Chapter Thirty Two: Someone Like Me

"Ivy? Ivy talk to us please." Devin begs. "Ivy? Love? Please!" Cezar begs. I think it's been three days and I've gotten to the point where I can't open my eyes. All I can think about is how much I love Damian. "Get the Fealla bracelets o of her!" Devin says. I feel my arms being gently picked up, and the weight of the Fealla bracelets coming o my wrists. Then the same to my ankles. "Ivy? Ivy please say something." Cezar begs, I can hear the pain and worry in both the boys voices. "Home." I whisper. "You want to go home?" Devin asks his voice sounding hopeful. 'Home." I say again, putting most of my energy into that one word. I put the rest of my energy into the next few words. "I want my Damian." "Cezar, please, take Ivy home." Devin begs. My breathing comes out shallow. I know I'm close to death. "I can try. But the others might catch me." Cezar says. "She can't survive here!" Devin says, I can tell he's crying now. "I'll try. And you're coming Devin." Cezar says. I'm being picked up and carried. I know it's by Cezar, I've memorized his touch. And Devins touch is di erent. "Guards." Devin whispers. I lie limp in Cezars arms. I don't process what's going on. I stop thinking for a while. Then I go back into focus a little. "We made it." Devin breathes. I feel the familiar surrounding of a portal. I know we go through it by the feeling. Then I feel the familiar Earth air and I start feeling better already. "Is that better Ivy?" Devin asks. I feel my breathing return normal. "She can't stay in Ezrod for so long." Cezar says. "No. And you know, that was a pretty brave thing to do. Looks like we're traitors together now." Devin says. "Both of us helping Ivy. Wow." Cezar laughs. "Hey, do you hear that?" Devin asks. The boys are silent, then I hear a voice I could never forget. "-and she could be any where in Ezrod! How do we know they aren't torturing her or something?" Damian asks someone. My eyes flicker open. "My Damian! My guardian angel! My Damian!" I say weakly but excitedly. "Someone's happy." Devin smiles. "You want to go see your Damian?" Cezar asks so ly. I nod as best I can. Cezar carries me to the Esstia portal. I see the Evans and Gabriel and Micheal. As soon as my eyes land on Damian I smile. "Damian." I whisper before I can't keep myself awake any longer. Even if Earth made me feel better I was still weak. I take one last look at Damian before passing out. *** "Ivy! Wake up Ivy!" I hear Damian's voice say. I open my eyes. I'm in the Evans house. Cezar and Devin are tied up in chairs and at a wall with Caine and Shawn sitting in front of them. But I barely look at them. I can only see Damian and focus on Damian. "Damian." I smile before pulling his head down to mine and kissing him. When the kiss ends I keep my eyes closed. My Damian. I'm back with my Damian. I slowly open my eyes to Damian's electric blue ones. "How are you feeling?" Damian asks. "Better than in Ezrod." I say. Then I look past Damian to Cezar and Devin. "Why are they tied up?" I ask. "Because Cezar is the evil one and Devin tried to defend him." Caine says. "Untie them. Now." I say, I try to put power in my weak voice. "Ivy? Are you feeling okay? You hate Cezar?" Shawn asks. "Ivy maybe you should get some rest." Ellie says from somewhere behind the couch. "Untie them now." I say again. I put energy into sitting up and I stare directly in Caines eyes. He shi s a bit but he doesn't do anything. I sigh and push myself o the couch. "If you won't, I will." I say. "Ivy, no." Damian says. "They helped me. Devin was only doing the right thing. Cezar kept me alive in Ezrod. He gave me proper food and a good bed. Cezar is the one who you all should be thanking for me being here. He is now a traitor like Devin for helping me escape." I say. I walk slowly and steadily past Caine and Shawn, then I untie Devin. "Thanks Ivy." Devin smiles as I take the gag o . I move on to Cezar, untying the ropes. I help him o the chair and hug him. "Thanks for bringing me home Cezar." I say. When I let go he smiles. "You're welcome Ivy." He says. I know I'm still weak but I'm feeling so much better than in Ezrod. "None of you are to hurt Cezar or Devin. If you do you have to face me." I growl facing the Evans, Gabriel and Micheal. "Caine, because I know you love to hit Devin, go ahead and look in both Devins and Cezars minds. You won't find anything bad against me in there." "If you say so Ivy." Caine says turning to Devin and clearly going into his head first. "May I go read your mind?" I ask Cezar. Cezar nods and I push my head and the weird band to Cezar. When I get into his head, I'm surprised to see how much he actually loves me. I start to feel terrible I can't love Cezar the same way. I get to see how bad I looked, and how bad I still look... Although Cezar still somehow