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OF HER  
REIGN

"IF SHE TO BE RULE, THEN SHE SHALL"

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I sat on the stone right next to the river not far from my house. I even built a boardwalk since people loved coming here. This was my thinking haven. Memories played as if on cue.

FLASHBACK

Me: Are you sure you will come back?

I was heavily pregnant as I watched my husband dress in his armour. He looked at me with those hazel brown eyes of his.

Shaka: Sthandwa sam (My love) precious stone even if thousand arrows pierce me I will come back to you.

He started kissing me all over the face making me giggle.

Me: Yuck Shaka not this again.

Shaka: Yet you love me.

Me: With all of me.

A knock disturbed us we tensed as we knew who it was.

Soldier:Captain we are ready.

Me:Please come back.

Shaka:I promise. Hey there champ please keep Mommy safe til I come back. I love you so much but your Mom more.

Me:You are acting crazy.

He kissed me before walking out I followed.

Me:Shaka!

I hugged him as my heart hammered against my chest

Shaka:I love you Diamond Beoana also known as Mrs Sipuka more than you can imagine.

END OF FLASHBACK

Something or someone disturbed my thoughts. He wore a very expensive suit his steps looked calculated his black hair styled a coat rested right above his knees and his hands gloved. He was talking on his phone I was staring at him just like other ladies on the boardwalk.I stood up because I wanted to see him clearly.He paused before looking around his green eyes stared at me it was uncomfortable.

Him:Find my mother!



He dropped his call and came down using the stairs.

Him:This place is one beautiful place but I always wanted to see the house and the owner maybe thank him or her for doing this.

Me:Then thank you.

Him:No wonder it looks this pretty.

My phone rang and I looked at the screen. I walked away with him watching me. The moment I drove out of the yard the driveway to the boardwalk was blocked by royal guards I wonder.

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I walked in the house to find it empty I hope they didn't leave me alone. The housekeeper meets me on the passage.

Her:Your mother said to call her as soon as possible.

I quickly call her.

Me:Mama.

Mom:We left a spare wheel.

Me:You are in Zalem again you guys never learn at all.

Mom:We are in the castle.

Me:I am coming.

I hated this every time it happened they always go to that castle for whatever reason and always I have to pick them up because it always go wrong. Two hours of driving. Zalem Castle appeared a legend in grey. The stone made castle looked huge it was 15 stories high. I parked in the outside parking lot. As usually I have to show the guards my ID before entering. Someone almost knocks me off the little boy apologises before running away.

Voice:Are you okay?

I turn around oh damnation! I slightly bow.

Inga:No need to bow my lady.

Me:That would be disrespectful Prince Inga.

Inga:If it is you doing it then I wouldn't mind.Oh boy my poor eggs just got fertilised. His blue eyes didn't help at all

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Inga:I would love to know your name.

Me:Thando.

He smiles I think I died and resurrected in a second until Siba decides to interrupt.

Siba:Little sister.

Inga:This is your sister Commander?

Siba:Yes Your Highness my sister Di-

Me:Thandolwethu Beoana.

Nino and Siba stifle a laugh as they stare at me.

Me:Can we change the tyre?

Inga:Nice to finally meet you.

The prince leaves us and they burst out laughing.

Nino:I thought you hated that name.

Me:I did.

Siba:Mom!Diamond introduced herself as Thandolwethu after flirting with Prince Inga.

Mom:Diamond.

Everyone is making this a big deal whereas it is not really.

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INGA

Zalem is known as the kingdom of lions we are not literally lions .These powers vary from people to people only royalty have powers some are seers healers shifters mostly rulers are the ones shifting to lions. Since lions are already seen as Kings we just say Zalem is a home of lions. I knew my time to become the next king was slowly approaching as my father laid gravely ill now I had to look for concubines. Then her face passes my mind I find myself smiling.Her dark brown eyes those dimples hell yes!

Driver:We have arrived your Highness.

I step out approaching the restaurant I usually eat in as usually women are overly dressed. I was following the guard to the table when my eye catches her typing on her phone I immediately change my direction towards her.

Me:One would swear that your phone did you wrong.

She looks up and smile the dimples slowly shaped themselves accordingly.

Her:Poor thing I am just excited.

Me:I thought you live in High Waters Valley and it is already late.

Her:Well I just wanted to enjoy some Zalem food before heading home I don't mind driving at night.

Me:Is that safe for a beautiful lady like you?

Her laughter vibrates as she looked at me. What a sight!

Her:I do night shifts as a nurse.

Me:You are a nurse? Aren't you too young?

Her:Young?Whereas I am left with 2 years before I finish my Medicine studies so I can be a doctor.

Me:I have to give it you you are one hell of a rock.

Her:Thank you Your Majesty.

Me:At least don't call me that.

Her:Your Highness.

We burst out laughing.

Me:A little stubborn aren't you?

Her:Not me.

Me:Scary then.

Her:Me?That is impossible.

Me:You intimidated me then when we met in the castle.

Her:You lie!

Me:Seriously!

I keep looking at those 3 beauty marks on top of her upper lip. Why am I looking there?Her phone rings.

Her:Beoana speaking.Huh?What?Oh my goodness! Go to my room look for my diary call Dr Sipuka.

She drops the call and looks at the phone shocked.

Me:Everything okay?

Her:I am sorry I have to go nurse emergency.

Me:Call me if you arrive safe.

Her:I will send an owl.

I laugh as she runs to the exit. Man is love at first sight still around? Cause me and him or her need to talk.

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'She sat and sang alway

By the green margin of a stream

Watching the fishes leap and play

Beneath the glad sunbeam.

I sat and wept alway

Beneath the moon's most shadowy beam

Watching the blossoms of the May

Weep leaves into the stream.



I wept for memory:

She sang for hope that is so fair:

My tears were swallowed by the sea:

Her songs died on the air'

The mood was somber as everyone took everything I read .They were arguing about the woman in the poem that she will find her voice and hope again. They were arguing as they got back inside for lunch.

Lucia:Mond.

Me:It reflects on me I sat by the river hoping for different news I almost drowned myself.

Lucia:Let me be honest with you you think letting him go means forgetting he ever existed but that's not true.Go put those rings on his grave because 'until death do us part'. There might be a man out there willing to love you just like he did. I mean Prince Inga sent flowers.

It has been a week since me and Inga started chatting he found me on Insta.

Me:What?

Lucia:No one knows Thando around here. I thought you never liked that name.

Me:I didn't it was the first name that came to my mouth. He is way too fine he might be a jackal in sheep's suit.

Lucia:Yet you married another jackal in fact a whole entire trained killer.

Me:He wasn't either!

Lucia:What was he?

Me:A soldier.

Lucia:Trained to do what? Play hide and seek?

Me:To protect Zalem kingdom!

Lucia:By telling enemies to back off? Or to disappear? He was trained to kill him and Ingasame what's app group no him and Milani. Milani is the devil and Shaka was the servant.

Me:I need very strong wine.

Lucia:To be honestI miss the real y

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I miss the real y the crazy and stupid Diamond. Come back.

Me:I am coming.

Lucia:Cum or c-o-me?

Me:Fuck you.

Lucia:I am sure spiders found a home down there. 3 years and half ago neh?

Me:Whatever helps you sleep good at night.

Lucia:You sly bitch! You didn't even tell me!

Me:Chichi is back.

Lucia:That whore!

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When I arrived home everyone stood in the kitchen looking at a box on top of the island.

Me:Who bought this? House of Jange Jewellerysomeone is rich. Uzile?

Nino:You tell us it is yours.

I took the card indeed it has my name. I open the box to find a necklace box inside.

Me:Holy shit!

Nino:Oh my goodness!

Uzile:That shit cost millions!

Oza:A man after your own heart.

Me:Strange day first flowers from Inga and now this.

Nino:You like them dangerous.

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Mom:We need to find Liona's heir because we are running out of time Noreen is healing and Milani will strike the worse way possible.

Seer:The girl is around but is making it hard to find her.

Me:How will we know it is her?

Seer:She has a white birth mark around her belly button.

Me:Are we going to strip every woman out there?

Mom:Inganathi this is serious! We need to find that girl! Do you have a clue what that brother of yours is capable of?

Me:You don't have to remind me I was there.

Mom:Get your mind straight and find that girl so we can those powers stolen from us!

She walks out clicking her tongue.

Seer:Tread careful we have no clue if she knows what she is capable of.

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MILANI

Me:I want you to find everything you can about Diamond Beoana.

I dropped my phone as my PA walked in smiling.

Her:King Kaninda is here Your Highness.

The way she batted her eyelashes poor woman must be having an eye problem.

Me: Get us something to drink.

She walks out and my uncle walks in with his intimidating self.

Him: When are you planning to go to Zalem and find out what happened to my little and only sister?

Me: I am still gathering evidence. Mother doesn't want to talk.

Him: Milani, we didn't raise you to be slow. Get back to Zalem and find out, or I will do it myself. Hear me?

Me: Yes Sir.

Him: Good now, who is she?

Me: Huh?

Him: Invoices and proof of delivery arrived this morning. 2.3 million blood diamond necklace.

Me: I was just saying thank you for what she did for my mom.

Him: With 2.3 million worth necklace? Is that how you thank ladies?

Me: Mom never trusted Zalem people, but she trusted her.

Him:Can I see her?

My PA walks in with the table as I turn my laptop around.

Him:She is beautiful no wonder you bought her a 2.3 million necklace.

My PA gasps loudly as she looks at me.

Me:Cancel all my meetings and book me a ticket to Zalem and make sure my laptop is charged.

DIAMOND

It was freezing like it was snowing I shivered bringing my blankets tighter eventually I decided to wake up and get more blankets. I raised my head and got the shock of my life. I screamed because I wasn't lying on my bed or room. I was sitting on what looked like a boardwalk but made of stone facing the largest river! I stood up and gasped when I saw a woman standing in the middle of the black water. On top of water!

Her: Come here.

Her white hair was flowing behind her.

Me: Who are you? What do you want from me?

Within a second I was sitting on a golden chair before her.

Her: They will get what they want if I leave you alone the fruits of your womb. I didn't save you to let anything happen to you.

She disappeared and a crowd appeared already on their knees.

Them: All hail to the Queen! All hail to the Queen!

I tried moving from the chair but I was stuck.



Her:Find him find him.

Then the chair started sinking I screamed trying to grasp for anythingmy lungs burnt as the water filled my mouth and nose.Just as I thought I was going to sink the river shoot me out.

Mom:Diamond.

I looked up I was back in my room coughing water and dripping water.

Me:She is back.

Mom:She did tell us that she will come collecting.

Me:She made me an heir to a throne that doesn't exist anymore! What am I going to do? Build that kingdom again?

I got dressed angrily

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apparently when I was a baby I faced a lot of difficulties my parents said I didn't cry or make any sound but my body was slowly shredding.A woman showed up in the hospital and promised to help me she held me and I started giggling. Of course my parents asked what she wanted and she said that one day I will be her heir to a kingdom that doesn't even exist. Now she's out here stalking me in my dreams more like I walk in my dreams very much awake!

Oza:Where did you go this time?

Me:A huge ass river with a stone made boardwalk with stairs going to the water. On the side there's a mountain.

Siba:Is the water black?

Me:Very black.

Dad:Black Waters sacred river of Zalem.

Uzile:What does that mean for her?

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Me Chichi and Lucia decided to book ourselves in a hotel in Fontilang capital of Zalem and hit some clubs for the weekend. Plus I just needed to be away from home maybe I won't have any dreams.

Lucia:I am just going to the toilet.

Me:With a man Lucia.

Chichi:Hayi khawuthi ndiyo twerka(Let me go twerk).

We were a little bit drunk so I just let them be. All of a sudden it started becoming cold and I immediately became sober. She was back. I literally half ran to the toilet. I bump into someone on the passage. Like a coin to magnet was suddenly pulled in. I was standing before a very beautiful house.

Her:Find him.

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Her:I am very grateful for what you did for me.

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Her:We met once or twice through some circumstances.

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Her:NoYour Highness.

Me:From what I know you have worked as a personal maid for my mother which means you know everything.

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Her:Ohh.

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Her:Nothing Your Gra-ce.

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Alu:Dad please wake up your kingdom is falling apart.

My heart breaks for my little sisters they loved their father more than their mothers.

Lola:Mils!

Sona:Big brother.

They hug me in excitement.

Me:Alu.

Alu:I am 16 not 6.

Me:Tell your friends that.

Lola:Oh my goodness! Nasreen is going to give me grey hair.

Me:He still disappears?

Lola:I don't blame him though his mother has been disappearing a lot too.

Alu:Lolita!

Me:Let her talk.

Lola:She always came home looking like a beaten woman Nasreen saw her and she even forgot his birthday.

Alu:But then everything is a mystery around here.

Me:Alu does your mom Queen Letitia know about this?

Sona:They know a lot I mean why would our mother go to Inga's cabin that is not far from High Waters Valley?

Then the pieces of where she was being held come to me.

Lola:Then she comes from the cabin looking like that?

Me:They found traces of drugs manufactured only in Zalem Laboratory

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she had marks of shackles on her ankles and wrists.

Alu:I am sure it is the same drug they are feeding Father trust me I know the woman who gave birth to me don't take her lightly.

The door opens and the doctor walks in with a nurse. They bowed before preparing what they going to do.

Dr:We need to inject His Majesty.

Me:With?Can I see it?

The doctor freezes before handing the bottle I just look give it to him.

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The moment I stepped in the room everyone looked shocked that I am here. Duke Adam one of the elders shook my hand in spite I mean I did kill his brother after all. My father's brother Lord Zeff was also here and other elders.

Uncle:When are you getting married Macmillan?

Me:Uncle Zeff I am too young.

Uncle:Too young? At your age your father was expecting Charlotte.

Me:Remind Inganathi not me he's going to be king.



Inga:I am also young.

Letitia:What about Thando?

Them:Who is Thando?

Inga:Eat.

Me:Inga please give me a list of places you supply with the drugs made in Zalem Lab

Inga:Why?

Me:Some drugs made in that were used in my mother.

They all tense except for the children.

Letitia:Where is Noreen?

Me:In her home before she met women like you.

Inga:Did she talk?

Me:Oh no she doesn't have to because I will find whoever did this. I think my hands haven't broken human bones in a long time.

Silence washed over just like I wanted I really do believe they have forgotten about what I will do.

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DIAMOND

'What winter floods what showers of spring

Have drenched the grass by night and day

And yet beneath that spectre ring

Unmoved and undiscovered lay

A mute remembrance of a crime

Long lost concealed forgot for years

It comes at last to cancel time

And waken unavailing tears'

The poem I read rang in my head as I removed pebbles on the tombstone and bury the chain. Tears fell as I shook and put the water lily. I dusted my knees as I stood up and headed back to my car. At home there was no one I took the box under my bed full of photos to the basement. I took the pictures of Shaka or with Shaka hanging in my room just like I did in my house. I went back to the basement and packed them in a trunk and locked it.

'Am I to lose you now? The words were light

You spoke them hardly seeking a reply

That day I bid you quietly 'Good-bye '

And sought to hide my soul away from sight.

The question echoed dear through many a night-

My question

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not your own-most wistfully

'Am I to lose'-asked my heart of me

'Am I to lose him now and lose him quite? '

And only you can tell me. Do you care

That sometimes we in quietness should stand

As fellow-solitudes hand firm in hand

And thought with thought and hope with hope compare?

What is your answer? Mine must ever be

'I greatly need your friendship :leave it me. '

Me:Good bye my love my husband father of Shaka Junior as he also lie dead next to you.I blamed you for 3 year but I'm setting you free. I am sorry I blamed you I am sorry I was angry. Rest in peace Shaka lie in my memories and guide me like old times. Rest in peace.

I walk out of the basement and I am quite shocked to find everyone sitting.

Nino:You have been down there for too long.

Mom:I am proud of you for letting him go.

Siba:Hayi hayi proud for ntoni? Le ntombi is letting go ngenxa kaInganathi. (No no proud for what? This girl is letting go because of Inganathi.)

We laugh.

Oza:Umithi?(You're pregnant?)

Me:Oh goodness I slept in his bed someone get me a pregnancy test.

It took them a moment to get the joke before laughing.

Oza:I don't do that.

Uzile:His girl should buy a condom jumpsuit before sleeping in his bed!

Oza:I hate you!

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INGANATHI

Duke Brown:Damn how the hell did Noreen escape?

Mom:She hasn't talked let's focus on that.

Me:Milani is going to destroy this entire kingdom when he does find out.

Lord Sean:How are things with the girl?

Me:She can be recognized by a white birthmark on around her bellybutton. What do we do? Go around stripping women?

Duke Brown:Can't the seer do something to make it easy to find her?

Letitia:Liona is blocking us we should have killed her when we had the chance.

Oh how I wish I could have done something different but my mother can make me do anything any time she wants me to.

Sir Isaac:We should kill Noreen.

Mom:You must be out of your mind! You think Manobi is stupid? Let's find this girl.

Duke Brown:Inga just told us it will be hard to find her we don't perform miracles.

Mom:Do not act smart with me I said find her and I don't give damn if you go around stripping every woman out there. You are going to find her I will not repeat myself.

They all shut up because they know that Queen Letitia is the devil.

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MILANI

Me:Let me start with you.What happened here?

I took it upon myself to find the cabin I found 6 soldiers guarding it. They stood unmoving before me. I pulled out a knife and went to the first soldierI dragged the knife from his neck to stomach.He screamed when I stabbed his stomachothers whimpered.

Guard:Fine I will talk. We really don't know what is going on we were given clear instructions to watch Queen Noreen.

Me:Who drugged her?

Guard:Some doctor I don't know him.

Me:Who came here?

Guard:Lord Sean

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Guard:Lord Sean Duke Brown Sir Isaac the Seer Queen Letitia Lady Brown and Prince Inga.

Me:What else happened here?

3rdGuard:I heard them say they needed Queen Noreen pregnant so they could use the child for sacrifice in getting their powers.

Me:Did Inga rape my mother?

Guard:We never saw what exactly they did to her.

2ndGuard:We told you everything please let us go.

Me:Too bad.

Everything else was blurry as they screamed. Blood splattered everywhere even on my clothes as they

laid in the pool of blood. I went to the bathroom and washed my face.

Me:What are you doing to me brother?

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I stood next to the bed watching him sleep I brushed his neck I could feel the vein under my finger beating. I know he was going to wake up so I moved to there.

Him:Milani you scared me.

