Lycan Queen

Chapter 28: Feeling Loved

"Who were you talking to just now?"

"hmm?" I say looking up at Conrad as he was finishing wrapping a towel around his waist and grabbed another one for me.

"You were in a mind link with someone"

"How could you tell?"

"I don"t know, there was just something different in your eyes just now so I guessed."

"I was talking to Aria, told her to enjoy the down time with our boys because tomorrow we go to work figuring all this Lycan stuff out" I say with a shrug as Conrad walks up to me and wraps a towel around me.

"You don"t have to rush it baby girl, there"s plenty of time to figure it all out."

"I know I just can"t stand staying still and people fussing over me. Do I have to put that annoying gown back on, or can I wear some normal clothes?"

"I"ll see what I can work out for you okay." Conrad just stood there staring at me with a side smile on his face.

"What are you smiling about?"

"I love the way you look with my mark on you and the fact that whenever a Lycan sees it they will know your mine." He says, causing me to blush as his smile grows wider

He steps forward, taking my face in his hands and gives me a gentle kiss.

"Will it always feel like that when we kiss or touch each other?" I ask leaning into one of his hands basking in the tingles I could feel in my cheek and down the side of my neck.

"I really hope so." Conrad said as he leaned down and kissed me again.

This kiss was different than the first one, this one was urgent, almost hungry and mixed with pain causing electricity to course through my body. He ran his hands down my bare neck leaving a trail of goosebumps along my skin as he wrapped his arms around me. I push myself onto my tiptoes, wrapping my arms around his neck as the wonderful tingling feeling flows through our skin into each other, I tangle one of my hands in his hair deepening the kiss as need grips my core.

After a few moments, Conrad slows down our pace "okay baby girl" Conrad says against my lips.

I knew he was trying to tell me we needed to stop but I

really didn"t want to.

"No" I replied against his lips.

He pulls back slightly placing his forehead on mine, "Trust me baby girl I don"t want to stop but we need to, your body needs rest and food. I don"t want you to have to stay in here longer than you absolutely have too."

I slowly lower myself, moving my arms to wrap around his waist and lay my head on his chest as his arm tightens around me. He was right, I knew he was, but I really wasn"t happy about it.

"What"s your favorite food?" Conrad asks me.

I look up at him and rest my chin on his chest thinking, "Um, honestly there"s not much food I won"t eat, but I can always go for pizza or fat burger and fries, why?"

"I"m starving and I"m sure after five days of recovery you might be pretty hungry as well."

"You haven"t been eating or taking care of yourself since I got hurt have you?"

"Why do you say that?" "Because your lack of sleep has you looking like Everly gave you one hell of a one-two punch leaving you with two black eyes, and I can tell you"ve lost weight which only means you haven"t been eating properly either."

"I couldn"t sleep, everytime I closed my eyes I was right

back with you in the back of the Tahoe. I wasn"t hungry and when my mom forced me to eat it made me sick to the point I ended up seeing it again so I just gave up on eating."

I tightened my arms around him, I hated seeing him like this

"Let"s get dressed, find some food, snuggle up and read up about you in Forbes." I say with a giggle.

Conrad laughs then kisses my forehead "That"s a great plan"

I hear a light knock at the door.

"Come in" Conrad says.

Soph walks in with a duffle bag, "Here"s you some clothes lover, Con I wasn"t sure what you had here so I threw some stuff for you in there too. Crew will be here shortly with your food."

"Thank you sweet cheeks! When did you have time to ask people for this stuff?" I ask Conrad with a raised eyebrow.

"Right after you told me what you liked to eat."

"Yeah he"s good at hiding when he mind links, Anders and I can hide it from everyone but Con" Soph says with a shrug.

I walk over to take the duffle bag but she tosses it to Con and takes me in a hug.

"Don"t you ever die like that again" Soph says emotionally, I step back and look at her.

"What?"

"Do you have something you need to tell me?"

"Huh?"

"Sophie... I don"t want to have to "Luna force" it out of you..."

"Blakely, I have no idea what you"re talking about"

"Soph you don"t ever cry so that could only mean one thing..."

"Anders finally knocked you up didn"t he!" Conrad says laughing.

"Well, I wasn"t going to put it like that but, yes are you pregnant?"

"I honestly don"t know."

"Is there a way to find out? I"m not sure if it works the same for Lycans as it does for humans."

I walk out the bathroom over to my bed and push the nurse"s button, a few moments later a nurse walks in.

"Is everything okay Luna?"

"Yes I am fine but my Beta needs some help. Can you please help her. Also, I"m sure I don"t need to say this but I am going to anyway, keep this between the two of you until she is ready to discuss it with others."

"Yes, Luna"

I give her a smile and walk back into the bathroom.

"The nurse out there can help you, now, get out so we can put on some clothes."

Conrad and I got dressed, left the bathroom and laid down in the bed. Conrad put one arm around me and the other back behind his head, I opened the magazine and started flipping through it, we saw multiple pictures and small sections of information of other men they had interviewed clustered together covering multiple pages. I wasn"t really reading much in the little articles, but every now and then Conrad would stop me and read one or two of them. I turn another page and see a full page picture of Conrad on one side and a half page article, half page photo on the other, I start giggling.

