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Arden hated everyone on that stupid jet that refused to talk to her the whole way to their destination. Which, by the way, was a stupid destination in the first place. She knew where they were at and she knew who they were going to see, and she wanted no part in such things.

"Arden we can't leave you here alone," Kingo spoke as he watched Thena and Gilgamesh collect sticks with Jaws.

"You can definitely leave me alone," she replied.

"Arden we need you so we can convince hi-" Ikaris began before Arden laughed in his face.

"Ha! Convince him! Convince him to do what exactly," she tilted her head. "As if he'd listen to me."

"He'd listen to you out of all of us," Kingo tried to reason. "You are his best friend."

"Were?" she corrected. "I washis best friend."

"Come on guys," Sersi butt in, not wanting to waste their time. "She can stay by herself."

Sprite watched as Kingos eyes lit up and she immediately knew what he was thinking. Shaking her head, she approached him and touched his arm.

"Dont say it," she spoke.

"Its gonna work," Kingo reassured. "Trust me."

"What's going to work?" Ikaris asked.

"I guess she could just stay here," Kingo spoke loudly making Sprite groan in annoyance. "Like the loser she's always been."

Ardens eyebrows furrowed as she looked to him sadly, already feeling hurt as she remembered the day hele. The rest of the eternals gasped as Gilgamesh and Thena approached with Jaws, who had sticks in his mouth for Arden.

"Kingo she's not-" Sprite spoke, but he cut her o.

"She so is, remember the time when-"

"You really think I'm a loser?" Arden mumbled, slouching in her seat.

"You called her a loser?" Gilgamesh asked as Thena stared the man down.

"No, well yes but it was only to motivate her," Kingo tried. "Its worked countless times before."

"She is upset already she has to see him," Thena spoke.

"You just made it worse," Sersi finished.

Ikaris moved to sit next to her to provide comfort only for her to get up and out of the door quickly. When she realized none of them were following, she popped her head back in and wiped the fallen tear before anyone could see.

"So are we going or not?" she sco ed.

"See it worked," Kingo smiled.

"You really hurt her feelings sir," Karun sighed.

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"I think they're okay," Arden mumbled, referencing her scars as she clung onto Gil's back. "Can't really feel them anymore"

"We should've went to Ajak when we had the chance," he sighed.

Arden's eyes flickered to Thena, who seemed to be on dog sitting duty as she watched the dog run around her in circles.

"Does she remember?" Arden whispered.

"No," Gilgamesh spoke quickly. "And I don't think she should know."

"Yeah I wouldn't want her to be guilty," Arden agreed, A hint of pain appearing in her chest.

"It's very nice here sir," Karun spoke as they approached the small village.

"Don't be fooled," Kingo replied. "Ignorance is bliss."

"I hope he trips," Arden whispered.

Gilgamesh let out a laugh, his shoulders shaking as he did so.

"We can..." he trailed o.

"What?" Arden smiled, getting o his back to walk next to him.

He whispered in her ear, a giggle leaving her lips as he spoke. Once he pulled away, she let out a whistle, Jaws immediately showing up at her side.

She handed him a big stick o a ground and he held it in his mouth with pride.

"Go," she spoke sternly, pointing in Kingos direction.

Jaws ran, Arden and Gilgamesh watching in anticipation as he ran towards Kingo.

As soon as the big stick made contact with the back of Kingo's knees, the man fell immediately to the floor causing loud laughs to escape the two.

"Ow!" Kingo exclaimed once he hit the floor.

Karun appeared at his side as Jaws ran back to a laughing Gilgamesh and Arden. They were bent over, trying to conceal their laughter but no luck.

Arden reached down and pet Jaws whilst giving him praise. The dogs tail wagged as the sound of a door opened, they all turned to see Druig walking out. Before he could see her, Ardens body changed to a small creature and Gilgamesh watched in awe as she ran to Thena who was walking toward the man.

Gilgamesh smiled at her and she smiled back, adjusting her arms so Arden could sit comfortably.

Druigs eyes scanned the faces of his fellow eternals as if he was searching for something or someoneyet he couldn't find what he was looking for. His shoulders deflated slightly, before looking at the dog that walking up to him.