Me:Scared you? Which means I don't scare you anymore.

Him:Are you okay?

Me:I can't sleep.

Him:Bro you want me to tuck you in?

Me:Would you betray me brother?

Him:No.

Me:You do know if you were to do that I will forget about being your brother?

Him:Is everything okay?

Me:Someone in this castle knows something do you?

Him:No-no I don't.

Me:Good night.

I walk out maybe those guards are wrong Inga is my brother why would he do this to me?

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DIAMOND

'Like smoke I vanish though I burn like flame

I flicker in the gusts of wrong and right

A shining frailty in the guise of might

Before a nothing-and behind a name. '

Lucia:Life ended so horrible like that.

Bonnie:And those bloody journalists couldn't stop taking pictures. How do the families feel?

Me:I get that humans hurt each other but to do that is beyond sick.

According to the police they received a tip about six dead bodies of soldiers in a cabin the cell can't be traced and the owner.

Lucia:But then we don't know what happened out there.

Me:It doesn't justify how those men were slaughtered like animals.

Bonnie:I thought Zalem kingdom was peaceful.

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INGANATHI

Me:Did you see what he did to those soldiers?

Before anyone can answer Milani walks in looking refreshed.

Him:Good morning

Louisa:Did you see the news?

Him:Yeah.

Mom:Whoever did that is sadisticslaughtering men like that.

Him:Maybe it is message sent to whoever owns the cabin. After they were soldiers guarding a cabin which no one belongs to. So I guess message sent. Inga the list I asked for.

Me:I almost forgot I will tell my PA to send.

I need to make sure there's nothing incriminating in that list because this brother of mine is on a blood

wrath.

Lola:Has anyone seen Nasreen?

Uncle:That boy thinks he's a ninja.

Nasreen:But I am.

We all laughed as he came out under the table.

Him:Stop disappearing Nasreen your sisters are worried.

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I needed to get out of the castle so I told my driver to take me to High Waters Valley. I call her first she doesn't pick up so I try again.

Her:Beoana speaking.

I feel giddy her voice is soothing and warm.

Me:Lady Thando

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how are you?

Her:Great and you?

Me:Good.I am around High Waters so would you mind if we catch a quick dinner?

She goes quiet for a little longer.

Her:Send me the address.

My heart started beating as I waited for her the people were staring at me.Then she walks in wearing a long dress. She walked so slow as she approached my table I stood up quickly and pulled the chair for her.

Me:You look beautiful.

Her:Thank you.

Her fair brown skin looked so soft I wouldn't mind running my hand all over.

Her:Your eyes.

Damn I was really this horny.

Me:Don't mind them.I hope you don't mind I already ordered some steak and burger.

Her:I have been craving those for long.

Me:So what exactly do you do?

Her:A nurse.

Me:And a blogger those poems you share are inspirational.

Her:I hope you are not stalking me.

Me:I am just checking what you are capable of.

Her:What am I capable?

Me:Making a man run.

Her beautiful and amazing laugh echoes as her face cracks up.

Her:I am not dangerous.

Me:Such an exotic goddess.

She leans forward and stare at my eyes before going back. Damn! Her phone rings but she doesn't answer but continue eating her food. I pay and we walk out.



Her:Did you study anything or you just a prince?

Me:I did pharmacy that's why I opened my own lab.

Her:How many siblings do you have?

Me:Seven.You?

Her:A whole seven? I have 4.

Me:My mother has me Charlotte Louisa and Alunamida then Queen Noreen has Milani Sesona Lolita and Nasreen. Three boys and four boys.

Her:There is Sibahle Ozanokuhle me and Uzilelastly Ninothando.

Me:You and Uzile?

Her:We are twins.

Me:There is a mirror image of you?

Her:Oh come on Inganathi.

My name rolling on her tongue oh god! Her phone rings.

Her:Twinny.What woman? You lie! I am coming. I'm sorry I have to go.

She jumps and hugs me.

Me:Surprised.

Her:I really enjoyed this.

Me:You are beautiful.

She blushes I pick her up and she wraps her legs around my waist. Her lips are cold as I kiss the kiss is fire as we keep kissing each other. Her phone vibrates and we stop.

Her:Bye.

Me:I will call you when I arrive in Zalem.

She walks back to the restaurant and I am standing here. I literally jumped in joy.

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DIAMOND

I can't stop thinking about the kiss as I drove home hell I wouldn't mind doing it. His touch had me getting all hot.

Me:Diamond hell naw! He is the future king probably has a wife waiting for him out there.

I park the car outside and hurry inside. I paused as I saw the familiar attire and white hair this woman is here in my home. She is already looking at me don't know what to say she looks so beautiful her white eyes making her a little weird.

Her:It is nice to finally meet you.

Me:You are real.Why didn't you just talk to me face to face?

Her:I have been in hiding for 30 years until your mother gave birth 24 years ago. Your parents were

crying when I was in hiding I was shocked that I heard their cry after so long. You were not crying but your skin was shredding I knew I had to help.

Me:Wait hiding from who?

Her:Zalem kingdom wants me dead.

Me:So what does that suppose to mean for me? I take your place won't they hunt for me?

Her:They are already looking for you the heir to the white lion kingdom. Your offspring when sacrificed will bring the powers lost due to the war between the two kingdoms.

Me:What?Your kingdom really existed?

Her:Years ago. You will take your place and no need to leave your family behind but we have an issue of Zalem hunting you.

Me:Do I have any powers?

Her:A lot but you will train as soon as possible.

Me:Tell me about this kingdom your name everything .

Her:LionaPrincess of Black Waters kingdom of white lions. It stood on top of Black Waters River

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the river's water was underneath our kingdom. We were the supreme kingdom Zalem worshipped there because of the water. Zalem has normal lions as for us we were the most powerful ones. King Zalem 1 questioned the fact that they had to worshipped in our land.War broke between the two kingdoms from generation to generation until thirty years ago.I had a vision that the heir to the throne was going to be born in 6 years time I wasn't to be crowned Queen. I told my parents and they said I was crazy and crowning was going to continue. The day of my crowning the sun didn't come out the moment I sat on that throne.There was no warning the whole entire kingdom sank I don't know how I survived but I did. I asked Zalem for help they also suffered a great loss lost a huge amount of powers they used to possess.A prophecy came that my offspring will bring their powers the things I had to endure are the same things that happened to Noreen. They realised a bit later that I wasn't the heir to my own throne. They wanted to kill me but I escaped I have been on the run since then.

Uzile:Thirty years? How the hell did you do it?

Her:You will learn that white lions are cunning and deceiving.

Nino:You are one Liona.

We just laugh.

Mom:Is this why you decided to come?

Her:Lions have bonds which are for a lifetime.

Uzile:Like mate bonds.

Her:I sensed a bond between Diamond and a royalty.

Me:Inganathi?

Her:Yes him the crown prince.

Me:Amen.

Her:There is a problem thoughlike me Inga cannot and shall not rule Zalem.There is another heir he's the one I have been telling you to find. It is hard to even see him in my visions.

Me:So there is another son older than Inga?

Her:Yes.

Me:How will I become a Queen of Black Waters?

Her:Oh no you will be uniting both kingdom by taking Letitia's place.

Me:I will rule Zalem with another prince while I am destined for Inga?

Her:I really don't know your future is hidden from me but I need you to be very careful of what you say to Inga his mother is not really friendly.

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MILANI

Her:Oh good morning Your Highness.

My brother's PA looked shocked to see me standing outside his office.

Me:Oh Sasha hi. Is Inga around?

Her:He is in a meeting.

Me:Did he tell you about the list of clinics that he supplies which I wanted?

Her:I am sure he forgot.

Me:Can I see it?

She went to get her laptop.

Her:Check this file.

Me:I am starving please get me something to eat. Anything is fine.

The moment she walks out I log in another file 'Clients'. I scrolled on the names until I found the one I was looking for so he bought large doses of the same drug.I heard him before the elevator door could open so I went out of the file. He gasped to see me.

Him:Mi-lani?

Me:The list and your PA gives me her laptop now I am confused.

He took the laptop.

Him:Here.

I just looked and emailed everything.



Him:What are you thinking?

Me:Would you betray me?

Him:Intentionally no but sometimes power makes us puppets of others so we have no control on our bodies.

Me:Huh?

Him:Be careful of Queen Letitia.

His eyes looked black I watched them turn back to their original colour. Huh?

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I drove to High Waters Valley my mission was to find Dr Ward. I headed for the hospital.

Me:Excuse me I have an appointment with Dr Ward.

Her:He will be avai-oh there he comes.

Me:Dr August Ward you are a hard man to find.

Him:Your-your Hi-ghness I had no clue you were looking for me.

Me:Yet you are shaking and stuttering Dr.Your office.

I follow him as he goes to his office shaking.

Me:You drug both my parents and yet you have a nerve to run from me.

Him:Please don't hurt my family.

Me:Oh really?

Him:Queen Letitia threatened to kill my family.

Me:Your family deserves a better life and it is without you. Make a choice

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Dr Ward.

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I arrived at dinner in the castle the whole entire kingdom was going crazy about Dr Ward's suicide.

Louisa:Isn't that Dad's doctor?

Me:The one I met?

Letitia:Where are we going to get another doctor?

Inga:There is a friend who can hook you up.

His words slurred as he spoke he was drunk.

Letitia:Since when do you drink? A whole entire king drinking?

Inga: Since today I regained some control of my mind.

Duke Brown: Inga!

Inga: As if you are not helping her. Macmillan be careful of all these snakes.

He stood up and walked out leaving the elders looking livid. I was stunned this was getting worse and worse than I thought.

DIAMOND

A few days back I twisted my ankle while running to a patient having a seizure so now it is stuck in a cast. I limp down the stairs as my phone rings.

Me:Dr Sipuka.

Her:Sister in-law.

Sasa was and is my only sister in-law I thought after Shaka died we would separate but still the best of friends.

Me:I love you.

Her:I love you too and thank you for recommending me to Prince Inga.

Me:I got you my love.

Her:Are you willing assist me for the time being? Three weeks?

Me:Doctors are dramatic now I'm stuck here for three weeks. Do you know how annoying Sibahle is?

Siba:Heard that?

Me:Wasn't gossiping.

Her:You and your brother are going to give me grey hair. I will see you when I start in the castle. Mwaa.

I limp to the living room. Holy smoke!Sibahle is not alone and they are in a deep conversation.

Siba:Those guards follow my commands which means a royalty told them what to do Queen Letitia asked for them and never got back to me.

Him:That is what I am trying to understand my mother was kept and drugged due to Letitia's order. Why? I know she hated my mother but not to this extent. They want power but they took the wrong woman. I am goi-

He pauses and looks at mel swear I just froze.

Siba:Mond.

Okay I am very aware that I am wearing shorts.

Him:Lady Diamond. What happened to your leg?

Me:Twisted my ankle.

Him:Is it that bad?

My brother groans and walks out. Why?

Me:No.

Him:It is going to fall.

Me:Huh?Ohh.

I didn't even know I was leaning on the poor painting on the wall.

Him:I always wanted the inside of that house.

Me:I could show you.

Him:That would be lovely thank you.

Siba walks in with a tray that three cups and cookies.

Siba:You can talk over a cup of coffee.

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The young girl washed my ankle with the cold water.

Liona:I can feel him he is confused of the dreams he keeps getting.

Me:How are we going to find him? I am going to be queen marry Inga then another heir arrives still I'm queen.

Liona:I don't know why the ancestors are making this hard to understand. Go back.

Of course I fell off the couch and winced. Liona and her dreams at least my ankle is fine. So do I go to work or? Nah. My phone beeps'Mind if you can show me your house this afternoon?' Huh? My phone rings.

Me:Hi.

Him:Lady Diamond I hope you got my message.

Me:Come in the afternoon I will show.

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MILANI

Diamond doesn't understand why I want to see the house.I think it was three or two years back when my dreams led me to the house

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I will show.

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MILANI

Diamond doesn't understand why I want to see the house. I think it was three or two years back when my dreams led me to the house they showed me living in the house with my son and pregnant wife. I never believed them until I saw the house but couldn't get in. It was like de ja vu as I walked in. Diamond stood leaning on the wall wearing tracksuit and hood she kind of looked cute.

Me: At the end of the passage there's a master bedroom and it has its own patio. There are three more bedrooms as you go to the left. This leads to the dining area and this leads outside where you see the boardwalk. On to-

Her: Okok I believe you now but I'm not selling this house.

Me: Please calm down.

I don't know I just hugged her she smelt so good like coconut.

Her: Give me a moment follow me.

I followed her to the bedroom.

Her: Is this the boy?

Me:Yes.

I couldn't believe my eyes he looks real on the painting.

Her:A painter gave me this and said that one day someone will need it for his life.

Me:I want to talk to this painter.

Her:That would be tricky considering that he is my father in-law and lives in Tafelberg I haven't seen him since I buried Shaka almost four years now.

Me:Please I just need to understand.

Her:I will try calling him.As for the payment take me to see your mother.

Me:Deal.

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DIAMOND

I cannot believe I am willing to help Prince Milani and I am taking him to my father in-law whom I haven't seen for years I only spoke to him on the phone.

Me:So I am going to Tafelberg.

Mom:Why?

My twin literally laughs because he's the only one who knows the truth.

Nino:Shady.Why is your twin laughing?

Uzile:I wanted her to lie but she's telling the truth.

Me:We need few answers that traditionally my house belongs to someone.

Dad:He was telling the truth? Who is the person?

Me:Do I have to answer that?

Siba:Thandolwethu.

Me:Bhuti(Brother).

Siba:Ngubani?(Who is he or she?)

Me:DaddySibahle is scaring me.

I know Dad has a soft spot for me so he just wraps his arms around me.

Oza:We need to know.

Uzile:Milani.

Mom:We already know he told us.

Me:Sly foxes.

Oza:She is on brothers like a leech worse there's a third one. You is a whore.

Me:At least I have standards.

Oza:Why do you always attack me?

Dad:Your siblings already packed for you.

Me:Why?

Siba:You are leaving today.

Me:I don't know that.

A knock echoes and everyone stares at each other.

Uzile:Come in.

Nino:He is beautiful.

Him:Good evening I would love to talk but we will be late. The gates to Tafelberg have few hours before they close.

Nino gives him a suitcase.

Oza:Use a condom!

Me:Yet you don't. Ohh I forgot you shoot blanks!

Oza:Everybody hates Oza. Poor me.

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MILANI

The way she was nervous as we approached Tafelberg had me worried I mean we are going to her in-laws. She gave our driver the directions there were cows sheep and goats being put in their kraals. Well she did say that the man of the house was a well known traditional healer. As we walk out of the young boys ran to her hugging her before taking our suitcases. Well her father in-law told us to arrive on Thursday and leave on Monday

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young boys ran to her hugging her before taking our suitcases. Well her father in-law told us to arrive on Thursday and leave on Monday his words not mine. Two pretty ladies screamed as we approached.

Her:Sasa what about work?

Sasa:Girl I have to be here can't wait for what was her name?

Lindo:Khanya?

Sasa:Yes her to see you because she has been telling everyone that you have lost weight and beauty.

Her:Mxxm women and drama.

They look at me in shock.

Me:Please don't bow.

Sasa:Let me take you inside.

The moment we step inside women started ululating for Diamond as she laughed. Those dimples!

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The man of the house arrived slightly after dinner he was a fresh old man. The way he held her showed how much he loved her as his own daughter.

Him:I had Sasa prepare your old room for you.

Sasa was the first one to laugh as Diamond stared at me.

Her:Tata asuzulala egumbini elinye(Dad we are not going to sleep in the same bedroom).

Him:Kanti ithini na lento yenu ntombam? (What is going on between you two my daughter? )

Her:We are here because he's the one that seemingly needs the painting you gave me.

Him:Ohh you should have explained you will sleep with us then because Sasa and Lindo have husbands.

Her:I will sleep in the room we will find a way.

We all laugh at this as we prepare to go to sleep.

The room had a sleeper couch so I took after some arguments on who should sleep on the bed.



MILANI

I could hear someone walking around the room humming something. I opened my eyes and found her in a long dress and tying her takkie. She looks up and I close my eyes I can hear her coming closer she fixes the blanket before putting another and walks out.

Eventually I wake up due to the noise there are already people going in and out up and down in the yard. There are cars parked outside there's smoke too. A girl led me to the kitchen where I found Diamond with other women peeling vegetables some cutting the meat she looked like a wife with the doek. I find myself smiling as I sit down she prepares breakfast for me and I have to admit she can cook. She should cook in my kitchen I think I wouldn't mind watching her do that.

Her: Good morning. Father said you should go see him after eating breakfast.

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The moment I stepped outside I felt the heat of the sun I asked one of the boys to show me where I can find the hut. It was one huge hut as I approached there were already people outside. A young girl comes out of the hut and tells me to come. I take my shoes off before stepping inside there were tree roots

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there were tree roots leaves and stems inside there was something burning too.

Him:I have waited for so long for you to come.

Me:I didn't know.

Him:I understand and let me not bore you with my long talks. You need to tell me about the other dreams where you keep seeing blood in your hands.

I am shocked to actually hear him tell me that.

Me:It is my father's blood.

Him:He is trapped in a very dangerous spell if you think Letitia is going to reverse it you must be losing it. You need to find Liona or her heir.

Me:Liona?

Him:With a touch from Liona's heir the spell can be reversed. Do you know the white lion kingdom?

Me:They used to be on top of Black Waters Riverohh Princess Liona no one knows where she went after all she's the only survivor. Wait you said an heir? So it is true that there's one my father's once said if her heir shows up we wouldn't be able to beat her and we will be removed from power or ruling Zalem.

Him:Not entirely trueshe is to bring peace but Letitia wants her to get the powers she lost back after all

she's one of the powerful witches you can find.

Me:What is that have to do with the house?

Him:Your future is in that house you want to know with who.You need to protect the only queen Zalem will ever have because if she dies it is over for this kingdom.

Me:How do I that?

Him:You will find your destinythings will become more clearer the ancestors will bless you because you are their only hope in protecting the only heir.

Me:How will I find her?

Him:I thought you already did or your brother? One find her two save your father three your destiny will be clear and lastly don't ever hurt her. Call the next person we are done.

I stand up.

Him:A white birthmark around her bellybuttonsuch a precious stone and your brother's mate.

I think this man loves talking in riddles he just lost me now.

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MILANI

'Heavy is my heart

Dark are thine eyes.

Thou and I must part

Ere the sunrise.

