Ascension of a Gamma

Chapter 11 in His Resolve

I watched Liam take her father

from me, my vision blurring as I tried to focus on what the woman in front of me was saying. I could barely stand that bastand almost rip my threat out, and I wasn't healing fast enough to recover.

Warmth crept down my neck, but all I

could think about was

going after her and taking her away from him. She still loved me, despite all that I'd done, and I couldn't be more relieved.

There were a lot of things to do, asking for her forgiveness

takes priority

Will she forgive me that easily?

I saw her raise her head to look at me, my Whian in the

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"You look like you're dying a voice wild, and I realize

WAS Carson

When did het here?

Itelt a sting on my Inck, and I histed.

"Relax. It's just alcohol," said Lexy. who

kneeling beside me

Whendid she get there!

"Thanks for bringing my kit, Carson, she said, and was it

just me, or did her pitch raise a little higher?

Islowly shadinomy and fon, feeling my bones

crack as they fixed themselves in place, and Fame's black tur disapeng

in a my skin

"Wan" yu heal me quicker; Farrell We have the Alpha

blow, du"

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He didn't reply. Allied iront <u>lii</u>m was a sad whimper,

and I knew something was wrong. The last time he did this was... the night when rejected her and forced her to reject me. I almost passed out from the pain of the rejection, feeling a part of me had gone missing, and when I reached my room, I immediately collapsed and lost Osciousness.

When I woke up, it was already morning Farrell whimpered

"Ishe dying?" he askel with a smig

"You'd want that won't you?" I said

"Maybe," he said. "Did she really face him for you?"

"You were watching?" I asked, raising m vhed only for

Lexy lo slam it back down, her hand placed firmly on my forehead, "You could treat your patient a little gently." I said, annuyed and Garso grinned.

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And you," I said, painting at Carson." What kind of deal
did you make with them? I swear if this has something to do with - ow!"
Lexy flicked my forehead this time, interrupting my talk
with Carson. What was that for?" 1 demanded.
She ctually smiled ashed. "H
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with."
"Im st! All I'm hij is My Hub 5*
almost like Carson in that s
"Hry, Flynn," Carson said.
wha
'It's best you forget about Anna now," he
already found her mate. You've no choice but to let her go."
Found her mate? How could that possibly happen? I am
her mate! We rejected each other but we could still take it back. The Goddess
wouldn't give her to another soon, would she?
"I think you're forgetting something, Carson. I'm her
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whoever this wound chance mate other was better buck all.
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This woman surely has puts.

"You're the one forgetting something, Flynn. If she's mated to an Alpha, it's up leher," he said. "And whether you like it or not, she is mated to an Alpha. Why do you think Alpha Liam almost kile you?

My brain lassed in processing his words. I Ecouldn't be

Thar bastard's her mate?

This had got to be some sort of a joke!

It's true. He just found out today," said Lexy, folding a piece of gauze. "And he wouldn't treat her the way you did," she said, and it stabbed my heart like a knife

low Flynn."

"Dune Leny chirped and sind, holding the first-aid it in one hand. "I'll leve you two to talk

She casually walked away. and 1 sat up, tilted my head to sinichi my tichonborh sides

When she was out of carshal, CITSON slainmed me hack down on the ground, holding by neck in a chokoheld as he straddled me "How could you do that ta her!" he shouted, tightening his hold.

My hands instinctively went to his wrists, but he wouldn't

Sorry, man

Using my strength, I gripped his wrists tightly until he
Alow-pitched skap sounded in the cleaning as his righe

Test lanchon my face. "You almost like

He raised his left list and punched the other side of my

I know

He rained punches on my face. I let him take his amper

out. He was right. I almost killed her that night. She was my mate and I beat

her up and forced her to accept my rejection

I deserved this. No, I deserved more than

How could I claim to love her when I didn't show her that

I did? No wonder the Goddess mated hert

finally

ve Me

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Cansi threw hi nirusination.

Then he looked down on me, THE She's like a sister to me and you know it

I thought you loved her, Han," he said.

