

## Most Wanted Love by Lexi Chapter 14

Ivy's POV

I sat beside him.

"You'll be fine, for now, I'm here," I said. He didn't react, he was still unconscious. It's been three days, sitting beside him. He doesn't even open his eyes, let alone talk to me.

Doctors say that he is in a coma. He has no chance to wake anytime soon.

I don't believe them.

I don't trust them.

I know he'll come back; and that too very soon.

He loves me, right?

That means he should come back when I ask him to. So why are you still lying numb? Why are you not talking? What's missing?

"I love you... Andrew" I said before going out, as my usual routine. I met Edward sitting there. He looked at me with hope, when I just nodded in a no, silently.

"So, you wanna hear it now?" he asked me.

"Yes," I said as we went out to the garden.

"Antonio or I should say the one who you know as J, he is AL or Andrew's brother, and I'm the third brother," he said.

"Wait. So, you're telling me that Andrew's brother kidnapped me?"

"Yes"

"And that they are enemies?"

"uh.. yes"

"And that you chose to quit the crime world when they didn't?"

"Yes"

"Okay.." I said.

So much information...

His own brother was trying to kill him? Andrew, you're so surprising. He was your own brother, you're fighting with. Why are he and you so different? You're good, then why is he bad?

"And, I guess.. something you should know about," he said.

"Hm?"

"There was this girl, Sophia," he said.

"Who?"

"Sophia," he said. "Never bring his topic in front of him ever," he said.

"What happened to her? Who's she?" I asked.

"I can't tell you much, I don't know the reality," he said. "But she is responsible for whatever we three are today," he said.

Oh my, that gave me goosebumps.

"Oh," I said, hiding the shock evident on my face.

Who could she be?

"Now you should go," he said. I went back to Andrew.

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It's been a month.

Yes, A Fucking month.

He is lying on the bed as he has nothing to do with the world. I'm here like a maniac, when the doctors are saying.. you know what?

"We Don't Have Hope"

Just go and rot your 'no hope' in hell. I know he's gonna live. He will live. He will come back. I'm warning you Andrew if you won't come back soon, I'm gonna beat the crap out of you!

"Ivy, come on.." my father spoke.

After everything happened, my father finally came to know I went here. I was treated with a serious scolding, but after knowing everything, he let me stay here, but on the condition, he will stay here too.

And that I will do whatever he says, as I've become way too careless.

And much more!!

Whatever, I will always be thankful that he understood me.

"No dad," I said.

"come on. He.. he must not like you like this" he said.

Oh yeah. I haven't slept for weeks. How does that matter? You! Andrew, it's all your fault! Just come back already...

"Today you have to sleep or I will drug you into sleeping" this time it was Edward.

Oh actually, we have become quite friends in the last days. He comes to visit us once in a while.

"You're not in the crime world, right?" I asked.

"Drugs are available to everyone," he said. "Don't force us to use that. Please sleep" he said.

"How can I sleep, Edward, just how? He is lying here unconscious. He won't wake up. How can I sleep? I won't get peace. I won't get sleep"

"I'm sure he would want you to sleep," he said.

"Now get up already!!" my dad yelled. I got up and went to the couch in front of the room.

"Not here!" he yelled.

"Please," I said. He hesitated but accepted, anyway. I tried to close my eyes. Slowly sleep engulfed me. And I met the most beautiful person.

Andrew.

He came into my dreams.

"Take care, Ivy. You know what I need. Your peace and your love. I'll be back, take care of yourself. I love you" and with that, I woke up.

"Wake up, it's already 7 A. M.," they said.

7 AM?

I thought that the dream just started???

Was he really there or just my imagination?

What happened just now!?

"Just I will definitely bring you back, Andrew. I will be fine, and you HAVE to come back, It's my promise!" I promised.

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## Nobody's POV

Sometimes, we have to go through the worst, to get what we love. Or I should say mostly, we have to go through the worst.

Leaving the past behind is the most difficult task anyone could ever do. And that's what Ivy tried to do. Moving on never meant to be over AL. It was moving over surrendering her to the darkness. She woke up. She woke up from that day.

Andrew wasn't living, but he lived in her dreams. Every day, he used to come in her dreams, telling her to start a new day with new hope.

As for him, she was the bravest girl one could ever come across.

Apart from everything, she held herself together. She started gathering clues, shreds of evidence to prove AL's innocence. That was the least she can do for him. And she was ready, ready to face everything.

Every evening, she came back to Andrew, talked to him about the day, told him how much she missed him, and of course, told him that she loves him.

In her dreams, he comes back and tells her how much he misses her and how much he loves her.

She didn't come to know if it was an illusion or did he really use to come in her dreams. But she believed in him. She believed in love.

She didn't lose hope in the last six months.

She was on the way back to the hospital when she received a call.

"Miss Ivy, Patient in ward number 761 has gained consciousness"

## Ivy's POV

I ran all the way towards the hospital. I was so happy that the tears of happiness automatically came running down my cheeks. Edward was standing on the door.

"Go inside, Ivy, you should meet him first," he said. I smiled at his generosity, wiped my tears, and went inside.

