

## Chapter 147 Thoughts

Noah's p.o.v.

Sitting down at the table with my Brothers and the rest of the future leadership of Autumn Moon pack, I wonder why we are all seated at the same table, my Brothers and I are not a part of the future leadership. And yet we are seated at the same table, don't get me wrong I love the company I am in and I know that when the day comes that Nero has to take his seat on that stage I will miss the conversations we always have during dinner.

Eiji is keeping a close eye on Alayah, she seems to be deep in thought and we both wish we could take a peek inside her head. When Crystal made it known that she can also tell us apart Eiji started whining in my head, it is an indication that the connection we feel with Alayah is that of a sibling bond. If that is the bond that will form between me and Alayah I will accept it, but I had hoped that this connection would mean I had finally found my mate.

My jaw nearly drops when I see the Omegas walking into the dining room with carts full of the dessert, everyone gets asked which dessert they want and I look surprised when an Omega places a dessert in front of Alayah without asking her. Hearing her describe what just the touch of a walnut can do to her makes me feel proud of Nero for paying enough attention, if he hadn't noticed that she stayed clear of the desserts and treats with tree nuts in them she could have spent the night in the Infirmary.

The moment Alayah is finished with her dessert she excuses herself, saying she needs to check a few more things in her office and I'm not sure if this is an excuse or not. I follow my brothers up the stairs to the Gamma floor and I nearly walk into Nathan as he stops in the middle of the living room, "Am I the only one that is disappointed that the connection Yuma felt with Alayah might just be a sibling bond? I really hoped that we had finally found our Mate, but if today is any indication to the kind of bond that will form between the five of us I am afraid we might need to attend a Mate meeting soon." Nathan says.

Eiji is growling in my head as we both process Nathan's statement, "Crystal was never able to tell us apart, so what changed since she left for the Mate meeting?" Nikolay asks and the four of us fall into a silence as each of us tries to come up with an answer to his question. We all know that Crystal met her mate, but that doesn't explain why all of a sudden she is able to tell us apart. The other thing we know for sure is that after the Mate meeting she spent all of her time at Crimson Moon Pack.

"Is there a chance that either Marc, Anton or Alayah gave her an insight on how to tell us apart?" Nero asks and as I let that run through my mind I wonder if there is actually a way for anyone to tell us apart. Our Father and our Grandfather are the only two people that can tell us apart, but neither one of them has ever been willing to explain to us how they are capable of telling us apart and I doubt they will start explaining it to us now.

At least not without us explaining why we want to know and that would mean telling our Father that we believe that Mara's Daughter might be our Mate. Yeah, I can't see that going down easily. When I first met Mara I had my doubts on the Mate-bond between her and my Father, but watching them interact with one another has shown me that my Father was her second chance at happiness and Mara was our Father's second chance at happiness.

I know the only contact Mara has had with Alayah so far is over the phone, either by text or by phone call. If there were a Mate-bond to be formed between the five of us I am not sure how Mara will respond, I just hope if it does happen it won't ruin the relationship she has just started to rebuild with her daughter. "Maybe we should keep an eye on Alayah, just to see what kind of bond there will grow between the five of us. If it is just a sibling bond we need to accept that, but if it is a Mate-bond we need to keep an eye on how other people react." I mumble.

"What do you mean, Noah?" Nikolay asks. "I don't know how other people will respond to finding out there is a Mate-bond between the five of us, I know there isn't a blood-bond between the five of us but we all know how narrow minded people can be. What if Dad or Mara is unwilling to accept the Mate-bond that has formed between us?" I ask my Brothers, I already know my answer but what about my Brothers.

It takes my Brothers a few seconds to realize what I am talking about, but when it finally sinks in Nero flies off the handle. "I will never let my Mate go, if anyone forces me to choose my Mate will win any day of the week." Nero growls and we can all tell that Miku is near the surface. "Miku, calm down. Each of us will choose our Mate and we will do anything to protect her. If Alayah is our Mate none of us will let her go, even if it means chasing her around the world." I say as I look into his eyes.

"We will protect Alayah, whether she is our Mate or not. Noah is right though, not everyone will react the same way if she is our Mate." Nathan states as he holds on to Nero, slowly Miku calms down as we keep telling him we will keep Alayah safe. "I hate this just as much as Miku does, I just want my Mate and with us being Stepsiblings it might take a long time to form a Mate-bond." Eiji growls in my head, I know what he means and I just hope that being Stepsiblings won't keep Alayah away from us.