

Chapter 469

"Tomorrow night?"

Ethan asked and stared at Ryan. Everyone was stunned by his decision.

"Why tomorrow?" Ella spoke out with a shocking tone.

Ryan did not turn to face her but nevertheless answered the question she asked.

"Maybe you did not count the days, Mrs. Iversen. I told you all that I would be here only for a week."

Everyone had almost completely lost track of the time. They were unable to comprehend how a week had already gone by in front of their very eyes.

Allison fixed her gaze on Ryan. Her insides were filled with resentment. She felt bitter in her heart. Hearing about his leaving, her heart clenched inside.

She knew one day he would leave, but seeing him after a long time, she did not want to let go of him once again.

For once, she wanted to be selfish and wanted him to stay here in front of her eyes.

At least she could see him.

"Ryan, you can stay for a few weeks. You can leave after attending your brother's wedding." Alpha Neil said. His voice was calm. His tone was one that suggested he was making a request.

"Our pack can't function without our Alpha. For an extended period of time, we cannot place our faith in sub-Alphas. Who knows when they may begin to think highly of themselves and start to plot against their ruler?" Gamma Colin spoke out while eating.

"That means he can't stay but come back later, right?"

"No. It's Alpha's choice. Only if he wants, he will." Gamma Colin replied to Alpha Neil mockingly while eating.

Allison sent a glare in Colin's direction.

'Who is he? His Alpha's personal assistant? How can he talk like that to an elder?' She thought.

Unexpectedly, Colin's eyes caught her gaze. He regarded her with a raised brow. Almost instantly, she turned her gaze away from him.

The way Colin spoke did not sit well with Ethan. He questioned Ryan,

"What about the alliance?"

Ryan never stopped eating, despite the fact that other people were having discussions all around him.

But he paused when he heard about the alliance.

He placed the fork and knife on the plate and asked,

"Did I ever promise any kind of alliance? Because I can't remember it."

"But I sent those invitations for your alli-"

"We don't need any alliances from him, my son." Alpha Neil interrupted Ethan.

Ryan cast his gaze upon Alpha Neil.

Alpha Neil gave him a warm grin and said,

"Thanks for coming to visit our pack, Alpha Ryan. It's nice to meet you. Allow us to throw a party in honor of your departure."

Ryan could not help but chuckle. "I see. You are not a fool, Alpha Neil. By throwing a party, you will let other Alphas know how long I have been here in your pack. If they believe that I am on your side, they will absolutely refrain from attacking you. They will keep a safe distance from your pack."

Alpha Neil's face turned pale. Ella shook her head and said,

"Ryan, why are you saying this? Don't doubt your father's intention. It's a respect that he wants to show towards you."

Ryan rolled his eyes and stood up. "Let's see how much respect he can show me. I am okay with attending the party before leaving."

Saying that Ryan left the dining room. But his officials did not leave. They kept eating as if nothing had happened.

Ella looked surprised, as if Ryan had not informed her about leaving.

She raised her head, and her eyes fell on Ethan, who was gazing at her. She ignored his eyes and got to her feet.

"Excuse me. I am done eating."

She left the dining room. Everyone knew that she would follow Ryan.

"Wade, be sure you invite everyone and arrange everything in the best way. It will be a grand party. He should not think that we have any bad intentions towards him." Ethan told his beta while gazing at Ryan's officials.

Allison lost her appetite. Teresa looked at her with sad eyes.

Allison glanced at Alpha Neil and said,

"Uncle, I have something to talk about with you."

"What is it, Allison?"

"It's important. If you have free time after lunch, then we can ta-"

"No." Ethan cut her off.

She glared at him. He shook his head while warning her not to say anything.

"You are the soon-to-be Luna of this pack. I need your help. You can talk to Dad anytime later. So after lunch, follow me."

"Ethan is right. He needs you more. We can talk later, dear." Alpha Neil said to her.

Allison bit her lip and nodded her head. Once again, Ethan stopped her.

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After leaving the dining room, Ella proceeded towards the stairs. But she halted when she heard the ringing of her phone.

She clenched her hand into a fist as she viewed the display on her phone.

She turned her head and noticed that there was nobody else there. Therefore, she received the phone call.

"Why did you call me?"

"Are you doing what I said to you?"

Elora closed her eyes and sighed.

"I beg you, don't bother calling me. I would rather not engage in conversation with you. I am just done with you."

"Don't try to lose your track. I know how to control you."

Elora cut the call without replying. She felt tears glistening in her eyes. She wiped her eyes and rushed upstairs to her room.

She saw Ryan standing outside her room. She stopped and looked at him. He frowned at her while puffing on the cigarette that he was holding between his fingers.

"Why are you crying?" He asked while observing her face.

She shook her head with fear in her face. "N-Nothing."

He approached her and lightly gripped her jaw with the hand that was holding the cigarette.

While he was tilting her face to the left and right, she closed her eyes.

"Does my hybrid start to hide things from me?"

Her eyes flung open. "No." She mumbled while looking into his orange eyes.

"Don't you want to leave?"

"I-I do."

He acknowledged her with a nod and then moved in close to whisper in her ear.

"By any chance, do you find yourself falling for your mate?"