He was still laying with his eyes open, staring at the ceiling.

"Andrew.." I said. His eyes snapped in my direction. Slowly his lips broke into a small smile, that became the most beautiful and biggest smile.

"Ivy," he said. "Is it you?"

"Yes, it is me, Andrew," I said and went closer to him, now sitting on the floor of his bed's side. "You're back... you're back, Andrew!"

"I wasn't dead?" he asked. I shook my head and kept his hand on my heart. "It would've stopped if you were"

"It's going fast.." he said. "And faster"

"Because you are here," I said. "The one who makes it beat"

"uh-uh" we heard coughing and he removed his hand. "Well, this is a hospital room, okay?" Ed said as he came inside.

"Yeah, just got with the flow," I said and he looked at Andrew. They both shared a smile. "Welcome back, man!" Ed said.

"Thanks, man. I know you both did a lot of work" he said.

"And actually, him too," I said as my dad stepped inside. All the colors drained from Andrew's face.

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### Andrew's POV

There walked in her dad. HER DAD HATES ME. I'm dead, I'm really dead.

"Hey, A. L." he spoke exaggerating at the name.

"H-hi S-sir," I said sitting and looked at Ivy for an explanation.

"Actually, my dad helped a lot in taking care of you," she said. I looked at him and swallowed the lump in my throat.

"I don't hate you Andrew," he said. "Ivy told me everything you did for her"

I smiled. "Really!?" I asked.

"Just look at the most wanted criminal smiling and being all childish at just his fiancé's father's words!" Ed commented.

"Fiancé!?" We all three snapped at him.

"Oh, come on, don't tell me, Andrew, you don't love her and don't want to be her husband, and don't tell me that Ivy doesn't want to be his wife and don't tell me sir that you're now gonna separate them like some villain!"

"Okay, that's true" we both again said in a unison.

"Okay, I then would TRY not to come in between," her dad said.

"Please dad, you aren't doing this" Ivy said.

"Oh Ivy, I need time to think about this," he said. "And you, Andrew, you have to leave all this criminal world if you want to be hers"

"I will leave everything for her, sir!!" I said.

"That we will see" and with that Ed and her dad left, but the nurse came.

"Is he having some strange post-amnesia or any traumatic symptoms?" she asked checking the files in her hand.

"NO, he's perfect," Ivy said.

"Okay" and the nurse left.

"Andrew.." she said. She looked at me.

"Sorry," I said. "Sorry, sorry for everything, Ivy. You know I didn't mean an-"

"I know Andrew, I know it all. I never believed any word because I know that you love me and that you were true to me all along"

"Oh god Ivy you're making my heart crazy for you," I said. She smiled.

"Well, mine already is," she said and got up. "Not get ready to leave this place"

"Okay.." I said and got up. She smiled at me again and then we went to the receptionist and completed all the formalities.

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### Ivy's POV

"You aren't wearing this!" my dad said as I chose another dress for my wedding. Yes, my wedding.

"But dad, this one is just perfect!" I replied back.

"Oh look, Ivy, this is good," my dad said picking another dress.

"Whatever," I said. He isn't gonna listen to me anyway.

"Haha just kidding. Take that one" he said pointing at the one I chose earlier. I smiled and took the one I liked.

We returned back home and then I went to my room and found Andrew there.

"Hey," I said.

"Hi" I replied.

"So, have you chosen the dress?" he asked.

"Yup" I showed him the dress. He smiled. "The dress is lucky"

"Haha," I said. "Well, I wanna tell you something serious"

"Hm speak"

"Antonio.. he helped us in your recovery," I told. He looked extremely shocked for a few moments, but then returned to normal.

"Why wouldn't you talk to him?" I asked.

"Just I can't"

"You could go and make everything fine, and then you both will-"

"I said no!!" he yelled. I stepped back.

"o-ok," I said.

He stood up and came near me, and pulled me in a hug.

"Ivy, I-I can't tell you some things," he said.

"You trust me?" I asked. He hummed. "Then tell me everything"

Ivy's POV

"You trust me?" I asked. He hummed. "Then tell me everything"

He got away and looked into my eyes. Then he was just on the verge of crying when I hugged him.

"D-Don't cry.." I said.

"I-I am fine. Listen" he said. I got away and nodded. "B-but promise me you won't h-hate me after this.."

"I? I can never hate you, Andrew. Trust me on this"

"A-and you won't leave me"

"I will never leave you either Andrew. I love you"

He smiled weakly and nodded. "Then I'll tell you"

I smiled and nodded.

"T-there was this girl, Sop-Sophia" he started. "S-she was Antonio's girlfriend. We were all very close before she entered our lives... We were all happy. B-but then one day, he

brought her over. Our parents were not at home. That's why she came over. F-for some reasons, Edward had to go out for the night. Probably some business issues, because he was the only one who was interested in our father's business. T-then Antonio came with her. H-he went out to bring some stuff that she has forgotten and needed urgently. S-so we were left alone" he said. "T-then we were practically just talking and nothing ever happened. B-but when Antonio came over, sh-she removed her clothes hastily and-and-and she told Antonio t-that I-I-I.." his voice started breaking. "T-that I-I forced myself on h-her... I- and he-he believed her.."

