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"He's possessive," Lizzy said. "He needs to know you're his."

"Yeah, that makes sense," Thea said, smiling. "Kai is competitive. Everything else is easy for him, so he challenges me and brings out my competitive side. He pushes me to be better."

"That's really sweet," Alessia said.

"Ric, well, he's so perfect. He's always supported me. Out of the three of them, it never seemed like he needed me."

"Oh my goddess, yes he did," Lizzy said. "That Alpha is miserable without you. How did you not see it?"

"Things look different from the inside," Thea said. "I thought I would be their Beta, and they'd get their own mates. Romantic feelings weren't allowed. As people keep pointing out, I seem to have an issue doubting myself."

"That's all good and well, but what about the sex?" Lizzy said.

The girls laughed.

"It's great," Thea said. "And that's all I'll say."

"Spoilsport," Lizzy said, sticking her tongue out at her.

They talked and shared until they fell asleep.

Misty and Alessia's arms were touching when Alessia woke up the next morning. She smiled to herself then saw that Thea was already awake, so she joined her at the food table.

"Hey, I think I'm ready to face Xavier," Alessia said. "I've been talking with the pack counselor, and I feel good about it."



"Do you want to visit him today?" Thea said.

"Sure," Alessia said.

"We could go right now if you want."

"Give me five minutes to go to the bathroom and clean up?"

"Sure."

A few minutes later, Thea and Alessia were standing in front of Xavier's cell in the dungeon.

"Oh my goddess, he smells so bad," Alessia said.

"He hasn't moved from that cot since he got here," Thea said. He was lying on it, facing away from them. "Hasn't showered, changed his clothes, eaten, nothing. I keep bringing him blood, but he's unresponsive."

"You were right. This is pathetic," Alessia said. "You'd think after being given a second chance he would want to do good, not waste away in a cell doing nothing."

"Xavier?" Thea said. "Someone is here to see you. Will you turn around?"

No response.

"Xavier," Alessia said. "This is Alessia Moon. I came to see you because I wanted to see for myself that you were changed. It's pretty obvious you are. I want to tell you that I forgive you. Who you were, the guy that did those things, I know he's gone. I hope you use this second chance to be a better person. I'd like to see what good you can do."

Alessia looked at Thea.

"You ready to go?" Thea said.



Alessia nodded, and they left.

"How do you feel?" Thea said once they were out of the dungeon.

"Good," Alessia said. "That was," she paused. "Since moving here and joining New Dawn, I've known I was safe. Beyond that, I see a future for myself. I never saw that at Crescent Moon. The counselor talked about closure. Seeing Xavier like that, I think I understand what she was saying."

Thea nodded. "Yeah. I know what you mean."

Alessia chuckled. "I never thought I'd have anything in common with Luna Thea Lyall. You always seemed larger than life."

Thea slung her arm around Alessia. "Well, get used to it. We're two peas in a pod now."

Alessia laughed, and Thea joined her.

They ran into the triplets on their way back to the common room. They surrounded Thea in a hug.

"Is Girls' Night over?" Conri said. "I need you."

"I slept terribly without you," Alaric said.

"It's our turn to have you," Kai said.

"Alessia," Thea said. "Will you tell the others I was kidnapped by my mates?"

"Of course, Luna," Alessia said, smiling.