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"Well, not all of us have your gi, Phastos." I teased and hugged him.

"But thank you. Maybe next feast we should introduce this to the

"Whatever you want, Vena." He nodded and I le his lab rushing

towards the exit of the Domo and bumped into Kingo and Sersi.

hold all the papyrus you've been making these few days?"

"It sure is. I was going to find Makkari to see if she wanted to

"Dyes." We both signed and continued to crush the fruits.

"Your hands look like you killed someone." Druig mused sitting in

" Maybe we did. Makkari smirked looking at me and we both fell into

"We were having a very nice conversation before you appeared. We'd

"Well, sweet Makkari... it would appear the humans recognize our

beautiful Vena, just like they did to Thena, as a diety." Druig spoke

"A goddess of beauty. They call you Hathor, apparently it means

beautiful to them. Can't say they're wrong." Druig shrugged and

" She's much more than her beauty. She's an amazing fighter."

"She gets it!" I exclaimed and grabbed a vial placing the dye inside.

"Thena gets to be named a goddess of war and wisdom and all I'm

but I think I'm much more than just a beautiful person."

hands were stained. "You look funny."

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seen for is beauty? That's just complete bullshit! I'm flattered and all,

"They need time to adjust to it, Vena. Maybe that can change soon,

who knows?'Makkari shrugged and I sighed pinching the bridge of

my nose but removed it almost immediately remembering that my

"Someone's excited. Phastos gave you another of his inventions?"

Kingo smirked and I nodded showing them the invention. "Is that to

"She's in the marketplace." Sersi said and I nodded rushing towards

humans? It's truly fascinating."

accompany me to make more dyes."

the exit again.

front of us.

a fit of laughter.

"Thank you, Sersi!"

"What are you two doing?"