Grabbling the neckline of my shirt, he forced me to sit up

and look him straight in the eye

Why? Why the fuck did you do that to her?" he demanded as

he shook me violently before pushing me back down.

Then, he laid on his back beside me, drawing dep

breathes.

"I wish she leaves you," he said.

Sitting up, I spat the blood in my mouth. before replying

"I'm taking her back, Carson. She's my Luna,"

He weted. Shouki've prop

HLAL. Let her be She's finally and her mate."

"I'm her mate!" I decland. She'll stay You'll see."

forced myself to stand, "When I lake back the rejection – 11

You rejected her?" hezked in disbelief, sitting up. "You

were her mate?

"Iann lier mate," I corrected. "She's not ITHAnt to

be with that bastard."

#You're insane, Flynn. Let her be happy right now. Haven't

you done enough?" He stood beside me, placed a hand on my shoulder, and put on

a serious face. "She'll be happy with him, man. It's time to let her go."

I shrugged his hand off. Walking away, I

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happy if she stays with me. You'll see."

He didn't follow after me. I felt his coO 11 my back. "IE

you really love her, you'd know that she's better off without YOLL"

Of course, I do. But I don't want to accepti Ewhen I

still have a chance to prove to her that she can be happy with me. I'll make

her the happiest woman in the world, for the rest of our lives. I'll go down on

my knees and grovel before her if I have t

She won't leave me. We are mates. We are mates..

Chapter 12 Confused Guessey

in a way. I Was I wasn't lacing him INJUSe my lace felt hat. I didn't need a mirror to know that I looked like a tomata right now. This was Lembarrassing, phially when he told m e that he could smell me, down there.

I actually did it withi Flynn! Well, not I'xactly because we had our clothes on but

I gulped. Did I want it to happen with our clothes off? An image of Flynn's topless figure flashed in my mind. He was always in shape, conscious of his looks ever since we were in training

He rejected me, but... I guess he still loved me. But... if he did, why would he do those things I almost died that night!

Did Farrell take control? No, I would've krown. It was definitely himn He did it on. his own volition.

I didn't know what came over me – why I let him do it to me. I'd be lying if I said it wasn't good and that... I didn't like it.

NO, 10, no! Anna, he almost kills yoin!

This was also confusing. I should've Thished him away, dene watleshi fram me. So, why didn't l?

My father often talked about how much hi e loved my mother, though I never got to meet her. She died to let me live, and I was clueless as to what she looked like because no one had a picture of her. He used to tell me about males and the bond. rejection and acceptance – the feeling of being like an entirely new being after the Erking was completed.

I'd accepted his rejection, he didn't mark me, so... why does a part of me still yearn for him? Even after all he'd done, was it possible that I still loved him? Because I shouldn't

Seriously, what is going on today? First, Alpha Liam then...

Why did he do those things? And why did I let him?

I'm not easy to get! Why am I getting flustered by these two Alphas!

Loud howls reached my ears, and then

that sound ch e mpid. TuETTET y head awards the dination of white in Came, I coue yellow light push burk the darkness of the night. The howls Came again, signifying that the matching

My heart san. That could've been Flynn and me, if only he hadn't rejected me. I slighed.

I guess I de still love him,

nif buat

We used to be a thing and back then i could already picture sponding the rest my life with him. When Alpha Frasergave me his blessing and spoiled the surprise that Flymin was poing to propose to me, I thought irrything would be alright, because his feelings for me hadn't changed even though I was olikcially wolf

It might've been perfect; it was what I asked of the Goddess. Lexy told mel Could stay with their pack, but with what just happened between Alpha Liam and m Ë. I think it would be best if I turn rogu.

A rogue didn't have the protection of a

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and simply, but it probably wouldn't be so bad. I could live with the humans, Herd in perfectly Without a wolf, I might will be lateledene anyways. And since I don't have Werewolf's scent on wouldn't be able to tell me Met from human.. Maybe, I really belong to the human Morld.