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Heavy is my heart. '

I read the poem in her blog this made question what was going on with her mind as we were on our way to Manobi to see my mother. We left Tafelberg Saturday afternoon and she has been in a somber mood. I was worried even when we landed she looked like a ghost.They walked out of the car to find everyone waiting for us.

Mom:Diamond!

Her eyes widened in pure excitement and she ran to my mother's arms.

Mom:Oh baby what is wrong?

Everyone looked at me she was crying in my mother's arms. The women left with her I'm left confused at what I did.Maybe it is that time of the month?

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We are sitting at dinner waiting for my mom and Diamond to arrive. They finally do come down and

sit.My uncle stares at her and shakes his head.

Him:So she's the woman that got 2.3 million necklace from Mils?

Everyone is shocked and staring at me

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Her:You bought it?

Me:As a thank you gift.

Mom:Aren't we hungry?

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DIAMOND

When I woke up I felt so tired and I just wanted my mother but she was many hours away. Today is just a nightmare.

FLASHBACK

Dr:Mam push! Push! Finally.

There was no cry my baby was quiet.

Me:Give me my baby! Why isn't he crying?

Dr:I am very sorry Mam.

They gave me him he wasn't moving nor breathing he looked dead. It was like I was holding an old doll.

Me:No baby wake up Mommy is here. Please don't do this to me! No! No!

I passed out crying bleeding from giving birth to a dead child.

END OF FLASHBACK

I was going home with or without Milani because I couldn't stay here anymore I had to leave.

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DIAMOND

Me:So what is the diagnosis?

Sasa:None.



Me: Is he not a patient? Didn't the doctor leave a file?

Sasa: Queen Letitia only gave me instructions about the daily doses.

Me: These drugs loosen muscles make your body immobile. Is he having any seizures or strokes?

Sasa: None Mond I told you something was wrong here.

We were in the king's room he laid looking lifeless with all those machines. This was very confusing something was very wrong about this he looked fine to be on these drugs.

Me: They are doing this on purpose. Wait look.

The little boy was sleeping right next to the king he opened his green eyes that looked the same as Milani.

Me: Hi what is your name?

Him: Nasreen.

Me: The last born King Zalem's son. Come here I need to take you to your bed so we can your father.

Him: Are you going to save him?

Me: We will do our best?

The door opens a woman in a long green dress and a crown walks in. We bow.

Her:Don't be silly rise.

I have to admit her voice was smooth but somehow my body went cold in her presence.

Her:Is this the other doctor you were talking about?

This?How about is she?

Me:The one who gave your son her contact details Your Majesty.

Her:Oh Thando Inganathi never mentioned you were this beautiful no wonder he's so whipped.

I just looked at her unmoved her eyes stare back at me but she looked shocked that I wasn't moving them. Silence. A maid walks in and whispers something to her she bids her goodbyes and walks out.

Me:Fake.

Sasa:Mond the way you guys stared at each other.

Me:Just because she's a queen she thinks people are to be labeled.

Sasa:Let's inject and leave.

After that I asked the guard to show me where I can put the little boy and showed me his room. I was on

the passage heading for the elevator when I heard footsteps. I looked behind me but there was nothing I turned around he was talking to a guard coming my way. He was barefoot with pants I must say the body was wow.

Him:Thando.

Me:Inga.

Him:I didn't know you were here.

Me:I assist Sasa on your father.

Him:Your ankle has healed.

Me:YesI have to go Sasa is waiting for me outside.

I sidestepped him but he took hold of my elbow and turned me to face him. My heart was already hammering my chest as I looked up.

Him:You are beautiful.

Me:Thank you.

He pulled me closer and gave me a heart warming hug I didn't want to go.

Him:My heart wants to beat outside my ribcage.

I laughed as he stared at me.

Me:We could watch it together.

Him:You want me dead Thandolwam.

His laugh echoes softly in my ears he kisses my forehead.

Me:Maybe.

Him:Ouch.

Me:Sorr-y.

We both laugh before someone coughs.

Sasa:I thought you got lost or something.

Me:Umm Inga meet my friend and Dr Sipuka.

Him:Nice to meet the doctor highly recommended by this precious stone.

Sasa:She was dramatic if you tell me.

Him:My mother always complains about everything but she hasn't said anything about you so highly recommended.

Sasa:I am afraid Your Grace we have to leave High Waters weather is very tricky and I hate driving in bad weather.

Him:Have a nice journey.

I just hug him and walk with Sasa.

Him:Thandolwam.

Me:Inganathi.

Him:You are beautiful.

Me:Thank you you look okay.

He laughs shaking his head.

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Sasa:Love oh love.

Me:Shut up.

Sasa:You were blushing like there's no tomorrow babe.

Me:Whatever.

Sasa:Are you in love with him?

Me:My heart flatters around him he's like a peace I need plus his hugs and kisses are too amazing.I just want to stay in his arms and don't go anywhere.

Sasa:There is a but.

Me:Does he feel the same? He could be fooling me and chooses a princess.

Sasa:Girl have you forgotten the real savage Diamond Thandolwethu Beoana-Sipuka? The one who will teach a nigga how to fucken behave? The one who doesn't beg if she's not wanted? Go fuck Milani if he daresso girl chill fuck him over if he dares use you.These boys need to know that we can be the biggest whores if we want to. Relax for now.

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LETITIA

[Snake dance-is a prayer to the spirits of the clouds the thunder and the lightning.

[Familiar spirit-(alter ego doppelgänger personal demon)-is the double the alter ego of an individual. It does not look like the individual concerned. Even though it may have an independent life of its own it remains closely linked to the individual ]

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I took off my crown and clothes before stepping inside the water with the help of the Seer I lie down until the water covers my whole entire body. Something pulls me inside and I find myself standing in the next to the chair so I sit down.Everyone sat on their designated chair and I sat on the high chair.

Me:Liona has proven to be tricky and conniving.You are doing nothing to find her? Do I have to do everything myself? Do I have to choose new council?

Them:We apologize Your Highness.

Me:Find her! Have you gotten anything about that girl?

Hlubi:Your Royal Highness the One who should never perish shall forever rule.We tried to see something in her but we only saw one thing.

Me:That is?

Hlubi:She is your son's bonded mate.

Me:What?Nono.

Mila:You know what this means Your Grace.

Me:Damn it I know what it means!Kill her I don't want issues surrounding my crown.

Hlubi:There is something dangerous about her Letitia!

Me:You may be my sister but don't forget I am your Queen do not address me like that.I do not care if she's a cat kill her or I will do it myself and you will follow her. One week Hlubi one.

I closed my eyes and went back to my room. My servants gave me a towel.

Me:Inga's bonded mate has arrived make sure you assist Hlubi in making sure she's dead.

Seer:That means war.

Me:Zalem ancestors have no one to talk to except you



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make sure you assist Hlubi in making sure she's dead.

Seer:That means war.

Me:Zalem ancestors have no one to talk to except youplus what can they do if I touch their precious queen who is suppose to destroy me and remove me from my throne?Huh?

Seer:It is time to feed the host.

Me:Start planning Zizipho.

I was once a Queen of all witches beside being a normal princess at home then Zalem started a stupid war with Black Waters. It was unnecessary because of that almost every person who had powers lost a number of powers. As for me I couldn't practice the spells I used to do because they no longer workedall the powerful ones except for the one in the king. Liona must really think she's clever if she even dares try to attack meher little stunts don't even scare me anymore.I will get my powers one way or another I will rule Zalem one way or another. I make my way to his room in only a towel.My two maids are following shivering as usual. I lock the door I look at him lying on his bed.

Me:I loved you until you decided that our first born wasn't to be king.

I undress him and we are already are naked as we start the snake dance.I sit next to him and start massaging his stomach.

Me:Midgard my love venite ad me. Te requiro adimplendam voluit nostram. Venite ad me. Flecto ad

me.(Midgard my love come to me.I need you to fulfill my wishes. Come to me.Bow to me.)

A black serpent slips out of his mouth and sinks its teeth on my nipple yes this is my familiar as a witch. I chose the most powerful and dangerous one. I feel a little drowsy and it moves from me.Its body shreds and a man stands in its place he kisses me on the lips before wrapping his arm around me. We are in my room as he kisses me again he pushes me to the bed.

Him:What is it?

Me:I want you to help Hlubi kill someone.

Him:A bo-ssnded mate? She isn't go-sssing to die this is a fi-ssght that you won't win. Let her be.

Me:You don't want to help me?

Him:I do-ssn't do pe-sstty kills we agreed on that.I keep the king on th-ssat bed and you feed me th-ssat was the deal.

Me:I need more.

Him:I will nee-sssd more I am tired of only kissssing you.

Me:It is a deal then.

His eyes become brown instead of black and he kisses me again I just sold my body to the devil.

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DIAMOND

I was writing today so I finished around four in the afternoon. I head to my car and get insidel turn my music on and drive.

'A few stolen moments is all that we share

You've your familyand they need you there

Though I tried to resist being last on your list

But no other man's gonna do

So I'm saving all my love for you

It's not very easy living all alone

My friends try and tell me find a man of my own

But each time I try I just break down and cry

Cause I'd rather be home feeling blue

So I'm saving all my love for you'

Something popped and I immediately stopped the car on the side it was already getting late the sun setting. I looked at tyre it looked blasted which confused me because I checked them before I left. I open the boot and press hazard lights on. I swear my heart stopped as I looked for the spare wheel I don't ever leave my spare wheel. Why would I leave it now? I go back inside the car and I take my phone to call my brother. The call doesn't go through.

Me: Bloody network!

Should I stop a taxi and go home? I take the carjack and put it next to the tyre at least I know how to take the tyre out. Just as I finish taking the tyre a car stops behind me. A woman walks out.

Her: Are you okay?

Me:My tyre popped and unfortunately I have no spare wheel. I just need to call someone.

Her:Let me get my phone.

She comes back with another woman and immediately my body shivers in both their presence.The other woman stares at me weirdly.

Her:Hlubi here thinks we should just take you home cause we don't have network.

Me:No thank you I can't leave my car.

Hlubi:This place is dangerous for young ladies like you.

Me:I know but I can't leave my car.

Her:Let me check our spare wheel.

This Hlubi woman doesn't even bother herself just stares at me.

Hlubi:You are very beautiful strong headedrootedyou have all the qualities of a queen but sadly something are not meant to be.

I was confused until another car stops in front of mine a man walks out and Hlubi whimpers.

Him:Aunty Hlubi?Aunty Mila? Lady Thando?

He hugs me I don't want him to let me go somehow he notices and hold me tighter.

Hlubi:Inganathi son.

Him:You were banished from Zalem.

Hlubi:Your mother is my sister so of course we forgive each other.

Him:Yeah right luckily Dad is sick and you won't be able to feed him those love potions.

Hlubi:I see you found your bonded mate no wonder Letitia can't control you anymore.Say hi to her.

They both leave with the wheel I sigh as their car leaves.

Him:Are you okay?

Me:Somehow they were a little scary though.Are they really your aunts?

Him:Hlubi is my mother's sister Mila a family friend.

Me:How did you find me?

Him:You told me you were in school so I decided to surprise quiet shocked to find your car on my way.



Me:Can I help you?

Him:My name is Madgard you and I need to talk.

Me:Am I suppose to know you?

Him:Of course not but you are my only way in getting what I want.

Me:Huh?

Him:Inga's bonded mate and future queen of Zalem Liona's heir to a kingdom that I helped destroy.I could just hand you over to Letitia.

Me:Oh really?

Him:I can't exactly touch you but this house is full of people who can make this easy.

Me:What do you want?

Him:Give me my powers back when you become queen free me from his body.

Me:His body?

Him:I am the familiar in his stomach with your touch you can heal him and free me.



Me:What?Why would you betray Letitia?

Him:I am not a puppet I need my powers to reign of what Letitia stole from me.

Me:What did she steal?

Him:My birthright I am a sorcerer not a pet she took my home and destroyed everything I cherished. Either help me or I will hand you over in a silver platter.

The door opened revealing a pissed Liona.

Her:Leave Midgard!

Him:Was wondering when she was going to show up? Your sisters know she's Inga's bonded mate the one who will remove Letitia from power but are stupid enough not see she's a queen.

Her:And you are not here to kill like you were ordered?

Him:You still roam around the castle?Letitia is powerful isn't she? Liona tell the girl everythingyour home was not destroyed by mistake.

He laughed as he walked to the balcony and jumped.

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DIAMOND

I last saw Liona on the same night I saw Midgard that was 2 days ago and I didn't want to bother her. I decided to investigate everything myself she could be lying to me while my life is in danger because I am destined to remove Letitia from her reign.

Me: Taking him off the drugs was a good decision Sasa.

Sasa: We are not allowed to do that we could be in trouble Mond.

Me: We could be saving his life.

I remove the glove and brush his chest he starts heating up and I watch him squirm under my touch.

Sasa:What is going on?

He was sweating like he was close to fire I saw something move on his chest. I almost jumped I looked at Sasa who was wiping him as a black snake came out of his mouth.It was freaky as hell as he shifted to Midgard. He bowed before disappearing. Is he a foe or?

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Me:I want every info you can find in the castle Siba Liona didn't tell me everything.

Siba:Don't you think she had a reason to?

Me:Now her sisters want to kill me there's no reason unless it is selfish.

Siba:Uphi?(Where are you?)

Me:An hour away from home just went past King Zalem II village.

Siba:It is very late I am really worried about you.

There was blind light coming in front I dimmed the lights and looked there was nothing.Just as I went up the cliff lightning lit up the whole road. Now I was driving towards High Waters in the middle of an apple farm.

Me:Sibahle I will be home

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lightning lit up the whole road. Now I was driving towards High Waters in the middle of an apple farm.

Me:Sibahle I will be home I am in the middle of the apple farms.

A blurry figure went past my car I looked before me as a car came my way. I hooted because my breaks seemingly were failing the steering just locked as both cars came rushing to each other. I had to get out but I was stuck in the car. Crash! As the two cars collided I was very much awake as they did. The bonnet of my car hit the glass shattering it into pieces luckily the car rolled the pieces flew around as it rolled. I was screaming my whole body was numb as it kept rolling. Then it stopped but I could feel that I was hanging I opened my eyes a bit it was blurry but I could see I was hanging on top of the water. There was something warm flowing on my legs and head yet there was an ice cold feeling on my feet. The car squeak and slowly enters the water one more squeak has the car on its top the water coming for my head. There was no noise I couldn't move a finger as the water filled my lungs. There was no screaming or fighting as I closed my eyes welcoming the darkness.

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SIBAHLE[3 DAYS LATER]

'Come

Home. '

We all sat quiet confused it has been three days since Diamond was rushed to ICU and taken out on the second day now the doctor called us here. Uzile has puffy eyes I mean he's sleeping in her room hoping and praying for his twin sister. What shocked me is Prince Inga and Prince Milani being here after all the accident was all over the news that Diamond was the only survivor in the collision. The other car went head-on with a truck killing everyone inside.

Dr: Thank you for coming. Is Miss Beoana related to the royal family?

Mom: No.

Dr:Her body healed by itself. Look at the scans almost every bone in her body was broken but now look at her.

We all looked at each other shockedLiona didn't tell us about this.Milani stares at the scans in surprise before handing them over.

Dad:This is a miracle.

Dr:We would have been preparing for permanent disability or death because of the injuries on the scalp and skull.Traumatic brain injury can result in physical cognitivesocialemotional and behavioral symptoms but luckily she's doing okay. She should awake as soon as we take her out from the IV and oxygen.

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DIAMOND

Him:You are not going to stay here Diamond.

Me:Shaka there's no need for me to go home.

Him:You are done learning it is time to go home.

Me:You are my home.

Him: The home in your heart you have to my love they need you to protect and save them. Your greatest love is waiting for you to come back he is falling apart. You know what to do now you have trained you have learnt everything about your powers now it is time to go home. I will always love you.

I just hug him

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my chest burns and I cough and pull away from him. He is nowhere all I see is blinding light.

Voice: Shhh you are okay breath.

I brush my eyes and look at the person he helps me drink water.

Him: You are awake.

Me: My body hurts like I have pins and needles.

Him: Everyone is sitting outside your room let me go check on them.

Me: Inganathi?

Him: Thandolwam.

Me:I missed you.

He looks at me and hugs me before walking out. Within a minute I am receiving hugs and kisses everywhere. Uzile is the only one standing next to the door I know he's mad and wants to cry so I just open my arms for him.

Uzile:Please don't ever do me like that you are my first and last love.

Me:I am so sorry my love I am truly sorry.

I'm hugging him tightly as he shakes. The unexpected happens Milani walks in and Inga greets him. I guess my family is uncomfortable with both princes being here hell I feel guilty but I didn't even do anything.

Nino:So how was swimming at night?

Everyone burst out laughing.

Me:Nino really? It was scary as hell. What happened to the other car?

Oza:From the traffic cameras the police are blaming it since it overtook on a line it wasn't suppose to cross. Your car went out of the road the other car went under the horse and trailer truck that was behind your car.

Siba:Basically what you did saved your life.

Me:They are all dead aren't they?



Mom:Sana lwam(My baby).

Me:No Mom something happened there and it wasn't the driver. There was a blinding light before the car came my way this was intentional.

Dad:You can think about that when you come out of the hospital.

Me:Then I will discharge myselfshe has no right to try and murder me for my destiny Dad. No right at all she will know why she should not mess with me.

LETITIA

Me:What do you mean she survived?

Hlubi:I mean exactly that Letitia.

Me:Where on earth is Midgard?

Mila:It is possible that he managed to hide himself.

Me:Do I have to do everything myself? If that girl thinks she's going to be queen she has another thing coming.

Hlubi:Don't you think you should let her come and strike when she least expected?

Mila:Let her think you have given up so she lets her guard down while we just search for Liona's heir because we are running out of time.

Me:For once you say something useful.

Hlubi:Inga is getting curious.

Me:I will deal with him.

I walk out of the room and head to the King's chamber to summon Midgard. I am quiet shocked to find her sitting with Nasreen next to the bed reading. I cough she turns around and look at me for a second before going back what she was doing.

Me: What are you doing here?

Her: Afternoon Letitia I am doing well and you?

I gasp loudly at the disrespect.

Me: I do not think you are talking to me.

Her: Going to kill me?

Me: Why would I want to kill you?

Her: Try this time and see what will happen to you. Midgard was once powerful you know?

I look at her shocked but I have to pretend I have no clue what she's talking about.

Me: Who is that?