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"You're not smiling. You always smile."
"They're fighting again. Why is that?" I asked not looking up at Druig
and continued to witness the fight below me. "Do you think it's their
instincts?"
"I think it's their selfishness to always be superior to others." Druig
said li ing his hand and the men stopped fighting. "Don't tell Ajak."
"Your secret's safe with me, don't worry. Last night, I created a
sandstorm because someone killed their so called 'slaves'." I
mumbled and looked at the wilted grass around me making me
frown. I flicked my wrist and new grass emerged along with flowers.
"You said selfishness, why?"
"I've been inside their minds. They are overwhelmed with the illusion
of power and constantly want to step over the other person to
achieve their means. It's pure selfishness in my opinion." Druig
shrugged and sat down next to me.
"I don't think they're supposed to act this way."
"What? Selfish?"
"And narcissistic. They're... interesting creatures." I shrugged. "What I
find fascinating is that you don't have to read minds in able to know
what they're thinking, their actions say it all."
"You're very observant then." Druig pointed out and I nodded.
"When you have to watch over and take care of them like a mother
does a child, you learn their habits and thought process." I explained
and leaned back. "I also learned a few things about all of you."
"Yeah? And what are those, beautiful Vena?" Druig smirked and I
shrugged.
"Give me names and I'll tell you one thing I've learned from them
without them telling me."
"Makkari."
"Movements are swi and calculated. Her thought process is truly
something I admire. Plus, she's a great person to talk to." I shrugged.
"Ikaris."
"Sees the humans as a mission, doesn't really try to communicate
with them. Has a god-complex."
"Sprite."
"A trickster if I ever did see one. She's great if you wish to cause
mischief."
"Thena."
"Most caring person I've ever met, honestly. Her motherly instincts
tell her to watch for the children first when fighting Deviants."
"Gilgamesh."
"Same as Thena. He also gives good advice."
"Kingo."
"Best jokes I've ever heard."
"Phastos."
"Great hugs and he's super passionate about his inventions.
Sometimes I sit in his lab doing nothing just so he can have someone
to rant to."
"Sersi."
"Kind-hearted. Sometimes kinda naive."
"Ajak."
"To be discussed. I have a feeling she's hiding something."
"I'm somewhat scared to ask about myself." Druig chuckled and I
smirked.
"You're mysterious, reserved, and unusually quiet during meetings
and arguments. Calculating every single movement before you do
them. You care for these humans way more than you would care to
show. You want to help them evolve, but Arishem's rule forbids you to
do so." I said and nudged his shoulder slightly. "In other words, you
act like you have a stick up your ass. You need to loosen up, Druig.
You can still protect the humans even though you're having a bit of
fun."
"Hmm, why don't I say something I've learned about you then? Since
you clearly know so much about me." Druig mused and I gestured for
him to continue.
"Let's see what you came up with."
"Well... you're spontaneous, which is the complete opposite of me.
You don't talk much, except with Makkari, Thena and Phastos. You
avoid conflict as much as possible, but aren't afraid to be caught in
the crossfire if necessary. And you care for these humans way more
than you've expressed to Ajak and the others. Just like me, if it wasn't
for Arishem's rule and with our help, they'd be the most evolved race
in the galaxy and there would be no Deviants." He said and smiled
proudly at my flustered face.
"I'm... impressed." I mumbled standing up and grabbed my bag
outstretching my hand. "I want to show you something. To see if
maybe one day, you don't have that stick up your ass."
"I don't have a stick up my ass, Vena."
"We'll see about that."
"Where are you taking me, beautiful Vena?"
"To show you where you can get the best view of Egypt."
"The Domo? We were just there." Druig sco ed and I rolled my eyes
using dirt as steps to climb up a pyramid and dragged him along.
"Sometimes, you have to see the world from their eyes. And this one
isn't finished yet, so it's okay." I shrugged opening my bag and
handed something to him. "Do you remember the plants I placed
around the river once we came here to help with the floods?"
"I'm afraid I just remember your excitement when the flooding
stopped and we didn't had to fight Deviants in the mud. Thank you
for that, by the way."
"Okay, so I took the stems from it and with it, I made this! It took me
five days just to get it right. I showed it to Phastos once it was done
and you can draw stu on it with some of the dyes they use! We
called it a papyrus because it's the name the humans gave the plant
and we're going to introduce it to the humans tonight at a feast." I
blurted out and took out the brush and dyes Phastos gave me earlier
this morning and drew a lily. "See!? Now they can write their stories
here instead of stones."
"You're one of many talents, beautiful Vena." He said making me
smile. "And I guess you were right, this truly is the best place to see all
of Egypt."
I smiled back and turned to watch the sunset when I noticed three
Deviants making their way towards the city.
"Druig... where are the rest?"
"Either in the Domo or the city. Why?" I pointed at the Deviants and
he stood up alarmed. "So it's just you and me for now?"
"Looks like it." I mumbled already rushing down the pyramid with
him next to me. "Get the people away, I'll take care of it until the
others arrive."
"Vena-"
"Just do as I say, Druig!" I yelled as my eyes turned rose gold and held
fire in both of my hands. He nodded running away and I turned to the
Deviants. "Makkari, you better not be taking another one of your naps
in the Domo."
I slid under one of the Deviants and jumped on its back sending a
flame straight to its heart before it flung me o and threw me towards
one of the homes causing it to crack.
"Need some help?" Ikaris smirked and I rolled my eyes standing up
with Thena's help.
"Took you long enough. And it's dead, so you only have two to worry
about. You're very welcome." I bowed dramatically and he laughed
before flying away. "Like I've said, a god-complex. What does Sersi
even see in him anyways?"
"Are you okay, Vena?" Thena asked me and I nodded.
"I've been through worse. How did you get here so quickly?"
"Makkari alerted us. Where is Druig?"
"Steering the humans away." As soon as I said that, Druig was already
running towards us. "Nevermind, there he is."
"Is she okay?" Druig asked and Thena smiled so ly before conjuring a
spear and ran towards the Deviants. I tried following her, but Druig
held me back. "You're injured."
"I'll see Ajak a erwards. This is more important." I brushed him o
and flicked my wrist making a stone emerge and stab a Deviant. "One
le ."
Makkari stopped in front of us and engulfed me in a hug.
" Are you okay?"
"I'm okay, thanks for coming so quicklyI'signed back and she
smiled just as Ikaris destroyed the last Deviant. " If he gets all the
praise again, I'll lose it."
"Let's take you to see Ajak just in case, beautiful Vena. You can kill
Ikaris later."
"Fine."
"Someone's quieter than usual."
"Not in the mood, Phastos." I grumbled. "The same shit happened."
"Let me guess. You started the fight, but Ikaris got the praise?" He
teased and I glared at him. "Right, sorry... I think I have something to
cheer you up."
Phastos handed me a two wooden blocks and in the middle was all
the papyrus I made these past few days.
"This way, you won't have the papyrus lying around and you can
write your notes here." He smiled and I chuckled taking the invention
from him. "And I tried doing it your way, without my powers. It was
interesting, but I prefer my way."
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"Well, I came to give you both some news, but I guess I'll be on my way then." Druig shrugged standing up but Makkari pulled him back down with her stained hands. "Curious, are we?" " Don't be a tease and tell us or you're getting berries to the fac€he

signed and I snorted.

"What diety?" I sco ed.

Makkari rolled her eyes.

and signed.

"Shut up."

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