He adjusted me on his shoulder, sighing a she did so. Hal He probably got tired. So much for acting tough.

"If you didn't run away from me, we could've joined the ceremony," he said.

"First, I didn't run wway. Alpha Flytini took me. And second, there's no point in me attending the ceremony." I supped." Why were you looking for me anyway? I'm thankful that you saved me from last night, but you're not my babysitter. I can handle myself on my own."

I'm still annayed that he spanked me Even Father never did such a thing! And only little kids set spanked. I'm not a kid anymore.

Wh, l'IT sorry. Were you enjoying your Little Mission?" he said makingly and I blished

"That's none of your business!" I replied, And he spiked me again

Nomore!

1:5quimed to get out of his hold, pounding my lists on his back and kicking my legs in the air as I did so. He saved me last night and I truly am grateful, but he had na business paking his nose where it didn't belang What happens to me and whatever came down breweerī. Flynn and me – he had no right to inwolve himself in these matters.

Babe, if you don't stop teasing me out delicious little ass, I won't hesitate to fuck you right here, right now, and claim you mine," he warned sternly, and I stopped

*Don't call me babe!" I shouted. "And put me down!

Why's he acting so weird? They're both acting weird! Is this what happens to Alphas when the mating ceremony comes around?

Sighing, he pulled me off his shoulder And I thought I was going lalall sol Yrapped this around his neck, some sort of reku, and curled my knees a my stomach, my eyes shut tight. I was Practically clining to him!

I heard him clear his throul and only then did I open my turned inty head, and i was plait dark because his face was centimeters from mine. Heat crept into my cheeks again. His back leaned hacka littlr, an arm Wrapped my thighs to support me.

Let go," he said calmly, and in my panicked state, I did. As soon as I did, I cursed myself for I was going to fall this time, but he caught me with his other aren. My breathi hitched in my throat. I was now facing the most dangerous Alpha, as he held me close to him, bridal style:

"I can call you whatever I want, babe. I'm the Alpha," he said. I rolled my eyes at him. It was dark so he couldn't see it

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set Oy that 'm here. I don't want you anywhere T him." His vicende like Chand; it was a little cry. But I was a growtup girl, and I could do whatever I

I'm about to be a free rogue bo nobody tells Anna what she can and can't du!

**He's not abusive," I said, my mind disagreeing He's not my lover either. And I can do whatever I want."

A low growl came from him and I tensed How could I have forgotten?

He's a murderous Alpha!

Way to get yourself killed, Anna. Is he going to kill me here? I bet he knows how to hide a dead body. Goddess, is this the end of me?

"You... You keep on protecting him. Are you actually an idiot?" he said, and that was the last straw.

I'm done with these Alphas acting all arrogant and dominant.

Yutelo!" I said, raising my wice E him. He pule me closer to him, his hand gripping you thighs.

"kep testing my pMe and you'll rejenet it, mate," he said firmly.

There he goes again calling me his matc. Looks like have to make it cut for him i ounderstand.

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I looked away from Alpha Liam and blinked rapidly, breathing deeply, holding back the tears that threatened to fall. I just wanted to be in my room, in the comforting dark, alone and safe.

He stopped in his tracks, and I felt him raise me higher. I stayed silent. He was probably going to do another annoying

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I felt his hot breath on the top of my head, then something soft brushed past my hair

Did he just kiss me?

Looking up at him, I realized that he had adjusted my position, so my face was just by his shoulder. It was a moonless night, but I could somehow tell that he was smiling. And did I guess right when he told me, "Then why do I want you?"

Chapter 13 Tough Persuasion

Her scent was driving me crazy and she just kept on shoving that naughty little ass of lens on my face like she was taunting me. This mate of mine kept teasing me, unknowingly, and my head was starting to hurt.

The mating ceremony was over. I would've wanted to be there with her and show her off to the other males. My mate, my Luna, my fated woman. I would've claimed her proudly as mine so no one else would even dare lay their lustful eyes on her. She was mine for life and I was hers, at least a part of me

The moonless night wasn't of a hindrance to me. She probably didn't know that I was channeling Luca's energy to help me see in the dark. But doing so also heightened my sense of smell and I couldn't help myself from taking in her scent. Sweet... so fucking sweet, and it wasn't because of me but that kid!

