## **More Than Lust(50) Congratulations!) -**

Authors pov

Anamika looked at her with bright smile and Grace looked at her confused.

"You have no idea how happy I am"

Anamika hugged Grace lovingly and Grace got another shock.

Isn't this woman wanted to help her, she was fighting with Dominick.

Anamika looked at her.

"I am so happy you two are in love. I was very upset when i heard about your relationship but Dom proved me wrong... I always wanted a girl like you for him..."

Grace couldn't understand what she is talking, who told her that they are in love.

Grace was about to say something but then Dominick's hand snaked around her waist. She gulped and smiled, the way he has ordered her to do.

"She has pretty smile... You are looking beautiful Grace."

Anamika looked at them happily.

Dominick looked at grace and smiled.

"Of course she has pretty smile."

He kissed her cheek. Grace stood there like a pretty doll, whose emotions doesn't matter at all. She thought at least Anamika will do something but now she is celebrating their marriage. Anamika held Dominick's hand.

"I am so proud of you... Realising your mistakes and Working on it is a big thing. You did as you promised me... Take care of her."

She said with proud smile.

But only if Anamika knew that Dominick lied to her. Anamika threatened him that she will take Grace away from him if he doesn't work on his behavior towards her.

## Flashback

'she fears you Damian. You are not doing it right... I don't what is the reason and why that girl is with you but i can't allow this... I haven't raised you like this... Let her go. Why are you doing this to her?'

She said disappointed when she met him in his office.

'I tried Maa...'

Dominick said not sighed.

'I tried to let her go buy I couldn't... I want her around me, she makes me feel good.'

'you love her?'

She asked.

'I don't know... But I won't let her go'

He said stubbornly.

'not now, not after twelve fucking days'

'Then treat her good damn it... You can't keep that poor girl with you just for your amusement she is a human being not a doll. You are engaged to Leena, you will marry her in few days then what about Grace.'

Anamika asked madly.

'I can't let you treat her like shit... Look at her Damian, she is so innocent. I didn't raise a monster, don't you have a heart.'

'you seems to care about her more than me'

He asked madly.

Anamika looked away.

'Because you don't know how it feels... You can't understand her fear, her suffocation, her pain and you definitely don't understand that she hates you... You can't gain anything with this behaviour.'

'The what you want me to do?... I didn't force her. She is here because she wants to. You think i don't know how fucking Innocent she is. I have tried my best to treat her good, I have never hurt her...'

He defended himself.

'Then why Martha found her crying on your bed and later in that room.'

Anamika asked angrily.

'Did you asked Martha who told her to help her?'

He spat.

'I told her to help her... I had no idea that she was virgin. I left the door open thinking she will change her mind and will run but she didn't. She wanted to do it. It was her first time obviously it will hurt, she was completely Inexperienced.... And about that night then let me tell you, I

didn't even do anything. I wasn't going to torture her. I just wanted to scare her, I told Martha to take care of her after that...'

'why can't you take care of her?'

She asked.

'Because I don't know how to deal with this feeling. She has effect on me and i hate it.'

He said frustratingly.

'stop running from your feelings and embrace it..'

She stood up from her chair.

'I am giving you ten days... Do anything you want but after that if she didn't choose to stay with you then I'll make sure you won't see her again. I can't let you play with her life.'

Dominick panicked

'you can't'

He knows that his mother can do it.

'Try me'

She said and walked out.

Dominick was restless. He knew that Grace will never choose to stay with him after looking at her fear towards him. And ten are not enough to change her mind and heart.

That's why he made a plan. He took her on vacation, he clicked her pictures whenever she smiled and laughed. Whenever they were together he told his guard to take their pictures where they were looking like a

happy couple. He sent those pictures to Anamika so she will think that he is working on it.

He knew that Anamika will try to meet Grace but he didn't let her. He did something which didn't let Anamika join his birthday party.

He completely manipulated the situation and people around him.

Flashback ended.

"Welcome to the Family"

Anamika said looking at Grace.

Dominick looked behind Anamika curiously.

"Looking for your father?"

