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Tatum storms out of the restaurant with a tight and painful knot in the chest. Even if he feels a bit of gladness that Leila finally came clean to him about Amara's identity, it hurts him that it had to be out of fear and not the way he imagined it at all.

What's worse is that he has to keep her at arm's length, treat her like an ex he no longer has need of when she is the only thing he needs.

Seeing her sitting there, crying and pleading for his help crushed his soul and if he stayed any longer, it would have forced him to break character and tell her everything.

He cannot tell her anything, nothing that he is up to anyway. If Amara is in danger, he will look for a way to protect his daughter no matter what but as for Leila, he cannot directly warn her about Antonio's plans.

Antonio has spies all over the pack, it is the reason he chose an open place for them to meet for the travelling eyes and ears to see and hear. He doesn't know how close Leila is getting with Antonio or how much he is having her being monitored but one thing is clear, Antonio can never find out that Leila is the true phoenix Luna.

He opens the door to his car, enters and jams it, yelling at himself in anger and frustration before punching repeatedly on the steering wheel, his heart shattering in pain.

Once again, he cannot protect her.

After five years, he thought there would be a chance, that he would be strong enough to protect her, that he could deliver her adversaries to her on a platter but the Lycan king is an enemy far greater than any he will



ever face.

How does he fight against the man who owns everything including his pack?

One word from Antonio and him and his pack could be wiped from the face of the earth.

From the first day he saw Antonio at Leila's house, he knew spies had already infiltrated his pack long before Antonio came, the man doesn't just visit a pack for no reason and catching one of these spies, he was able to track down Tatiana as one of them.

He was about to kill her like he did the rest when she told him her identity and told him her mission and her brother's plan but they had one fatal flaw that he could use to his advantage.

It was a few weeks ago when it happened.

"I'm telling you the truth," Tatiana sneered at Tatum, her throat clutched tight in his grip, an annulet around his wrist that blocked off her magic from affecting him. Whoever gave Tatum her identity also gave him a means to nullify her powers.

"I don't believe you," Tatum growled, tightening his grip, "why would you give up his plan so easily?"

"Fine, then kill me, keep the phoenix luna, keep Carmela and watch your pack suffer. My brother's rage is like a volcano erupting, it burns everything in its path and right now, you are directly in it," Tatiana choked out her words.

Tatum realised at that moment that they do not know the real truth about the phoenix Luna yet and so he removed his hand from her throat,



watching her with cold eyes.

"If I give up my fiancée, will he spare my pack?"

"He will have what he came for, there will be no need for him to destroy you," Tatiana says with a slight undertone of mockery.

"And you? What's in it for you, you're not just doing this out of the kindness of your heart. You're as dark and as evil as he is. After all, the same blood runs in your veins," Tatum says coldly, his eyes full of scrutiny.

Tatiana stands to her feet, the coy look on her face disappearing. "You're right," she says in a sullen tone, her eyes glazing with sadness. "We may share the same blood but it is being pumped by different hearts and the man who holds my heart will die if you don't help me."

"Who?"

"The one you're looking for, Kelvin, I want him. My brother is going to kill him if he doesn't see me succeeding in my plans, if you're not dating me basically. We only need to keep it up till he gets the phoenix Luna and leaves, then I can have my man."

Tatum revs up his car, coming back from the memory.

He knows Kelvin is still alive, reason being that he already rejected Carmela since the lawsuit broke out and everyone thinks Tatiana is his new woman and this is good for Leila, it takes all the attention away from her, for now.

He has to come up with a better plan if he is ever going to have peace with her and in his pack.