"What?"

"You"re on the centerfold" I read the headline outloud, "Sorry ladies this bachelor is no longer on the market."

"That"s right ladies," Conrad says, throwing his fist in

the air like he just won some prize.

"Conrad Alexander states he has a very serious love interest Blakely Michealson (pictured below with Conrad) who he plans to marry and have kids with in the near future. No doubt they are the next big power couple, as they displayed their hard work and dedication to the children in their community by helping raise money for the future Michealson House Orphanage."

I look at the photos, the full page picture is the one the photographer took as Conrad was trying to cover up laughing at me, one of the smaller pictures under the article is one of him with his hands in his pockets looking straight at the camera. I held the magazine up, not because I needed help seeing the picture, but because I was surprised. It was a picture of me standing on one of the black boxes coaching during the flag football game.

"How did they get that photo?" I asked, looking over at Conrad.

"I had Soph go over and take a few pictures of the event so I could send Chad to add in the article since I spoke about the event and that was my favorite one." Conrad says with a big smile on his face looking at the picture.

I chuckle and flip the page. I was expecting to see the next two pages filled with pictures and articles of other men, but there was another full page picture but it wasn"t just Conrad; it was a picture of him and I, plus two pictures of the two of us on half of the other page.

"Holy crap how many pages did you get?" I asked as I lifted the next page to check the next set to see if it had him on it too, but it didn"t so I laid it back down so we could look at what was on that page.

As we were reading what they had written, Crew walked in with some amazing smelling hamburgers and fries.

"Perfect timing Crew" Conrad says as he stands up taking the bags of food and drinks from him.

"Luna, how do you feel?"

"Honestly I feel like I"m getting strong by the minute."

"That"s great to hear I hope this food helps, just let me know if you would like anything else tonight and I"ll bring it over."

"Thank you"

"Yeah thanks man I really appreciate it"

"Absolutely! Alpha, Luna you two have a great night."

I smile at him as he turns and walks out the room. Conrad started taking the covered trays of food out of the bag and putting them on the rolling table next to my bed. Once he had everything laid out he rolled the table over the bed and sat back down. We were so focused on eating. I don't think we talked for a good 10 minutes, I hear the door open, I look over and see Soph walking in, I hold my hand up with my napkin still in it.

"Nope, I don"t want to know anything till after you talk to Anders, I love you bye."

She laughed, "I don"t know anything yet, just coming by to tell you two goodnight, love you bye." Soph says laughing as she throws her hand in the air and walks back out.

"Figured you would want to be the first person to know." Conrad says with a laugh.

I tried to respond.

"What didn"t catch that, there was a bit of burger in the way." he said as he pointed his finger at my mouth.

I swallowed my food.

"I already know" I say with a giggle.

"What? How? She mind linked you didn"t she?"

"Nope, I"m surprised you couldn"t tell, you really aren"t that observant are you?"

"Honestly, If you"re in the same room I"m only observing you" Conrad says shrugging his shoulders.

"Okay calm down casanova... I could hear it."

"Hear what?"

"That little extra heart beat rhythm you can only hear when she is around. I noticed it when she came to stand next to my bed and I scared her, her heart rate went up but there was a slight steady rhythm that never changed. I didn"t think too much into it because so many people were in the room, but when she was in the bathroom I could hear our 3 strong rhythms and a very light one. I didn"t need to get a nurse to tell me what I already knew, but I knew Soph needed one." I say matter of factly as I continue to look at my food and eat random fries.

"How are you so calm right now?"

"Why would I be freaking out?"

"Um because we are going to be an Aunt and Uncle."

"Oh that... yeah I already know I am going to make one amazing aunt so no need to freak out." I say as I look over at Conrad who has the goofiest cheesy excited grin on his face and I couldn"t help but laugh. "Alright Uncle Rad, hurry up and finish eating. I"m ready to cuddle and go to sleep."

"Uncle Rad? Really! Yeah that"s not going to work" Conrad says as he steals the last small piece I had left of my hamburger.

I slap his hand "Hey! Listen Uncle Rainbow Glitter Sparkles... Don"t touch my food!"

"Yeah, Uncle Rad it is."

I couldn"t help but bust out laughing as I closed my empty food tray and put it back into the bag.

After Conrad had all the food stuff cleaned up, he moved the table then turned off the lights. I was a little shocked when my eyesight did not change when he turned off the lights, I could see Conrad moving through the room over to the bed.

"Dang all this time you were creepin on me in the dark and I didn"t even know it."

"Absolutely baby girl, that"s one of my favorite things to do." Conrad says as he gets in the bed wrapping his arms around me and pulling me snug against his chest.

"Won"t lie, I really hate how it all went down, but it is kind of nice not having to worry about hugging you too tight and breaking you in half."

"Yeah that would have been one hell of a backache."

"Man, becoming a Lycan really killed your joke repertoire"

"Oh my god, be careful trying to say big and fancy words you just might choke on one." I say as I poke Conrad"s chest.

