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I froze in my tracks, "her..?" I turned 1

Her eyes were on me now, still distant and hollow, but this time I knew she could see me.

"Lacinda" she smiled, "her memories, felt her pain, her sorrows, saw Lucas, their happiness all of it, the feeling of being wrenched cruelly from your very being"

"Lily.." I approached her. "I'm so sorry you had to find out like this"

"It's not your fault" she shook her head, "fate called and when I failed to answer it took its response by force" she said like someone who had resigned to her fate.

"You'll be fine" I consoled.

Her pupils turned white "The Oracle will survive this ordeal, but can the flame must not die out" her voice suddenly thickened, the air in the room became heavier.

"What? You're not making sense"

"The Oracle and Flame must fight as one, the battlefield closer than you think. Destroy it before it destroys you" her eyes reverted back

to normal instantly

"What did you mean by that?"

"By what?" She asked,

"What you just said"

"I didn't say anyt—you met her" she gasped
in realization

"Who"

Lilith sighed and stood from where she
huddled

"The Oracle in me, Mercelyne"

"Ohh" I nodded, "makes, sense" seems like
they don't work same way like I and Aragon

"No, they don't. Oracles inhabit the body of
their vessels, since she's a wolf, that means
there are three spirits in one body" Ava
explained clearly.

"That's tough, just one troublesome wolf
and I'm at the risk of a daily migraine," I
shuddered at the thought of Aragon and
Antares sharing my body

Good thing they don't, Ava ignored me,
muttering something about me being stubborn
and silly.



"Moody Wolf"

Only the sound of I and Lilith's breathing could be heard in the room now. The silence felt awkward, with neither of us saying anything else.

She did say she met lacinda, maybe I could ask her about it or something, I reasoned

"I"

"I" we both said at once, then froze

"You first," she said

"Okay" I drew a deep breath, "you said you met mum, how?"

"Mercelyne"

"Your Oracle spirit?"

"Yeah, she led mum right to me, when I was drowning and wallowing. I guess she did it to pull me back from the abyss"

"I see," I nodded.

"You know, Lucas really loved mother, his only weakness was his merciful heart. The same kind that'll probably get you killed"

"What?" my brows creased, Lucas—merciful heart?"



"Yeah, he had accepted Ursa into his pack, not knowing who she was, that's how she was able to control him. He believed in helping every and anyone that needed help"

"He sounds like a great man"

"That man is our father Aella," the words sounded strange in my ears

We both fell silent after that. I could've never thought that in a million years I and Lilith would have anything joining us together, quite ironic isn't it.

"I'm sorry" she said, her voice filled with guilt, her eyes puffy and wet.

"Andrea told me everything, I was so stupid to have believed her, I let her use me, all the horrible things I did" tears slipped down her eyes, "I'm so sorry"

Looking at her, I didn't know what to feel, "I just want to ask one thing? It still confuses me till now"

"Ask"

"When I got here, you were nice to me, wanted to take me everywhere with you, we even played together. When all of a sudden you changed? What happened?" I finally asked the



question that had been bugging me for so long.

She lowered her head, not daring to meet my eyes, but tears still dripped from her eyes down the floor.

She sniffed, "she lied to me"

"Lie? Who did?"

"Andrea. It's no excuse, but she told me you and your mother had killed my twin sister and you were there to steal her place" she sniffed, "I thought I was avenging my sister who never had the chance to see the sun. I was so mad at you. I'm sorry"

I chuckled, "so let me get this straight, you were trying to take revenge against me for me?" It sounded a bit funny.

She scratched her ears, something she did whenever she was nervous, "okay it does sound funny the way you say it" she smiled a bit, "but I'm really sorry"

"I know" I smiled, "I don't blame you, I just wanted to know why you'd be nice to everyone but me"

"Thank you for saving me back there"

"It's what I'm meant to do, Beta Andrew"



died for it, can't let his death be in vain now,
can I? I joked

"What?" She shrieked, shock written on
her face

"Shit. You're not aware" I cursed, me and
my big mouth

"What do you mean he's dead? Tell me
you're kidding" she said, looking me dead in the
eye, then suddenly laughed, "of course it's a
joke, you're trying to prank me. Get back at me
for everything, I should have known" she kept
laughing

I looked at her sadly, "I wish I was" I said
softly

She took a shaky step backwards, disbelief
spread across her face.

"But.., But.., He was... he was fine, I was
going to clear his name... I was so close" she
stammered, still staggering

"I'm sorry, my deepest condolences"

She fell to her knees

