## Chapter 12

Liam was working on his laptop in his penthouse. After he picked Vanessa he straightly came at his spacious penthouse instead of his office. He decided to work from home till Vanessa is here because he can't leave her alone. Meanwhile Vanessa was busy in messing with his hair and he was liking the feeling of his baby sister's fingers working in his head.

He was tensed about many things but as soon as he felt her fingers in his head he felt relaxed. She has got many qualities from their mother and one of them is massaging head which soothed him after a long time. Then he realised again that how much he misses her while living here alone.

After satisfied of her work Vanessa backed away from him and ran somewhere making him take a look at her because she is not less than a baby and he have to keep his eyes on her or else who knows what she will do with her clumsiness nature. After sometime she came with a small mirror in her hand making him confused.

He parted his lips to say something but she extended the mirror towards him. Liam took the mirror in his hands and saw his face in it. She was admiring him with her sea blue eyes while a small playful smiled was gracing her lips. His face was fine until his gaze went to his hair where he saw two cute ponytails with red ribbon tied around them making him shocked and he fake glared at Vanessa.

"Y-y-you are l-looking so cute b-bhai." Vanessa stammered out snickering at him making Liam to hardened his glare.

"W-w-with this glare added y-you are looking like an a-angry puppy."

She said palming her mouth, so her giggled won't come out.

"So you ar still not changed. You love to annoy me right?" Liam asked her and without her notice he placed the laptop aside.

"I-I-I'm just changing your I-look and making you c-cute so some girl will I-like you or e-else with this blank face of yours, no will marry you.

" She teased her brother and giggled making him raise his brow at her.

Little did she know, that her brother has already found his woman who loves him so much that she is ready to put her life in risk. Liam wanted to tell about Cristina to Vanessa but he thought once all the will solved out then he will tell her so for then he decided to let it go.

"Are you making me cute or a little puppy? Decide first." He asked her to which she placed her finger on her chin pouting and started thinking for some time then suddenly a realisation hit her.

"I-I'm making you c-cute puppy and when you w-will love someone tthen you will become cute lovesick puppy." He exclaimed and started clapping her hands like she discovered the darkest secret of the world.

"For that I have to thank you my princess. You think a lot about me."
Liam said grinning at her and before she could know he tackled her
down on the bed and started tickling her making her laugh out
loudly. Even her laughs were so timid and cute that it can melt
anyone's cold heart so easily.

"L-I-I-leave m-meeee." Vanessa stammered out with a shreik having great difficulty. It's just a little problem in her laughing, while laughing, crying or if overwhelmed of any emotion her stammering

increases more and she has great difficulty in talking. But she is habitual of it now but doctors are giving her proper medications for it to be cured.

"A-a-a-ahh bhai leave m-me." Vanessa let out and giggled out again when Liam tickled her. She is very ticklish which always becomes a plus point for Liam.

"Why I'm thanking me princess?" Liam said like he was obvious of her hurting tummy due to so much laughing from ticklish.

"Y-y-y-you have thanked e-enough. Princess i-i-is happy of ah-hah your grateful n-n-nature." She said between her giggles trying to pry his hands off of her.

"No let me show the princess some more gratitude of mine." He said tickling her neck and she laughed out more loud.

"N-n-no if you will s-show m-more gratitude of yours the p-p-princess will d-die of laughing puh-ah-ah." She said and tried to control her laugh but failed badly.

"Oh how bad of the princess laughing at my gratitude towards her." Liam was not ready to leave her and extending the conversation more and more.

"L-I-I-leave me bhai o-or I'll complain to p-p-papa." She said and immediately Liam stopped tickling her making her to breath heavily and she was still panting due to laughing a lot.

She sat up on the bed ready to charge on him but seeing his blank expressions she stopped in the mid way and sat properly. She understood the reason of his frozen form. When they were used to

young and he did tickle to her them she used to threaten him at the name of their father which always worked in stopping him and after so many years when it again happened so she also did the same out of habit which made him to stop but today it was a little different. Today he was blank instead of grinning like an idiot.