He laughs as he pulls me closer kissing me on the forehead "I"ll keep that in mind next time baby girl."

I look up at him smiling, he leans down giving me a kiss.

"Love you baby girl"

"Love you too handsome."

The next morning I was woken up by the familiar excited squeals of Everly. I open my eyes to see Julia standing behind Conrad trying to keep a hold of Everly as she"s desperately trying to climb over him to see me.

"She can come get between us".

Julia lifts her up and settles her feet first to sit between a possibly still sleeping Conrad and I. I saw him scoot back just a little so she could sit better between us.

"You"re the only one I would ever make room for between B and I" he said as he rubs her back with his hand.

She just stares at me then starts slapping her hands up and down very excited.

"Hey there sweet pea, I missed you!" I tell her as I try to dodge her flying hands.

She lets out a loud squeal like she was trying to respond.

"You missed me too?" I say in a playful little voice earning me another squeal.

I push myself up sitting cross legged on the bed as I pick her up so she"s standing with her feet on the bed. She starts squealing and bouncing.

"Blakely, I wanted to talk to you about her adoption paperwork."

"Okay what"s up?"

"They came and told us a few days ago they had reached the final day to file the paperwork to process for her birth certificate" Julia stopped talking and I could tell she was very nervous about something.

"Just tell me, I"m sure whoever you put down as her legal parents wont upset me in the least."

"Alaric and I put our names down, we also added Alexander at the end of it as well... we can go back and change it if you"re not okay with that."

I reach out and Julia takes my hand "I think that is amazing, all I"ve ever wanted was for her to feel loved, safe and have a big family to be there for her every step of the way. No matter who"s name is on those documents doesn"t change a thing" I say giving Julia a big smile.

I feel Conrad start rubbing his hand along my back, I look down at Everly "You aren"t just our little sweet pea anymore, you"re our little sister now too" I tell her with a big smile.

"Bbbbb" Everly babbles.

"Yup that"s B" I hear Conrad say beside me.

I look down and see his eyes are still closed.

"How did you even know she was looking at me when she said that?"

"Because I"ve been teaching her to call you B, for the last five days when she would come hang out in your room with me." He tells me as he peaks at me through one eye.

I lean down and give him a kiss on the side on his forehead which of course made Everly yell even louder.

"B...B..." Conrad lifted his hand and pointed at me "B", making Everly excitedly start pouncing again.

I see Luca stroll in the room.

"Guess I"m not your favorite little sister anymore" I tease him

"You"re my favorite blonde sister" Luca says with a laugh as he comes over trying to give Everly a kiss but keeps missing since she won"t stop bouncing. "Come here you crazy little bunny" Luca says as he picks her up and holds her in the air over himself as he dodges the spit that flies from her mouth as she giggles and tries to eat her hands.

"LuLu" Conrad says smiling as he points at Luca.

Conrad wraps his arm around my waist, pulls himself

closer to me and lays his head on the bed right beside me.

After everyone had come by to say good morning, I told them all to go home and stop fussing over me. I felt 180 from yesterday.

The pack doctor came in, "Luna, your human body is fully recovered just let me check under your bandages and make sure all is fine there."

She had me stand up, lift my shirt and she removed the bandages. Conrad was right there supervising everything that happened.

"I don"t see any major scarring, some spots are still a little pink but that"s just it finishing up healing. Let"s remove your IV and you"re good to go."

"Thank you for everything you did for me."

"You did most of the work, I just helped you a little along the way."

I just gave her a smile. She took out my IV, gave Conrad some paperwork and said I was free to go. Conrad and I changed our clothes, gathered up all the stuff that had accumulated while I was in there and headed out. I noticed Conrad was walking towards my truck in the parking lot.

"What did you do with the Tahoe?"

"It"s in the garage after it was parked there, I haven"t

even looked at it again, I needed to get back and forth from the hospital. The first time I got in it took me 20 minutes to even leave the driveway"

"Why?"

"I wasn"t thinking about it, I just jumped in the truck and couldn"t even think straight anymore because your scent was so strong in there. I saw a picture of us right next to the speedometer and I just sat there staring at you. Plus, I found out I like driving a truck way more than a SUV so I ordered you and I brand new ones from the factory, they should be in a few days." Conrad said laughing, leaving me speechless. "Come on baby girl there"s somewhere I want to take you, but only if you think you"re up for it."

"Tell that man to shut up and lead the way, I"m ready to meet my sexy human mate."

"Aria said to shut up and lead the way she"s ready to meet her sexy human mate..." I say rolling my eyes.

"OH! She thinks I"m sexy?" Conrad says as he does a goofy happy dance.

"That"s fine, have your fun, just don"t complain next time Axel wants to hang out with me..."

Conrad stopped dancing and looked at me "That"s so not cool, baby girl..."

"What? I love when I get to see my handsome Lycan" I

say as I pop up onto my tiptoes and touch my nose to his.

"Oh come on you two stop it already, let"s get going so I can finally meet my feisty Lycan mate."