dropped my smile. Is this war ? Is this a game ?

"You know I cant say no to a friendly game druig." I looked back at him and he smiled. He leaned in to my ear as I freeze up.

"Deal." He whispered and turned around and left.

I let go of a breath I didn't know I was holding in. I'm about to go back into my room but hear my name being called.

"Hey Cora!" I turn to see Sersi smiling. I love talking to Sersi because I feel her happiness radiate off of her. I give back a smile.

"Hey Sersi, how's your day so far?" I ask as she grabs my arm leading me to the main room where we see phastos and Ajak talking.

"There they are." Ajak said pointing to us.

"What did we miss?" Sersi spoke for us,

"Oh let me guess." I said and closed my eyes to focus since there is a lot of people here meaning a lot of different emotions.

Calm

Disappointment

Happy

"Disappointment?" I tilt my head curiously. Phastos smiled at me and I felt that cold rush turn warmer.

"Yeah it was the screams of my deep disappointment." He walked around and I sit next to sprite.

"I'm sure you have something simpler." Ajak said to phastos. I turned to sprite and smiled.

"Cora are you going to the gathering?" Sprite asked and I turned to her and nodded. I felt Druig stare at us from afar. I smile at him and he smirked.

"Ladies and gentlemen, I present to you the plow. Because that's what it does... plows dirt." Phastos looked at me and sprite who giggled. I know he was excited to create more but it's too early.

"I met another group of settlers who are building their homes in the northern fields. They'll need to plant their own crops!" Sersi gave them that information as I get up and head to my room.

After a few hours I change into an outfit for the gathering. My hair...

I head over the ajaks room and knock.

"Cora come in. How can I help you" She sat down and I pulled out the brush from my hand. I smiled at her and she nodded.

"Of course my Cora come sit down." She sat me in front of her and started to brush my hair. She was so gentle and

Calming

She was the only figure I had to look up to. I feel connected to her more than anyone.

"Ajak do you think we have more family back on Olympia?" I smiled thinking of family.

"Oh Cora, let's focus on right now and enjoying the world we are protecting. I hand her a hair tie as she hums along to a melody.

I stand up as she finishes my hair. I hug her and we both leave down from the Domo.

"Would you like me to get you anything Ajak? I'm kind of hungry." I smiled to her and she shook her head.

"No go enjoy Cora." I smiled at her and went to get food. The humans know how to make amazing meals and as I was getting food. Someone came to me.

"Would you like more of this?!" He said said excited. I looked at my nearly full plate but looked back at the guy. I can't say no. I nodded my head.

"Sure thank you so much it looks amazing!" I smiled back. He put the food on my plate and left. Another woman came to me and smiled wide.

"Would you like some more bread!" She smiled and I looked at her and nodded my head and watched as she piled my plate. I am about to turn around to find a place to sit but another older woman comes up to me and smiles so sweetly.

"Hi would you like some of this? I made it myself." She held out a plate full of food. My eyes widen. Wow are these people trying to say something ...

"Sure I'm so grateful thank you so much Ma'am." I see her smile and take the second plate in my hand balancing the tower of food as two little boys run up to me.

"Here here here try this it's so good! We got these just for you!" The little boys said holding two more plates of bread and food. OH WOW OKAY. I can't say no but this is enough food to feed Ajak, Gil, thena, sersi, kingo, makkari, phastos, Ikaris, sprite, and even ... druig

I take the plate and look around, there he is. Of course he's in the dark corner not suspicious at all. His eyes glowing gold as he smirked. I walk to him and we meet half way at a table where I nearly drop my four plates. He grabs one which slid off.

"Having trouble there Cora. You know this is a lot of food." He looks at me as I sit down.

"Ha ha ha you're so funny you know I can't say no." I rolled my eyes and looked at the food in front of me.

"Well Cora, I guess you better start eating. You wouldn't want to feel them sad you now would you?" He looked at me and smirked. I want to wipe that smile clean off his face. Well I can do something. As he walks away I lift my left hand and pull him back and sit him down in front of me. I smile and with my right hand I take a bite out of the bread. I offer him some and he rolls his eyes.

"Well the least you can do is help me eat so the food doesn't go to waste." I smile at him and he looks at me and takes the bread out of my hand and eats it. I roll my eyes and push him two plates and we both eat.

"Is it frustrating you can't feel me?" Druig asked and I nearly choked on my food staring at him quickly I understand what he meant...

"Uhh kind of. I can feel everyone in here. It's hard to find out who feels what but I feel it all at once. You however. I can't feel a thing." I force a smile. Of course it frustrates me. The only person who is cold to me is him. I love everyone and get along with everyone but he's so isolated, it's like he doesn't want me to smile at him.

"I can't read your mind either." He looked down at his food. Taking another bite.

"Oooh that's so cool." I said and smiled. He just looked at me as if he was trying to find something. As we nearly finish I reach over to his plate and take the last bread. I giggle and take a bite as he reached over to try and grab it.

"Come on Cora. That's mine." He said and reached. I pulled back and laughed. His eyes glowed gold for a second as he smirked.

He can't control me so who is he controlling.

A little boy taps my shoulder and I turn to face him.

"Hi would you like to dance with me?!" The little boy had the biggest smile on his face. I look back at druig to see him snatch the bread and smirk.