She might be wolf-less but she should

miehil wall-less but the child still Irrlihe bond between us. Seeing her beneath him like that, her face flushed and content. Fuck! I shouldn't have left her alone in that TOOL

They had their clothes on, but it didn't. mean nothing came down between them I could smell him all over her!

And that scream – she should only be Scrcing my name' Liam = this was the only name permitted to come out of her lips. She'd better behave or else she'd b* screaming my name until her throat was sore. 1

<u>She should have</u> no reason to protect and defend him and yet she kept snapping at me. I saved her life for fucks sale!

Technically, it was Lexy but still... if I didn't find her last night, she might've bled to death. The injury on her chest was fatal.

And what do I get? To see her pinned down by another male and this fiery attitude of hers. I didn't expect this from, her – she seemed more of the submissive type during our first encounter. Didn't that mean anything to her at all? She

wanted me to touch her when we in the

Is my beautiful mate actually an idiot?

<u>All</u> I kept getting from her was attitude. I wanted to carry her bridal style insteads o I could admire her beauty without her kutowing, but she unexpectedly clung tom e. It made my heart skip a beat.

It hammered wildly iruniy chest I felt like it was going to rip itself out. I told her to let go, trying to sound as calm as I could. She did. In my arms, just where she belonged.

Mine, no one else

Warning her to back away from him, she instead rolled her eyes at me!

The Goddess sure loves to play games with me, giving me a mate that just won't submit

If that kid wasn't her lover then what were they to each other? It would be in his best interest to not challenge me because she was rightfully mine,

And I don't share

I don't have mate!" she shouted at me and I fraze. She looked away from me, trying to hold bactean and I felt a iwinge of guilt and pain. It was like she indirectly rejected me. She didn't know yet, but it still hurt to hear.

I made her upset. Was it because I called her 'mate?

My beautiful Anna. After being maltreated for so long because she was wolf-less, she must've believed she <u>wouldn't have</u> a mate. Was that it – WAS she so hungry for a male's attention that she'd even let that fucking kid fuck her?

I wouldn't allow it. I was late to truly save her, but I was here now. No one would ever hurt her again, not even myself. No one would turn her into a punching bag for as long as I live

Lifting her higher, I placed a soft kiss on her hair

She looked up at me "Then why do I want you?" I asked and her eyes widened.

"I know you're wolf-less. I also know you've been abused," I admitted. "I don't

u ve been abused," I admitted. "I don't kurw what's between you and that kid, laut one thing is for sure: you are my mate. I will take you to my pack, make you my Luna, and we'd spend the rest of Die lives together."

There was no point in beating around the bush. I meant what I said – it was my plan.

"You... You can't be my mate," she said. Her brows knitted.

I started walking again. At least she wasn't snapping at me "Hmm... But I a m. If I wasn't, I wouldn't have looked for you when you suddenly disappeared, on almost killed that kid," I said. If I wasn't s o rudely interrupted, I would've ripped his throat out. Then again, looks like I did have a soft spot for her.

"You can't be my mate," she repeated, and I frowned

It really felt like a rejection. I didn't want her to reject me, I needed her.

Then why did you moan for me, babe? You kissed me, you wanted me," I said bluntly, and she blushed. "The tingles

E nel when you're around me when our skin touches. You don't have a woli to tell you, hat I do and he's telling m # that you're my mite. Hoject me if you want but know this: I will never bept it.

I locked down at her, smirking "You're stuck with me, babe

She openw'd her mouth like she wanted to say something but didn't and closed it again. Then she looked away from me, her checks still a deep red, and stayed quiet

It was a lot to take in, but I needed her to realize that she couldn't stay here anymore. Everyone was counting on me and this was the last chance I got.

And to be honest, my wolf was already head over heels for her. He would never forgive me if I let her go.

