

Chapter 108

61 - Ryker

I have been tracking all of Kennedy's calls and text messages. She seems to be telling the truth. She has only messaged my sister and Jeremiah from her old pack and Robin and Bennet here. All the messages have been short and to the point. She calls Jeremiah more than she texts, which makes sense based on what I know of their relationship. The calls never last more than ten minutes though, which I do think is odd.

Bennet doesn't respond to her unless necessary and most of the time it's 'I'll check with the Alpha.' He knows I'm monitoring, so maybe he just converses with her face to face. He hasn't said much to me either since her attack. Until last night. Last night I got a front row seat to his opinion of my treatment of her. Which is why I'm on my current Kennedy rabbit hole.

"ALPHA!"

"What?!" I yell back at Josh. He's been more crabby recently too.

"Will you stop stalking your mate and help me with this?"

"I am not stalking her and you seem to be just fine on your own." I walk up to him, stowing my phone before he sees it, as he's finishing the last flower box next to the entrance to the new school we put up. He likes this woodworking stuff. His attention to detail is amazing.

We were hoping that Claude and his guys would have attacked us while we were building. Josh and I even joined the crew halfway through the build pretending to want to get first hand knowledge. In reality, I was hoping to be the bait to draw him out, especially when I put the location in a position to be more controlled by Don, Nathan and Rory. This is the best place and it will be well loved by the pups here. There is a wide flat

area for outdoor play and a lake big enough to be a safety feature and to be used by the pups in warmer months. The hospital is almost done and the crews are working hard to complete the external structure before the first snowfall hits. We have been lucky so far this season and the bad weather has held off, but some of our specialists are human so we have to play along with their sensitivities to the weather.

We were able to confirm that Claude is trying to overthrow me. The two rogues we caught from Kennedy's attack didn't even take two hits and they were vomiting up details. They weren't after her, just scouting, trying to gain a pattern of our patrol schedule. They happened to see an opportunity to attack a border patrol. I don't know if I fully believe that, but neither mentioned wanting to take my Luna or harming her. I haven't told Kennedy that, though the rest of the guys know. Bennet took it personally that she was in harm's way. I still can't gauge how he feels about her. I've never seen a gamma act the way he does when it comes to her. It's like he's agitated all the time because of her.

"Earth to Ryker." Josh sings, waving a hand in front of my face. I blink and slap him away. "Why don't you try talking to her. This is out of hand man."

"We don't talk, we yell at each other. Or did you not notice? She hates me for bringing her here and whatever happily ever after she thought she was going to get with her beta." My wolf grumbles at the thought, but it's the truth. We are not what she wants and she can't handle what we need from her.

"What are you talking about? I'm her beta and she only likes me slightly more than you. I don't get full on death glares the way you do."

"I meant Ben. They were pretty cozy before she came to Dark Moon and I couldn't even feel if they were sleeping together. She doesn't have a

wolf, she can't mark me, I don't know if I can mark her. What's going to stop her from cheating? We can't even have a full mate bond. She can pick whoever she wants..."

"You're worried she won't pick you? That's your big hang up? You are stupid." He grunts. "Greta! You win, I'm out. This is not my wheelhouse."

"Huh? What the f*ck are you two on about?" I look over my shoulder confused as hell, watching my best female warrior saunter up like she knows a secret.

Greta has a smile on her face while Josh moves back to his planter. "You think she doesn't want you alpha? After everything you have put her through?" Greta has her hands on her hips and that stance makes me nervous. I stand my ground, but every nerve is trembling inside. I'm about to get my ass handed to me and she isn't one for being gentle.

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