"Go dance darling, you wouldn't want him sad." He said and pointed to the little boy who started to pout. I got up quickly. And grabbed his hand draining the sadness. The cold feeling in my veins and I lead him to where everyone was dancing. I shot a look at druig who took a bite out of MY bread. I return his smirk and lift my hand pulling the bread and catching it in my hand while dancing with the little boy. The little boy tries to spin me around as druig got up from the table and walked to us.

"Mind if I have this dance." He told me. He didn't ask. His tone was hard.

His eyes glowed and the boy went back to his mom and the bread was taken from my hand before I can eat it. He had it in his hand as he grabbed my waist. I grabbed his shoulder bringing us close and reach my hand out to grab the bread but his eyes glowed and some guy took it and circled us. He grabbed my hand as we danced, both of us dancing along but holding each other down to get the bread. I reach my left hand over his shoulder and he quickly moved us back along with the music. He reached his right hand to get the bread behind me and I forced his hand back on my waist with my force. I smiled to him and he returned it. He actually smiled. I see the hand holding the bread behind his head and reach over but he quickly turned us to dip me as the song ended. My hair dangling as he held my body. His gold eyes turn back and he smiled. I felt his heart race. Not through my powers but because of how close we were. I felt him. I smiled at him as both of us were out of breath. He brings me back up to standing position and the guy circling us with the bread handed it to druig.

"You win." I said smiling. He looked at me and handed me the bread. I look at his eyes.

"Playing this game with you Cora was already a win for me. Here." He started to walk away leaving me in the crowed of people.

"Who says the games over." I call out and he turns and smiles. I took the last bite of the bread and smiled.

"I can't let you go and fight deviants on your own." I turn to see Ikaris and Thena talking. I smile and walk up to them. I avoid feeling thena, last time I felt her I went into rage. She felt so much anger I let it consume me. I didn't mean to it was just more than I have ever felt and it hurt me.

"We need the guard the city." Ikaris blocked her path. Awkward moment to walk in but here we go!

"Hey guys enjoying the party?" I smile at them and thena looks upset.

"Get out of my way." Thena looked at Ikaris. She looked at both of us as I stood next to Ikaris.

"I didn't come to this planet to cower behind walls." Thena said.

"I mean I wouldn't call it 'cower' I'd call it... enjoying the time with the humans before another deformed monster tries to kill every single last one of them." I smile.. not the time?

"We need to trust Arishems design for the planet. Thena." He said looking at her as she started to walk away.

"I'll go with her and keep her company and make sure she's safe! Save me some bread please." I smile at Ikaris and turn around. Ikaris grabbed my hand and stopped me.

"Be careful, take care of yourself and Thena. Ajak will be upset if something happens to either of you." I nodded my head. Why does everyone pull the upset card with me. I follow Thena into the darkness

"Thena can I ask you something?" I said in a happy tone.

"Hm?" She mumbled. We continue the path to darkness.

"Why do you want to take away all the deviants so quickly? Why not rest?" I asked as we turn to the right and continue. I follow closely behind her.

"To go back to Olympia." She said fully. I catch up to her left side and she turns to me.

"Do you think we have family there? Or like other eternals like us?" I asked her and she looked down to me. There wasn't much of a height difference but she definitely was older. I smiled and looked at her.

Hopeful

"I don't know. I hope so. A home." She smiled back at me and ruffled my hair.

"Another question!" I laughed and followed.

"Whats the question little one." She faces the darkness leading the way.

"Why does everyone always use the feelings card with me. Like 'oh they will be upset if you don't' or 'oh they will be sad!'" I mocked a guys voice and made Thena laugh.

"Well you're our light Cora. You're always smiling and happy. You are the caring one. Our guide to be happy. You take our anger, fear, and pain and turn it into happiness. You're our light so if someone used that 'card' it's just to manipulate you. Don't listen to them okay cora." She told me. I stoped walking for a second and looked at my hands.

Am I really their light? I know I've taken the pain from them and hurt a few times but I didn't know I was this important . I think I feel grateful .

We continue to walk for a few more min until we hear something ramble through the trees. Thenas gold sword appeared as I got my hands ready and a fighting position. We both circle backs to each other facing the opposite direction waiting for something or someone to pop out. I'm a blink of an eye I'm shoved to the ground hitting the tree. I look up and see Thena stabbing and cutting away at a deviant. He pushed her back like he did with me with his tail and I push. Hard. I hold him still and he looks at me. No. No. No. I look away but break the hold and he whips his tail around pushing me against another tree but giving Thena enough time to hop on his back.

"Take out the tail Thena!" I yell to her and she nods I hold him still pushing my force not only outside of him but inside. I feel my force suffocating him. He locked eyes with me.

Betrayal.

PAIN

As Thena cut off his tail she had the time to pierce his head. I fall to me knees and control my breath.

The pain pulsing through my veins burn my hands.

I scream so loudly his body fly's back and Thena is pushed away. The trees grow bear to the branch as my scream blows it away. I felt it. I FEEL it. The burning of my body. Thena runs up to me and I feel her. No. NO.

Worry

ANGER

PAIN

I feel her anger and let out another scream as I felt my body get picked up and in the air. I look at Ikaris crying. I feel the wind and then nothing. I feel nothing.

Nothing.

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