What?

It's... it's devastating.

Antonio didn't trust his brother? Did he trust his girlfriend over him?

And- h-how can he think like this for Andrew?

"Y-you t-trust me, right? T-that I-I didn't-"

"Of course, Andrew," I said and hugged him. He started crying. "T-then we had a very serious argument. T-this was not the end. We decided to mend things and declare this as a misunderstanding. B-but then everything ruined when S-Sophia, she-she got pregnant"

My eyes widened in shock. Pregnant?

"T-that wasn't mine. B-but no one believed me. We-we decided to do a DNA test. B-but that required time.. for like 11 weeks. B-but before that could happen, she ab-aborted"

I was too shocked to react.

She obviously was lying.

Because if she was right, that was the only chance to prove it.

"F-from then.. he n-never forgave me.. I-I tried but.."

"A-Andrew," I said. He looked at me whilst getting away. "I-I'm sorry for bringing those memories.."

"Y-you believe me?" he asked shocked.

"Of course. I know you, Andrew. I know who you are" I said. He smiled weakly and hugged me again. Then he got away and collided our lips in his soft kiss.

"I love you Ivy," he said.

"I love you so much Andrew" I replied. He smiled between the kisses.

"uh-uh" someone coughed and we quickly got away realizing it was my dad. "You guys really need to lock the door"

"A-h d-dad actually.." he spoke.

Yeah, as a matter of fact, he has started calling him dad since he agreed on our marriage.

"It's fine! I just came to tell her that she needs to get the jewelry too"

"I-I will give her, please dad?" he said.

"You? Are you sure?"

"Yes dad," he said with a smile. I smiled at him.

"Okay then... continue," he said and left the room closing the door.

A blush crept my cheeks. What. Did. He. Mean. By. Continue?

"So.. let's continue," he said with a wink and I got away abruptly. He smirked and pulled me near him by my wrist and started kissing me as smoothly as he always does.

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"Do you like it?" he asked me as he gave me a beautiful necklace, followed by other beautiful jewelry.

"Lovely" I exclaimed. He smiled.

We are going to get married some days later. I'm so excited.

"Can I meet Edward?" I asked him.

"Yeah," he said. I smiled back at him and went to Edward's house.

"Hey," he said as he opened the door.

"Hey" I replied. We went to the living room.

"So.. any special reason?"

"Yeah. I want to talk about Sophia" I said. "Andrew told me what happened"

"He did?" he asked.

"Yeah" I replied.

"Well.. this thing is a little off-topic, but.. never leave him. He has gone through this thing, and this is the first time he opened up. Okay?"

"I know. I promise you I am never going to leave him" I assured him. He nodded.

"So. What about her?" he asked.

"You trust Andrew, don't you?"

"Yes. I know he was speaking the truth. But what can we do? Antonio is totally blind"

"Let's get Sophia to confess everything," I said to him. He seemed totally taken aback.

"What?"

"I said-"

"No I mean, how?"

"I will find a way to find her. I will take the help of AL's devices. And once we talk about this to Sophia, let's see what happens"

He looked unsure about my plan. "Come on!" I said.

"Okay, but Andrew is not gonna be much happy about this"

"I know. But how long are you gonna live like this just because of a misunderstanding? I want to make things right"

"That's acceptable, Ivy. I will help you with everything I can"

"Oh then, for now, don't tell him about this, okay?"

"Wait. You are gonna hide this?"

"Yes. I don't want him to be stressed"

"Oh-okay" he sighed.

I'm gonna do the justice, Andrew.

You deserve it.

Ivy's POV

I went home. He was here, dad has allowed him to stay here now that we are getting married just a week later.

"Hey," he said. I smiled. "Hey" I replied.

"So, any plans for today?" he asked. I nodded in denial.

"You tell," I said.

"Well, I have some plans," he said with a wink. I blushed and mouthed an 'okay'.

We are here at this restaurant and he is continuously staring at me for the last ten minutes.

“An-”

“Shh,” he shushed me again, like the umpteenth time he has already.

“Okay,” I said.

“You look like an angel, Ivy.. how are you so beautiful?” he asked.

“Because you are my husband,” I said.

“Future husband” he corrected.

“Never matters” I replied.

He smiled. “Your smile is killer” I commented. He smiled even more and blushed.

“Should I smile or not? I don’t want to kill you” he said with a wink.

I shook my head and then the order came. We ate happily together, while I thought of taking his phone so that I can access some resources to find Sophia.

“ah... Andrew, can I get your phone?” I asked.

“Sure,” he said and gave me his phone.

I tried to find someone, but there were only 6 contacts.

Ivy, dad, Antonio, Edward

And two unknowns.

“Well, Andrew, who are these?” I asked.

Perks of being a wife!

Or future-wife...

He smiled and chuckled. “Are you thinking that I might get a girlfriend?”

“Oh no Andrew you won’t dare. Just tell me” I said.

“Well, that one is Felix, my former business partner, you know in the criminal world and that one is the doctor”

“Oh,” I said.

Felix.

I should contact him.