Her: All you have to do is pretend like you don't know but deep down you know he's missing. You made it my problem when you decide to send people to kill me because of some stupid prophecy. But then who wouldn't want to rule Zalem? I mean look around you this could belong to me I could take the crown and you would have no choice but bow to me.

Me:Over my dead body!

Her:Be careful of what you wish for

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I could take the crown and you would have no choice but bow to me.

Me:Over my dead body!

Her:Be careful of what you wish for you tried to kill me two times imagine what I will do to you.

Me:So you think Inga my son would choose you? Little girl you are new in this step away with your life.

She puts Nasreen on the bed and stands up.She stands in front of me and smiles.

Her:The king chose you instead of the crown princess don't you think history might be repeating itself? His father did it so ta-da in this game of thrones a queen is about to fall Letitia. You should have left me alone woman you should have stayed away grandmother.

She pushes my shoulder and walks out chuckling.I am so angry as I brush his chest.

Me:Midgard!Damn you!

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DIAMOND

Me:I need a very strong whisky Sasa.

Lucia:Isn't that why we're going to Fontilang?

Chichi:She disappeared and never told us where she went.

Sasa:Did she? Mond explain.

We were on our way to the same club in Fontilang maybe in half an hour.

Me:I fainted on some guy's arms I told you that.

Lucia:She has been getting some.

Sasa:Inganathi?

Chichi:Is it big?

Me:Big?

Chichi:Down there.

Me:Oh my goodness!

Chichi:Is it big?

Me:We are here!

They laugh as I park in the parking lot of Fontilang Hotel.

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I was already tipsy as we danced through the night but since I was the driver I couldn't drink more than I can take. Suddenly it was hot and I couldn't breathe properly so I walked out to get fresh air. I was enjoying the air when I heard a scream behind me I picked up the pole on the ground. It was behind the bins some guy was dragging a girl.

Her: Someone help!

Me: Hey!

He let her go and ran I rushed to her and she was bleeding on the head her dress was thorned. I helped her up and she cried on my arms as I wrapped my jacket around her. I rushed her to my car and went back inside to tell the girls I promised to call an uber for them on my way.

Her: Thank you.

Me: Your address I need to clean the wound on your head.

Her: 48 Jameson Avenue Fontilang Heights.

Me: You are one of the rich ones.

Her: My brother lives and he's going to kill I went to the club unauthorised.

Me:How old are you?

Her:17.

Me:He should kill you my little knows better than to defy rules set for her. What is your name?

Her:Lolita.

Me:Peer pressure can be bad sometimes it can be hard to ignore but when it comes to your safety don't ever compromise for friends.

Her:Lesson learn turn on your right.

I swear this looked familiar as she walked out and pressed the pin to unlock the gate.Where on earth did I see this house? We walk inside she leads me to her room as she talks to her brother on the phone.She gives me a first aid kit so I could clean her.

Me:You have a very strong head child.

The door flies open and a very angry Milani walks in.

Him:What on earth did you do? Lolita are you crazy? A club? When I specifically told you no!

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Him: What on earth did you do? Lolita are you crazy? A club? When I specifically told you no!

I think I should also hide cause he looks scary as hell.

Her: I am sorry.

She looks freaked out just like me.

Me: Milani can you please talk to her tomorrow? I gave her some pain meds.

The way he looked at me has me flinching he takes a deep breath and walks out.

Her: Are you a doctor?

Me: About to be one but just a nurse.

Her: I am very grateful for what you did for me.

Me:SleepI will talk to your brother.

Her:Down the passage on your right.

I walk out the moment I reach the room I stand outside as my heart starts beating. I knock but no one answers so I just enter.

Me:Hi?

Him:Give me a moment.

I just look around the room trying to calm my heart. The bathroom door opens and he walks out with only boxers.

Me:Please don't be hard on her.

Him:Close the door behind Diamond so we can talk.

I swear I started shaking as I closed the door then I leaned on it.

Him:Yes?

Me:Yesshe made a mistake she knows that but she almost got raped.

Him:Heeh?!

Me:Shit!

Him:What did you just say?

He's standing in front of me and I don't know where to touch so I can push him I end up poking him. He looks at my hands and laugh I just smile as he moves away.

Me:Please.

Him:Because it is you.

Me:Good night.

I don't even wait I turn around and open the door. He pushes it to close I can feel him leaning on my back.

Him:Diamond what are you doing to me?

Me:I don't know what you are talking about.

Him:I don't know what is going on between you and Inga and definitely don't want to know. I know how I felt when I met you I know I can't sleep without thinking about you.

He kisses my neck with his hands on my tummy something warm starts from my stomach to my whole body. Inga! Inga! My mind is trying to remind me about him but my body is reacting to his touch. I am a whore! I turn around he picks me up and kisses me on the lips he lays me on the bed. His hand finds its way inside my tracksuit I moan loudly as his finger enters. My brain is screaming no but I am not even

moving as he kisses my neck. He pauses and looks at me.

Him:Do you want to have sex with me right now?

Huh? I cover my eyes in shame for even letting him do this.

Him:Come here.

He takes me to his arms and lies on the bed brushing my back.Oh damn! Oh damn!

DIAMOND[2 MONTHS LATER]

'If I might see another Spring-

Oh stinging comment on my past

That all my past results in 'if'-

If I might see another Spring

I'd laugh to-day to-day is brief

I would not wait for anything :

I'd use to-day that cannot last

Be glad to-day and sing.'

Winter colds were fading one by one as Spring approached. Inga's crowning was on the way and I was on the guest list along with the family. I try so hard to forget Milani but memories are stuck but I last saw

him two months ago. My relationship with Inga was the new topic all over the media it was annoying because now everyone looked at me taking pictures. Also there was a Princess betrothed to Inga her fans were out here trying to bite and strangle me. First it was creepy but I finally laughed about it because I got my own savage squad tearing them apart.

I give the few elders left their pills before heading to the dining room.

Lucia: Spring day on the way.

Me: Winter was suppose to end ages ago. Not on August!

Lucia: Spill! You and Inga.

Me: Gossip.

Lucia: You went to one of the most expensive restaurant.

Me: He wanted me to come to his crowning as an important guest.

Lucia: Oh my goodness.

Me: Do you know when someone doesn't care about what others do? Puts you first he does what I didn't expect. Everyone is talking about how he could be the most coldest king ever how dangerous he is.

Lucia: You are worried that he might just be faking it? What are you scared of Diamond Beoana? That he might die before you hold him close?

Me:He is a prince a-

Lucia:And you are a fucken queen! If he dares hurt you go for his brother Milani. I'm not saying be a whore but for now he's a full package. Sink your claws on him until they reach his bones. This kingdom is falling apart and you are the only person to save it. This is not about you guys anymore young girls are disappearing every day and you are their only voice. Our King's life depends on you you are our only hope Mond in surviving. We are handless weaponless unstable powerless voiceless but you are not like us. You are our shield and warrior even though you are the only one who will be hurt and suffer. You are our saviourLetitia is proving to be the most ruthless ruler each day.

I just hug her in silence.

Me:Did I ever tell you that I love you?

Lucia:No wonder Shaka hated me.

Me:He thought we were lesbians.

Lucia:Because he was in love with you.Chichi made it worse by kissing you all the time. That whore!

Me:Say that again.

Lucia:That whore?

We burst out laughing other nurses are looking at us like crazy.

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MILANI

I have not seen her for two months now I wish I never stopped kissing her. Her relationship with my brother is all over the news. I should have known better than lead her on and ignore her the whole two months. On the same time I thought my mother was getting better then she loses a child we were trying to protect so we could get DNA. Just like that the progress we were making trembling in pieces. Now I was more than determined to find out what happened to her.

I was doing a little shop in Zalem when I saw them I was right behind them no wonder there were cameras clicking.

Her:Zalem.

Him:Every moment you say that makes me wanna marry you so I can hear it every morning.

My heart clenches as she hits him playfully.

Her:Is that why you call me every morning? So annoying.

Him:How about I book you a full body pampering tomorrow in King Zalem II 5star hotel?

Her:Are you coming with?

Him:I said you not us Miss.



Her:Then how about you don't?

Him:For us then. You are beautiful.

He kisses her cheek and I want to remove him so bad.

Her:Preach pastor preach.

Her laugh cracks her face up her dimples showing.

Him:Ungrateful little cat.

Her:Meowpssss.

I cough interrupting them they turn around she looks shocked.

Him:Bro.

He hugs me and she just shakes my hand.

Me:I should have given you the list of things I wanted.

Him:You know this woman just told me to get her snacks.

Her:I am still here Inganathi.

Him:Sorry my love.A woman asked for snacks.

They both laughI just shake my head.

Her:Where is the card Inga?

Him:In the car be right back.

He walks out leaving us in silence.

Me:You and my brother? So fast?

Her:Your point? Did what happened with us makes you think we have some sort of relationship?

Me:From brother to another heh?I am sure you will be also protecting him.

She laughs and grins.

Her:Oh the scary brother's heart is wounded I am so sad for you.Your brother can protect himself.

Me:I will kill you if I find out all along you are one of them.

Her:Funny.Oops your threat just bouncedyou don't scare me Milani.

Me:So having Inga on your side makes you think you are untouchable?

Her:With him on my side I'm fucken invisible. Clear your mind jealousy is blinding you then you might find out what happened to your Mom. It is clear someone out there knows you bark but don't bite Chilli.

Inganathi comes back.

Him:Here you go.

MILANI

Sibahle called me an hour after I saw Diamond he didn't even let me talk just gave me a piece of his mind. She was right me and her don't have a relationship or anything. I know how wrong I was for what I did to her. I was standing outside envying Inganathi for getting a beautiful woman like her.

Him:Who is she?

Me:Not important.

Him:But she makes you moody.

Me:First you and Diamond?

Him:Damn I never really believed in mates but now she's here.

'your brother's mate. 'It can't be she's not Liona's heir right?

Me:Mate?

Him:What about the girl?

Me:She has a mate but I can't help my heart.

Him:That is complicatedgo for her but be careful of messing with mates Macmillan. Those people are meant to be together you would be destroying something created by God.

Me:I want her so bad but then she has a soulmate something I would never have.

Him:You didn't know that Black Waters wasn't going to accept Lupe.

Me:Those elders pushed the ceremony to happen and I pushed her even though she didn't want to.Why didn't the ancestors accept my soulmate huh? Is it because of my bad temper? I killed half of those elders so this is what will happen to me falling for other people's mates? Is this my punishment?

Him:Milani some things are meant to happen we may not understand why but we will one day.It is okay to feel lost but you need stop lingering on the past. Someone is out there waiting for you to find her and you are here still stuck on the past. For how long?

I was still digesting what he was saying I know he's also right I need to move on.

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LETITIA

I was listening to their conversation I need to find this girl

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I need to find this girl Milani's presence is ruining my plans.

Him:Do you know anything about what has happened to my mom?

Inga:Look Mils what I-

I decided to step in seemingly Inga is planning to sabotage me.

Me:Brothers for life! Can I borrow Inga?

I don't wait for any answer I just walk down the stairs.He follows right after me.

Inga:What do you want?

The way I am angry I just slap him he looks at me unmoved.

Me:What do you think you are doing huh? Trying to sabotage my plans?

Inga:Plans?You are one deceitful woman.

Me:All of a sudden you have balls to talk to me like that? Her vagina is definitely popping diamonds. You forget you are betrothed to Princess Buhle.

Inga:You seem to want her so bad because you know Diamond is my mate and is going to remove you from the throne. Milani is going to find out what happened to his mother.

Me:He will let you go right? You tell him or don't you must remember even if you didn't touch Noreen but you were there.

Inga:You forced me to be there or you were going to kill Nasreen? You think I was going to let you kill my little brother?

Me:Doesn't matter if I go down you are coming with. I don't care if that brat will want that crown which she won't get you are going to take your place as king and help me get my powers back. I don't give a damn about what you think and I dare you to tell him you will see what I'll do to you mi chico!

I turn around to leave.

Inga:You will meet your match I swear on my grave!

Me:Till then I run the damn show son!

DIAMOND

Her: No your right foot on the front and hold your fists like this. There now punch like this and kick here.

Training had me by the tits I jog every morning and afternoon. I had to do some boxing every day this is getting dangerously serious. I mean who am I to remove a queen from her seat? I punch until I feel my body burn.

Her: Sit! I need you to channel your energy.

Me: Can't I just rest?

Her: Diamond on your ass on the ground!

I sit down and my legs hurt even more.

Her: Close your eyes take deep breaths and try to find the flow of water from the river.

I do that all of a sudden I feel like I'm standing next to the river.



Her:Now you are going to call the water to come. Imagine it coming and wrapping itself around you.

I move the river with my own mind and suddenly I feel something cold I open my eyes and scream. The water splashes me and Liona is laughing.

Her:Don't lose concentration.

Me:It was flowing around me!

Her:Spells are easy for you because you just learn words but that's not greatest gift. You can control any element water and fire are the trickiest because they feed from your emotions.The water splashed on you because you screamed it can be dangerous if you do that around other people.Now I need you to concentrate on making sure you don't when practicing fire it spreads faster Diamond.

Me:Won't I get burnt?

Her:The ones around you.

I know our training is over as she starts packing.

Me:Are you ever going to tell me what Midgard meant?

She pauses and sits down next to me.

Her:My own sister betrayed me and our home. I was meant to be with the King but Letitia seduced him only to find out we are mates. Hlubi and Letitia were Midgard's students in learning magics all along they were planning to remove him. They hated that the last born was going to be queen they made a deal with Midgard to destroy our home Zalem and Black Waters had a treaty since the King chose my sister over me so finally after years of fighting the war was over.I knew something was wrong when I

started having dreams about you sitting on my throne I told my family that is when Letitia finalised the plan to destroy our home. Serpents are dangerous and most powerful sorcerers they attacked when we least expected. I watched my home fall on the day of my crowning with my sisters holding me like a prisoner. They knew that Midgard was going to lose his powers actually they knew everything so they hit him so low

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killing his family and friends. I was there I saw everything they could do I couldn't believe they were my sisters. They knew that I was the one who was going to bring their powers back. Letitia forced her own mate Midgard to hand over his crown trust me no matter how much your mate hurts it is easy to forgive them. I spent months being raped by different men trying to get me pregnant and my sisters watched in awe. Dreaming about you was the only thing that kept me stronger and awake I knew I had to find and protect you. They approached one of the most powerful seers Zizipho and she told them that I was telling the truth I wasn't the rightful crown princess. My sisters said I was better dead but thanks to those guards for letting me go. I just still cannot believe my own blood went to this extent because of power my own mate chose what he saw better than me my sisters watched men raping me every day still didn't think about their little white monkey. I vowed not to let my successor suffer until my last breath. My own sisters killed our people friends and parents all because of power? Wasn't I worth it? Did they hate me that much? Was I really a thorn in their lives? Will I ever recover? Everything taken from me by my own blood the big sisters I'm suppose to look up to was only 16.

The way she cries after has me wishing I had closed my mouth I just hold her tighter crying silently. She is sobbing loudly I can't stop myself from crying too. Would I survive doing something like this to my Nino? I thought I suffered from losing my husband and child but what she went through is far worse than I have imagined.

Her: I am sorry for whatever I did to them I don't know what but I am sorry. I let my guard down they watched me every time I try to sleep I see their faces smiling while I bleed.

INGANATHI

I was kind of sweating waiting here was kinda of tricky. What if they don't manage to push her to show up? I pace around I hear footsteps approaching and I look at the door. It opens an angel walks in wearing a blue knee long dress and heels. She looks around until her eyes find me she walks towards me.

'Shine bright like a diamond

Shine bright like a diamond

Find light in the beautiful sea

I choose to be happy

You and I you and I

We're like diamonds in the sky

You're a shooting star I see

A vision of ecstasy

When you hold me I'm alive

We're like diamonds in the sky '

Her:This song.

I look at her smiling as she sat damn aren't I just lucky?

Her:What?

Me:Happy birthday.

Her:You become 25 once right?

Me:We date children.

Her:Old man.

Me:I only ordered dessert because I know you are full they made a party.

Her:Let's eat then.

We eat in silence.

Me:Diamond.

Her:Zalem.

Me:You do understand that I come with a huge package? You do understand that I have duties to my people? I know that I love you but do you?

She looks at me and smiles.

Her:I love you too and yes I understand.

Me: You do know that my life is not all marshmallows there are thorns almost everywhere? I need to know if you are willing to be with me through this. No don't force yourself to accept this I don't want you hurt and I'd rather protect your feelings than of my people. Yes God played a part by making us soul mates but that doesn't mean we are suddenly saints. I want to know what you think I am about to be crowned King same time I can't have you being hurt by things people will say when I am not around. I want you right next to me with my arm wrapped around you. Come here.

She stays in my arms.

Her: I want to be with you Inga yes this is scary but I'm willing to try. I know-

The guards walk in like they are being chased.

Guard: I apologize Your Grace My lady but we have to interrupt.

Me: Talk!

Guard: Queen Letitia just called asking if you are with Lady Thando. She said that they can't reach Dr Sipuka because His Majesty is being transferred to a hospital he just had a seizure. She said we should get Lady Thando.

Diamond jumps in fear and searches her bag.

Her: Sasa is in my house.

I know that I don't pray but please God save my father.

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DIAMOND

My heart stopped for a moment

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he can't be dying please don't let him die. I had to ask one of Inga's driver to drive since it was obvious that we would crash the car. Sasa looked shaken and scared. The moment we reached the hospital we literally ran.

Me: Calm down Sasa we expected this to happen.

Sasa: What if his body has gotten used to those drugs? He cannot die we shouldn't have taken him off those drugs.

Me: This is what we knew would happen. Chill.

There were already nurses giving us something to wear as we rushed to the theater. I saw Letitia head low. The devil is truly a liar! Sasa stabilizes him I can't believe he has been having a seizure for the past four hours.

Sasa: Get me a pipe! Scissors! We need to drain him! Some oxygen! We have to do an emergency surgery!

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We ran up and down trying to get everything on time we were doing that for almost two hours and I could feel sleep trying to put me down. He was stable and sent to ICU. The moment we walk out everyone stands I feel like a doctor already.

Letitia: How is he? Is he okay?

I want to gasp I don't know if she's sad that he's dying or? Sasa stares at me waiting for an answer.

Me: He is stable but is in ICU for now. His muscles are collapsing we need to take him off the drugs or his body will give up. His nerves had a shutdown so for the next few weeks we will be watching his progress.

