

Claiming His Tempting Mate novel chapter 22

Savannah's POV

Avan's face changed several times. If it was in the past I would have felt bad for saying harsh words or would get scared seeing his expression. But everything has changed now. He never wanted me as a woman but as a mate to keep his bond to increase his own power and rule the pack. All he could think was his own self. After the harsh betrayal I have come to realise that what I had was not real but a moment of surrealism that blinded me to such an extent where I forgot my own self and forgot how to preserve my own respect.

"What did you say?" Avan asked as his eyes danced with rage. He was glaring at me so hard that it felt like he was about to explode. But I was not that weak Shyla anymore who would give in to him. I am now Savannah, who will crush down every dirty bastard like him.

I smirked "why? Didn't you hear what I said just now? Do you want me to repeat it?" My eyes glanced sideways and found a few people turning their heads and looking at us which made my smirk turn into a grin.

"I must say after staying away from the pack you have got some courage Savannah. Don't forget you still had some connections with Bright Shine and you should know that I, the Alpha of the pack won't tolerate your misbehave" Avan spat angrily. His eyes turned blue. He normally has light blue eyes but when it turns into a dark shade of blue, it means his wolf is taking over his body.

But looking at him right now, I don't have an ounce of fear in me. I stared at him calmly. Crossing my arms around my chest I boldly looked at his dark blue eyes.

"I think you are mistaken. Show your Alpha power to your pack. I am sure they will appreciate your power so much. But refrain yourself from doing such a thing in front of me because I am neither the member of your pack nor I am related to you. For an Alpha trying to show his power to intimidate the members of another pack, don't you think it's going overboard?" I said in a mocking tone.

Though I spent many years of my life in Bright Shine pack, at the end the truth to be told and there was no fucking connection between us. Farid and Selina took me away from my own parents and raised me there as their daughter without any care or love. Though I have treated them with respect and loyalty, in the end I was returned with betrayal and accusations. Now, looking at him it felt like he forgot this matter and was still trying to bind me with his so-called pack.

"You can deny all you want Savannah but don't forget your adoptive parents raised you for so many years. But once you got your real parents you forgot about them. Is this

how you are paying for their efforts to raise you?" Avan shamelessly accused turning the point. His eyes held the challenge asking me to reply to him.

I saw a few people around us start to whisper with each other. Avan was doing it intentionally. To make them think I am without any morals and neglecting the elders because of my own selfish needs. I clenched my fist. Bastard, all the shameless things were done by him and his scoundrel pack members and now he is pointing the blame at me?

"Oh" I tilted my head "efforts you mean to let your pack members mock me because I couldn't shift at a certain age? Or do you mean the fact that I didn't agree to be your mate when you were cheating behind my back? You mean to all these efforts?" I asked. Suddenly all the challenging glint in his eyes disappeared. But before he could say I continued again.

"The parents you are indicating were the one who stole me away from my own parents. Why? Who told them to steal another baby taking advantage of the situation? Is this act called morality? The parents you are indicating are the same couple who threw me in the corner just to make me the substitute of their daughter who was drowning in greed to become your Luna even though she was not your mate. The parents you are indicating was the same person who asked me to adjust myself with situation and go blind to you and my so called great sister fucking each other's brains out. This is what you call MORALITY?" I shouted at my top lungs. Since he wanted everyone to know then I will fucking tell every bit of truth of them, of what they made me go through all these years.

The audience around me gasped at my sudden outburst. I felt the anger raised inside me and my chest tightened. My palms started to sweat as I glared at the person before me stood stunned. How dare he pull the dirty water on me like he was the most innocent being in this whole world. The dickhead of a man who couldn't control his dick and found the pussy of my so-called sister to play with. My body started to burn with anger. I can feel my eyes starting to change their colour. Red is taking charge of my body. When she is in power my eyes change into Dark Violet orbs instantly. Even if my powers are not enough to kill an Alpha but it's enough to injure him seriously.

~ I will fucking eat his flesh today. This bastard, dared to insult us like this ~ I heard her groan loudly.

I was about to step towards Avan when I felt a strong force pull me back. My back collided with a hard chest and a pair of arms engulfed me.

~ Mate ~ Red purred sweetly, inhaling the earthly scent of patchouli that hit my nostrils, filling it with sweetness and relaxing my body immediately. I leaned more feeling the comfort in his arms.

I heard a growl and turned my head only to see Avan glaring at me but more like glaring at the person who was hugging me.

“Who the fuck are you?” Avan growled pointing his finger.

“Do you think you are qualified enough to know my identity? Since when did a diminutive being like you get such a gut to question me?” Hardwick replied arrogantly.

If I say Avan is a proud bastard then Hardwick is an arrogant dominant. His words will be enough to shake you in anger if you can't control. As expected when Avan heard these words he exploded. For a proud person like him will never sustain such an insult. So before anyone could think he charged against Hardwick using his Alpha strength. Others around us gasped as they witnessed the scene. Not only them, I even gasped at his action. But Hardwick pushed me behind him, making me stumble. I raised my head and stared at them.

Avan's veins almost popped out as he threw his punch with force to Hardwick. But before that could land on Hardwick, he moved, making Avan punch in the air. Hardwick tilted his head and punched on Avan's stomach with his fist. That force was so strong that Avan fell on the ground as he spit out blood from his mouth. My eyes widened in shock. Though I know Hardwick is strong enough to face Avan, I was not expecting him to be this strong. Even though Avan was a bastard, he is still an Alpha and Alpha blood is running in his body which is kind of different from other male wolves. But now looking at the scene, it felt like Avan is nothing but a weak child when he was facing Hardwick.

