storybook wedding

"Gonna hold ya, Gonna take ya, Away from harm." =-`, *.::.♦.::.* (´-==

Jack." I smile saying "Good.. that's good. And has anyone checked on Druig? Who's with Druig?"

I look to them saying "Kingo arrived safely?"

Sersi nods saying "Yes. He's with Phastos and Ben. He just got to meet

Makkari looks to me as I frantically pace the room and Sersi leans against the door watching me be a complete scatterbrained bride.

Makkari grabs my shoulders steadying me and smiling. I sigh and say "I just- this needs to be perfect. I thought my last wedding would be my last but look where we are! I'm getting married all over again!" Sersi smiles saying "Gaia, everything will go perfectly. Please relax. I

will get Dane to check on Druig." I nod and say "Yeah.. please do. And tell him to not stress him out. And if Druig can't get the saree on correctly that he-" Sersi says "I'll get Kingo to go with him. And I'll find Thena to help him also."

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I nod and swallow hard as I run my hands down my face. Sersi quickly leaves to find Kingo and Dane and whoever else she can to calm me down.

Makkari signs "you're freaking out more this time than the last? What's up?" I shake my head and sign "It's just.. the first time Druig and I got

married we knew we had forever together. That as eternals we wouldn't be going anywhere. But I still lost him. And he lost me. For 70 years I was without him. It feels the same but dierent at the same time. I just am realizing that even as eternals we can die. I could lose him and it just makes this wedding so much bigger if a deal."

She pushes me into a seat and fixes the remainder of my makeup as I look to her anxiously Thena and Sersi enter and Thena says "Nerves?" was nervous." I smile to her and Sprite enters smiling widely and says "hi.." like it!" "No. Nothing like that. Deep breaths. Follow me okay?"

covering the area around us. Kingo walks down the stone path saying "Gaia! Oh my goodness. You look stunning." I smile to him and he says "No crying! For the both of us! You hear

says "Let's get you married!" I shake my head and Makkari peels Kingo's arm o me. She signs "I get to walk her down the aisle. Not you."

Sersi clears her throat saying "Excuse me, I had a traditional Hindi wedding."

I peer down to the roses as I smile and smell the flower. Kingo says "That was not a traditional hindi wedding. You and Ikaris aren't even Indian. I am the designated Hindi here and-"



in the stomach when I'm suddenly pulled away from Kingo. Sersi says

Makkari nods signing "She flew around the planet 8 times before I could get her into her wedding dress last time. This is pretty relaxed

I nod and grab a rose. I say "Did someone check on Druig? Is he

Dane says "I checked on him, he seemed fine. Not very talkative today. Phastos was with him. He's not nearly as jumpy as you though.

I nod saying "He is talkative. He just doesn't like to talk to people he doesn't know. But he never shuts up. God I miss him. He's so level headed. He always is. That's why I'm so anxious. I need to see him to calm down. Oh god, why are you all here breathing all over me? Too many people. I need Gil. I need Druig. I just... I want everything back

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"Gaia. Gaia relax."

alone?"

He's very level headed."

to normal. I want peace."

team up against me!"

no one tell me that?"

"I am relaxed. This is me relaxed."

saying "You're too optimistic. Sersi, I will detach his head from his body like a bobble head if I snap. You need to take him far away." Sersi smiles to Dane as she says "We're going to find our seats, Dane. Gaia is a bit on edge. She's nicer when we get to know her." Dane nods and says "And powerful so I am intimidated. I'm not going

to lie, her fiancé is a mind reader and that's also intimidating."

"I wasn't even gonna snap. I'm not that bad. God you all just have to

They all look to me cautiously and I say "So what if I don't handle

Sersi walks away with Dane and I sigh and say "He seems nice."

I grumble and say "We're already married. This is just a—"

Sprite says "Get him out of here. Before Gaia snaps."

stress well! Oh well! I am handling it perfectly fine!"

Dane says "You will get that. Very soon." I narrow my eyes at him

Sprite says bluntly "But she's dead so.." Thena pushes Sprites shoulder and Makkari signs "Come on, let's get you dressed and ready." My hands graze the flowers and I say "He's so romantic.." Sprite and Kingo make a face and look to each other. Makkari sco s and signs "Yeah. Yeah. We get it. Who do you think helped him? Come on. Big day, you need to actually get into your dress." Sprite says "Should've opted for a suit like Kingo and outshined him." I shake my head and say "Tempting o er but I've always been more of a dress person. And I got the seamstress to put hidden pockets!" Thena says amusedly with a smile "For weapons?" I nod and say "Yes. And no. My phone and I haven't decided on the other thing." Makkari pushes me back into the room as I dig my heels in. Kingo,

Sprite, and Thena follow us in and in a whirlwind of people around

Makkari pulls me out of the room and gives me a look as I frantically

She flicks the side of my head and I bicker "Hey! What was that for?"