"Can you order a pizza?" I asked. He smiled and nodded. He called the waiter and started talking to him about the pizza. This restaurant doesn't serve that kind of pizza which I like, so it's gonna take a while.

I quickly noted the number on my phone.

"Sorry Ivy, they don't have pepperoni pizza," he said.

"It is okay, Andrew. Let's go back now" I said.

"You sure?" he asked.

"Yeah"

We went back and I went to my room. Andrew went to meet Edward as he called him. Actually, I asked Ed to call Andrew to mislead him for some time.

I am sorry I am hiding this but it's for the best, and you know that.

I dialed the number and the other one picked up.

"Client?" someone said, whose name is Felix I suppose.

"No... actually, I am related to AL" I said.

He sighed.

"AL? Is he alright? There was news he was shot" he asked.

"I can't discuss it, I am sorry. I need your help, but" I said.

"I am his friend. I would help you, just tell me if he's alright"

"Okay then.. he is okay. He is alright. Now, will you help me?" I asked.

"Yeah. Tell me" he asked.

"I want to find this girl, Sophia. I will send her photo to you on this number" I said.

"Okay, sure," he said and the call ended.

This pic was sent by Edward to help me find her. I sent the pic to Felix and then I laid down and slept.

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I woke up and saw Andrew beside me. He was still sleeping. Dad had told him not to sleep on the same bed, but he didn't listen.

"Good morning," he said, yawning.

Oh, so he is awake.

"Yeah, good morning," I said.

"I will wake up later," he said and probably went to sleep. I shook my head at his cuteness and then got up to get refreshed.

After I got freshened up, I received a message.

"There you go:

Name: Sophia Maggs

Age: 23

Current Location: 1200 Semmes Apartments, Richmond, Virginia, USA"

Virginia? Oh crap. That will take forever to reach there.

"Thank you" I replied.

Now, I have to find a way to go there. And I am going to take Andrew of course. Oh yeah, I will say I want to go on a trip.

I went back to the room. He was almost awake.

"Andrew," I said. He looked at me and rubbed his eyes. "What babes?" he asked.

"First no cheesy names secondly, I want to go Virginia"

"Virginia?" he asked.

"Yeah" I replied.

"Okay... I guess, but why?"

"I want to spend time with you" I replied.

"Honeymoon?" he winked.

"Kind of" I replied with a smile.

Even if I am lying, this is not a complete lie, Andrew. I want to spend time with you.

"Okay sure. After the wedding I guess?" he asked.

No... We don't know how long she is going to be there.

"No... now!" I said.

"Oh-now? Okay... if you say" he said. I smiled. He came closer and kissed me.

"I love you, Ivy," he said between kisses.

"I love you too" I replied.

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We were all ready. We told our dad that he's starting a new business, so we need to go there.

Well, he isn't believing it.

"So why to fly to another corner of the world!" he asked.

"Just.. coincidence that I got a job there," he said. My dad sighed and accepted. We left the place and headed towards the airport.

This is going to be a long flight.

Richmond, Virginia, USA

Ivy's POV

"I'm just so tired!" I exclaimed as we reached the hotel room in Virginia.

"Oh yeah me too" he replied. We entered the room and he went directly to bed.

"I'm sleeping!" he said, yawning.

"Just get up and help me in setting things up!" I yelled at him, whilst taking out the things from the suitcase.

"Oh sure," he said and I heard him getting up and coming near me.

Then he swiftly lifted me up!

"Hey, you- keep me DOWN NOW!" I yelled.

But he then kept his hand near my knees and the other under my neck and lifted me up in a bridal style. Then he leaned and kissed me.

"You are so bad!" I said. He chuckled.

"If kissing you is bad then I am the worst person you'll ever meet," he said.

I blushed and then kissed him. "And I can be your bad girl"

"Yeah princess," he said. I smiled and then he put me on the bed.

"Now you have to sleep. I will arrange everything afterward" he said and kissed my forehead.

I smiled and nodded. Then he hugged me and I fell asleep.

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3 hours later

I woke up and Andrew was sleeping. I messaged Felix to confirm her location.

He confirmed that she was still 1200 Semmes apartment.

I got up and then wrote a note so that in case he wakes up, he wouldn't worry.

"Hey, Love

I'm just going out for some work.

I hope you slept well because now you're going to be bored without me.

I'll return fast.

Bye, Ivy"

I went from there in a cab.

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I reached this place and it's beautiful. Anyway, I have to find Sophia. I went inside and there was an office.

I entered and asked the lady about which apartment is Sophia's.

She told me and then I went to her apartment. I was quite nervous.. and scared.

But I rang the doorbell and she opened the door.

I've seen this face.

Yes, she is Sophia.

"umm.. hello?" she said.

"Oh hey! I am Ivy" I said. "You're Sophia?" I asked.

"Yeah, but why?"

"I am here to talk about Andrew," I said.

She looked shocked for a moment, but then I saw guilt in her eyes.

"I-I am so sorry for what I did.. I-"

"Let's talk inside," I said. She nodded and took me inside.

We sat in the living room and she brought me tea.

"So," I said.

"Listen- I... I am sorry.." she said.

