

The Alpha Chose Me Novel

Chapter 110

I showered, ate breakfast and was currently finishing off my coffee. I was sat at the kitchen table in a world of my own.

"Did you call her?". Jake asked.

"I sent her a text half an hour ago but she hasn't replied. Maybe she's busy". Getting to my feet I rinsed out my cup and placed it in the sink.

"Doubt she's too busy for you. Call her and tell her you want to meet for coffee. I have to go but remember if you need me call me". He kissed the top of my head before leaving out the back door.

Making sure my purse was in my bag I grabbed my car keys just as my phone vibrated.

'I'm in town sweetheart. Do you want to meet for coffee here? Maybe do a little prom shopping?'

I forgot about prom. Come to think of it I didn't even have a dress yet. I quickly texted her back letting her know I was on my way.

My stomach was still in knots. Every time I thought of seeing my dad I felt sick. Was there a specific reason as to why he was here or did he just want to see me?

Eighteen years is a long time to wait. I mean why not try and be apart of my life sooner? What was the reason he waited?

Why would he think I would want him to be in my life now?

Did I want that?

Sighing I turned on the radio and tried my hardest not to think

about it. I knew deep down what I had to do. If I wanted answers then I would have to meet with him.

And I'd be lying if I wasn't shitting myself.

Pulling into a space I turned off the engine and grabbed my bag. My gran wouldn't have all the answers but at least it was a start.

I just wish I was told sooner that he was in town.

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"I ordered for you". She smiled as I took the seat across from her.

"Thanks".

"Leah about last night-..".

"Let me say this first". I smiled at the barista as she placed our coffees on the table. "My emotions have been all over the place recently. More so because of my wolf making her appearance. My dad showing up here has threw me and then to find out he wants to see me". I paused.

"It's a big thing sweetheart and if I have upset you then I apologise". She placed her hand on top of mine. "I seem to be upsetting you quite a bit recently. This is your decision and I'll support you on whatever you decide".

"Why didn't you just tell me?". I asked taking a sip of my coffee. Blonde roast cappuccino, my favourite.

"I wasn't sure how to bring it up. I kept you in the dark for many years and believe me Leah it was for your safety. I wasn't sure how stable your dad was back then. After loosing your mom-..".

"You could have at least told me you were in contact with him".

"He wrote me a letter a few months back. I didn't read it in fact I haven't even opened it but I knew by the hand writing and no return address that it was your dad".

"But you've been in contact with him for weeks?". I asked. "I'm only assuming because of Jake's parents".

"I bumped into him at the garden centre. Your dad isn't a bad man sweetheart, he was just lost".

"What happened when you bumped into him?".

"I couldn't believe it was him. I knew there may have been sightings of him but to actually have him stood in front of me after all this time". She sipped her coffee before continuing.

"When your mom passed your dad and I didn't part on bad terms. Bare in mind your dad was still a young man when you were born".

"What he wasn't ready for a child?". I rolled my eyes.

"No honey that's not what I mean. Your dad very much wanted you. He couldn't wait to be a dad". She smiled.

"And then mom died". I swallowed the lump that appeared in my throat. "And he left".

"Yes sweetheart he left. He left because he couldn't face bringing you up without your mom. He didn't want to live anymore Leah. He spiralled down a very dark path and it wasn't safe for you".

"So he just let you take me. What about my other grandparents or hisnd pack. He is an Alpha isn't he?". I still couldn't wrap my head around this.

"Your grandparents didn't have a say, no one did. Your dad let his wolf take over completely. Best thing for you at that time was for me to take you away".

"So they didn't bother about me either". They obviously weren't dead or she would have said. "Some family I have".

"I'm so sorry this is how it's turned out. I never really thought about the years to come. I acted then and now and went with it".

"You didn't think I'd ask about my dad?". I frowned. I appreciate everything my gran had done for me but I wasn't sure I could deal with all the lies and sneaking about anymore.

I was an adult, I could handle the truth. It seemed the people I surrounded myself with did nothing but lie. The ones I loved most always hiding the truth.

"I didn't tell you about your dad because I wasn't sure you would ever meet him. I thought it was the right thing to do".

"That's bullshit and you know it".

"Leah".

"Well here we are". I laughed. "Eighteen years later he wants to meet me and you still kept me in the dark about it all".

"Leah I-..".

"All you do is lie". I couldn't believe what I was saying but I was done. Done with the lies, done with the excuses.