Letitia falls back to couch.

Milani: So he might make it?

Me: He is promising.

Milani: Letitia what did you do?

Louisa: You come and go to point fingers at my mother.

Milani: Your name changed to Letitia brat? My father your father is on that because of this cruel woman. Having men rape my mother was the last straw I am going to kill you witch!



He jumps for her but the guards hold him back I think I never want to get on his bad bad side.

Charlotte:Inga do something!

Inga:Do what? Milani is telling the truth about your mother so please don't Inga me!

Milani and other girls walk out. Sasa looks at me while covering her mouth in shock.Well.

**DIAMOND**

**It was past midnight when we went to the castle they offered us rooms since it was late to get home.**

**Sasa:That was intense.**

**Me:You kill by the swordyou die by the sword.**

**Sasa:That Milani looks dangerous.**

**Me:And he does.**

**Sasa:You didn't move when you lied.**

**Me:It is a game of chess you wouldn't understand. Good night I am tired.**

**I got under the blankets I felt someone get in. I looked at Nasreen where do they leave him?**

**Him:I want to sleep with you.**

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**A maid woke me up to take a bath before breakfast. I finished I was walking down the stairs when I heard something. I turned around Queen Letitia and King Zalem stood on the passage.**

**King:**You are forcing things Letitia Inga is not suppose to be king.

**Letitia:**Our first child heir to this crown and now you suddenly don't want him to be king.

**King:**The ancestors spoke just like they did with your sister.

**Letitia:**You leave me no choice.

Then she started speaking in a foreign language.

**King:**What are you doing?

He fell on the ground.

**Sasa:**Are you okay?

**Me:**Yesumm let's go.

The mood was somber as we stepped in the room.Inga and Milani walked in laughing making the mood more tense. Milani sat right next to me.

**Lord Zeff:**On behalf of the royal family I thank you for what you did for my brother.

**Lola:**Miss Diamond why not share that you are a doctor? You said you were a nurse.

**Me:Now you know.**

**Lola:And you Milani didn't even bother.**

**Sona:To do what?**

**Lola:To tell me that she's his best friend's sister.**

**Charlotte:Wait you are Siba's sister?**

**Sibahle has a fan I want to laugh.**

**Me:We are married.**

**Sasa:She is joking they are siblings.**

**Louisa:So you guys copied each other's careers?**

**I was about to say yes until I saw the undermining look on her face.**

**Sona:No need to be rude Louisa.**

**Louisa:Was I asking you Miss Goody two shoes.**

**Me:We did that so we can save your pathetic life.**

**Louisa:What did you just say?**

**She stands upoh little princess I am a hood rat.**

**Me:Sit your flat ass down brat**

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**if you don't want to see me mop this floor with your pathetic face.**

**Letitia:Louisa Zalem sit down! They saved your father damn it!Instead of wasting money do something useful unlike that senseless and useless career of yours.**

**Letitia then walks out.**

**Inga:Thando let me know when you want to go home.**

**Everyone is suddenly staring at me my phone rings so I just excuse myself.**

**Me:I will be home soon.**

**I drop the call and look around me I almost fall when I find a woman standing behind me.She bows attracting attention.**

**Her:Your Grace.**

**Me:Please stand up.**

**The moment I touch her she whimpers and fall on the ground. It suddenly full people are watching Letitia is here.**

**Me:Who are you?**

**Her:A seer.**

**I suddenly move away literally running back inside to get my things and leave.**

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**LETITIA**

**Me:What on earth happened?**

**Hlubi:We had to take Zizipho to the home of healers she is badly injured.**

**Me:How?That girl only touched her.**

**Mila:We are trying to understand too.**

**Me:Midgard is gone I think he found the girl.**

**Hlubi:He cannot regain his powers he will destroy us.**

**I looked at the necklace hanging on the wall and grabbed it.**

**Me:I can still do something to Liona though.**

**Hlubi:What?**

**Me:Send her a message about her little stunts.**

**I put the necklace on the basin and pour waterI put my hand inside and stir. Her face immediately shows up. I am thrown across the room it starts getting whiter and whiter.**

**Her:You tried killing me oncenot this time.**

**The room becomes hot as she stood there another shadow stands next to her.**

**Me:Still protecting your little heiress?**

**Her:Of course you wouldn't understand you know nothing about protecting your children.Stay out of my Letitia!**

**Then my head hits the wall I feel myself fainting.**

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**MILANI[WARNING SN]**

**I watched as she trained in her yard not even noticing the secret cameras taking pictures.It got late as I still stood on the boardwalk watching her. I decided to go inside when she got inside the house.I knocked at the door and she opens in shorts and a vest.**

**Me:I saw the li-**



**Her:Stalker.I was wondering if you were going to come in. Get inside.**

**Me:I hope you received my gift.**

**Her:Very tasty fruit cake thank you.**

**Me:I am really sorry for what I did.**

**Her:And I am willing to let you buy this house I can't deny you your future.**

**I just hug her.**

**Me:You are incredible Inga is fucken lucky to have you even for a moment.I don't know why but I can't get you out of my mind.**

**She moves and leans against the wall and stares at me.I step before her and brush her cheek.**

**Her:We can't.**

**Me:You are beautiful you deserve to be worshipped like a goddess.**

**Her:Milani please we can't.**

**Me:Can't what?**

**Her:Do whatever we might do Inga is your brother.**

**Me:Who is going to stop us? He is not here it's me and you stop me.**

**My hand touches her stomach something comes to my hand like a coin to magnet but I choose to ignore it. She closes her eyes.**

**Her:Milani please.**

**Me:Tell me stop.**

**I pick her up and head for the master bedroom I drop her on the bed and take my shoes off.**

**Her:Mila-nii.**

**Me:Tell me.**

**I kiss her those lips tasting like the toothpaste I go for her neck making her breath loudly.I continue doing that as I take my clothes off my hand goes between her thighs she squirms closing them.I open them and find her already wet as I rub her. She moans as I put a finger inside I keep it in and stare at her.**

**Me:Tell me to stop.**

**Her:Don't stop.**

**She whispers as she continues to moan.**

**Me:DamnDiamond.**

**I pull her head up so I could put it on the pillow I pull the vest up. I kiss her chest and slowly go down I reach her coochie she half screams as she felt my tongue. I almost stopped when I felt something tugging my hand on her tummy I remove it the whitest birthmark surrounds her belly button.I try not to alert her and try to focus I go up to her lips and lower my boxers her eyes look at my manhood in horror and she gasps. I just chuckle as I remove her shorts.I know my shaft was big and felt painful as I pressed it on her opening.I looked at this beautiful before shifting for the position the moment I entered she almost screamed but I closed her mouth with a kiss. I pumped in and out I was getting relentless could feel the energy buzzing on my body. I turned her around pulling her waist up as I hit it behind with her face on the pillow.I could feel it come as I took my dick out and splashed all over her butt. I grabbed a towel from the dresser and wiped herI flipped her. This time I put her legs on my shoulders before entering her again her moans combined with mine have me wanting to keep her up the entire night.I slowly push it in and pause she looks at me as I put her legs down and kiss her again.I push it so hard her nails sink on my back as she moans under my mouth I pull out just on time. She looks a little tired maybe let her rest for now.I wipe her again and lie beside her and wrap my arms around her.I look at her yawning on my chest damn we will think about it this tomorrow.**

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DIAMOND

Him:Diamond.

Me:Leave me alone.

I feel him put the phone on my ear.

Mom:Baby.

I almost stopped breathing when I realize I didn't go home last night.

Me:I slept in my house sorry Mommy.

Mom:I know but please answer our calls next time we were worried about you.Aren't you working today?

Milani pulls me closer kissing me on the neck.

**Me:**I don't know.

**He** pulls one leg up before laying between my legs.

**Mom:**Ohh Uzile says you will be working in two days.

I am distracted by what Milani is doing I even forgot I was talking on the phone.

**Me:**Huh?Oh I forgot.

**Mom:**Sleep it is obvious I disturbed you.

My poor mother drops the call. Milani enters so fast I am gasping and moaning the same time.

**Him:**You are addictive.

**Me:**Don't you dare make me pregnant Macmillan.

**Him:**Say my name again.

**Me:**No.Aah!What the hell Macmillan?

**Him:**I said say it not scream it!

**He** finally moves the cum splashes on me and wipes me before laying beside me.



**Liona:**There is a different buzz in your energy.

**Me:**I meditated that is why.

**Mom:**Take off your hoodie.

I slowly take it off Liona burst out laughing followed by everyone.

**Me:**And then?

**Mom:**Mosquitoes hate you that to give you those bites. Go wear a polo neck we invited Inga.

The moment the knock echoes I ran to my room to wear a polo. When I come back Inga is sitting next to my chair. Fear washes over me will he know? What am I going to say if he finds out?I sat he rubbed my arm softly and guilty washes over me.

**Me:**No one told me about this I would have cooked.

**Inga:**As long as I get to see you.

Liona's hair was covered .

**Me:**Well this my mom Sesihle Beoana my dad Mangaliso Beoana right after Siba it's Ozanokuhle then we know that one.

**Inga:**All he needs is a weave and we will assume he's you.

Everyone laughs.

Me:Baby.

Nino:Big sister.

Me:That is our baby. And she's umm.

Siba:My girlfriend.

Huh?

Siba:Kind of has an eye problem.

Huh?

We decide to eat and ignore the fact Siba just did what he did.

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Inga left I am lying on my bed trying to understand how and why? Uzile walks in and lies besides me.

Him:It wasn't Inga you slept with.



**Me:It is unspeakable I am capable of doing things like this.How did I get confused? How on earth did I let brothers confuse me?**

**Him:Milani is either in love too or just jealous of his brother.**

**Me:He gave me a chance to stop him and I didn't.**

**Him:Be clear on who you want this could backfire Diamond.You are Inga's mate then what happens if he wants to marry you? Well he is going to marry you but how about Milani?**

**Me:If relationships are like this I want a void. I want Shaka back!**

## **DIAMOND**

**I sat in front of the TV watching the start of the ceremony the make up artist was doing my hair and some ladies fixing my clothes. We were still early according to Inga and his sisters who were also getting ready. I watch as the choir sings the most beautiful song by Lionel Richie Love oh love.**

**'And let there be joy in the world (let there be)**

**And let there be no sorrow (let there be)**

**And let there be peace on earth (let there be)**

**For all the world we've got to see**

**That love oh love**

**What a blessed thing oh yeah**

**Say it loud**

**Make it clear today'**

I could listen to these young children singing. Christmas day was also today such a beautiful day for crowning. Inga literally told everyone I was going to sit right next him all the way it was an issue but eventually gave up. Me and Milani are avoiding each other well I'm avoiding him. My favourite is coming up as the song ends. The man stands up and looks around.

'The Lion of Freedom is come from his den

We'll rally around him again and again

We'll crown him with laurel our champion to be

O'Connor the patriot for sweet Liberty!

The pride of the people -He's noble and brave

A terror to tyrants-a friend to the slave

The bright star of Freedom-the noblest of men

We'll rally around him again and again.

We'll hail our caged lion now freed from his den

We'll rally around him again and again '

The moment he finishes everyone stands up clappinghell I am proud he pulled it off.Inga walks in the ladies move for him.

Him:That was beautiful.

He kisses my forehead.

Me:I know.

Him:Are you ready? We have half an hour to get to the hall.

Me:Leave so I can get dressed.

Him:Mmm.

Me:Inganathi!

Him:Okayokay.

He walks out sulking as I laugh.

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We are in the limo unfortunately Princess Buhle is here with us and it was first time meeting after her fans attacked me. She literally faked her smile and greeted my flat ass. Inga is busy asking me this and that making it awkward as she watches us quietly. The limo comes to a stop

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I take a deep breath and Inga knocks on the door. Both the doors are open Inga walks out the door and there are screams everywhere he gives me a hand so I can walk out. My ears are ringing as people scream calling our names. The soldiers bow before us I smile as I see my brother in his uniform approaching us. He rolls his eyes and I bounce excitedly haven't seen my family for three days so yes I'm bouncing. I launch myself in his arms she just laughs I swear I love seeing my siblings.

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MILANI

I watch the way he holds her closer as they go to the front he keeps whispering to her ear making her laugh. Princess Buhle is walking behind them looking lost yeah neh. She sits on his left as his mother and Buhle sit on his right. The ceremony begins he keeps talking to her making her laugh. I literally stood up and left the hall to stand outside. A woman in a white dress comes and stands next to me I didn't even take notice as I just looked before me.

Her: Why are you letting Inganathi rule?

Me: Huh?

**Her:Why are you not doing what you were asked to do?**

**Me:Be a little clear.**

**Her:Why are you letting jealous rule your mind?**

**I finally look at her my heart stops no ways it can't be.**

**Me:Your Hi-ghness.**

**Her:I see they made it sound like I'm lethal.Again why are you letting Inganathi rule?**

**Me:He is the first born?**

**Her:Protect the future queen Milani protect Diamond Milani I can't be around all the time.Protect the mother of your kids the queen of your heart and of Zalem.**

**Me:What?**

**Her:She is his bonded mateshe is not his to keep just like I wasn't your father's.**

**Me:What?**

**Her:I am keeping a lot of things from her. Would you look at that? Ceremony over don't forget.**

**I watch her walk away.Huh?**

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**DIAMOND**

**After the ceremony in the hall we headed to Black Waters suddenly my hands are sweating as we come closer. I hear drums and people singing I don't know if I am the only one hearing this. I see the drummers the moment we step out of the car I sigh as I let Inga go. There is a line everyone shouldn't pass apparently the river is dangerous if you are not part of the royal family. It makes me think about**

the time I had to avoid the kraal at Sipuka household. I am sitting with King and Queen of Manobi uncle and aunt of Milani the uncle is a little creepy maybe it's his eyes. I watch as a woman dressed in blue stands on top of the water Queen Avatar and a guardian she crowns kings and queens she's like a medium between us and the ancestors. Inga steps in the water my stomach goes cold and I abruptly stand up. I hear them calling me I can see them as I walk down making my way to the line. I was about to step over it when someone pulled me.

Him: Diamond!

Me: What the hell happened?

It was drawing me closer calling me to come.

Him: Your eyes.

Me: Huh?

Him: They were white for a moment.

He takes me to his chair and sits me down.

Avatar: Wear the crown! Everyone bow!

We bow as the water opens

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calling me to come.

Him:Your eyes.

Me:Huh?

Him:They were white for a moment.

He takes me to his chair and sits me down.

Avatar:Wear the crown! Everyone bow!

We bow as the water opens I am curious as I peek a golden throne sits in the middle. Inga sits and we are told to stand up. The water covers him for a moment and moves. A spear is in his hand and the crown has few silver lines now. He was about to walk out when something shoot down from the water up almost knocking Queen Avatar off her feet. The water glows blinding us it stops and a woman stands on top of the water.Her hair was black as coal as she stands magnificently.

Avatar:Black Goddess.

Her:What are you doing in my water Guardian?

Avatar:We are crowning a king of Zalem.

Her:What king?

**Avatar:Him.**

**She stares at him before going to him she touches his bare chest.**

**Her:Letitia is this the King?**

**Letitia:Yes Your Grace.**

**She shakes her head and goes back to her spot she looks around until her eyes lands on me.**

**Voice:He is no king he's no king!**

**I look shocked at this as she smiles at me.**

**Voice:The king is closer than you think. Find him.**

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**MILANI**

**I know I am suppose to let her be but my heart keeps breaking as I watch her with him. How long will I wait if she's mine to keep? How many years do I have to wait until I get her? I watch them sitting on their chairs laughing like what happened in Black Waters has been forgotten.She stands up and walk away from the tableI stand up Uncle shakes his head.I find her walking up the stairs talking on the**

phone.

Her:Yes I am telling you the truth she said Inga is no king and the king is closer I must find him. Liona let's say Inga stays king what can go wrong? Huh?Okay we will.

She pauses on the top of the stairs and turns around.

Me:My Lady.

Her:Prince Milani.

Me:You look beautiful.

Her:Thank you.

Me:We need to ta-

Inga:Here you are I thought I said wait for me.Brother.

I just nod as they argue what if that woman is wrong?

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**33[WARNING SN]**

**DIAMOND**

**'ll put your face in the pillow**

**I'll be smackin' on that ass**

**I grab your neck choke you real slow**

**You ain't even gotta ask**

**You like when I do you dirty**

Ain't gon' tell nobody. '

He pushed me against the wall unzipping the dress I was wearing. I take his suit off as he pulls me up making me lean on the wall with my legs around his waist. I help him undress I was really getting restless. He takes my bra off and starts kissing my neck. His pants are hanging as he goes to put me on the dresser and look for a condom. He pulls my panty down and again picks me and push me against the wall. Damn I sink my nails on his back as thrust in and out he keeps going faster and faster. He puts me on the floor and turns me around before lifting me up my breasts are pressed on the wall as he hits my coochie from behind. Then he turns around and put me on the bed before taking the condom off. He wipes me before pulling out another this time he puts his hands under my butt. He widens his eyes and pauses. Shit my birthmark! Now he looks really worried I get up and kiss him. First he doesn't respond but eventually does.

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LETITIA

Me: Inga has proven to be difficult to deal with.

Lord Brown: We all knew what would happen if he gets his mate.

Sir Isaac: Now the question lies can we rely on him?

Me: We can because I think we have found the girl I think he brought her to us without knowing.

**Lady Brown:What do you mean?**

**Me:Clearly you were born yesterday. Are you meaning to tell me you have no clue how white lions operate?**

**Sir Isaac:Enlighten us.**

**Me:Tricky,calculative,manipulative,cunning,conniving and dangerous.Seers can't touch white lions. Why do you think the seer kept her distance when around me? Why was she scared when I threatened to touch her? Now tell me this didn't that girl touch the seer sending her close to her early grave? Why did she survive?**

**I watch them gasp in shock I mean everything was clear that she was way closer than we assumed. No wonder Inga is charmed**

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**I mean everything was clear that she was way closer than we assumed. No wonder Inga is charmed she's love just like Liona no wonder the ancestors gave her all the powers sidelining me and Hlubi. We shall see little sister if you have really grown now.**

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**INGANATHI**

I watch her sleeping on my side this cannot happen my mother is going to rejoice if she dares finds out about this.I should have stayed away from her I should have not approached her I am sure my mother already knows and I have brought her to my home. I get dressed and walk out of my roomas if on cue I find Princess Buhle about to knock.