"Sorry? You destroyed them for decades! They were enemies after what you did!" I said.

She started crying.

"I... I know. I-I am sorry"

"You regret it?" I asked.

"Ye-s," she said. "But who are you to him?"

"I'm Andrew's fiancé"

"Oh," she said. "You know right? That nothing happened that day.."

"I know. I know who Andrew is. He respects girls more than anything... Even after what you did" I said.

She lowered her head.

"I-I want to make it better," she said.

"Then tell the truth to Antonio," I said. She looked at me and then shook her head.

"I... I don't have any nerve to go in front of him again... After I ran away"

"You can," I said. "He still loves you"

"But he will hate me once he knows the truth," She said.

"And maybe he forgives you. Listen. Telling the truth can make it better, everything" I said.

She looked at me for a moment and then nodded in acceptance.

"Y-You are so good. Andrew is lucky" she said.

I smiled. "I hope you make everything fine"

"I will try my best," she said and stood up.

"So where is he now?" she asked.

"Well, in California"

"Oops that's far" she exclaimed. "I'll go back and tell everything, I swear"

"Thank you for your help, Sophia"

"You don't hate me?" she asked me.

"Everyone does mistakes, Sophia. Now that you regret it, no one will hate you"

"Thank you!" She said and hugged me.

I said my byes and left the apartment and went back to my hotel. As I entered the room, I saw him sitting and staring at the note.

"What happened?" I asked him.

He got startled and then looked at me. "Nothing"

"Tell me"

"It was really boring without you"

"Oh I know," I said winking.

He smirked and came near but I took two steps back.

"Not. Now. Go and change, we are going out" I said. He smiled and then went to the restroom.

I wish that Sophia apologizes and that Antonio forgives her and understands Andrew. They have been apart for a good amount of time. They deserve to be together now. And Sophia... Well, she looks that she is regretting, so she might really make things better.

Ivy's POV

I went out with Andrew and it was fun.

He is fun, you know.

I was hoping everything will be okay. Sophia said she would go and meet Antonio before Andrew returns. She doesn't want to face or meet Andrew at all. She is just too afraid.

Well, she should be, after what she did.

But, anyway, the one who forgives is always better than the revenger.

So, I am literally thinking of myself as bigger;-)

"Where are you lost today?" Andrew asked, making me come out of my trance.

"Huh?" I asked, totally not knowing what he said.

"I said where are you lost?"

"Uh... Well... Let's go back" I said. "C-California"

"Ivy, what's going on?" he asked.

"Nothing," I said.

He shook his head and then took me to his car and we headed towards the hotel.

As we reached the room, he locked the door and after sitting on the bed, he pulled me on his lap.

He snuggled deep into the crook of my neck.

"Ivy, don't hide anything from me," he said huskily.

"I-I am not"

"Ivy..." he said. "Why did you call Felix?"

My heartbeat stopped for a moment.

What will he do if he comes to know I was searching for Sophia?

"I-I.."

"It's fine, I trust you. No need to tell me. Just..." he turned me around and faced me. "I can't see you worried"

A smile played on my lips as I joined mine with his. He kissed me back passionately and pulled me closer.

"I'll tell you soon enough," I said.

"I'll wait"

Then we headed back to California. After a LONG journey, we reached our house.

"I thought you had a job there, Andrew? What happened?" Dad smirked at him.

"Ah... Actually.. uh... Yea! They rejected me!" he said.

"Too happy to get rejected, huh?" dad winked.

"Ah... Actually... I didn't like it much anyways"

"Ohk now. Go back to your rooms"

After that, I went back with Andrew to my room.

"Andrew, for the last time, can I go out?"

"It isn't dangerous, right?"

"No"

"Okay. Come fast. Give me a call if you need me"

"Sure," I said. He smiled but I saw that he wasn't exactly happy.

But I know you soon will be, Andrew.

I went to Antonio's place as told by Edward. I know he wouldn't hurt me.

After I got inside, I could hear the sounds of them talking.

"P-Please" I heard Sophia's sobbing voice.

"Get out and leave"

"A-Antonio.."

"I will kill you just LEAVE!"

"I-I love you, Antonio... I-I do"

"But I hate you, so just leave!"

I entered the scene at that time. I saw Sophia almost crying and Antonio was fuming in anger.

"Ivy?" he asked looking at me. Sophia's eyes snapped in my direction.

"Hm," I said.

"I-I am so sorry Ivy f-for treating Andrew like that..." he said.

"You're sorry? So you can make up to me"

"How?" he asked.

"Forgive Sophia"

They both were taken aback.

"What? How could you-" Antonio spoke.

"She's regretting, Antonio and she is really sorry. Everything can be fine because I know you love her too and she also loves you. All you need to do is forgive her and then clear all your misunderstandings with Andrew"

"B-But"

"That's my wish"

"Okay," he said.

Sophia's eyes lit up as she came near me. "Thank you so much, I don't know how to-"

"Don't thank me. Just clear everything... Even with Andrew"

She looked at me with a frown. "I-I can't face him"

"Please Sophia," I said.

She nodded after some time. "Okay"

I smiled and left the place at my home.