She grabs my chin and smushes my cheeks together as she turns my

me helping I'm ready and dressed.

gaze towards the wedding aisle.

pull at my dress and scramble around still.

Karun of course is in the audience beside Elijah and Sarah. I blow a kiss to Jack as he stands near Druig with the rings in a small little square case. He smiles to me and waves. Everyone in the audience, our audience of probably 10 or 11 people, laugh at his adorable-ness. Druig grabs my hand and finishes walking me towards Thena.

Not before Makkari signs "this isn't me giving her away to you. This is

Druig smiles and says "Got it. Understood." He kisses my cheek and pulls me away from Makkari. My hand slips from hers and she holds a

me letting you borrow her."

I say "No.. if you start crying I'm gonna cry."

smile as her eyes water

Thena says "Gaia and Druig ever so graciously asked me to o iciate Druig grabs my hand and corrects the bracelet around my wrist as I smile to him. Kingo sits in the front row sobbing loudly. He nudges Karun and says "She looks so beautiful." Ben smiles to Phastos as Phastos says "She's all grown up now." Immediate flashbacks of Gil and Thena at the first wedding Ben chuckles and says "You're having a proud father moment?"

Phastos nods through the tears and says quietly "She's grown into such a bright individual. I'm so proud. She's not the young woman

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that pushed people o ra ers and stole babies anymore."

Ben says "That wasn't a lie? She actually stole a baby?"

beautiful woman we love dearly as your wife, Druig?"

Ben pats Phastos' back as Thena says "Again, do you take this

I feel my eyes well up with tears as everything feels right in the world

Thena says "Our Gaia, our sweet and beautiful Gaia, do you take the

I smile through my tears to him as he slowly skims his thumb under my eye and say "Yeah. I guess so. Wouldn't hurt." My hand grazes his

He gives me a look and shakes his head. "Funny.. very funny." I smile

Sprite's hand covers Jack's eyes as Druig's hands roam my body in

Sersi smiles and says "Cosmic soulmates. Ajak was right, they really

Druig pulls me upright and we each hold the sides of our faces. I smile

His smile widens and he says "Is that so? I thought you already did

I nod and he gives me a few pecks on the lips. Phastos says "Alright.

gracious and loving Druig as your lawfully wedded husband?"

"I said babies.. meaning multiple."

He nods and says "Yes. Of course."

cheek as I tilt my head to him

Thena says "You may kiss your spouse."

Druig dramatically dips me and kisses me roughly.

the slightest. Kingo shouts "Woo hoo! Newly weds!"

and say "I do. Again."

are cosmic soulmates."

years ago."

to him and say "I adore you."

Alright! Save that for the honeymoon!"

Biased?

You betcha

I grumble into Druig's shoulder as I turn towards Phastos and say "Uh huh... kissing. Among other—" Druig laughs and Phastos says "Tooooo much information. Oh my god." Sprite smiles to me as I genuinely am on cloud 9. I smile to her and quickly the wedding party moves inside.

village boy watching sprite. I nudge her and say "He's about to ask you to dance. And I believe his sister is too. Take your choice my dear." đ Her eyes widen as my hand slips from hers as I turn towards Druig's voice "Oh it's a simple power, it only takes a thought to get someone like Karun to do as I request." I give him a look and he says "But... I promised my wife no mind control for the evening." Karun says "Well, thank goodness for the ole ball and chain. Ha..

Immediately Karun begins tango-ing with Kingo on the dance floor. I

Thena wanders as we enjoy the evening, I excuse myself from the conversation, allowing Druig to give me a quick peck on the lips as I

She stands in the gardens and I slowly approach. She sighs as she

She looks to me and nods "Beautiful ceremony and reception. I'm

"Me too. It was a long 70 years. It was like I lost the other half of me."

My smile drops and I nod to Druig, kissing his cheek.

smile to Druig and say "But no more. That's all."

He nods and says "Yes dear."

looks down to the plants and flowers.

glad you're back to your old self."

