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Aella 1

"Please tell me I was able to save her"

Her face contorted, obviously she was angry.

"come on say something," I pressed

"Unfortunately" she grumbled. "She's in a more terrible than you," her lips curved slightly "Sage refused to heal her too, so currently she's undergoing manual treatment. Her screams are quite satisfying to hear"

"Anything goes as long as she's alive. I didn't go through all that trouble for her to end up dead. It'd be a shame."

"Who cares whether she died or not? I for one think she deserves to be buried alive. How did she end up in that position by the way"

"Coveting my mate got her in the position"

Her eyes widened surprise flicking past it "Well well well, who would have thought that you had it in you,"

"The bitch was over-stepping. Besides, she pissed Ava off too. Honestly, she had it coming"

I replied casually

"ouu" she looked at me with approval. "While I reckon that you could have done more, I'm quite satisfied with how things turned out. Kudos, you're learning really well. Now spill, what really happened. No one could mind link you, we couldn't even feel your presence, it was as though you vanished from the face of the earth," Her face held concern and curiosity.

Sigh. It's a long story.

She pulled a seat closer to me, sat down and crossed her leg not without taking a pillow from the bed. "I'm ready to hear it now."

Laughter tore through me like a storm, "you've got to be kidding me, all this just to hear me rant" i raised an eye brow, drama queeny.

"Call it whatever you want, I'm here to listen to my best friend narrate an experience I could have stopped. Walk me through everything, don't skip even a single detail." Her eyes was slightly misty but she held it all in,

I could tell the guilt was eating her up, but even I knew, if she had been able to prevent this round, Karen would have found another measure to achieve her goal, besides I wasn't

blaming her at all.

"Are you sure you can hear the story? You sound like you're barely holding yourself together"

She gritted her teeth, "I'm sure"

I sighed again, Brianne was much more fragile than she let on. Honestly she was such a big softie, something told me she had probably helped get Karen medical attention. That's just how soft she was.

I began narrating the story, from when I woke up to discovering the kastril to being able to contact Karen and Lilith. Although I skipped parts of my discussion with Lilith. I went on to narrate how Ava beat Karen to a pulp, discovering Ursa's hide out and my narrow escape from death.

"Speaking of Ursa, there's a new update. But before that I don't think you were supposed to save her"

"Who"

"Stop playing dumb. You know who I'm talking about, she almost got you killed and all you could think of at that moment was saving her? Is your head made of garb?" her once soft

face hardened, disapproval shone in her eyes, she looked at me like she had expected better

"I couldn't just leave her lying there to wait for death or whatever the witch had in store for her"

"Thst is exactly what you should have done. She had it coming. Ava was absolutely right, what if the witch had caught you both because you wanted to save her wicked ass?"

"Well she didn't. I'm standing here perfectly okay"

"Thst is it the point. Goddess, why the heck are you so difficult, well whatever. I'm glad you're back,"

"What is the update you said you had on the witch?" I diverted the conversation, it was getting tiring at this point. So what if I saved Karen? Despite her sins she was still a member of my pack, I was never going to leave her at the mercy of a horde of witches, it did not mean she would not serve the punishment for her actions and boy did bi have the perfect punishment in mind.

Her jaw ticked, "Some packs were attacked"

"Ursa?"

She shook her head "Thats the surp;rising part, it wasn't her

My brows squeezed together, "then who?"

"They claimed it was a witch named Andrea, she attacked so many smaller packs at once"

"Andrea? Firstly she's not a witch and how can she pull that off alone?"

"They said she had helpers from wolves. Undead wolves to be specific, some even claimed seeing the wolves of their either already dead or loved ones"

"Undead wolves not rogues." I pinched my forehead, "undead wolves that resembled their loved ones? Why does it sound like a scene from a zombie movie? What's next/ a zombie apocalypse" I joked, trying to lighten up the air

She chuckled "be serious Well. This isn't a joke, you know this Andrea they spoke off?"

"My step mother, unfortunately, if she is indeed the same person then shes no witch, andrea is a wolf or rather was a wolf," the last scene from when we met flashed through my mind, if i had any doubt it eveap;orated immediately.

It was clear, Andrea has dabbled in something that somehow either made her a witch or granted her powers, I think I'll go for the latter option. "Undead wolves huh? That resembled p;ack members. That sounds disturbing if it actually is real." it could be a real headache

"With everything going on we have to believe them. Besides they have no reason to lie," she slumped into the chair

"i know, it just sounds absurd. I mean tales of the undead have always been a myth. Unless ursa found a way to arouse the dead" I came to a terrifying realization, even as a goddess back then, I never had the power to raise the dead, if somehow ursa managed to find a way to weaponize them, then we may have a much bigger problem if she were to keep raising dead wolves. But how?

"it did sound absurd we we heard it, but you should have seen the terror in their eyes, some are still traumatized, we've not been able to get a squeak out of them"

"Theyre still here?"

"One pack was run over and overtaken. The alpha was murdered in cold blood, only his

daughter and few members survived, according to them, Andrea called it her new home. For the other packs, she only attacked broke a few defences and retreated"

"Retreated"

"Oddly, almost like she was...."

"Testing them" I completed

"exactly,"

I felt cold sweep my feet, I refuse to believe that Andrea was acting on her own. What exactly are they up to?

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