



## 154 Chapter 154 I would have been her queen

### Author's POV 1

"How is that you came here today and you didn't tell me anything?" Max asked James as soon as his heart was still again, knowing that Meredith still loves him and that she was just making fun of him.

"Mer called me and asked me to come. She said that she needs something to ask me but that it is better to talk face to face." and James turned his head and looked in Lori's direction.

She just sits on the sofa from the Packhouse living room, holding Theo in her arms while Cara, looks how Vivi and Leia almost kidnapped her pups. He sees Meredith, and she signals him to go to Max's office.

"She didn't tell me anything." and Max went after James.

"What's going on, darling?" and Max takes her in his arms lifting her chin so that now she looks straight into his eyes.

"I need James' help. I thought and thought of something and in the end I said that is better to talk with him here.



"You are scaring me, Mer" and Max kissed her forehead. "What is so important to call James here, while Lori has a little bit and gives birth."

"She is happy to be here. Don't take me with that" and she slapped his cheek ass with her hand.

"Holy shit!" And James just laughs. "She has you on her little finger, man. You are my sister personal slave!"

"Anytime, man! Anytime" and Max takes her hands and puts them on his chest right where his heart beats.

"So?" and this time James is very serious. "What happened, Mer?"

"It's about Castellano and Veronica" she said more like a whisper and turning her head she sees James looking at her strangely.

"What did they do this time? I will kill them directly if they try to touch you again."

"Sweetie," and Max looks at James and then at Meredith. "What are you talking about?"

"Can you take them with you in your pack?" and she is so serious that both Max and James know that this is not a joke.

"You are serious." and James goes and sits on Max's sofa.



"Of course I am serious, James. I thought a lot about this. She just gave birth a few days ago to a baby boy and I think that Max already told you about those fucking traitors from our pack. She was drugged, that's why she was so aggressive in the last period."

"Darling" and Max made her watch him. "They don't deserve such kindness. They deserve to become rogues and live a hard life, paying for all their sins."

"Who are we to judge them, Max?" and Meredith lets Artemis to come to surface and her eyes are glowing.

"Are our sins less important than theirs?" and she just look in his eyes. "Mine's or yours...Or yours James, even if I know that you are like a saint for me" and she just smiles at her brother. "The fact is that a sin is a sin no matter who did it , and given the severity of their crimes, maybe we are likely to underrate the consequences of our own actions thinking that they were more wrong than us."

And she just detached herself from his embrace and took two steps back so now both James and Max can see her.

"You are responsible for Veronica, Max. You didn't want to see her like this but her sick mind went in the wrong direction and for a pathologic



love for you she did all those crimes she did. You are responsible for her. And I am too!"

"You are not!" Max said almost commandingly.

"You can fool yourself thinking that, but I am , because I am a royal and if we would have lived in a different era, I would have been her queen. She is my responsibility, she and any werewolf being in this world."

Artemis lets her energy show up and even if she is in human form she is glowing.

"Mer.." James whispered looking at her like some goddess came from heaven but Max on the other hand comes near and caresses her cheek with his fingers.

"You are so beautiful, " he tells her, completely mesmerized by her appearance.

" And you are the most handsome alpha in the universe" she said winking at him, remembering how she mocked him a few minutes earlier.

"What about Castellano?" James asked her.

"He is not a danger for your pack, James. He just wants to live in peace with his mate and his son. Probably his beta will follow him, but he will not create problems. If he will, I will kill him by myself because this is the only chance I gave him."



**"You are doing this for Cara, isn't it?" suddenly Max asked her.**

**"For Cara, for Leia, for Sam, for Sam's father, for baby Amadeo, for me, even for you Max." and she just stood there glowing even harder.**

**"There was an old saying in Eastern Europe. I met one Romanian in Paris, a very cheerful and kind colleague. And he was one of the few people there who didn't put me in the corner at the beginning. He was just like me, an immigrant, but he was always kind. And I asked him once why he is so kind with everyone. And he simply said that what goes around, comes around. And that means that one good turn deserves another one in return."**

**"And that means" Max said "that those three deserve nothing!" and he is damned serious.**

**"Max" Meredith whispers, coming near and putting her arms around his waist. "Do you believe me?"**

**"Of course I do" and he can't stop looking in her topaz eyes.**

**"Then help me to help them. Just think about it. In James pack they will be under my family surveillance all the time, but far enough from here to never disturb us."**

**"What if you come to visit me, Mer?" James**



asked, frowning.

"I can deal with them, James. But Cara, Leia, Sam...they can't cope with seeing them here, and I can't stay and let them suffer."

"Shit!" And James gets up from the sofa.

"You are too kind." and he just came near and wants to hold her but Max already holds her in his arms.

"I will take them with me, mer. But if they try something I will not be responsible for what I will do."

"They won't. Believe me" she said and looking in Max eyes she just whispered. "That baby needs to live in a normal pack, so in the future to become a good man. And you James are the perfect alpha to show him that."

"I will leave you alone" and James just wants to exist and looking back at the way Max looks at her, like a puppy, he can swear that he is glowing a little too, just because he holds her.

"Max" he said just before he existed. "Your sofa stinks."

"Jerk!" he whispered and kissed his mate directly.

"Just stop banging my sister on that couch, or next time when I come here and sit on it, there



will be a risk of getting pregnant!"

"JAMES!" Max growled. "Get out!"

"All right, all right...But what a pity...that was a really good sofa!" and he runs outside.

"I will break his legs and put them on his ass." Max said, looking at the door.

"You will not, because he will save you from those three pains in your ass!" Meredith goes to the door and turn the key, closing it.

"Hmmm..."And Max raised an eyebrow and almost ran to her. "Do you have any plans, Mrs. Cruz?"

"A lots of plans actually" and now Artemis retreats a little bit but not too much just to give Meredith half of her control back. She lifts his t-shirt from its hem and leaves Max only in his jeans, because since he worked more from home, he is more casual, and Meredith just adores him this way.

She takes a step back to watch him.

"You are like Noah Mills in that Calzedonia commercial" she said licking her lips and she sees how Max reacts seeing her like this.

"So in the end I am not so bad," he said, laughing at her.



**"No, hubby" she whispered, coming closer and slipping her hand on his pants , making him escape a moan.**

**"You are the best!"**

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