She nods slowly and says "He'd be proud of you."

I look to her sadly and she nods with a small grin

go to find Thena.

"You okay?"

Using past tense is already so di icult. I loop an arm around Thena and say "We'll stay together this time, protect the ones we have le." She rests her head on my shoulder and says "And win some glorious battles of course." "How on earth could I forget that? That's the best part."

Silence lingers and she pushes the wind swept hair out of my face and says "You've got a husband waiting for you inside, come along."

"Nonsense. It's your party. You should enjoy it. Get Druig to dance

We enter the room again and I already catch Druig watching me. I

"Ahh. I knew you were going to ask that. I suppose I could dance with

perfect peace. He says "I'm glad you aren't my old dementia grandma any longer. I won't miss that." I smile and say "Well, technically, Maya was younger than anyone in this room." "Well, I prefer Gaia." "Me too. I'm just glad I'm not bat shit crazy any longer." He nods and says "I suppose we'll be getting that apple pie life then?"

*** haley speaks! Oooooooo it's winding down!! I've prepared my cli hanger! It's di erent than the others surprisingly! I've been keeping the idea

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forever and I'm so excited for everyone's reaction! Alright, story is winding down quickly! Sorry for the lack of updates I've been dealing with schoolwork! But the end is near! I promise!

Q&A: Favorite new phase 4 character? Or old character?

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Sprite says "Can we not argue?"

Kingo says "Nobody tells me anything. I didn't even know she was dating him. I also didn't even know Gaia and Druig had a kid? Why did

Sprite says "That was from another lifetime. Before a previous

I shake my head and say "All you need to know is that her name was Nina and she was smart and happy and so loving. She was beautiful."

My eyes immediately stop on Druig and she smiles. I heave a sigh of relief as I see him nervously pulling at the sleeves of his clothes and $% \left(1\right) =\left(1\right) \left(1\right)$ bickering with Thena I say "He's nervous without me too..." Makkari nods and signs "He needs you. He needs you more than you need him." I smile and we start walking towards the flower lined area. Druig freezes as he sees me approach and Thena mutters "That shut him up.." I look to the remaining eternals as I walk, smiling to them lightly as Makkari holds my arm tightly. Thena smiles to me as she stands at the end of the aisle. Makkari gives Druig a look and the other eternals laugh.

Makkari nods and shakes her hand at me to continue and I say "Oh great.. god you're such a jerk for making me get more emotional." my eyes water and quickly we gather ourselves their second wedding."

Dane and Sersi are then caught marking lips and Sersi says "I'm so sorry Gaia! I'm-" I smile to her and say "No. Its alright. It just reminds me of my first kiss with Druig. It was at your wedding. So, go ahead. Kiss away. Sorry to disturb you." Makkari nudges my side as I approach her and Ben and Sprite walk towards me. Ben says "Congratulations again Gaia." I smile to him and say "Thank you. I'm just happy to be married again." He says "Was your last wedding as low key?" I nod and say "We aren't huge on big public displays of our relationship. For decades we kept our relationship a secret. We had around 5 people in attendance at our last wedding.." "Oh wow. That's very low key." Druig nods and says "You should have heard the original plan, it was just gonna be the two of us."

Phastos says "Very private relationship still I see." as he approaches

Druig shrugs and says "I wouldn't say our relationship could exactly be very private with all the legends mentioning our relationship."

Sprite looks to me and says "Legends of the peace keepers. Druig and Gaia controlled the peace for centuries, between his human control and her control of the earth and the nurturing it needed they kept the

I nod and say "Sprite always made the most beautiful stories. She

Sprite smiles to me as she squeezes my hand and I look to the young

peace."

Ben says "That's beautiful."

never bored anyone."

"Really? I feel like I let him down. Maybe if I just hadn't have been so

"Gilgamesh did as he always does...or did. He protected the ones he

naive and follow Ajak—"

"We don't have to go in, Thena."

I smile and say "That's a good idea."

smile to him and he approaches.

I say "Ready to dance?"

"You say that every time."

you, just this once."

love-d.."

with you."

He nods and pulls me close as we sway to the music. He says "It's because you're so convincing." I nod and rest my head on the crook of his neck as we dance in "Sure. Sounds fun, hm?" He shrugs and says "If that's what you want, that's what I want." "All I want and need is you. That's all. That is all I'll ever need, and makkari. Can't live without her either." He smiles and says "Ah, yes. Couldn't forget about her either."