

8. Dirt bubbles and a couple laughs along the way

When we get into the room the first thing I notice is the scent. a¹⁹

This is definitely James' room. a⁵¹

When I look around the room I see a bunch of picture frames on shelves that have books. The walls are a light gray and the bed has a navy blue comforter with red sheets. The bed is absolutely ginormous. a⁶⁷

It has to be the biggest bed I have ever seen, not that I had much experience with beds before, and has these huge fluffy pillows on top of them. a⁵⁰

James puts me down and watches me as I look around his room at all of his pictures and books. When I turn around to look at him he is still standing in the doorway looking slightly nervous. a⁷

"This is my room and you will be sleeping in here with me." My eyes widen at this statement and I look over at the bed nervous. a⁴⁸

"I can sleep on the couch for a couple nights if you want, I really don't mind it.." He trails off. When he looks back at me I just nod, too nervous to do anything else. a⁴⁰

"Do you want to shower?" I feel my face get red at him mentioning the shower and I get nervous a⁵

"You can shower alone if you want that's fine too but the doctor says you will have trouble with daily activities because of how little muscle you have but that's fine I'll go start it for you" he says this all in a rush while walking towards the bathroom. a¹⁴⁶

He walks back out and into his closet and comes out with one of his shirts and basketball shorts a¹³

"You can wear this to bed if you want to bed I don't have any clothes for you but maybe you can go shopping later in the week with Hazel?" a⁶⁵

I nod my head, take the clothes and head into the bathroom.

After trying to wash my hair and dirt around my body, and I am relatively clean I walk out and look in the mirror at myself.

I realize I missed about half the dirt on my back and neck and my hair still has conditioner in it. Realizing how exhausted I was by ten minutes by myself, I know I won't be able to do the rest myself. a⁴¹

I walk out of the bathroom still in the towel and look at James sitting on the bed.

He looks up at me and I point to my back and neck and hair and frown. a³⁹

"Need help?" He asks with a small smile. I nod my head and walk back in knowing he will follow. a²³

He walks in and starts the shower again but making a bath this time instead. I get back in and sit down and he helps me wash out the rest of my hair. a⁶⁶

When he is done with my hair he gets the body wash and starts washing my back. When I see the bubbles in the water I get a funny idea. Gathering some in my hands I turn around and blow them on James. a¹⁸¹

At first he looks shocked and for a second I get scared thinking he is going to get mad but then a second later he is getting more bubbles and putting them on my head. I splash him and start laughing. When I laugh he freezes and I turn back around to look at him. a¹²¹

He is smiling so big it stretches across his entire gorgeous face. a²⁶

"Your laugh is so beautiful" he says in awe. a³⁷²

I look down and I can feel myself getting red. He lifts up my chin and looks directly into my eyes a⁰

"Don't be embarrassed, I love it" he smiles. When he leans in close enough to kiss me, I grab his shirt and pull him into the tub making water go everywhere. a²⁴⁴

I start laughing again and look down at a very soaked James looking down at me sitting next to me. a¹⁵

He smiles mischievously and starts tickling me causing me to laugh even louder. a²⁰¹

Now you would think having this huge man in a tub isn't possible with me in it too but here's the thing.

Everything in this house is huge. It's a mansion for Christ's sake. The bath tub is easily the size of a jacuzzi so we fit pretty easily. a²⁸²

After a couple minutes he stops and just wraps his arms around me holding me against his chest with me in his lap. a⁴⁶

Even though I am on his lap I still have to look up at him. He is a solid foot and a couple inches taller than me so I have to look up at him for everything but I don't mind. I curl in a ball and just rest my head on his chest feeling relaxed and for once in my life, safe. a²⁷⁵

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