**Me:**Buhle.

**Her:**Your Highness I came to check on you.

I am standing at the door.

**Me:**Still alive.

**Her:**I wanted to talk.

**Me:**Talk.

**Her:**Can we sit?

**Me:**Let's walk.

I know she is a little curious as she looks at my door.

**Her:**I know you love her but I am also betrothed to you.Don't you think sidelining me will cause problems? A deal was made between our kingdoms breaking it could mean war.

**Me:**I never ever gave you hope that one day I could want you Buhle. I know the ancestors will decide if you become my wife or what.If they agree don't let that fool you Thando is going to be here today tomorrow and the day after that.You dare attack her like the way you did on social media I have every right to kick you out because she hasn't disrespected you yet so I don't see why you should do that.Knowing her she wouldn't go around attacking other women clearly you are still a girl.

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**34[2 MONTHS LATER]**

**LIONA**



**Me:Again!**

**Her:Bwoah!**

**Me:I said again Diamond Beoana!**

**Her:Witch.**

**She focuses on the water making it rise up and rotating.I know she can be the most powerful queen ever living but she's scared.This is why I don't want her to know that she will end up with Milani because she's will over think everythingI don't want to tell her Milani is the chosen king. She holds on to her mistakes that is the issue with her overwhelming her could destroy her so I need her prepared for now.**

**Me:Let it push you up! See? Come down.**

**The water splashes on me making her laugh this child!**

**Her:Serves you right!**

**Me:Mxxm.So how did the dowry go?**

**Her:Lobola Liona stop being so white. Well according to the information.**

**Me:But?**

**Her:**I mean you said it yourself white lions are cunning and Letitia happens to be one. Don't you think she already knows that I am your heiress?

**Oh she's fast.**

**Me:**She does actually seers don't touch white lions and live to tell the story.

**Her:**She is waiting for me to feel comfortable in her presence and attack when I least expected.

**Me:**But we just have to focus on your ceremony that is tomorrow. Avatar will have no choice but to summon me to crown you.

**Her:**I am so worried about this life Liona how I easily accepted because of my people suffering under Letitia. I didn't even bother to think about what might happen to me alone.

**Me:**Sometimes seeing your people surviving is the only reason you wake up and fight. You are what these people need you be strong because tomorrow is the day your enemies realise that you won't back down. They will attack so hard sometimes you will want to give up but never ever surrender.

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**DIAMOND**

**A week after Inga was crowned as king he went on his knees and proposed. At first I didn't know what to say but I said yes. This raised questions as he seemed to forget Buhle who was still around. It is also my last year doing medicine and I already have stresses worse than a surgery. I mean I already know that this journey is going to be rough. I inhale as I folded my clothes**

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**I gasp when a cold hand wraps around my mouth.**

**Man:The buried should stay burieddon't let Black Waters kingdom rise.**

**Then the hand leaves I turn around no one is there.**

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**MILANI**

**I knock at the door it opens revealing a servant.**

**Her:Your Highness.**

**Me:Is she ready?**

**Her:She is brushing her teeth give her a moment.**

**Mom:I am coming!**

**She comes out wearing jeans and a hoodie she kisses my cheek and takes her purse.**

**Me:Are you sure about this?**

**Mom:It is almost a year Milani I know it will trigger some nightmares but Diamond needs support she's going to a lion's den by her own little feet and don't act like you don't care.**

**Me:Those people destroyed you Mom!**

**Mom:And don't you dare put this on Inga! I asked him to do whatever to protect Nasreen so he had no choice because unlike us Nasreen is a child and can't protect himself.We are going to Zalem to support a woman I can trust with my life! Nobody else matters.**

**I keep quiet because I know I wanted to blame Inga just because of jealous especially when he proposed to her.Now she was going to be crowned queen besides him. The blows my heart is receiving!**

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LETITIA

I stare at my crown lying on my bed. So this is my last day ever wearing this? I let the servants dress me up as I feel the exhaustion. A knock echoes one of the servants goes to the door.

Her: You have a visitor Your Highness.

Me: Who?

Her: Queen Noreen.

I swear I didn't hear that correctly I look at her standing at the door she looks way better than I expected.

Me: Leave us.

Her: How does it feel?

**Me:What?**

**Her:Seeing the person you tried to destroy looking like the queen she is? Hurts I know.**

**She looks around running her hand on everything.**

**Me:It doesn't hurt.**

**She takes my picture hanging on the wall and throws it on the floor.I jumped a little because her eyes were gold now.**

**Her:You threatened to kill Nasreen forgetting you have children too. Imagine burying one.**

**She smiles before taking the crown she polishes it with her gloved hand.**

**Her:I like Charlotte Louisa is rotten like you we wouldn't miss her that much.Or would you?**

**She walks out leaving me a little shaken.**

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**LIONA**

**I watch as cameras fixed around the royal family they were getting ready for the ceremony to begin.Avatar stands on the water and puts her hand for a moment.**

**Her:We have to summon Princess Liona of Black Waters kingdom.**

**They gasp Letitia and Hlubi look very angry but trying to hide it everyone else is flabbergasted.**

**Her:Queen Letitia?**

**Letitia:Umm go ahead.**

**Her:White lioness queen of Black Waters we seek your help. The ruler of the whitest kingdom**

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**we humble ourselves as we summon you.**

**I take my cloak off and step away from the crowd down to the boardwalk of the river everyone gasps in shock. Letitia Hlubi and the elders stand up good we still remember each other.I look at my sisters I feel nothing but pure rage as I stare at them. I pass Diamond and Buhle standing on the river's bank.I stand in the middle in top of the water before nodding.**

**Her:Princess Buhle come forward!**

**Me:Noreal queens don't come last! Buhle step aside! Diamond!**

**They murmur amongst themselves as Diamond comes forward I pull her up so she can stand with me.**

**Diamond:**A little dramatic if you tell me.

**Me:**Let's swim.

I pull her down with me.We arrive.

**Diamond:**This where you hide yourself.These people are still alive?

**Me:**Unfortunately they are but are stuck here till my end.

**Diamond:**End?

**Me:**You take your place I run out of powers and it will be easy to kill me.

**Diamond:**Li-

**Me:**Sit down.

She sits on the throne everyone stare shocked before bowing down for her. Mom and Dad come forward they bow on her feet.

**Mom:**We should have believed her.

**Me:**We are past that.



They hand her the crown and spear it immediately changes from gold to silver with diamonds on top. She stands up and the White lioness shows before her she bows and it gives out a ground shaking growl pushing us to our knees. For a good five minutes then goes quiet we look up to find her in a white dress touching the ground.

Dad: Now let them watch you rise!

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LETITIA

After that growl it went silent and very silent. Then something happens the water separates Liona and Diamond walk out . I can't stop myself from standing up and looking at her that's my mother's crown. Liona winks at me oh I really underestimated her alright. Everyone bows unfortunately I also. This is bad Liona has proven to be ahead almost every time. She comes to stand next to me.

Her:Want to hear what Dad said?

Me:Might as well tell me.

Her:Now let them watch you rise.

Me:Nice.

Her:You want to know what I love about you?

Me:Humour me.

Her:Irrational.

Me:Really now?

Her:I love that about you makes it easy for Diamond to destroy you. I am going to make sure you watch your fall just like you made me watch my home fall.

She smiles and calls Buhleshe grabs my crown and put it on Buhle's head.

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**LIONA**

**I know the future when it comes to this little girl who will stick her nose in business that can kill her. Since a queen is already chosen I just have put her in the water and be done.I pull her inside for a minute and pull her up. She is wearing a green dress and Letitia's crown.**

**Me:A queen doesn't let herself be led by the nose by other queens**

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**I just have put her in the water and be done.I pull her inside for a minute and pull her up. She is wearing a green dress and Letitia's crown.**

**Me:A queen doesn't let herself be led by the nose by other queens you could be digging yourself a deep grave young lady. Hear me?**

**Buhle:Yes.**

**Me:And don't make me an enemy.**

**Buhle:I don't follow.**

**Me:Stay out of Diamond's way or you will have me to deal with.Go ahead.**

**Letitia stares at me in anger I just flicker my fingers like I am hitting something and mouth 'Checkmate'.**

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**BUHLE**

**I know I grew up in a castle getting everything I wanted but not this time.The guy I want and love doesn't even look my way it is always about Diamond. The ancestors accepted me as his wife but not once he said anything about it he has been hovering over her. I used to be confident about myself till I saw her.Who would want to compete with her? I tried but failed clearly.I mean even Princess Liona favours her. I stand up and walk away I think I should go to sleep.I find my bedroom door opened I find Milani standing next to the window.This man looks very dangerous.**

**Him:You want Inganathi?**

**I just nod.**

**Him:Well you can do that.**

**Me:How?**

**Him:Trust me love potions still work after all those two are mates.**

**No wonder.**

**Me:Those wear off.**

**Him:Not if they are made by a true healer whose my grandma.**

**It sounds good.**

**Me:What do you want in return?**

**Him:Get closer to Letitia and report everything back to me.**

**Me:What?Let's just stop then.**

**Him:Soon or later you will go back home with a failed marriage to a king. The questions did she cheat on him? Watch him turn on you.**

**Me:What about her?**

**Him:Don't worry yourself about that just do as I say. Remember the moment you betray me I will know and ask what I do to people who cross me. Remember Buhle.**

**I watch him walk out I let a breath out I didn't know I was holding .What have I gotten myself into?**

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DIAMOND

I am standing in front of a window watching the king. Suddenly he stands up and looks at me shocking me. I wake up sweating I have been having these for the past few days. It is already in the morning so I take a shower when I come back I find my servants waiting with something to wear. I get dressed in the dress and step out it's only few days I have been crowned queen but I don't know how I will ever get used to this. The moment I step in the dining room everyone bows a guard pulls my chair.

Me: Good morning.

Nasreen: Can I sit on your thigh?

**Me:**Come here.

**Inga** steps inside followed by the elders he kisses my cheek and sits next to me.

**Letitia:**They are all expecting us in an hour.

**Me:**Us?

**Letitia:**Me and my daughter in-laws.

**Me:**You only tell me now? I have somewhere to be.

**Letitia:**That would have to wait this is important.

**Me:**My patient is more important.

**Uncle Zeff:**You are still going back to work?

**Me:**What is that suppose to mean?

**Letitia:**You are needed more here as a Queen.

**Me:**I didn't spend years studying and my parents' money only to decorate the wall with my certificate.

**Letitia:You need to under-**

**Me:Will not I spent years on that to understand.I am going to be the doctor I wanted to be I don't care about understanding.Don't ever question that!**

**I stand up right now I am heading straight to the hospital to see the hospital.**

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**KING ZALEM**

**My whole body feels cramped as I try to stretch a warm hand holds mine makes me remember Noreen. Oh my beautiful Noreen! It is soothing**

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**a warm hand holds mine makes me remember Noreen. Oh my beautiful Noreen! It is soothing suddenly my whole body feels fresh now I know who is she.I open my eyes to meet the friendliest face I have ever seen she looks so young yet so powerful.**

**Her:Welcome to the land of the living Your Grace.**

**Me:How long?**

**Her:30 months.**



**What? 2 years and a half on a bed!**

**Me:Usathana nguLetitia rhaa! (The devil is Letitia!)**

**She laughs just a beautiful young lady.**

**Me:I know you saved me your touch is hard to forget. I have nothing to repay you with but if I ever get it I will thank you for what you did.**

**Her:I am happy that you are alive.**

**Me:You are a nurse? If I can ask how did you know you can save me?**

**She pauses and looks at me.**

**Her:Liona.**

**My heart aches at the mention of her name.**

**Me:How is she?**

**Her:Aliveher sisters haven't killed her.Close your eyes.**

**I am confused but I close them I hear footsteps.**

**Voice:Your Majesty.**

**Huh?**

**Voice:Everything you requested. Would you like an assistant Your Highness?**

**Huh?**

**Her:I am fine thanks.Open.**

**Me:Who are you?**

**Her:You have just met your first daughter in-lawQueen of Zalem.**

**Me:Milani actually found out he's the rightful king? Is Letitia still alive? You are his wife? What do you mean first? Inga is married too?**

**Her face pales in shock.**

**Her:I am married to Inga and there's a sister wife Letitia is alive. What do you mean Milani is the king?**

**Me:Liona made him king because Zalem would be destroyed if ruled by Inga according to her visions.**

**She looks angry for a second.**

**Me:You seem to know Liona but don't know what I am talking about. Wait you are her the heiress. Oh**

no what have I said?

She walks out in anger. Damn it! I should have slept longer.

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LIONA

Something was wrong I could feel the water vibrating fire was cracking going up and there was a violent wind too. I heard someone shouting my name my nose bled and this was not good. Diamond! I prepared to leave but something pulled me so fast I find myself on top High Waters river before Diamond.

Me:What the hell?

Her eyes were so white as she grabbed me and threw me outside the water. She got out and approached as I stood up. Her fist collided with my jaw I am not even prepared as she attacks. Somehow the water is turning red humming and following her around I feel weak as she keeps throwing me everywhere. My body can't move but I feel every blow coming my way. I hear shouting and screams but I can't move. It is after a moment I feel someone picking me up somehow I know it is Sibahle my body hurts less. I wonder what possessed Diamond I can still hear the water humming far away.

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SIBAHLE

I look at her lying on the bed breathing strangely my heart aches and I don't even understand why. I can't even believe this is all Diamond's doing like she is not a violent person but today she has proven otherwise. The humanity washed away from her face she even blew Milani who called us and told us what was going on. She only calmed when Nino cried because she was scared of her. Still Diamond wanted to finish Liona off

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you could see it from her face.I hold her hand as she moans in pain she really did a number on her damn.

Oza:What really happened?

Milani:I was on the boardwalk I don't know why but the way she was angry this was something beyond.

Me:Where did she go?

Oza:She left and I don't understand how her guards lost her.

Me:We need to look out the Diamond I saw today scared the living lights out of everyone we don't know why.We have a very angry and dangerous queen.

Liona:Dia-mond.

Me:Shhhwe need to get you to the hospital.

Uzile sat in silence and didn't even bother himself about thisafter all it is his twin.

Him:Question is what did Liona do to upset her? You are all ready to protect her whereas you should have stayed away because if this included us my sister would have told us.

Me:That is bullshit!We should have watched her kill Liona? Are you hearing yourself?

Him:No big brother are you hearing yourself? All of a sudden you are willing to protect her the same

woman who lied to Diamond in front of us. When Thandolwethu finally shows herself someone better remind me to tell her about her two faced siblings.

**Nino:Uzi-**

**Him:Stop the car! I need to find my twin clearly this woman is the only important person.Cheers to the caring big brothers!**

**He walks out of the car and shuts the door.**

**SIBAHLE**

**It has been six days the whole kingdom is on lockdown. Diamond is nowhere to be found and the only person who knows would rather stay far from us. We tried to talk to him but all he said was 'Why should he tell people like us?' Even Inga wanted to hit him so hard but we remember it could turn bad when she comes back. Liona was getting better and hasn't spoken ever since we told her that Diamond is nowhere to be seen. Her guards don't know how they lost her. My mother's current state wasn't really promising she would cry out of the blue this was emotionally draining.**

**Me: Liona please eat something.**

**Her: It is going to be a week Sibahle and you can't find her. Have you seen how your parents and siblings look at me? They blame me for this.**

**Me: Don't mind that we need you alive so we can find her.**

**Her: When she finds out you spent time with me instead of being out there to find her do you understand that you and her will never get along?**

**Me: You think I don't understand that? Her twin spits every moment I step inside the house my own mother looks at me and shakes her. I don't want to leave you like you this I care.**

**Her: Sibahle no I am not the one you should fall for no.**

**Me: Can I help myself? What I feel is what I feel I don't know why but I can't change it.**





**Me:He avoids me like a plague try now he's watching TV.**

**We find him watching.**

**Milani:Uzile please.**

**Mom:Leave him alone!And Sibahle nothing never mind.**

**I just sigh this has been my days my mother literally stops her sentences. Somehow I think she wants to tell me how she hates me.**

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**INGANATHI**

**Where can she go? I really don't know what to do a whole King has no clue on what to do.**

**Him:Inga.**

**Me:Hey you little mouse what you're doing outside?**

**He climbs the bench and sits on my lap.**

**Him:**She is going to come back for now she had to go.

**Me:**If you say so.

**Him:**She told me this morning that soon she will be back.

**Me:**Where did you see her?

**Him:**In her room.

He gets off and runs to his friends. Huh? I literally ran to the castle the moment I get inside her room I find everything still the same.

**Me:**Diamond where the hell did you go?

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**LETITIA**

**Me:**How on earth did we lose her?

**Hlubi:**It is like she never existed.

**Me:**I can't even summon Liona it's like she doesn't exist too.

**Mila:**This doesn't sit well with me a woman destined to be this powerful cannot really just disappear.

**Something doesn't add up here.**

**Hlubi:Then we wouldn't know.**

**Voice:Of course you wouldn't know.**

**We jump at the voice he stands at the door looking at us.**

**Him:You haven't seen anything she's going to come back along with the buried. Ohh Leti my love I will need my throne back Black Waters is going to rise. Remember we buried them? Now they are going to be with us soon I need to prepare dear mate.**

**Me:Midgard...**

**Hell we're doomed.**

SIBAHLE

It was raining outside as we all sat around the fireplace. Liona laid on the couch because of painkillers. She kept getting minor headaches and aches all over her body she was slowly dying coughing up blood. Even my mother was brushing her hair because now this was worrying. Milani sat looking to be in deep thoughts. Seven days on the dot the last time we saw Diamond.

Oza: I really don't know what to do anymore. I didn't want to see the angry Diamond now I don't even mind.

Nino: I just wi-

Liona jumps and looks at the door eyes so wide.

Her: She is here she is here!

She's screaming and we are all look at the door a knock echoes. Uzile jumps to the door excitedly and opens. Diamond hugs him and we all stand up everyone hugs her. Me Oza Milani stand in confusion. Her eyes land on Liona who shrinks she comes to her I involuntary stand before her.

**Diamond:**Isn't this just adorable?Uzile was right I will remember this brother the day you stood for the woman who lied to me had me believing in lies.

**Mom:**What are you talking about?

**Diamond:**Even this prince knows that he's only here because she sent him to protect me. Did she tell you that she chose you as the future king of Zalem? Did she tell any of you that those people buried in that water will come back? Of course she didn't because I was naive and easy to use.

**Her:**That is not entirely true.

**Diamond:**Tell your man to step aside

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I need to work. Ohh did she tell you that Letitia is her oldest sister?