“What's happening?” I heard my brother's voice. I turned to look at him running towards us while Tanea followed him in panic.

Devak frowned when he looked at Avan who was wiping the blood from his mouth “how this happened?” He turned towards me and asked.

“Nothing, some people do not know how to control themselves” I shrugged.

“Is it?” Devak gave a side glance towards Avan.

“Next time it's better you know who you are dealing with. If I saw you again near my Savannah I will make sure you don't exist the very next day” Hardwick's hard voice landed, making my heart jump.

Did he just call me his Savannah? A certain warm feeling spread inside me.

“Heh, your Savannah?” Avan asked as he got up from the ground.

Hardwick walked towards me and pulled me again in his arms before turning to look at Avan “Why? Do I need your permission now to claim my own mate as mine?”

Avan's eyes widened like a saucepan immediately. I mentally smirked at him. Looks like he never expected to hear something like this. Hardwick pulled me with him as he glanced down at me.

"Let's go, I don't want you to stay in such polluted air"

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"Are you okay?" Tanea asked as she passed me a glass of water.

I nodded my head before drinking it. From those shouting my throat felt dry all of a sudden. I just wanted to have some peace but it looks like Avan won't let me have some peace of mind. Thinking about it gives me a headache. When I was clinging to him he didn't spare a glance and now that I wanted to go far away he is chasing after me. Does not get tired from all those dramas he is putting up?

"What exactly happened there?" Devak asked as he sat across from me. Currently we are in Devak's tent. Since he and Tanea were not present in the incident they are actually unaware of it.

I sighed "Avan just couldn't wait to trouble me around. Today he accused me for being unruly towards the so called adoptive parents"

"That bastard" Devak clenched his fist "he still has the gut to accuse you like that. Is he looking for his own death because he is too bored in his life? If he really want it, I will grace his wish"

I rolled my eyes. Devak is always aggressive and always thinks of killing if he is bored. Tanea slapped his arms.

"What are you thinking? Always killing and killing? Do you know other things other than this?"

Devak looked at her "what do you mean? He is bullying my sister to this extent and you are stopping me. Did you forget you are my mate? Sav is also like a sister to you, woman"

I double rolled my eyes this time. Now there is another headache. I leaned my head on Hardwick's shoulder. His arms sneaked around my waist supporting my body.

"Now I felt my decision to come here was totally wrong. Hell there's no peace at all" I mumbled as I glanced towards the couple who were arguing with each other.

Hardwick chuckled "your brother and his mate is too active"

"You stop mocking them" I gripped his arm, adjusting my head on his shoulder.

“Tired?” He whispered.

“Hmmm...” I nodded closing my eyes “where were you? You took so long to speak on phone”

“Sorry, had some important things to handle”

“Who called you anyway?”

“Jealous love?” A slow chuckle reached my ear.

“Don’t change the topic”

“Ryan” he replied shortly.

“Huh? Who?”

“My beta. I gave him some work. He was frustrated because of that” he chuckled.

“You surely know how to annoy people”

“It’s his own doing. He likes to mess up so it was also him who needed to face the consequence”

I raised my head and looked at him “but you trust him don’t you?”

He smiled “he is like a brother to me. His father used to be the beta of Dark Forest and worked with my dad for so many years and devoted all his loyalty to the pack”

I smiled “so you know Ryan since childhood?”

“We grew up together,” he nodded.

We smiled at each other. Suddenly he leaned down nearing his head to mine. Our nose was almost touching as he tilted his head and about to capture my lips...

“What did you say?”

I jumped in shock and turned my head to look at Tanea who was glaring at Devak. I almost forgot they are here too.

“Come again. What did you just say?” Tanea asked again.

“What? Isn’t it true?” Devak raised his eyebrow.

I really don't know what they were arguing about. I was lost in my own world and couldn't even understand their points.

"Devak Lang, how dare you?" Tanea looked so angry that I was surprised. I have never seen her getting like this.

"What?" Devak asked, putting on an innocent face.

"You ..." Tanea gritted her teeth then sneered "fine, since you are so arrogant then be it. Sleep outside the tent tonight" saying that she marched out of the tent leaving us shocked, mostly Devak whose jaw was already landed on ground.

I looked at Tanea's disappearing figure then my eyes landed on Devak whose mouth was still wide open. I pursed my lips trying to suppress my laugh.

"Well ...ahem... What about the game? Who's joining today's event?" I asked him.

He turned to me and friends "Shiny and Jion will take part today" then his eyes snapped towards the door again.

I watched his reaction and rested my chin on my palm. "don't you think you should follow her? I mean if you want to enjoy your night counting the stars then it's your choice you know"

"Fuck" before I knew Devak's figure disappeared from the room. I frowned and turned to look at Hardwick who was smirking already.

"What was that?"

"What? Your brother disappeared in the air?"

I rolled my eyes "wow, what an explanation!"

"Oh, since the crowd cleared then..." He moved then pulled me towards him.

"What are you doing?" I frowned.

"Don't you think, something is still unfinished darling?"

Heh? Unfinished?

"Unfinished what?" I couldn't understand what he meant.

"Something that we started earlier" he leaned and whispered. His face was close to mine. So close that I can feel his hot breath fanning my cheeks.

Started earlier? Then...oh my god, the realization hit my head. We were about to... But before I could even think of it Hardwick captured my lips in a bone curling kiss.

Damn, this man is an expert in dominating. But hell I like it so much.