Sophia's POV

Ivy left the place and Antonio looked at me. I smiled nervously at him. He smiled slightly. But I didn't see it.

I didn't see the love in his eyes.

The look in his eyes has changed.

It is a mixture of... Hatred and sadness.

Other than love and happiness, as it used to be.

"Antonio-"

"You don't need to say anything. I-I forgave you"

"Really?"

"hm-mh"

"Thank you" I replied. He nodded and as I was leaving and I turned around, he called me.

"But Sophia," he said. "I'll never be able to love you again"

My heartbeat made me wanna cry. And I cried. I nodded and without turning back at him, I left the area. As I came out, I wiped my tears and headed towards my house. I didn't expect otherwise, but I-I thought I was ready for this.

I don't know but in all this game, I-I really fell for him.

## Andrew's POV

I checked Ivy's phone and I came to know that she contacted Felix again. I need to ask her... What if she is in some trouble?

As she returned home, and the room, I closed the door and she looked shocked.

"Tell me what's going on?" I asked her.

"Huh?"

"Ivy," I said. "The truth"

"I can't tell you, Andrew," she said.

I sighed. "Please tell me"

"I can't"

"Ivy..."

"Don't you trust me?" she asked and here she goes, doing emotional blackmail.

"I-I do! I.. I just don't want you to get in any trouble" I said.

She sighed and kissed my cheek. "I won't"

I smiled. "Then it's fine. But you need to tell me... Once we get married"

"OKAY husband"

"Future-husband"

"Haha. Never matters!"

"I love you so much, Ivy. I can't believe we are getting married" I said to her.

She smiled and hugged me. "I love you so much too, love"

I smiled and we stood like that for five minutes.

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## The Wedding Day

### Ivy's POV

I was dressed in my best. The beautiful white dress which I bought with dad was looking lovely and the jewelry with Andrew... Aishh, it was awesome.

I was getting ready when someone knocked on the door. I knew it would be some makeup girls so I said 'come in'.

After a minute, the door opened and then closed. But then it was locked. I turned around and saw Andrew.

"How the hell are you-" he kept a finger on my lips.

"Don't speak anything Princess" he said.

"But don't you know you're not allowed to see a bride before her marriage!?"

"Does any rule imply on us?" he winked.

"Oh god, just leave," I said.

He smirked and suddenly kissed me. I decided not to kiss him back. But he continued kissing me. I so wanted to kiss him, but no! I will not!

After a while, he got away and I saw a frown on his face.

"Sorry," he said and started going.

Not so fast, boy!

I pulled him back and started kissing the hell out of him. He kissed me back with the same passion and now I know.

My makeup is ruined.

He got away and smiled. "You scared me!"

"Oh really?"

"Or am I lying?"

"Huh. What's there to be scared about?"

"Leave it," he said. I smiled and he too.

"Bye now," I said.

"Bye"

He left the room and then I applied the lipstick again. And of course, first cleaned it.

Then the door was knocked. But I went and checked it personally this time.

The girls came and did my makeup and left.

Now I am ready and I am so excited for our marriage.

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Andrew's POV

I was getting ready but I wanted to meet Ivy first.

I love breaking rules, you know that.

So I went to her room and I literally got sad when she didn't kiss me back.

I thought I made a mistake coming here.

But then she did.

My queen.

I went back and then got ready. I am hell excited about us.

I went out to the stage and waited for her. Everyone is here. My brothers, their relatives, Ivy's father, and her relatives.

Even Antonio.

Yeah, I kind of doesn't hate him. He does.

Then I saw Ivy. She was coming while her hand entangled with her dad's. As she came near the stage, her dad handed me her hand. "She is yours. But don't forget. If I ever saw you don't make her happy, then you, well, will never get any children"

Ivy burst out laughing while it was quite embarrassing for me but seeing dad laugh, I laughed too. "She will always be happy with me," I said.

He nodded and then went.

I looked towards Ivy. She was looking so beautiful. "You're so beautiful. Sometimes I wonder how on Earth did I deserve you?"

"Because you're the best man. And handsome too" she winked.

I smiled and then the priest told us to exchange rings.

We exchanged rings and then I kissed her hand.

"Take your vows" the priest announced.

"I, Andrew, accept Ivy as my lawfully wedded wife. I vow to love her, take care of her, be hers in her highs and lows. I vow to be a faithful and caring husband to the most beautiful wife that is mine now"

She blushed at my words while the priest told her to take her vow too.

"I, Ivy take Andrew as my lawfully wedded husband. I vow to love him, care for him, and live for him from this instant. I vow to be a loyal wife to the best husband who is mine"

I blushed and before the priest could tell us to kiss, I joined my lips with her and the crowd started clapping. Pulling her close, I kissed the most beautiful girl ever.

I got away and saw her blushing deeply. I smirked and then the priest exclaimed.

"With the power bestowed upon me by the god and the goddess, I now can call you both as husband and wife"

And that was the start of our very beautiful life.

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### Ivy's POV

After the wedding, we were meeting the people when Antonio told me by a sign that Sophia is going to come soon.

I nodded. I had planned that everything becomes okay today itself.