She had to come with me, she must.

Question is, will she?

I heard loud voices as we neared the mansion. As we emerged from the woods, we saw that the packs had already gathered in the common grounds, mosto

Ohen making out. This behavior was only acceptable when the mating ceremony came around. A werewolf's lust. was difficult to control when it came to a first mate, especially when the mark was just completed. It triggered a primal nerd in us to rut, and let our urges take control.

"Close your eyes," I told her.

She was already covering her face with both hands, her checks even redder than before. She looked so cute... so innocent.

I stopped channeling energy from Luca to bring my senses back to normal. "The smell of arousal was heavy in the air and if I lost control, I knew Anna would too, but it could also lead her to decide to not come with me. Besides, I'd rather take her on my bed than out in the open – not that I was entirely against the idea.

Please hurry and take me inside," she said.

Fuck! If only she meant what I wanted it t.

o mean.

Taking long strides, I took her inside – where we should softly hear the wanton moaning and screams that came from

outside. Instead, we were greeted yet. again with the same scene from outside. Unlike the somewhat censored version outside because of the dark, the lights inside revealed everything to the eye.

I had to get her away from here. I had to get myself away from here.

Channeling Luca's energy, I painstakingly ignored the sinful scents assaulting my nostrils and in inhuman speed took her back to my room. My men knew better than to fuck around near my and Lexy's rooms so there was no one on our floor but the two of us. The night was still young – it might be full of them later. Some of us didn't want anyone else seeing what was rightfully ours.

Closing the door, she removed her hands off her face and looked around. "It's alright. It's just us here," I said. She gulped.

"Smooth," Luca interrupted.

What the fuck, Luca!"

"Uhm... you can put me down now." I gave her my full attention. To hell with

I helped her stand and she immediately hacked away from me, locking away.

"Uhm... nothing." she replied, blushing madly. Those checks of het were so honest it was adorable.

"I'll contact my Beta to pick us up by tonight. Do you have anything you need to pack before we leave?

Looking at me, she said, "Leaving? I didn't say I was leaving."

Picking up the bags on the floor, I threw them all on the couch and opened one. "I wasn't asking. You're coming to my pack," I simply said. "On second thought, all of your needs will be taken care of so unless it's something really important, don't pack anything like clothing. Leave everything here. I don't want you taking anything that he gave you."

"I'm not going to your pack," she said, crossing her arms over her chest. "I will leave when I want to, and there's no way I'm going to a pack like yours."

klike yours? I rule the biggest, proudest, and one of the strongest packs i in the world. Disrespecting my pack is the same as disrespecting me.

I pulled an oversized shirt and basketball shorts out of my bag Holding them in a tight fist, I strode towards her. She stood in place, her breathing rapid and shallow, her eyes never leaving mine.

As I neared her, she backed away from m c, until her back hit the wall. Before she could even think of running away. I slammed an arm on one side of the wall, trapping her. "Look at me!" I demanded, but she kept looking to her side.

With my other hand, I gripped her jaw so she would face me. She reeked of fear. I didn't want to scare her again, but I somehow did, only this time she went a bit too far.

"My pack have been waiting for their Luna for a long time, Anna. They've been waiting for you. As their Luna, don't you think you should get to know them first?

"I am not your Luna!" she spat, and my jaw clenched.

Take a shower and change into these." 1 ordered, forcing her hand to take them She was making my blood boil, but I had a hold myself back or she won't agree to

THE with me

Why is it so difficult to convince her? She's my mate, it should be easy!

**Don't treat me like a kid! I can look after myself," she said and threw the clothes a ime She walked past me, heading for the door, while my mind tried to comprehend the situation.

I wasn't treating her like a kid! What was up with this woman!

"Thank you for everything Alpha. But I'm no one's Luna," she said, with her backt ome "I can't go with you."

Her words were like bullets that went Straight to my heart. I was getting rejected. She didn't want anything to do with me. But I couldn't just let her go -I needed her

I walked towards her and as I was about to speak, someone interrupted. "But you have to, Bella."