

Chapter 339

Allison stepped back from Ethan when she heard Alpha Neil's voice approaching them.

"You two seem to be quite close. "I'm glad my kids are together."

She smiled as she turned to face Alpha Neil. She kept her rage hidden.

Her gaze went behind Alpha Neil. She noticed Ryan leaving the pack house.

'When did he come in? He was outside,' she reasoned.

Luna Ella stopped him from going and spoke to him. He initially disputed it, but she grabbed his arm and pulled him to their side.

"We are not friends yet, but we will be soon." Allison looked away from where she was looking and turned to face Ethan.

'Friends my foot.' She said in her head.

"Ha ha ha. Such a straightforward person you are, young man!" Alpha Neil said to Ethan.

Ethan stood up when he saw Luna Ella coming with Ryan.

"Ryan came to wish his brother." Luna Ella said and smiled.

Ryan was looking everywhere except at Ethan. His eyes met Allison's eyes. She felt there was something in his eyes that she could not read.

Then he turned to Ethan and said,

"Happy Birthday, big brother."

He sounded sarcastic. Ethan was three months older than Ryan.

Alpha Neil shook his head. "It's his birthday; why not treat him nicely on this occasion?"

Ryan sighed and turned to face his father.

"What do you want more from me than this, Alpha Neil?"

When she heard Ryan's icy tone, Allison almost sniffed. This was his second conversation with his father in front of her. He addressed his father by rank and not as 'Dad,' like Ethan did.

Before Alpha Neil could say anything, Ethan spoke out,

"Thank you."

It eased the situation. He controlled the atmosphere before anything went wrong between the father and son.

Allison thought it was their family time so she should leave from there and let them talk privately.

But Luna Ella stopped her. "Where are you going?"

"I am going to Mom."

"Your Mom and Dad are coming. We will go to have dinner together."

Allison nodded and stood there quietly.

Alpha Neil concentrated on Ethan. He grinned like a proud Dad.

"I want to say something to you, my son."

"Yes, Dad."

Allison saw how quickly Ethan responded to him. He was eager to hear all Alpha Neil had to say as if he was not only his father but also his mentor.

She cast a glance at Ryan, who had come to her side to get a drink for himself.

Looking at the conversation in front of him, he rolled his eyes.

'Why does he act so oddly in front of his parents? As if he is not their son or Ethan's younger brother.' She pondered.

"I am so proud of you, my son. I realized you are really capable of anything the first time you shifted and started running with me. I did not tell you because I wanted to see how competent you were in training. I wanted to see your wolf fight like a king. I decided to give you my pack in the future when you were ten years old. You have never let me down, son. You got into this position by yourself. You are both elegant and strong. Only you are worthy of the Moonlight Crown pack."

Luna Ella agreed with her husband. She nodded and smiled at Ethan. She did not just call Ethan her son; she accepted him totally, just as Alpha Neil did.

Allison became emotional when she witnessed this conversation. She considered that moment to be priceless. Ethan worked really hard as an Alpha and earned his position. He did not even care about his mate.

It sounded silly, but Ethan had not yet left her heart. Despite her best efforts to despise him, he remained a stronghold in her heart.

Ethan stayed silent. He nodded and looked away from Alpha Neil and Luna Ella. He waited for every opportunity to make them proud. He wanted to repay them for everything they had done to him by working hard.

"Thanks, Dad."

Allison was shocked by his tone. It was soft as honey. He might become emotional by Alpha Neil's words too.

Alpha Neil hugged Ethan and patted his back.

"Dad always loves you."

Allison diverted her eye from them. It was a great moment for the family. For father and son.

She moved to her side, nearly forgetting Ryan was there next to her.

He was staring at Alpha Neila and Ethan. His gaze was blank. She could not find any emotion in them.

He blinked and turned away from them. He placed his drink on the counter and cleared his throat.

"I'm going for dinner in the dining room."

He turned around and headed to the door.

Allison was befuddled. She could not understand why she did that, but she followed behind him. She attempted to talk to him.

"Hey! Why are you leaving your family right now? Are you not happy for your brother?"

He came to a halt and did not turn to face her. He just nodded his head.

"I'm happy for him..." He stopped, then whispered,

"Not everyone is lucky enough to get a hug from his father."

Allison grew even more perplexed. She saw him exiting the party hall.

She turned her head to Ethan. He seemed overjoyed. Alpha and Luna were still laughing with him.

She then moved her gaze to the door. Ryan had already left the party hall.

She was unable to understand the two brothers' personalities since they were so diametrically opposite.

One she loved but rejected her and then begged pardon.

The other one wished to help her to move on but saw her as just another girl. However, when she became enraged, he began to push her to move on once again.

Why were they so distant?

Their relationships with their father were different too.

They did not talk to each other either as if they were not brothers.

Allison sighed and thought,

"What happened to them that they started to behave like enemies?"