Everyone left the place and now only Edward, Antonio, me, and Andrew were left.

Suddenly Sophia entered the place and I saw her. Antonio also saw her.

Now was a difficult time. He has to face Sophia after all these years.

"Andrew," I said. He looked at me. "At the gate"

His eyes trailed over to the gate and as soon as he saw her, he froze.

"Andrew," I said.

"Why is she here?"

"Andrew... Try to keep it cool-"

"Why? Why did you do this!?" he yelled. I flinched.

"Andrew.."

"Why did you call her? Why do you want to ruin our marriage!?"

"No Andrew, listen-"

"Go away," he said. I took his hand but he snatched it.

"Listen, Andrew-"

"I-I... go AWAY!" he yelled.

"I will NOT listen to me! You have to make everything alright!"

"I can't!" he yelled back.

The atmosphere suddenly tensed. I didn't know what to do.

"Andrew, please," I said.

He looked at me and this time he was looking angry and helpless.

"Leave," he said.

"You can't tell me to leave"

He pushed me against a pole that was there and then came near my ears.

Even being this close to my ears, he yelled.

"I TOLD YOU TO LEAVE. I DON'T KNOW WHY YOU WANT TO DESTROY OUR WEDDING. BUT LET ME TELL YOU THAT I WILL NEVER FORGIVE HER AND I WILL SURELY NEVER DO ANYTHING THAT YOU TELL ME TO. YOU DON'T CONTROL MY LIFE! YOU'RE JUST MY WIFE!" he yelled.

I flinched and automatically a tear formed in my eyes at seeing him this angry. As he saw my tear, he instantly backed off and kept a hand on his forehead.

"I told you to leave. Why didn't you?" he asked in a broken voice. "Sorry..."

"I haven't made a wedding wish," I said ignoring him. He looked at me. "I wish you forgive her"

"No. NO that is not your wish. Ask me anything but not this, please"

"No"

"A-And my wish is that you don't ask me to forgive her," he said.

I shook my head. N-No, please.

"Don't ruin your wedding wishes because of me. Please" I heard Sophia.

Andrew turned around and sighed.

"Listen Andrew. I will not ask for your forgiveness because neither do I deserve it nor you will ever forgive me. But yes, I will always be longing for it. And Ivy. You are the best person I've ever met. Keep Andrew happy, I've given him many sorrows" she said and turned towards Antonio.

"Antonio, you're the best man one can come across. Stay happy."

Then she turned towards Edward.

"Do you forgive me?" she asked.

"I would have," he said. "But I can't. I-I have seen them coming after each other's life. I have seen them destroying themselves and you being the reason, I can't"

She smiled weakly. "It's okay. I don't deserve it anyway. Just... Stay happy and know that I will always yearn for your forgiveness" she said.

She then turned again towards us.

"Andrew. Sorry" she said and left.

There was grave silence after that. Until Edward broke it.

"Um... So I'll get going"

"Yeah," we all said.

Then Antonio came to Andrew. "I'll go too," I said to them and went.

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### Andrew's POV

I was devastated seeing her once again.

I was not being able to control my anger and I told Ivy to leave but she didn't.

Seeing her tear I came back into the world's and I knew that once again I was out of control. She wasn't angry... I am just so grateful for that.

Antonio came towards me after everyone left.

"Bro," he said in a broken voice.

I haven't heard his broken voice for much time.

"I know," I said. "You know the truth now".

"I'm sorry, Andrew," he said. "I-I am... I was... I don't even have an excuse. I am just sorry"

"....."

"I-I am sorry for not trusting you. I am so sorry. I am just... Sorry"

I hugged him. I love my brother. Even though he hated me for years, but I know, love is blind and he didn't know the truth.

He hugged me back. "I- am- sorry," he said sobbing.

"It's okay," I said.

He got away and smiled. "Thank you so much"

"Just it's okay. You know, I never hated you" I said.

"Thank you for that Andrew. I was wrong. I was wrong all along. I-I will leave everything I do. I will become good like you" he said.

I smiled. "That would be the best"

"Thanks, bro. Thanks for everything"

"Hm," I said.

"Now go to Ivy. You have a life, bro!" he said. I laughed.

"Yeah"

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I woke up. She was smiling in her dreams, lying next to me. I smiled at her and kissed her.

Then I got up. I have thought of a new job. I applied for it already. I got a notification that I was selected.

I went for an interview before she woke up and it went all awesome. I am so happy.

She, well, wants to continue being a reporter. So I let her.

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Six months later

We were living happily. Antonio and I are quite normal now and we are slowly getting happy together.

All thanks to Ivy.

Ivy is probably in her office right now and I, well, have taken a day off today.

She insisted, okay?

So, I was just sitting and working from home, when someone came at the door.

I opened it and found Antonio.

"Hey," I said.

"S-She sent a letter," he said.

"She?" I asked and then it struck me. "Sophia?"

"Ye-ah... M-me and you both"

I was curious to see what she has written. I took it.

"Dear Andrew.

No offense in calling you dear, though, I hope. I have committed many mistakes and have crossed many limits. My mistake made you all suffer. So, I can't expect you to forgive me. And you know I have said all this before too. So it's normal if you're wondering why am I writing this letter.