I sit on the couch as Diamond takes something from her pocket she makes Liona to drink it before saying something in foreign.We all silent.

**Uzile:**Inga.

**Diamond:**I arrived last night he knows I am around.

**Oza:Where ha-**

**Diamond:I have some media briefingI had to come so I have to go.**

**Everyone is tense she hugs her parents Uzile and Nino she touches Liona's head and walks out.**

**Oza:That was the coldest shoulder I ever got from my own sister.**

**Dad:You should have known better like Uzile said you should have not involved yourself.**

**Me:So we should have stood by and watched?**

**Mom:All of a sudden you care about Liona didn't even care about looking for your sister.I thought I knew you child.**

**That hurt so I just decided to keep my mouth shut.**

**Mom:Your sidekick didn't even see that you were wrong in choosing sides but then you two have proven that you -**

**She just stops and walks out.**

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**LETITIA**

**This girl is sitting here she said she was in an accident and was unconscious and some kind man helped her. The man came along and agreed with what she said but there was something different about her. She would stare at me and shakes her head.**

**Nasreen:Mommy!Daddy!**

**What? I look at the people walking in Noreen and Lufezo I stand up in shock. This is not happening. The kids are all over their father who is in a wheelchair.I am glued on the spot as I watch in horror.**

**Him:Ohh Leti my love give me a hug.**

**I awkwardly hug him before I can move he whispers.**

**Him:Surely you are going to give Ceaser his things witch.**

**He let's me go.**

**Noreen:We are all here finally family again.Let's see how this goes.**

**We all sit down Noreen insists on sitting next to me.**

**Noreen:Oh you should prepare black clothes.Beautiful kids you have will fit perfectly in my coffins. There's one with your name on it honey.**

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KING ZALEM

We sat under the tree watching the two little queens training with their desired trainers. Inganathi watched in awe.

Me:Milani is everything going okay with you?

When he doesn't respond I look at him he's literally staring at Diamond.



**Me:Milani!**

**Him:Father.**

**Me:She is married to your brother your Queen and sister in-law.**

**Him:What are you talking about?**

**Me:Your mother told me Macmillan forget about her. Don't do your brother like that.**

**Him:Yeah does everything has to be about him?**

**Me:Milanino.**

**Him:My crown the woman I love and my birth right.Why should I let go?You should have told me and none of this would have happened.**

**Me:Jealousy is one dangerous thing Macmillan he's your brother.**

**Him:I care?**

**He leaves me hanging bumping his mother on the way.**

**Her:And then?**

**Me:He is really in love with her.**

**Her:I know.**

**Me:How are you?**

**Her:Don't start with me Lufezo you knowingly put yourself in harm's way. While you laid on that bed I went through hell because of that witch of yours!**

**Everyone looked at us.**

**Me:Noreen calm down.**

**Her:Don't you fucken tell me to calm down! You weren't there Lufezo pathetic excuse of a man.**

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**DIAMOND**

**I don't know what to do**

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not to do I mean I am little confused. Being a queen having no clue what to do all day. Everyone is really curious about me being in a accident I have to avoid Milani everywhere I go because he insists on wanting to talk to me. Shouting echoes on the passage Letitia shows up looking very angry. She jumps on Noreen who seemingly knew she was coming for her and jumped.

Letitia: Where is my daughter you witch?

Noreen: The only witch here is you and I don't babysit your daughter.

King: What is going on here?

Letitia: You should have stayed in that coma Lufezo Zalem! Where is my Louisa?

Milani: Eyy look for your daughter and leave my mother alone.

She looks at them and walk out.

King: Charlotte where is your sister?

Charlotte: It has been two days and she hasn't come home.

King: Your mother didn't even bother telling me? Guards find Princess Louisa!

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LETITIA

I throw the scarf in the water but still nothing changes I look at my shaking hands and walk out of the room. I stand outside trying to think about this.

Her:She is a little whoresee handsome man she drops on her knees.

Me:Where is my daughter?

Her:Correct question is what am I going to do to her?

Me:If you dare hu-

Her:Calm down you might be pissing me off.

Me:This is between me and you coward!

Her:Aren't you just cute little firecracker? I lost the child you and the elders forced inside my womb I may have wanted that child but it died. You killed me in the worst possible way.For that Leti my loveyou are going to wish Diamond was on your side.

I watch her leave as my heart sinks I am not going to get my daughter back.

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**DIAMOND**

**I was walking outside the moonlight making it light outside.I just walk between the flowers enjoying the breeze I can hear the person approaching.**

**Him:Are you done?**

**Me:What?**

**Him:Avoiding me.**

**Me:I want to concentrate on important thingsI have bigger problems.**

**Him:It is nice to know I mean nothing to you.**

**Me:As a brother or?**

**Him:Don't piss me off.**

**His eyes glowed red almost making me run for my life.**

**Me:What do you want?**

**He steps closer I can't really move there's a pond behind me.**

**Him:You.**

**I gasp as he cold hand touches my face.**

**Me:No Milani.**

**Him:You will stay as queen.**

**Me:If you try to take throne you do know one of you has to die?**

**Him:And it won't be me.**

**Me:So I'm going to stand by and watch you kill my husband?**

His eyes turn red I move a little.

Him:Do what you must but don't stand in my way.

Me:You are willing to kill your brother because of jealous? You resent him just because Milani?

He touches my lips and stares at them.

Him:Loving you but not getting you is making me feel angry.I don't know why but I love you.

My heart hammers my chest as he stares at me.

Me:I am really sorry.

Him:Smile for me.Diamond just smile and I will let go.

He laughs at my confused face making me smile.

Him:Thereno swim.

Me:Hell no!

He pushes me to the pond. Splash! The water is freezing and he is laughing.

Me:Milani!

**Him:What a swim!**

**He leaves me in the water.**

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**NOREEN**

**Me:Is she awake?**

**Him:I think she's in shock that she has been kidnapped.**

**I follow him as he opens the door.**

**Him:We had to restrain her she kind of went lion on me.**

**I find her on the bed with her arms chained I enter and her claws stood out. She looks up in shock and tries to growl instead she purr.**

**Me:Oh kitty calm down.**

**Her:Aunt Noreen I should have known.**

**Me:You are just like your mother that's why you should return home in a coffin.**



**Her:What?Aunt Noreen please don't kill me**

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**that's why you should return home in a coffin.**

**Her:What?Aunt Noreen please don't kill me I didn't do anything please don't hurt me.**

**I just stare at her screaming and thrashing.**

**Me:Shhh you need this energy for what is coming I don't want you to look like a stick in your coffin.**

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**BUHLE**

**Milani did give me the potion I still didn't understand why was he helping me though. I made Inga a cup of tea but he didn't drink it so I had to put it in his office in case it was risky but I have no choice. I walk out of my bathroom I am shocked to find Diamond in front of the mirror fixing her braids.**

**Her:I came to check on you.**

**Me:Oh thank you I am fine.**

**Her:We need to talk.Me and you need to be at least civil with each other.**

**Me:I do understand.**

**Her:We shouldn't step on each other's toes.**

**Me:Can't exactly happen we're married to the same man.**

**Her:Doesn't mean we should disrespect each other.**

**Me:How will we do that?**

**Her:Using a love potion on our husband is the first oneit was strong potion though and I literally forced it down his throat.**

**I swear I died right here.**

**Me:I-**

**Her:Milani gave you that potion be very careful with him. We wouldn't want you dead now would we? Look at the time I have to go.**

**I watch her stand up and leaves she returns for a moment.**

**Her:Do not ever try to piss me off Buhlebendalo I am very kind and caring.**

**How the hell did I get here?**

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**INGANATHI**

**Her:What exactly is wrong with your brother?**

**Me:**After Lupe drowned well wasn't accepted things changed.

**Diamond:**Who is Lupe?

**Me:**Umm can we stop talking about him?

**Her:**You say something but don't finish it.

**Diamond:**Annoying if you tell me.

This was really surprising both Buhle and Diamond seem to get along these past few days. I somehow kind of felt something for Buhle because I could see how determined she was to be here with me. Even Diamond told me it was okay to love her too. Louisa was still missing pictures were everywhere telling everyone that she was missing my mother was never around at all.

**Diamond:**Let's go.

**Me:**Huh?

**Her:**He wasn't listening.

They just leave me hanging Milani comes to sit next to me.

**Him:**How did it feel?

**Me:**Huh?

**Him:Watching my mother being raped almost every day?**

**I look at him shocked.**

**Me:Soul crushing.**

**Him:And you did nothing?**

**Me:I was protecting Nasreen.**

**Him:Were you?**

**He stands up and leave.**

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**MILANI**

**I sat on the kitchen table and waited as they parked their car in the garage. I hear them unlock the door and turn the lights on.**

**Her:Thelma told me she's due next month.**

**Him:We are going to welcome my first grandchild.**

**Her:Finally.**

**Him:Can you please make me a cup too?**

**I hear footsteps approaching the kitchen she half screams but stops herself.**

**Him:Wha-Your Highness?**

**Me:Duke Brown and Lady Brown you don't learn at all. Sit down!**

**They jump and sit down.**

**Him:What are you doing here Milani?**

**Me:So you have a nerve to call me Milani? I snapped your brother's neck in front of you but you have a deep nerve now.**

**Him:You don't scare me boy!**

**He stands up I get down and go to him.**

**Her:Honey please.**

**He holds his stomach as I twisted the dagger I push him back to the chair. She screams and rush to him.**

**Me:I will be back.**

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**KING ZALEM**

**Coming back from nearly dying has been a blessing but it comes with a baggage. I know there's absolutely nothing I can do to Letitia she's the mother of my children just like Noreen. I know what she did to me but unlike her I wouldn't be able to live knowing I took a mother from her kids. As for Noreen**

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**I don't know what exactly happened but something is very different with her she's colder and emotionless. Footsteps interrupt me as I sat before Black Waters. I look beside me long black hair. I widen my eyes when the woman looks at me.**

**Me:Liona?**

**Her:King Zalem.**

**Me:Your hair?**

**Her:Kind of pissed off Diamond she took my powers after beating me up.**

**Me:I am the one who told her about Milani.**

**Her:**Even after almost dying you still say things that you suppose to keep as secret.

**Me:**What is that suppose to mean?

**Her:**You told Letitia about Milani being king like you can't keep your mouth shut.

**Me:**I didn't think it was going to be a problem.

**Her:**You don't think you never do.You rejected me after promising me everything gave my sisters power to destroy my home and that should never be forgiven.

**Me:**Lio-

**Her:**They are coming back Zalem all of them the people that survived and you threw them in.Black Waters kingdom is coming back and I am going to make sure this time there's nothing left to talk about the Zalem royal family.



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LETITIA

I still cannot find my daughter. A knock echoes at my study.

Me:Enter.

Lady Brown walks in looking like she hasn't slept for days.

Her:He is in a coma he tried to kill my husband.

She breaks down I hug her as she cries. She finally calms down and sits on the couch.

Me:What happened?

Her:Milani.

**Me:What did he do?**

**Her:He stabbed my husband and said he will be back.**

**She narrates what happened and I know he's going to be a little problem.I decide to get her some painkillers and let her sleep on the couch. I walk out and use the usual back door.I sprint a little so the guards don't see medesperate times call for desperate measures.I walk deeper into the forest I reach the tree and look around first before touching it. It opens letting me insidethe black pond shines as I walk down the stairs there are bones surrounding it. I go on my knees and wash my face using the water.**

**Me:Deres Majestæt jeger deres ydmyge tjener.Deres MajestætHermionederes visioner har overbevist megom. (Your Majesty I am your humble servant. Your MajestyHermione your visions have convinced me.)**

**The water clears she sits on the stone her long black hair covers her entire body. I can't stand her snake red eyes as I look away.**

**Her:How is my son? I see he escaped with the help of the little queen.**

**Me:He has escaped a-**

**Her:Told you about your people coming for once he knows the truth.Ten children before midnight and me and will have a deal.**

**Me:Deal.**

**Her:Lufezo?**

**Me:Leave him petrified not dead.**

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**DIAMOND**

**There was something about this night it's like when you feel something coming but don't know. I couldn't even sleep a wink**

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**it's like when you feel something coming but don't know. I couldn't even sleep a winkyes I tried even drinking some sleeping pills but no sleep came.I decide to stand on the balconyright ten minutes past midnight when I hear some kind of whispers. It was very weird language though I looked around but couldn't find where it was coming from.Then it went silenttoo quiet. A cold scream washed over the entire castle I jumped and headed for the door.Everyone ran to the front door the seer was screaming as she stood in her hospital clothes.**

**Her:Its gaze is likewise lethal who has looked death in the eye will die. If through a mirror or water you are left petrified.**

**We're looking at her crazy first she is screaming lying on the ground in hospital clothes.**

**Letitia:Someone take her back to the hospital.**

**She turns to look at me.**

**Her:The one who stays undefeated is back believe me Your Highness believe me.**

**I sigh.**

**Me:Guards take her back to the hospital and make sure she stays there.**

**Her:No!No!**

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**NOREEN**

**I watched as they took him out of the room the kids cried Letitia stared unmoved. He just recovered but now he was back to square one he looked frozen.I admit it was kind of painful but I really didn't care because I know my sister wife is responsible.Inga left about a day ago and he's going to come back to this.This family is cursed. I don't even think everyone is noticing the fact that Diamond's head is lying on my son's shoulder poor young queen. I just shake my head and leave.**

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DIAMOND

[Basilisk-is a legendary reptile reputed to be a serpent king who can cause death with a single glance.  
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It has been weeks last time I went home I did miss them but being egoistical and queen didn't let me come. Sibahle and Liona are sitting outside laughing immediately tense when they see me.

Siba:Lwam.

Me:Bhuti.(Brother).

Siba:Unjani sana lukaMama? (How are you Mommy's baby?)



had an affair with a human so her children couldn't be powerful like her. Trust I met her once that woman is dangerous and there's only one person that survived fighting one of the most powerful basilisk Nara.

Me:Nara?As in the queen of hell?

Her:Yesshe was and still is powerful but unfortunately Queen Kuvemna fought her and sent her to purgatory.

Me:Milani's aunt? Woah!

Her:But trust me this basilisk roaming around is not to be messed with whoever summoned her has no pure intentions for Zalem and that would be my sister. What confuses is how did her and Hermione become friends?

Me:Hermione?

Her:Queen Hermione the only basilisk alive and Midgard's mother.

Me:What?Are you telling me there's a worse serpent than Midgard?

Her:Yesno kingdom ever fought her Diamond. Do not question Letitia about this because it is dangerouskids are going missing which means she's walking by her own two feet. She's cocky too making her very lethal.

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MILANI

I was going through my phone when the room suddenly went cold I could feel my eyes turning red as I looked around.I heard the sss sound I looked behind a shadow went past so fast I didn't even see it coming. I look around there was nothing.

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I was in a dream sleeping on my bed

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I looked behind a shadow went past so fast I didn't even see it coming. I look around there was nothing.

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I was in a dream sleeping on my bed the door slightly opened. I couldn't move but I could see the skin of the snake I tried to move as it came closer. I waited for it to come instead a woman covered by black hair stood. I woke up almost falling off my bed. I was sweating I stopped moving when I saw the passage light making my room white. The door was openedI stood up and walked out of my room and searched on the passage. So I decided to walk out was really shocked to find Diamond sitting on a chair outside.

Me:Missing hubby?

She turns to look at me her eyes look tired they have begs around them.



**Me:**You need to have some rest.

**Her:**I can't sleep Milani I try but I don't because of this thing terrorising Zalem.

**Me:**This will pass too.

**Her:**Hearing this snake is going to pass?

**Me:**Snake?

**Her:**A basilisk is on the loose the seer was right.

**Me:**Aren't those extinct?

**Her:**Only one left the worse and powerful one too.

She sighs and leans on the armrest.

**Me:**You need to rest.

I pull her up and she literally holds me tighter her head on my chest.

**Me:**Everything is going to be just fine.

She looks at me and smiledamn it Inga mustn't come from wherever he went.

I follow her as she walks back inside the moment she steps in she gasps and I enter.

Me:WellYour Highness you look beautiful where are you going?

Letitia stood before us shocked dressed in a cloak at this timeshe composes herself.

Letitia:Out of my way.

Me:Witches walk around this time right? Please send that snake to kill everyone.

Letitia:Snakes?I could never send snake maybe at least a serpent I would understand.I don't do pets but legends!

LETITIA

I find her taking a bath humming some beautiful song she seemed to be in a good mood.

Her:Milani is the rightful king isn't he?

Me:Yes.

Her:You really have lost your touch I can't believe you are the same girl I helped dethrone my own son.

Me:What is that suppose to mean?

Her:I went by the Black Waters River I meet a very beautiful black haired girl. Want me to tell you that was your sister powerless?

I look at her shocked Liona powerless?

Me:What?

Her:Kill her and that kingdom stays buried for ever.

**Me:So she is here? Where?**

**Her:Ask the little queen I am sure she would love to tell you about her brother being fascinated by Liona.**

**Me:Diamond?**

**Her:I like her she has that fire of a little queen protected by Milani.**

**Me:What are you talking about?**

**Her:You really lost your touch Letitia Black! Those are pretty close very close I think they could make a very beautiful couple.**

**Me:It won't happen she's mated to Inga.**

**Her:That stupid son of yours? Have you taught your son that queens should never be left behind? That second wives come second? Letitia you have forgotten your lessons.**

**Me:They would never listen to me.**

**Her:So the little queen might just follow Zalem's steps.**

**Me:What is that suppose to mean?**

**Her:Reject her mate and go for the brother. I mean he did that to you and your sister so what makes**

you think it won't happen between brothers? Wooh sounds like fun though.

Me:That won't happen as long as I am alive!

Her:That is why she should just kill you.

Me:Hermione are you going to help me find Liona?

Her:Go home Letitia don't ever call me by my name I will forget that I even like you.

I just stare and walk out

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this will not happen as long as I am alive. Diamond will give us that child Inganathi must come back to his wife!

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DIAMOND

I came out of the shower and brushed my teeththe moment I walk out I freeze Milani sat on my bed in boxers.

