

## Chapter 497

Everyone was gazing at Ryan with shocked eyes.

One of them spoke out,

"A True Blood!"

Ethan was staring at Ryan. His eyes were focused on him. He was also feeling submissive toward him.

While sitting on his knees, he remembered the night of Ryan's birthday. He had told him about it that night.

"Don't be so arrogant about your wolf, Alpha Ethan."

He leaned close to him and whispered,

"Because if I shift, no one here can stay on their feet. You will have to bow to me, and I will destroy everything in front of your eyes."

Ethan shifted his eyes to everyone around them. Indeed, there was not a single person who stayed on their feet. Everyone had to bow to Ryan when he shifted.

He turned his attention to Ryan once again. His eyes met his.

There was a slight smile scrambled on Ethan's lips as he spoke out loudly.

"All hail to the new Alpha of the Moonlight Crown Pack, Alpha Ryan."

Everyone around them started to howl in cheers.

Since he attacked the pack and killed the enemy, and the Moonlight Crown pack's Alpha was kneeling before him and surrendering himself, the war was won by the Black Moon pack.

Ryan's family was already surprised, including Glen and Joey. But no one noticed or heard Allison.

She was still in perplexity. She could not believe that Ryan was her mate.

However, Ryan did not give a glance at her for once. Could he not feel the mate bond?

Allison felt that life played a very dirty game with her. If she knew that Ryan was her mate, everything would not have turned out like this between them.

She was stunned that he was a true blood alpha. She recalled the painting she had seen in the art gallery.

She remembered what the elder witch had told her. He was the almighty Alpha, to whom everyone bowed to show respect and felt submissive before him. He gave shadows to the witches.

Now, Allison could understand why Georgiana or that older witch woman always bowed to him. It was not because he was a giant pack's Alpha but because of his rank. He was true blood!

Beta Max rushed to Ryan and said something in their mind link.

Ryan growled and linked with every wolf around him.

It was the first time his pack members would hear him through a mind link.

"Everyone go back."

His voice came out as an order. Everyone stood up and bowed to him, then left for their houses. All the Black Moon pack's warriors left for their own pack.

Ryan did not shift back. He was about to pass his father, but he stopped when he saw his father bow his head on the floor before him.

It really startled others. It was a respectful act toward a head Alpha, but at the same time, doing that was like losing self-respect for the person if he was a head Alpha once.

Ryan's brows shot up when he saw his father bowing in front of him. He gazed at him and said in his mind link,

"Raise."

But his father did not stand up, as if he did not want to.

"Neil, why are you doing this? No matter what rank he is, he is still your son." Ella said to Neil and hurried to him.

Ryan looked away from them and left the forest without glancing at anyone.

The war had finally ended.

After a while, the fire department arrived to put out the blaze that was consuming the trees in the forest.

One by one, everyone left for the pack house. When it was only Allison and Ethan left, she turned her head to Ethan and noticed him.

He was still kneeling, just like her. He was looking somewhere, as if he were lost in thought.

Allison had no energy to ask him anything. She was already drained with thoughts. She stood up slowly and said,

"L-Let's go, Ethan."

Ethan nodded his head and shot on his feet. He turned to her and smiled.

"Are you happy?"

"Huh?"

She thought Ethan was taunting her because Ryan had become the head Alpha.

"I-I..."

"You should be. He deserves it." Ethan let it out in a low tone and headed on the way back to the pack house.

Allison stared at his back. She frowned when she thought about him. Why did he not shift tonight? Why did he announce the win for Ryan without trying to fight against him? However, it was obvious. Ryan's winning was clear. No one could win against him.

When Allison reached the pack house, she saw no one in the living room. She understood that everyone had left for their own rooms. The whole pack house was turned into a mess because of the fear of war.

She went to the guest room and took a shower. Her wounds were hurting, and her heart froze to feel that.

When she came out of the bathroom after taking a shower, she heard noises coming from outside.

She left the room and went to the living room. She stopped her steps when she noticed Alpha Neil was kneeling in front of Ryan. Everyone was shifted back, and no one was in their wolf form.

"Why are you doing this? Do you want to get back my new pack?" Ryan asked him with a frown.

Alpha Neil shook his head. He joined his hands in front of him and started to speak.

"I have always ignored you and your abilities. Never did I want to learn what was on your mind. You have always protected my pack behind my back, but here I was, always taunting you for behaving rudely with me. From childhood, you wanted the parents who would be with you always, but we failed to divide our love between our sons equally. We should have thought about you. But we could not be the perfect parents for you. I am kneeling before you, not because you won my pack or saved my life. I am groveling before you in order to seek your pardon.

We know we can't give you back your childhood, but don't break your relationship with your parents. We are getting old. Don't punish us like this.

Forgive us, my son."