

Chapter : 12. Surprise..

Mila's point of view :-

“Ralph, repeat after me. I, Ralph Barrett, the son of alpha Marcus Barrett, take all the responsibilities of the Beaufort Wolves pack as my own. From now on, I will treat this pack and all the members of it as my child as I become the new alpha of it. I promise to protect it and do everything possible for its progress and safety from this day forward.”

Ralph repeated his father's words right after him, just as he said it. With the vow of taking all the responsibilities of the pack on his head, Ralph became the new alpha of our pack. The entire place got filled with cheer and joy as they got a new alpha to take care of us. Everyone was truly happy and congratulating each other for this change. But this is not the end. There is still another part left to complete this ceremony, and that is the selection of a new luna for this pack.

As the old alpha was congratulating Ralph for his new position by giving him a hug, I was waiting for the moment when he will call out my name and I will get the chance to be called his mate.

“Hey? You are here? How are you now?” All of a sudden a female voice dragged my attention, which is very out of the ordinary because I don't have a female friend to ask about my well being. I don't have any friends at all. I was surprised when I found out who it is and got amazed to see Mabel coming towards me to talk.

“Who..? Me?” I wasn't sure that she is talking to me. So I thought to check it before replying and being embarrassed.

“Yeah. I didn't get the chance to check on you after we dropped you at the hospital. How are you feeling now?”

“I.. I'm good.”

“Oh! That's great. I thought there was something serious happening to you?” She was just smiling and talking to me like I was her best friend.

“Why.. Why are you talking to me? I am just a slave of this pack. And you don't think you know me that well.” Hearing my question, she just blushed out stupidly.

“Why not? You are a part of this pack. An important member of the pack house. Why shouldn't I talk to you? I am going to be your luna soon. And as a luna, it's my responsibility to treat you equally as others.” That was like a slap on my face when just a moment ago I was thinking of myself as the new luna. Even though Mabel is perfect in every way to become a luna, who is even kind to a slave like me, she is not going to become the one. Only I know the truth that I am Ralph's mate. He is going to announce my name as his luna. She is just keeping a false hope.

“Maybe you should expect less from our new alpha. He hasn't announced the luna's name yet. And there are plenty of girls to choose from. So..” I tried to give her a prior warning, because I don't want anyone's heart to break after this.

“Oh! I understand you. But don't worry. Everything is already xed. It was all planned up by our fathers since we came here. He is going to call my name. Just watch.” I don't know how else to stop her from keeping her hopes high. It looks like she will only accept the words out of Ralph's mouth. But in my heart, I hope she ends her destined mate soon and becomes happy even after this rejection. She is a good girl who deserves something far better.

Mabel chose to stand beside me as I became her new friend unintentionally. She was happy and blushing all the time while waiting for the announcement. On the other hand, I am also waiting for the same event, but I am sad to think about the future. Not only Mabel, but we are going to break so many hearts of other girls when Ralph will announce our relationship. And the most affected one would be his father, who kind of hates me. I just hope everything goes without any trouble.

“Now, for the moment, you all have been waiting for. It's time for your new alpha to choose his mate and your new luna. I'm sure the girl he is about to pick will be accepted with respect among you. So, without further delay, I am going to let Ralph make his decision.” Finally the time came for Ralph to announce his mate. My breath was halted in nervousness. I am just scared about everyone's reaction. On the other hand, Mabel was too excited and trying to look more presentable by xing herself than she already is.

“I have already made my decision about who is going to be your luna. Actually, I made this decision a long time ago. The first day I saw her, I knew she is the one for me. She is kind, she is generous, she is bold, and she is gorgeous. Please give a round of applause for your new luna Mabel. I know she is not my destined mate, but I won't choose any other woman in her place because I am completely in love with her.” I don't have words to describe how I feel right now. It seems like everything has ended. I just lost my world, and the sky broke on my head, killing me from inside. My soul just died, leaving my body alive.

“See, I told you. He already confessed his love to me last night. Why do you think I agreed to mate with him in the first place? But I am glad that I found a friend in you. I hope that you can love me as your luna and help me take care of my pack. See you back at home. Bye.” Mabel was overjoyed to become the luna of the Beaufort Wolves Pack. After rubbing salt in my wound, she hopped to her new mate on stage and started being praised by everyone.

On the other hand, I still couldn't get over of what just happened. I still can't accept that Ralph took Mabel's name instead of mine. But I am his destined mate. I am the mother of his child. How can he do this to me? How can he leave me like this after promising me the happiness I deserve? He promised me that he will announce me as his mate at his alpha ceremony. He mated with me just because he loves me. Or does he? Maybe what he was doing with me was the actual acting and the acts with Mabel were the truth. He chose beauty over love.

I don't know what is the truth, and what is the lie. I need answers. I need to know why he did that. He has to answer be right now. So, except for running away from there in pain, I stood still in my place and waited for him to come down and talk to me. He has to give me answers. If try to ignore me after this, I will approach him right in front of everyone and demand for an answer. I don't care anymore about what others will think or what will happen if his father ends out. They need to know that I am the true mate of his. He needs to change his decision. If not for me, then for his child. He has to think again about it.

