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Valerie's heart was pounding. The last time they spoke, Alessia was very excited, jumping around like a little kid. Where did this sudden anger and baseless accusation come from?

"I didn't lie about that," Valerie said with a serious expression. Alessia shook her head, clearly disappointed by her denial. Couldn't she have the decency to be even a little bit honest? Alessia thought to rephrase the question.

"You also said you never went out of the packs."

Valerie agreed once more. "That is also true."

Her answers confused Alessia, but she had seen the proof. How could Valerie lie when her expression carried a load of seriousness?

The only understanding Alessia could pin to everything was the conclusion that Valerie had made a fool out of her.

"How could you? I trusted you. I kept trying my best to make him like you, but I guess you are just an undeserving bitch."

"Hey, watch your tongue," Valerie retorted, clearly angered by the insult. If not for Alpha Tristan, Scarlet, and her pack's betrayal, she never would have endured the humiliation of being insulted.

"Oh what?" Alessia was unremorseful and strong-headed. "What will you do? In case you've forgotten, this is the Evergreen pack. Or are you going to pretend you don't

know?"

Valerie felt at a loss. She lost the battle before it began. Sensing that something was off, she could only plead with her. "Alessia, calm down and let's talk."

Her voice was polite, but Alessia was still upset, feeling stupid for trusting Valerie so much. "Don't call me that anymore. I'm Beta Alessia," she drew the lines between them. "Valerie, and after today, I will no longer come to see you."

Her declaration caused Valerie to feel the emptiness from before. She, who used to find loneliness a luxury due to so much pack work, was now seeing it as boredom as she hardly interacted with people.

No man was an island, and she wasn't an exception. Lowering her guards, she pleaded for the sake of sanity and the

friendship she had come to appreciate so much.

Also, she was more mature than Alessia, so this was the best she could do to get what she wanted from the latter.

She couldn't help feeling it was the reason for Alpha Denzel's rejection. It wasn't that she felt anything for him after the broken bond but needed to clear her name. "Please, Beta Alessia, can we talk about whatever is making you upset?"

Alessia was shaking her head as she took steps back. "No. You are a liar, and that is all I have to say." She wished she could tell her, but Alpha Denzel had warned her not to.

Alessia was already at the door when Valerie pulled her back. Something was wrong, and she couldn't allow it to go on.

She held Alessia's gaze and said honestly, "I swear, I never lied to you. I believe that whatever it is, we could talk about it."

Innocence showed like light in her eyes, Alessia was marveled. "How do you do it? You are not a polite person. You are proud, and you definitely aren't innocent."

For some reason, Valerie endured the insult if it was the only way to get what she wanted. "Well, I'm just a slave in your pack, and you are the beta. I know my place."

"Why did you do what you did over three years ago?" Alessia asked. Even if she couldn't tell her, dropping hints was acceptable.

"I beg your pardon?" Valerie was confused, not remembering any incident worth documenting three years ago.

"Alpha Denzel told me everything, so don't pretend like you don't know. I always thought you were the victim, but it seems you are rather the villain." Alessia's words were harsh, but Valerie endured it.

If there was anything she learned from all this, it was endurance and patience. She knew that one day, all her enemies would be brought to her feet, but until that day arrives, she would only do the needful.

"Wait, did you say that he told you everything?" There was a slight excitement in Valerie's tone. Alas, she would understand Alpha Denzel's reason for being so mean to her.

"Yes. So, are you going to continue lying to me? You were in Las Vegas over three years ago. Are you still going to deny it?" Alessia dropped another hint when Valerie didn't seem to catch the first one.

Her mind was hazy. "I've never been to Las Vegas. Tell me, where that is?" she asked politely. Aside from hearing the name a few times, she had no idea where it was located.

Alessia smiled, but it didn't reach her eyes. "I thought you were going to tell me the truth, but I think you deserve all that Alpha Denzel is putting you through."

Valerie's fingers balled as she swallowed the anger. "Alessia, if you have a problem with me, then come out with it. I'm tired of what you and your Alpha are doing to me. How long are you going to continue toying with my emotions?"

"You keep accusing me of things I know nothing about, and you think it's okay? If you have something against me, then why not just let it out? Why do you keep beating about the bush?"

Alessia shook her head, disappointed. Valerie's performance right now was shocking to her, her heart ached that she had to disobey her Alpha.

She was just as hungry for the truth as Valerie was. Unlocking her phone, she pressed the play button on the video and gave it to her.

"I see why he refused to allow me to give you a phone." Alessia ensured to watch Valerie's every expression, ready to see how she was going to deny it this time.

Valerie took the phone eagerly and watched the video carefully. As soon as she saw that woman who looked exactly like her, her heart dropped into her stomach, and her eyes filled with tears.