This letter is meant to be an apology letter. I didn't really apologize to you. I don't know if you'll even read it seeing my name, but if you are reading this, then I am sorry.

From heart.

I never ever knew my one lie would separate you for years.

I just want to tell you that Antonio is a very good man. Tell him to find a girl and live his life. And you three should be together because you deserve to be.

Secondly, Andrew. I am so sorry for what I did. Never thought that I would regret something this much. But I do and I must tell you why I did that.

I did that because I needed money for my dad's treatment and I was offered money by one of your rivals.

That rival was taken down by Antonio two years later I ran away.

I regret it. I regret doing something this cheap for money.

But I hope you just... Understand and be happy. I don't expect you to forgive me, but as I said, I need to ask for your forgiveness anyway.

Quite a big letter, huh?

Anyway, I have so much to say that I could write much more.

But I don't deserve the time you will invest in reading this anymore.

So, I would end it here.

Will long for your reply.

But will not expect it.

I don't deserve it. If you give me a reply, it would be your goodness, not mine.

Sophia."

You know the feeling when you don't know what to do anymore?

That is it.

I can't think of anything I want to do.

I want to forgive her.

Everyone makes mistakes.

She is regretting it.

And that is what matters.

"See. She has written me a letter too..." Antonio said.

I took the letter and he took mine and started reading it.

"Dear Antonio.

This is supposed to be a stupid letter because I... I don't know what to say.

I apologized, you forgave.

But I know. I know you never forgave me with your heart.

It was just the thing for the moment that you told me you did.

And I know it.

Sometimes I wonder how good this world would be if we could just turn back time and rectify our mistakes.

But at that moment we realize that the world is not made to be a good place.

It is full of betrayals.

Who am I telling?

You know that the most.

I betrayed you.

And right now, I am telling you how this world is full of it.

Silly me.

This letter is not having any purpose because I don't have any purpose in my life.

I'm not alive, I'm just breathing.

You know, the first date we went to?

Yes, the one in which I promised to marry you.

Haha.

I made a joke about it.

I regret it.

If I start telling you everything I regret, you'll probably sleep in between the letter.

Let me rephrase.

I didn't joke when I said that I'll marry you.

I made a joke about myself. I knew I don't deserve you.

But know what?

Now I have nothing.

Other than this regretful life.

With you all hating me.

I always wanted to be yours. Even if it all was fake. But it just... ended.

And now you don't love me.

I can't – I can't expect you to love me.

Hell, I can't expect anything.

Just a few last lines, Antonio.

Know this for sure.

I love you.

Some day, maybe, you forgive me.

I will wait for it.

Sophia.”

Oh gosh. That's... Emotional.

I saw Antonio. He was in deep thoughts.

“What should I do?” he asked.

"Depends on you"

"No. You tell me"

"Forgive her," I said. "Do it"

"Really?"

"Yes"

His eyes lit up as he nodded and took out his phone. He called her.

She didn't pick up.

Again.

No reply.

Again.

None.

"Guess I don't have a chance," he said.

"Hey Andrew, you didn't pick up this-" Ivy stopped in her tracks looking at us.

"Oh hey, Antonio," she said.

"Hey" he replied.

"Well, this was left in the mailbox," she said and gave a small letter to us.

That was also from Sophia.

"I know if in any rare case, I get a chance, you'll call me. Don't, because, I won't answer. It's not like I don't want to. I just can't.

Antonio, this is for you.

You believe in fate.

Destiny.

Today, I leave us. I leave our future in the hands of destiny. I'm going far. If fate wants, we will meet again"

I saw Antonio's eyes watering.

"She didn't believe in fate," he said.

Till then Ivy was already reading the letters.

"She loves you, Antonio. You love her?" she said.

"She? No way. She doesn't love me anymore". He replied.

"She said here. I love you"

"She meant... She loved me back then"

"That is the thing. That would have been loveD."

"No one pays attention to so much grammar"

"You don't pay attention to her feelings," she said.

He looked at her. "It's not like that"

"Go and find her"

He nodded and said bye to us, he went out, promising to find her at all costs.

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Two Years Later

Antonio's POV

I can't find her.

I can't find her in any hell or heaven.

I searched the entire America.

I searched everywhere.

I reported it to the police.

Everywhere.

She has just.... disappeared!

I love her.

I know I love her.

I have this emptiness in my heart.

I want her

I want her back!

I called Andrew. "Found her?"

"Not yet"

"I think... You should give up"

"And I think you should shut up"

"That's rude"

"Dude. I can't find her!"

"She...."

"I don't know. I'm so done. I want her!"

"I know.."

"Will talk later. I have a trip to Russia"

"Why?"

"She can be there"

"Huh. Now you'll search for Russia?"

"Yes"

"Oh crap"

"Whatever. Bye"

"Bye... Good luck"

"Thanks"

I went to the airport and then to Russia.

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I reached here and all I want is... food.

I mean, I am hungry, bruh.

I went to a restaurant and ordered something. Anything.

"Sir, here-"

I looked up at the familiar voice.

Sophia.

THE END