Vanessa scooted closer to him and placed her head in his lap making him smile sadly and started caressing her head. When she was young then he was the one who made her sleep at nights and carefully tuck her in her bed. It's been a long time since he had made her sleep in his lap.

"W-w-why are you p-punishing yourself a-a-and papa for something w-which is not in b-both of your hands?" Suddenly Vanessa asked him making him sigh.

"Not you again repeating mama's words." Liam said shaking his head making her frown but he couldn't see due to staring at the wall in front of him.

"S-s-she is our mama and s-she always says r-right. Do you h-have any doubt on her?" Vanessa asked puffing her cheeks out.

"I can never doubt on her even if she take my life with her own hands.

" Liam said sadly knowing that their mother will never do it. She will choose to die first before any harn can come to her children.

"Y-y-you know she will n-never do it r-right?" Vanessa's asked him hopefully.

"I know it more than you because I have seen it practically with my own eyes." Liam said thinking everytime she protected him when he was a abandoned and abused kid. She took him in. She made Mikhail to feel emotions that he accepted him as his own son. She is the saviour of their lives and can never doubt on her.

"Y-y-yeah you told me about t-that please again tell m-me please." She said shaking his arm an he sighed.

Whenever he mentions that incident she always asks him to re elaborate it and it's been hundred time him telling that incident to her but she is habitual to it now.

"When we went to India after mama Papa's fight, mama was getting married to someone else so papa came there to stop that marriage and take us back with him." He paused reliving that memory again.

"But there were some intruders in Nanu's house and they held us hostage. When papa came they demanded either me or mama dead." Liam continued and Vanessa gasped like everytime because she can't be okay with her mama being dead.

"Mama chose her death and they took her somewhere while I was at home with nanu and nani but after some hours Samuel uncle called us telling papa has been shot while saving mama. Then we rushed to the hospital." He said and felt a lump in his throat.

"When we reached there mama was crying a lot and blaming herself because papa took the bullet which was meant for her." he said with his balled fists not knowing what would happen when something happened to one of them.

"S-s-see our papa is a hero and y-you think him as a villian." Vanessa said pouting at him making him caress her head.

"I don't know what to say anymore, princess." Liam said sadly

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because he was stuck between relations and his principles.

"D-d-do not say anything. Just h-hug papa and make everything rright. Y-you don't know bhai how alone he f-feels without y-y-you." She said to him making him feel bad but when he goes in front of him he get mad himself.

"Y-you are h-his strength and without his s-s-strength he is weak. Even if h-he don't shows but h-he misses you a lot." Vanessa said and looked at Liam who was lost in his own thoughts.

She was waiting for his reply but before he could said anything his phone rang gaining both of them attention. He received the call which was from his office and frowned when they told his there is an urgent meeting which he forgot about. He bit his tongue and hung up the call.

"I'm sorry princess, there was an important meeting but I forgot about it. I have to go now." He said making her nod at him understandingly.

"O-o-okay you go besides I have s-spoken a lot today and now I-I'm tired. Princess needs h-her beauty sleep.". Vanessa said playfully so he won't feel guilty for leaving her alone. Liam smiled at her cute antics and ruffled her hair.

"A-a-aaanhhh bhai." Vanessa whined like a kid and covered herself from the duvet irritatingly.

Liam immediately got ready and took his essentials and after kissing her forehead he came out of the penthouse locking it from outside and stood in front of the two bodyguards guarding it.

"Не спускайте глаз с двери. Если с ней что-то случится, я подам на тебя в суд." Liam ordered the guards warningly and they nodded their heads like robots. (Translation: Keep your eyes on the door. If something happens to her, I will sue you.) Saying this he left the building to reach his office as soon as possible. u COMMENTS SUPPORT