Anamika chuckled.

Dominick shook his head and cleared his throat.

"Why would I?"

He mumbled but he was looking his father.

"He is here"

She said and his head snapped towards her. He couldn't believe that he came, from last 5 years they haven't exchange even a word.

"Well he said that he is coming here so people won't talk about our family matters and all but i know he cares for you. He was actually happy that you didn't marry Leena..."

Dominick saw his father coming towards them.

"Are you done tigress?, let's go home..."

He said to Anamika not even glancing at his son.

"No, I want to stay... Massimo please talk to him. Your son is married now."

She said with watery eyes.

Massimo kept his face stern.

"I am tired, i want to go home."

He ignored her words.

"Fine, at least welcome her in the family."

She sighed.

Massimo looked at Grace and sighed. He wasn't impressed with her timid behavior but he was relieved that she is not like Leena.

"Welcome to the Family..."

He said and Grace looked at him shocked when he placed Golden gun in her hand.

She looked at Dominick who was just smiling looking at the gun.

"It's a heirloom... You are Donna now, you have some responsibilities which you can't ignore..."

Grace clear her throat.

"Thank you Mr. M\_Marino."

She gave that gun to Dominick, it was beautiful but heavy. Not to mention that it was her first time to hold a gun.

"Happy? Now let's go"

Massimo looked at Anamika.

"You can be little sweet you know."

She said rolling her eyes.

"I don't want to attend my son's wedding like a guest..."

"Dad, please stay"

Dominick said and they looked at him shocked. Massimo's eyes filled with water when he heard 'dad' after five years but he controlled himself. He wasn't ready to let his five years old anger vanish just in one second. He walked out without saying anything.

Grace wasn't even paying attention to any of it because she was in her own world.

"I'll bring him back... You carry on with rest of the ceremonies"

Anamika said and walked out.

"I didn't expected this from you"

Dominick looked at the Alexander when he said that.

"Anyway congratulations"

"Don't blame me... You are doing many unexpected things now a days."

Dominick mocked while looking at Bella who was standing beside Alexander.

"Isn't it sister in law?"

"I am not his wife"

Bella scoffed and Alexander glared at her. Dominick raised his eyebrows amused.

Bella looked at Grace sadly, she saw her on the island but couldn't talk to her because Alexander didn't allow her. She was worried for Grace, she knows that Dominick is evil.

"Hii... I am Bella."

She said and Grace snapped out of her thoughts. Grace smiled at her.

"Hello..."

Grace remembered that this is the same girl who was tied in chains when Alexander brought her to the island.

"This is for you"

Bella handed her gift.

"Thank you"

Grace Said.

"Welcome to the Family little birdy..."

Alexander smiled and Grace gulped.

"She doesn't look happy about it"

Bella mocked.

"Bella, What will you take to keep quiet?"

Alexander asked madly.

"Your peace"

Bella grinned evilly and walked away.

"Don't you fucking dare to step out of this hall."

Alexander warned.

"Watch me"

She scoffed.

"Nice, all the best."

Dominick chuckled at Alexander, seeing how his brother is struggling with his girl.

"You are lucky your Bunny listen to you..."

Alexander said and walked behind Bella.

Grace was looking at Bella shocked thinking how can she talk to Alexander like this, he is so scary.

"Congratulations Bhai" (Brother)

Dominick Smiled when he heard that voice.

Raajnandini hugged him.

"Thank you princess"

He replied.

"You are looking beautiful Grace"

She said and Grace thanked her.

"I miss you, come home..."

Raajnandini said to Dominick.

"We'll talk about that later..."

He replied.

"I heard what you are doing"

"I love\_\_\_"

She was about to say but he cut her off.

"Impossible... Dad is right... You can't do that. We can't let you do this."

He said firmly.

"We'll talk about that later"

She said annoyed and walked away.

Grace was listening everything, Raajnandini is in love then why her family is stopping her. She thought.

She flinched when he placed kiss on her cheek.

"Are you hungry?"

He asked and she shook her head.

"Come on, it's time for garter toss"

Someone yelled and Grace froze in her place.