thinks I'm beautiful. None of Cezars thoughts are bad, or evil like. I pull out of his head and look him in the eyes. "I'm sorry." I say sadly, I know he knows what I'm apologizing for. I'm apologizing for the fact I can't love him the same way. "It's okay." Cezar replies so ly. "Devins clean... But I currently have the same confusion he has about you two." Caine says pointing at me and Cezar. I shrug. "Cezar likes me, I don't like him the same way back." I walk away from Cezar and back to Damian. I curl into his arm that he puts around my waist. Caine does another mind reading search on Cezar before he looks between Cezar and I. "Damian you should be happy to know, that through the whole time Ivy was in Ezrod, she asked for her Damian back." Caine says. "That's right." I nod. "Very true." Cezar and Devin say at the same time. "I swear she was asking for you every second she had enough strength to." Devin says. "And every time I woke her up she'd say she was dreaming about you." Cezar says. "Is that so?" Damian asks me. "Yeah." I nod. "Ivy!" Someone's voice calls... A familiar voice. I look at the Evans door to see Thalia, Odette and Ken. I know they are important people in my life, but for some reason I can pinpoint who. I don't care how weak I am, I sprint over to them and earn bone crushing hugs. "I missed you." I mumble into Thalia's shoulder. "Ivy, you were gone for a month!" Odette says. I let go of Odette and spin around to Cezar. "T-That's not true. I w-was only gone about a-a week. R-Right?" I ask him nervously. "Ivy, you were sick. You must have lost track of time." Devin says slowly. "T-That's not possible." I say shaking my head. "Ivy, calm down." Gabriel says. "It can't be! I wasn't gone that long!" I say. I start feeling like I'm forgetting important things. "Ivy what can't you remember?" Caine asks. "I can't remember them... Who are they to me?" I ask. "I know that's Thalia, Ken and Odette... And I know they are important people... But who are they to me?" "I'm your mother." Odette says. "I'm Thalia! Your sister!" Thalia says tearing up. "I'm Thalias husband." Ken says. I look closer at Odette, she looks sort of like me... Or does she? "And who is Ellie and Greg?" I ask. "And who is Gabriel and Micheal and Hazel and Caine and Shawn? Why are there the names of people I don't know in my head?" "Ellie is my mom, Greg is my dad. Hazel, Caine and Shawn are my siblings. Gabriel and Micheal are archangels, you've met them before." Damian says. "Who is Selena and Christopher and Bryan and Hannah and Annabeth?" I ask, these names are less familiar then the others. "They are some of your best friends." Damian replies. "Where is my father? If Odette is my mother, who is my father?" I ask. "Ivy... Our dad died." Thalia says carefully. So I have no father? "I don't have any memories of my father... I don't know his name, or what he looks like." I say. "Ivy, he died when you were very young." Odette / mom says. "That must explain it." I murmur. "Is there anything else you forget?" Ellie asks. "No." I say lightly. I know who these people are now. I still have the memories. I'm all good. "What happened in Ezrod? Why did you come back?" Damian asks. "Ivy... She can't stay long in Ezrod. She got really sick, she couldn't move. She was to weak to do anything. Devin and I brought her home when she said 'home'. Ivy wasn't saying anything by then, so we brought her back." Cezar explains. "Devin your Pallie bracelets are o . How did you get them o ? Cezar would get hurt if he took them o ." I say. "Cezar burned his hands taking them o for me." Devin says. "I think demons go so for you Ivy." Caine says. "What's not to love about Ivy though?" Hazel asks. "Um... Why do you love me?" I ask. "Because you're amazing." Cezar says. "And you're personality!" Damian says. "And the way you connect with people." Odette / Mom says. "And how you can always make me feel better." Thalia says. "Aww! I'm feeling so loved." I drawl. "Because we all love ya!" Ellie says. "Thanks." I beam. "Wassup people!" Natasha says bursting into the Evans house. "Who is Natasha?" I ask everyone. "Friend of yours and Thalia's." Damian says. "Got it." I nod. "Okay then... Any way, Thalia, I found out information about something to do with demons key... Or whatever that means." Natasha says. "Another key? Someone like me?" I ask excitedly. "We obviously have a key to our side." Cezar says. "Still haven't found him or her yet." Devin points out. "The information I got, is that the key for Ezrod is a girl. Whatever animal she turns into will be pure white, taking from the angels. And she'll generally be a nice person." Natasha says. "Thanks Tash." Thalia smiles. "There's someone exactly like me!" I squeal happily. I knew there was a key to Ezrod before, but it never really clicked that they'd be exactly