I waited for the ceremony to end. And when everyone started going on their way, Ralph also came down from the stage with Mabel and their fathers. As I expected, he tried to avoid me and walk away, pretending not to see me.

“Ralph. Wait. I need to talk to you.” I didn't mind other's presence and went to him directly to talk.

“What the hell? How can you call your alpha by his name? Where are your manners?” His father was the one to respond to me while others were looking at me in shock.

“Ralph. I need to talk to you.” I again told him the same words and waited for him to reply. I made up my mind that if he doesn't respond to me, then I am going to reveal everything right in front of them.

“Umm.. Dad. Can you take them home? I will meet you in there later.”

“What is going on, son? Why is this slave daring to look up at you?”

“It's nothing. I will tell you everything later. Please. Mable. I'm sorry that you have to go back alone. But I will be there soon. I promise.” They all just nod to him and left.

And as soon as they went a few feet away from us, he caught hold of my arm tightly and started dragging me towards the deepest part of the forest. Once we were away from locality, he let go of me with a force that made me stumble a few feet away from him.

“What is wrong with you? Are you out of your mind?”

“I am on my mind. But are you? What is going on, Ralph? What did you do right there? Why did you announce Mabel's name as your mate instead of mine?”

“I still don't understand. How can you be so stupid? Did it never occurred to you that why would I accept a slave as my mate? And especially when it's a slave like you? You have nothing. No body, no looks, no wolf, no power, no position, nothing.. Why would I take you as my mate?” Another thunder struck me after hearing his hateful words. I never thought that he is keeping so much hate for me inside, but pretending to like me so much.

“But.. But I am your destined mate. It's the moon goddess's blessing that we got each other.

“This is not a blessing. It's a curse. Getting you as my mate is a curse itself.”

“But you promised me that you will take me as your mate. I was ready to accept your rejection on the first day. But you told me that you need me. You made me hope for our relationship. You made me trust you. If you never wanted me, then why did you say that you need me? Why didn't you reject me that day?”

“It's true that I needed you. I decided to reject you when I first found you. I might have done it as well if you didn't run away. But as the time passed by, I started craving for your smell. I started craving to get close to you and keep me beside all the time. This fu'king bond is the one that made me crave you. So, I had no choice except to pretend to like you so that I can keep you with me.”

“I still don't understand. Why didn't you just reject me to get rid of the bond instead of keeping close? Wasn't it easier for you that way?”

“Rejecting you would mean becoming a mateless wolf. And everyone knows that after losing their mates, every wolf becomes crazy. I couldn't take that risk at that time. I wasn't even the alpha at that time. There was no chance for me to get into this position if I had rejected you and become a crazy wolf. But now that I got a better mate, I don't need you anymore. I know my wolf would love his new hot mate. Now I got the alpha position of my pack and soon after marking Mabel, I will also become the alpha of her pack. It will be double profit that way. So, now that I don't need you anymore, why don't we complete the rejection process right now? This way, you will be free from this pain, and I will be free to accept Mabel without any hesitation.” I can't believe I am hearing all of this. Ralph was using me all this time for his profit. And now that he got everything he wanted, he doesn't want me anymore.

“If you were planning to reject me eventually, why did you force me to have s*x with you? Why didn't you just get pleasure from those girls you used to sleep with? Why did you ruin my innocence?”

“I tried to. I tried to stay away from you for a month. But again, this stupid bond. It made me crave for you so much that I couldn't help myself. It was true that your scent was driving me crazy and my wolf was getting horny every time he gets close to you. I have no idea what he sees in you. You don't have a wolf for him to like. You have no body to get attracted to. Mating with you felt disgusting. But still I had to do it because it was giving me such a pleasure that I never felt from another girl. That was the only reason I was keeping my good face up with you till now. I wanted to feel that pleasure every once in a while.”

My heart is completely shattered by now. I never expected to hear so many hateful words from my own mate. I was controlling myself till now, but I can't anymore. So nally my pains started coming out in the form of tears from my eyes. But this is not the end. There is still hope. Even though I know that he doesn't want me, maybe hearing about his child will change his mind. Maybe he will feel love for his mate and change his mind about us. I don't want his love anymore. I don't want to be with him anymore because he broke me and my trust. But I know that a child needs its father. My son would be needing his father's help to grow up. What did my baby do wrong to not get its father's love as it deserves?

“Well. If you were planning to reject me eventually, you shouldn't have mated with me in the first place. You should have kept your distance from me because I don't think you will be able to reject me after the news I am about to give you. Ralph. I am pregnant. I am carrying your baby. You are going to be a father.”

As soon as I dropped the news on him, his expression completely changed from irritated to shocked. He was looking me at me in a way like he didn't hear me right. I was waiting to tell him this good news for so long. I was thinking about giving him a surprise after he announces me as his mate. But never did I accept that I will give him this good news as this kind of surprise. I just hope that he doesn't disown his own child now.