"I didn't lie Leah".

"But you didn't tell me the truth either. I'm not a little girl anymore, you should have told me from the start. You should

have told me everything about him".

"Now wait a damn minute Leah".

"Everyone around me lies. You, Jake, basically everyone I love. You kept a lot from me and if you'd have just told me the truth this wouldn't be happening".

"I done my very best at raising you. Yes I may have kept a few things from you but I would have always told you in the end".

"You mean you'd have told me after I found out by myself. You kept that I was a werewolf from me all these years".

"I don't know what's gotten into you but your attitude stinks and I find you being very disrespectful".

"Oh yeah because you didn't bring me up to disrespect my elders. There is nothing wrong with my attitude gran. I'm just sick of everyone's bullshit". I got to my feet.

"Indeed I did not now sit back down". Her voice stern my eyes locked with her. I could see the anger but also the hurt.

I had never spoken to my gran this way and let me tell you I didn't like the way it made me feel. This isn't how I expected today to go.

We were always so close and yet I have never felt further apart. I sat back down a sigh falling from my lips. I wouldn't apologise for how I felt.

We always had such a good relationship. We rarely had disagreements and if we did we always spoke about them putting our problems on the table. I miss the bond we used to share.

"This isn't exactly how I thought today was going to go". She glanced at her watch. "I've been a shit gran recently".

I laughed. "I haven't exactly been the best granddaughter". I rarely saw her now and it was nothing to do with us being busy. We just didn't really make the effort anymore.

"No sweetheart this isem all on me. If I hadn't of been so desperate to see you happy and with Jake you'd still be living under my roof. If I had been straight with you from the beginning then I wouldn't have made this mess. I truly am sorry Leah".

"I shouldn't have spoken to you the way I did but please understand how frustrating it is not to be told the truth or for people to think I can't handle it".

"How about we put today behind us and start a fresh?".

"No more keeping things from me?". I asked.

"I've learned my lesson the hard way Leah. From now on no more secrets I promise".

"I really do miss you gran".

"I miss you too sweetheart but just remember I'm only across the street".

"I think I might come home for a few days. Clear my head and give myself the chance to think about everything".

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He found me in our room packing a bag.

"Babe what's going on?".

"I'm going to go home for a few days". I put my bag aside taking a seat on our bed.

"You are home".

"I'm going to stay with my gran for a few days". I wasn't sure

how he was going to take it. Probably why my stomach was in knots. Gearing up for the argument that was due to happen.

"Did something happen?"

Sighing I chewed the inside of my cheek. "Let's just say it's didn't go as I expected. How have I let this happen".

He took the seat next to me taking my hand in his. "So something did happen. If you want to go spend a few days with her then that's okay".

I wasn't expecting him to say that.

"Don't look so shocked baby, I'm not keeping you prisoner". He laughed.

"I feel like I don't have a relationship with her anymore. Yes we talk and still see each other but not as much as we used to. I have this horrible feeling that I can't shake".

"What happened today?" He asked.

"I was brutally honest. I'm sick of the lies and everyone keeping secrets. I can handle the truth, I don't need to be protected from it".

"That a dig at me as well?"

"Yes and I know you mean well but I'd rather you just tell me instead of me finding out later and being pissed at you".

"Noted". He got to his feet placing a kiss on my forehead. "Are you going over there tonight?"

"That's the plan". I grabbed my bag so I could finish packing.

"You do what you need to do baby. I'll be here if you need me".

"Are you feeling okay?". I was gearing myself up for an argument that clearly wasn't happening. I wasn't used to him

playing nice.

A laugh fell from his lips. "I'm not all bad baby. I lose my temper sometimes but it's only because I want to keep you safe. The thought of anything happening to you scares me to death".

"You'd be surprised how well I can take care of myself". I winked.

"I'm well aware baby and I'm trying to adjust to not always losing my head. I don't do it to be a prick".

"Really because I think-....". A squeal fell from my lips as he grabbed me around the waist pulling me onto the bed.

I couldn't hide my grin.

"You're the most important person to me princess. I'd lose my mind if I lost you but I'm trying to be better". He brushed his nose against mine.

"Baby steps". I knew he was trying and I appreciated it. I was coming to terms with his protectiveness and his need to keep me safe.

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My heart hurt, the air had been sucked from my lungs, I couldn't breathe.

My gran was gone. Leaving nothing but a note stating she was sorry.