a á like me. "Yes, there's someone like you Ivy." Devin laughs. "Can we see her? Can I talk to her? Do you think she'll hate me because I'm an angel... ish? What do you think she likes?" I ask. "Ivy, we haven't found her yet. We don't know where she is, or even what her name is." Cezar says. "Then we've got to find her. If we can find her before the demons do..." I say, starting to pace as a plan forms in my head. "What are you thinking Ivy? Your mind is messed." Caine asks. I smirk at him. "If we find her before the demons, we can solve all this madness! Her and I can make an agreement or something not to fight. No battle, no winner. And I'd keep her safe from any idiot angels who would go against my word not to harm her or use her to get to Ezrod." "That actually could work." Greg muses.

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"Thalia, you deserve time with Ken. Hazel, with your power, you and Shawn have to keep the house safe. Ward demons away from our little town. Natasha knows about us, she helps us... and there is a a

"Ah." I yelp in surprise. "I remember y'all now." I whisper rubbing my temples. "That's good." Ellie smiles widely. "If we go to find the other key, only a select few of us can go." Mom "Me, Devin, Damian, Caine, Cezar and Gabriel and Micheal are welcome to join." I say. "Ivy, we would join." Micheal starts. "But we've been helping hold o demons... They've found a way to get into Esstias castle. They can't step out of the castle or they die like when they go through one of our portals." Gabriel says. "Oh." I frown. "Then go back home. Keep the demons out of the castle." I say. "Alright. I'll see you later Ivy." Gabriel says as he and Micheal leave. "Use my bow well!" He calls as the door shuts. "Ivy, what about me and Hazel? Surely you want another girl." Thalia

"But still, you'd have to find her. For all you know, she could be in

"Point taken." Thalia says. Suddenly I'm blasted with all the

memories of Odette/Mom and Thalia and everyone else.

Russia!" Cezar says.

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"I'll take Natasha." I say.

Hope you enjoy!

"What?" Thalia, Natasha and Hazel all say.

"We leave in a month." I instruct. "Okay." Devin nods. "Be ready." I say. I may make some of you emotional readers cry a bit in the chapters to come... Just a warning! Love all who support me by reading!

"Thanks Ivy." Natasha smiles. "Very well." Hazel says. "Just be careful sis, she's only human." Thalia says. "I won't let anything touch her." I promise. "Then it's settled." Damian says.

something I need accomplished that only she can do." I say.

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