"That's Jaws," Gilgamesh said as the dog began to jump on Druig making the boy pet him. "Ardens dog."

"Arden?" he whispered, his figure straightening up from hearing her name. "Where is she?"

"Why do you want to know?" Kingo spoke, stepping closer to Druig.

"Well I suspected since her dog is here she might be," he shrugged as if to brush him o.

"She's scared to face you," Thena spoke making Druig look at her in confusion as Gilgamesh nudged her so ly. "You really hurt her."

"You really ratted her out huh," Sprite laughed, thankful Arden was still in animal form so she couldn't beat her up.

Druigs smug look faltered for a split second before continuing how it used to be.

"I didn't mean to," he mumbled, no one hearing except for Ikaris.

"Well it happened," he leaned forward and whispered in his ear.

Druig shot him a glare before turning to the rest of the eternals.

"Ive missed you all, please make yourself at home."

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"You've given me a lot of bad news in one go M'lady," Druig spoke, Arden freaking out about the fact he was right in front of her.

"Will you help us?" Sersi asked, watching him stare at the iguana on Thenas lap a little too long.

Druig thought for a moment, as if to choose his words carefully.

"I am glad-," he began only to be cut o by Sersi's ringtone.

"Hey what service do you use, im not getting any bars," Kingo whispered.

"Do you all remember this forest? It was the last place we had all lived together," Druig said. "I've protected these people for 20 generations. From the outside world and from themselves."

Arden zoned out whatever other words were said. The only thing catching her eye was the necklace around his neck that was very similar to the one she wore. Her mind raced, thankful for Thena's hand running down her back before a loud crash was heard.

"All right new rule," Kingo stood up. "No possessing peoples valets."

"Where's your sense of humor Kingo?" Druig so ly smiled.

Arden guessed that the rest of the eternals were either entertained or were just tired of his shit since none of them spoke.

"Im sorry sir," Karun apologized.

Arden felt a sudden wetness on her back making her move quickly to Thenas shoulder. Thena laughed as she pet Jaws, who happened to be the one to lick Arden. She gradually made her way back down.

"You are not a god," Kingo said, face to face with Druig. "You know that right?"

"How ironic," Druig replied.

"Lets go," Ikaris hu ed, interrupting them. "He's wasting our time."

"Ikaris," Druig called out, stopping the man from leaving. "Ive missed you. Are you gonna charm me or threaten me?"

"There's a third option if you'd prefer that," Ikaris replied.

Thena felt the weight on her thighs get heavier and the rough skin of the iguana turn into a so feeling of hair.

"The third option is that they're gonna kiss," Arden whispered making Gilgamesh laugh.

"Are you sure you don't wanna stay an animal?" Thena asked.

"Yeah im fine," she shrugged. "Besides Jaws needs food."

"Aren't Ikaris and Druig cousins," Gil asked, interrupting their small conversation.

"Oh," Arden mumbled. "Well that's a little weird."

"Druig this is serious," they heard Sersi say.

"I'll tell you what's serious," Druig spoke as Arden carefully stood up to stand behind him. Her heart hammered in her chest with each step she took. "Ive just been told I've been sent on a suicide mission for the last 7000 years. So excuse me for not giving a shit about your plan right now."

Before he could walk away, Arden tapped his shoulder quickly making him turn around with a glare. Arden took a small step back as his eyes so ened before becoming confused.

"I know this is bad timing," she whispered, refusing to look in his eyes. "But I was wondering if you had any meat or something. I don't know if you're vegetarian or whatever."

"Yeah why," he managed to speak, not really processing the sight of her.

"Well I was kinda kidnapped from my home and have been going all over the place so you know, my dog needs to eat."

"You both have been eating the entire time we've been together," Kingo pointed out.

"So? Am I not allowed to eat? Im hungry," she sco ed.

"Yeah you can ask around," Druig but in, beginning to walk away.

"There's plenty."

Then he was out of the door.

authors note!-----

next chapter kinda makes me wanna sob lol

real footage of arden ACTUALLY in eternals my brain >



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