

## Chapter 69 Jealousy

When turning around after Hercules' departure, Eduarda is faced with Erick, whose face is filled with anger and disappointment. He points towards the memorial erected to the warriors who lost their lives in the last battle, and mentions the innocent children who were sacrificed by Hercules in his quest for more power.

Eduarda tries to explain her decision, arguing that it was out of respect for Peter's memory and his loyalty to Hercules, but Erick refuses to listen. His disappointment and indignation are evident, and he walks away, leaving Eduarda alone with the guilt that begins to weigh on her heart.

Feeling lost and confused, Eduarda turns her gaze to the memorial, contemplating the loss and destruction caused by Hercules' pursuit of power. She remembers Hercules' final words, the promises and mixed feelings that permeate your talk.

With tears in her eyes, Eduarda realizes that her choices and desires are in conflict. She loves Erick, her true mate, but she still carries the memories of a friendship that turned into betrayal with Hercules. Guilt mixes with doubt, and she questions whether she made the right choice in allowing Hercules to leave.

As Eduarda struggles with her emotions, the reality of war and the sacrifices needed to protect her kingdom weighs heavily on her. She knows that she will have to face Hercules again, and that this time the battle will be even more intense.

With renewed determination, Eduarda gets up and heads to the memorial. It pays tribute to the warriors who lost their lives and the innocent children who fell victim to Hercules' lust for power. She promises herself that she will fight with all her might to put an end to the darkness that threatens to consume her world.

As the wind gently blows through the clearing, Eduarda understands that, even with her guilt and uncertainty, she must continue to fight for the light. She knows the path ahead will be difficult and fraught with sacrifice, but she is determined to protect everything she holds dear and ensure

Hercules' legacy is defeated.

With renewed courage, Eduarda goes in search of Erick, determined to show him his commitment to the light and to the fight against darkness. She hopes that, in time, Erick will come to understand his decision and that together they can face the challenge that lies ahead.

As the sun sets over the horizon, Eduarda moves forward, prepared to face her destiny and to face the final confrontation with Hercules. She knows that she will have to overcome her own doubts and internal conflicts, as this is the only way she will be able to protect those she loves and guarantee a future of peace and light for her kingdom.

Erick looks into Eduarda's eyes, seeing the sincerity in her words and the determination in her gaze. He knows the final battle is approaching and that together they have a chance to defeat the darkness that threatens to consume the world.

"Eduarda, the final battle is at our door", says Erick with a firm voice, but also full of hope. "If we are to succeed, we need to be united. I understand that the fight against Hercules is a difficult journey for you, but know that I will be by your side every step of the way."

Eduarda feels a comforting heat go through her body when she hears Erick's words. She knows she is no longer alone in this war and that she has a loyal companion by her side. Her love for Erick grows even more as she sees him willing to overcome their differences and fight together for the greater good.

"I promise, Erick", replies Eduarda with conviction. "I am committed to this war and to you. Nothing will shake my love for you and my determination to defeat the darkness that Hercules represents. Together, we can overcome any obstacle."

Erick smiles softly, feeling relieved to hear Eduarda's words. He laces his fingers through hers, joining in a gesture of unity and mutual support.

"So let's face this battle together, side by side," says Erick, his voice dripping with confidence. "No matter what happens, know that my love for you will never waver. Together, we can be the light that illuminates this dark world."

Eduarda feels a wave of gratitude and love overflowing in your heart. She knows the road ahead will be arduous, but with Erick by her side, she

feels confident that they can overcome whatever challenges lie ahead.

United in their commitment and love for each other, Eduarda and Erick prepare for the final battle against Hercules and the darkness. Their love and determination become the driving forces that will guide them in their fight for peace and victory. Together they are ready to face anything that stands in their way.

Eduarda finds Erick in an isolated place, close to the clearing where she reflected on her decision. His face is still lined with anger and disappointment, his eyes reflecting the intensity of his emotions. As she approached, Eduarda noticed the tension in the air.

"Erick," she calls softly, her voice shaking with regret. "I know you're mad at me, and I understand why. But please allow me to explain."

Erick turns to face her, his eyes meeting hers with a mixture of sadness and anger. He remains silent, giving her the opportunity to speak.

"Erick, when I look at Hercules, I still see the friend who was by my side for so long. It's hard for me to accept that he has become our enemy. I thought I could save him, bring back the man who once it was, but now I see that this is not possible."

Eduarda's words come out in a whisper, full of regret and pain. She takes a few steps towards Erick, looking for a connection that seemed to have been lost between them.

"I know that my actions may seem confusing and contradictory. But understand, I chose the light, I chose you. My heart belongs to you, Erick. It is with you that I want to face this challenge, this battle against Hercules and the darkness that consume."

Eduarda's words echo in the silent environment, and for a moment the tension between them seems to diminish. She reaches out, seeking Erick's comforting touch, hoping he understands her anguish and her choice.

Erick faces Eduarda's outstretched hand, struggling internally between the hurt and the love he feels for her. His feelings for Eduarda run deep, but Hercules' betrayal weighs heavily on him, putting him at an impasse.

Finally, Erick sighs and approaches slowly. He holds Eduarda's hand, but his expression is still serious.

"Eduarda, I understand your reasons and the struggle you are facing. But I cannot deny that I am hurt and angry. Seeing Hercules go was a hard blow for me, and it will take time for me to fully forgive."

Eduarda lowers her head, understanding the pain she caused Erick. She knows her words cannot erase the past, but she hopes her devotion and determination will be enough to rebuild trust between them.

"I understand, Erick. I know the road ahead of us will be difficult and that we will need to fight together. I only ask for one chance to prove my love and loyalty to you. I promise I will not allow Hercules or the dark to win