

Chapter 216

Leila did not expect Tatum to not only defend her but also reprimand his precious pack members for her sake, even going as far as promising them a consequence for their action and as much as she does not show her shock, it intrigues her but openly calling off his engagement with Carmela, she did not see that one coming. 1

It seems Tatum really also wants to make Carmela pay but why won't he just do it the proper way, expose her as the fraud she is? But even if he does that, it hardly matters, she's not taking him back, she's not going to be the phoenix Luna for a pack who are always quick to turn on her, not once, not twice.

They already missed the blessings of the prophecy and that is too bad for them.

Tatum glances at her after making his statement, as if to see if his decision would have any effects on her but she keeps her face cold and stoic, not showing any sort of emotion that may give her shock away.

"You can't possibly be serious," Carmela says with a sneer on her face.

"Oh I am dead serious Carmela and you would do well not to make a fuss," Tatum replies coldly.

Carmela scoffs, walking to the front of the crowd.

"A fuss? You don't want me to make a fuss? Tell me the truth Alpha, this is just an excuse to call off our engagement because in your heart, you were never going to marry me, it was a lie, deceit, a joke!"

Tatum doesn't reply but the guilt in his cold eyes is clear for Leila to see that he never truly intended to marry Carmela. She thought he was



calling off the wedding after finding out who his true mate is but she knows Tatum well enough to know that the look in his eyes says otherwise.

The wedding was never his intention and it makes sense that it took him five years but why would he do that?

"You're doing this for her, aren't you? To defend the wrong Luna that you claimed instead of me, the real culprit. You may be the Alpha but we are not fools, we have not forgotten. The assassin confessed that she hired him to do it and yet you defend her and called me a stained Luna when I have not even been proven guilty," Carmela spits with venom, her eyes cold but her voice does not carry any hint of sadness to Leila's surprise just anger.

"Leila didn't kill the witch Carmela, that's a truth we both know and I can't say the same about you," Tatum cocks his head with a smug look in his eyes.

"Did you hear that? Did you all hear that?"

Carmela turns to the crowd but no one dares to speak up, something about Tatum's threat seems to have taken away their will to speak or oppose.

"I think this woman has bewitched the Alpha, she bewitched him before she left because you know the truth, in the five years of her absence, the Alpha never looked at my face, he never loved me, never care for me, he won't even let me call him by his name, he ignores and avoids me like a plague. He forgets how I almost died, trying to save his fake Luna. Would it be a crime to say the Alpha is ungrateful for my sacrifices because not once in this five years did he even touch me or make me feel like a woman, I don't even know what his bedsheets smells like," she scoffs bitterly.



"He just used me, used me to hold place till his witch returns. The Alpha should have just rejected me if he did not want me but he decided that the best way to repay my patience and sacrifice is to put me through this emotional trauma and torture but it's fine, I've had enough. I'm done being anyone's door mat, I deserve better and that is why I am going to reject him."

Leila's eyes widen, hearing the unexpected. Even Kelvin seems shocked as does Tatum and loud gasps and murmurs from the crowd rent the air at the weight of Carmela's words.

"Yes, just like you humiliated me and called off my wedding, I am breaking my bond to you," she stares Tatum down in the face. "I, Carmela Easton, under the all seeing eye of Selene, reject you, Alpha Tatum Cromwell of the blood oak pack as my mate."

Tatum scoffs nonchalantly, putting some distance between them, his voice loud and audible.

"Under the all seeing eye of Selene, I, Alpha Tatum Cromwell accepts your rejection, Carmela Easton as my mate."

The moment the words leave Tatum's lips, a painful grunt escapes Leila and she grips her chest from the strong and unexpected pain that strikes her heart.



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