**Me:Milani?**

**His eyes look darker as he steps closer to me I am glued on the spot. He holds the towel and drops it on the floor.**

**Him:Beautiful.**

**Me:Milani.**

**Him:DiamondI can't let you go.**

**He kisses my neck I swear this is wrong but my body is not listening to me.**

**Him:I just want to hold you for the night even if I know how wrong this is I will hate myself for even coming here but I can't think clearly.**

**He gentles pulls me closer and pushes me towards the bed I lie willingly as he kisses me on the lips.**

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**NOREEN**

**Me:There is something lurking around Zalem the way Letitia is so calm has me realising this is all her work.**

**Him:A basilisk Noreen this is why I told you to return home as soon as possible with your children.**

**Me:**I understand but I can't not now.

**Him:**You want revenge on her.You're playing with fire Noreen.

**Me:**She destroyed me Emraan I am going to make her pay.

**Him:**Killing her child?

**Me:**I don't care who dies I will make her pay. As my twin I thought you would understand but I was wrong!

I drop the call and dial another number.

**Me:**Kill her! Do whatever you want with her and kill her!

**DIAMOND**

**Me:You can't be standing there doing nothing! Call the damn mortuary! Call the ambulance!Call the damn police! Hey you make sure Letitia stays in her room! What are you doing standing there like you are not getting paid for your damned job! Make sure everyone doesn't see this! Damn it get to work!**

**I was shouting on top of my lungs Louisa's body laid lifelessly on the parking lotone of the maids saw her and immediately the guards called me. I put my blanket covering her this was something that will forever stay in my mind she wasn't nice but this was beyond cruel I wanted to cry but I couldn't not here. Milani helped as they covered her Letitia was stuck screaming to be let in but the guards didn't let her. I head straight to her.**

**Her:Tell these guards to let me pass!**

**Me:I can't Letitia I can't let you see your child like that.**

**She pauses and looks at the covered body before letting the most painful sob out going on her knees.**

**Guard:Your Majesty they are here.**

**I wipe my eyes and head over to the hearse and ambulance.**



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It is tense in the castle everyone seems to be in their own world Letitia sobs every now and then. Noreen is not even around.

Inga:I am on my way.

Me:Pleasel can't do this alone.

Inga:I am on my way baby hang in there. I love you okay?

Me:I love you too.

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**MILANI**

I vowed to protect my little sisters but I failed dismally this time. Who could do this? Yes Louisa was like her mother but she didn't deserve any of this. I feel so heavy as I knock at the door I open to find her staring into space.

Me:Diamond.

She looks at me

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I open to find her staring into space.

**Me:**Diamond.

She looks at me she really doesn't look good at all.

**Her:**And I happen to be queen a whole princess was dropped off at our front door and there's no single evidence. Where is the power I have?

**Me:**This isn't your fault.

**Her:**Might as well be I have been focusing on me only forgetting my people I have to protect. She disappeared under my watch Milani she die-

**Me:**What were you going to do? Put a tracker on her? Come on this wasn't anyone's fault except the person who killed her.

**Her:**I should have known being queen isn't a bed of roses Inganathi told me and I never listened.Kids are disappearing under my watch I am even afraid to lose Nasreen for a second.

**Me:**We will find a way trust me we will.

I just hug her I don't know what I am doing but I can't let her be by herself.

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**BUHLE**

**We saw from the news talking about Louisa Diamond called right on time and explained a lot of worse things. Things in Zalem were really going south they were facing on earth I'm even scared to return back. Somehow I enjoyed being in Civita kingdom of fairies attending conference of kings and queens I mean Inga and me finally get along and became intimate. He walks in looking stressed.**

**Him:Ask the servants to pack our things we're leaving in an hour.**

**Me:What?Why?**

**Him:In case you forgot we left Diamond alone.**

**Me:She willingly asked to be left behind.**

**Him:She did you kindness is this how you respond when it's her turn?**

**I immediately cringe as I understand that I am really selfish.**

**Me:Sorry.**

**Him:I shouldn't have left her there.**

**Woah okay.**

**NOREEN**

**The funeral was big like really big a royal funeral of course. I stayed amongst the guests because I really didn't care. It was enough time for Lufezo to wake up for the funeral he looked disturbed as he sat quietly. Letitia had to be picked up when moving she looked exactly how I wanted her to be and I wasn't going to stop until she lays ten feet under cold. There were friends from high school and college fans outside pouring their hearts to the family. Diamond stands first and looks at the body one last time before whispering to the pastor and caretaker. The caretaker closes the coffin making people talk amongst themselves.**

**Pastor: As per Her Royal Highness's request the deceased will not be seen. I do agree with her that no one would love to have a bitter memory of their loved one like this.**

The soldiers silences everyone but they understand damn you Diamond I just wanted Letitia to see her daughter like that.

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**KING ZALEM**

I spent almost two years paralysed and come back to my son married I was petrified and I come back my daughter was brutally murdered. What kind of a father am I? Am I this weak? What happened to being one of the strongest kings living? Did I really got lazy? I watch as the coffin going down my heart goes with the coffin Letitia is just staring into space no longer crying anymore. The kids are crying losing a child it is like a part of you being torn from your own body.

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Everyone is back in the castle talking amongst each other Letitia is sitting on the chair talking to some of her friends. Noreen walks in with Nasreen on her arms I swear she loves disappearing a lot.

Letitia: You have a nerve Noreen to show up here!

Her: This is my home too.

Letitia: I am going to kill you

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Letitia: You have a nerve Noreen to show up here!

Her: This is my home too.

Letitia: I am going to kill you just like I should have done in the first place!

Inga: Mom no!

Letitia: She killed my baby! She murdered my baby in cold blood! How could you?

Her: As always it's me every time something goes wrong you blame me in front of my children and everyone. You just lost a child humble yourself woman for once!

Letitia: Keep acting I will bounce back and you will wish you never crossed me! My baby Noreen my daughter in cold blood.

She breaks down and Noreen clicks her tongue and walks out.

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INGANATHI

She laid on my chest sleeping soundly at least after being the only one strong enough to lead everything. A knock echoes Milani walks in and stare at us.

**Him:Thank god she's sleeping I thought she was going to pass out.**

**Me:You kept everything going too I should thank you you would have made a better king. Days like this make me doubt if I was suppose to be king.**

**Him:Why would you think this?**

**Me:Nothing.How is everyone?**

**Him:Beside the stunt your mother pulled do you think Diamond and Buhle would ever get along?**

**Me:Buhle is getting stingy forgetting I can kick her out.**

**Him:A little harsher don't you think?**

**Me:I really don't care if someone wants to hurt her they will go through me I don't care!**

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**HERMIONE**

I looked at the water I slowly put my finger inside the water but my finger burnt.

**Me:**Damn you Khosi damn why are you still alive?

The water vibrates and she walks out.

**Me:**Black Water Goddess isn't that beautiful?

**Her:**Hermione still alive?

**Me:**Oh my baby I missed you.

**Her:**Because you couldn't kill me even through birth was scared that I'm going to follow my own path.



**Me:**I should have killed you the moment we were told you were going to be the next goddess.

**Her:**Awe Granny you wound me how is my father? Still hung up on that witch Letitia?

**Me:**Your mother.

**Her:**Letitia is not my mother!Tell her that I said Black Waters kingdom is going to rise and she's going to fall along with you.

**Me:**You and Liona think your little kitty queen is going to kill me? Me? Does she know me? Is she going to drown me? Burn me? She can't even touch me.

**Her:**Ohh?Clearly you have no clue about her.

She disappears back into the water. When Letitia gave birth to Maze long before Zalem came along I was happy until we realised she was the next goddess to be worshippedwe had to kill her but the water took her. It raised her until she was ready to take over same time Black Waters kingdom fell leaving her to rule the water. My granddaughter despises me as much as she does to her motherluckily Midgard is the only saint because he saved her from us.Such a stupid son if you tell me. We could have been the most and only powerful kingdom but no.

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**LIONA**

I swear I wasn't hearing this right Black Waters' goddess is Letitia's daughter? My niece? Is that why she always stood by me?I didn't even move as I sat next to the river bank I listened to the woman leave I can remember her cold voice. The goddess comes out of the water and sits next to me.

**Her:**I miss these good old days.

**Me:**Sitting here you acting like we were the same age. How come I never knew about you?

**Her:**Letitia was young when she had me probably on her teens and you maybe 7 I think.

**Me:**How is this possible?

**Her:**My eyes were really black like now when I was born Hermione was curious so she consulted only to find out I was going to be the next goddess.Letitia only wanted me because I was the sacrifice she was going to use to destroy Zalem.

**Me:**Huh?

**Her:**Zalem knew you were mates at a very young age and Letitia slept with him but I didn't exactly come out as the child they could use.Then it comes out you're the next queenall they had to do was kill me and your home would perish forever. My father saved me despite everything because I was his child in the end

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all they had to do was kill me and your home would perish forever. My father saved me despite everything because I was his child in the end I spent years hiding here and playing with you.

**Me:**This is why you ran every time she came around? God you were barely nine. Where did Letitia get this cruelty?

**Her:Only Queen Khosi knew about me she helped me a lot. On your crowning I was also taking my place as the next goddess but it fell I only have to protect the water from them.This water is only thing stopping them from fully destroying everyone under it.**

**Me:I just cannot fathom the extent of my sister's need for power willing to kill her own childparents and siblings.**

**Her:Hermione is the most convincing devil trust me she promised me things I could never have while guarding this water but then I remember the lives I vowed to protect.**

**Me:I am really sorry.**

**Her:My story is better I only suffered beatings by the age of five by eight I escaped.As for you I can't describe how much it hurts.**

**Me:All because we were not enough.**

**I just brush her back as we sat there I really can't understand how power becomes this important to other people. Letitia had a man who loved her but it wasn't enough for her.**

**Her:It is a matter of time before she realise that she is life and death.**

**Me:What?**

**Her:That little kitty is the only blessed queen with the power to bring life and death water and fire love and hate. She's going to fall hard already is before fully rising again.She can destroy this world and built it but she has to figure that herself.**

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MILANI

I swear the anger that washes over me is strong enough to even think about killing my own brother. Inga hasn't left her alone ever since Louisa died they spend most of their days glued to each other. I am jealous for real I should have gotten her first if I knew that crown was mine. I am watching them sitting outside laughing I hear footsteps coming and I look behind me it's Letitia.

Her: Get over her.



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**my mother gasped as her and the woman stared at each other. I watch my mother fall down and the woman disappeared. Everything was rotating as guards ran inside the room my head was spinning I didn't want to let her go but I had to.**

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**LIONA**

**I was having a good nap on the couch when I heard roaring water first I thought I was dreaming until someone shook me.**

**Siba:Lili you have to see this.**

**I walk out and I am shocked to what I am seeing. The yard is flooded with water and it is roaring it's outside the yard neighbours are looking at their flooded yards in shock.**

**Uzile:Now this is witchcraft.**

**Me:It's a defence mechanism that I know at least nothing is burning.**

**Oza:You are doing this?**

**Me:Oh no! Something is wrong Diamond!**

**I take my phone and call Diamond it rings but no one answers it. We're all busy calling.**

**Siba:Guys calm down she had a seizure.**

**Mrs Beoana:Who had a seizure? What on earth is going on here? Why is there water everywhere?**

**Mr Beoana stands behind and indicates not to tell her.**

**Nino:Mommy stop loving news do you want a cup of coffee?**

**Mrs Beoana:Yes Baby. Did I really sleep that long that I didn't hear the rain.**

**Mr Beoana:You were exhausted my love.**

**He pulls her back inside the house.**

**Siba:We need to get to the hospital.Fast.**

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**LETITIA**

I had to get up and fight because no one was going to do it for me. Louisa is dead and she's not coming but as for Noreen she's good as dead. I find Hermione pacing up and down.

Me: It wasn't the right target but it's a jackpot.

Her: Bullshit! Do you know her sister-in-law? The Queen of Manobi?

Me: That child? Of course I do.

Her: That is no child she sent the queen of hell back to its creator. What do you think she will do to me?

Now it all made sense why she wanted nothing to do with Noreen.

Me: We will deal with that later we have pressing matters.

Her: That little queen what about her?

Me: What did you do to her?

She looks at me confused.

Her: What are you talking about?



**Me:Hermione this is no time for joking.**

**Her:I did nothing.**

**Me:Right now she's in hospital she was in Milani's room.**

**Her:What?Milani was alone in that room.**

**Me:With her.**

**Her:That is impossible she wasn't there!**

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LIONA

Something was different about this morning as we sat in Diamond's hospital room. She was awake talking with us. My body reacted as she tried to stand up and I immediately touch. Something hums the moment I touch her I can feel it going to my fingers making me hold her tighter.

Her: Your hair and eyes.

Everyone is looking at me shocked as I take my phone out they are white.

Me: That is odd. Did you do this?

Her: No.

Huh?

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KING ZALEM

We sat in silence no one talked at all I was deep in my thoughts about everything. Noreen is being transported to her home and there's absolutely nothing I can do about that. Letitia walks in looking refreshed.

Her:You look like there's a lemon stuck in your throats cheer up it is so early.

Me:Cheer up for what?Everything is falling apart and you expect us to cheer up.

Her:You lost the right to talk to me like that the moment that witch wife of yours killed my baby!

Lola:My mother is no witch!

Her:And I don't remember talking to you little girl! will slap you so bad and your momma wouldn't do nothing about it.

Me:Letitia stop! They are your kids as much as Inga Charlotte and Alu are!

Her:In hell maybe dear husband tha-

The guards hurry inside and whisper something to Inga sitting in silence on his throne.

Him:That is impossible! Let them in!

Me:What is going on?

Him:This I got to see.

He stands up the doors are opened wide as the people enter. Letitia almost falls off her chair in shock I immediately stand up so fast. They enter quietly and bow before Inga. Diamond and Liona walk in just in time. It goes silent as we all stare at each other not saying anything at all. Letitia looks pale well she does have a lot of explanation. I know this is hell just starting.

Him: Well guards get chairs we have guests!

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Everyone settles down in silence not one word is said Letitia is trying her best to avoid all these people's gazes.

Queen Khosi: Our own betrayer.

She says that looking at Letitia.

Alu: Is it me or I am seeing people who look like Mom?

Queen Khosi: It is because I am your grandmother.

Everyone gasps.

Liona: I just happen to be your aunt.

Inga: Oh mother no wonder you wanted to destroy the river.

**Queen Khosi:Hello there my daughter.**

**Letitia:I am not your daughter.**

**Inga:Mommy issues.**

**Queen Khosi:Just because you were never chosen to be a queen of Black Waters and you resented your sister for that.I still stand by the ancestors**

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**Letitia:Look at me Mother and that precious daughter of yours who's queen? You should have died when that kingdom fell.**

**Queen Khosi:No baby girl you are going to die and I will be here watching that happen.**

**Letitia:We shall see won't we?**

**Queen Khosi laughs shaking her head.**

**Queen Khosi:Greet Hermione for me tell her to come over for lunch.**

**Letitia spits and walks out.**

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**LETITIA**

**Me:**This is not happening no no no!

**Mila:**You have been saying that for the past 20 minutes.

**Me:**Hlubikazi Mother is here.

**Hlubi:**It finally rose?

**Me:**They are here! This is ruining our plans we need to act fast!

There's hissing coming towards the room Hermione enters.

**Her:**Well something feels different.

**Me:**Khosi is here.

**Her:**About time I was starting to get worried.

**Me:**This changes everything.

**Her:**If you don't calm down there's a whole entire kingdom that is going to make sure your little queen doesn't get pregnant until further notice.

**Me:Exactly!**

**Her:Killing is our own way out forcing the little queen in a tight spot and prepare some fertility herbs for her we need to move fast or they will think of something.**

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**DIAMOND**

**Seeing white lion kingdom people roaming around us has to be the most intense thing that could ever happen to us. There are cameras everyday capturing every detail.The week didn't want to end at all.**



**Nino:Are you sure?**

**Me:Yes.**

**We were arguing about Liona's young sibling I had to admit that the man was handsome. We haven't been properly introduced but I have eyes.**

**Nino:He is hot hot.And they are coming.**

**Liona and him bow before me.**

**Liona:Mond this is my brother Hlomla little brother this is the queen of Zalem and Black Waters Diamond Beoana.**

**Him:Your Majesty.**

**He takes my hand and kisses it.**

**Liona:This is Her Majesty sister to the queen Princess Ninothando.**

**Me:It is nice to finally meet you Prince Hlomla.**

**Him:I have to admityou are one fine queen alright. Those dimples beauty marks and face.**

**Liona:Hlomla you are her uncle in-law and is definitely not going to fall for you.**

As if on cue Inga comes and holds my waist.

Inga:Can't I at least get a quickie?

I laugh and they look at us confused.

Nino:Hubby and wifey very annoying.

Me:Leave us alone Nino. Excuse me.

Inga:My uncle's eyes are stuck on you.

Me:He fancies me.

Inga:And he's never going to get you.

He leans forward kissing my lips

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kissing my lips someone coughs and my body goes cold as Milani stands not so far.

**Me:Milani.**

**Him:Your Highness.**

**Inga:How is your mom?**

**Him:Finecan I pass?**

**He didn't even wait for an answer but passes.**

**Inga:He is mad.**

**A guard comes and whispers something to him.**

**Inga:I have to go.**

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**BUHLE**

**I was sitting in the kitchen with Letitia and Charlotte when Diamond walked in. The maids bow as she makes herself something to eat in silence.**

**Letitia:This kitchen is full of servants to serve you.**

**Her:I have eyes I can see.**

I gasp at her she has guts to do that to Letitia.

Letitia:You have a very sharp mouth for a young queen.

Her:You have a mouthful for an ageing queen.

Letitia:Do you have a problem with me Diamond?

Her:Queen Diamond mother in-law.

Letitia looks at her and shakes her head walks out followed by Charlotte.

Me:That was intense.

Her:You are going to make a great mom.

My heart beats wildly.

Me:Please don't tell him I need to keep this a secret until everything settles down.

Her:Don't get comfortable around Letitia Buhle.

I want to tell her that I made a deal with Milani.

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**MILANI**

I hit the wall the anger I have deep in me has me crashing my room. I look at the broken things around and fall on my knees I feel the tears falling on my face. Why does loving someone hurts this bad? Why can't she just be mine? Why can't she just choose me? There's a knock outside but I don't answer the person gasps the moment they enter. I hear them approaching I can smell the woman fragrance as she brushes my back.

**Her:** I am here now my love.

I pause and turn around to look at her. No!

**Me:** Lupe?

**Her:** I am home.

**No ways!**

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**MILANI**

I still cannot fathom that Lupe is here lying on my bed alive! A knock echoes as I stand watching her.

**Me:**Come in.

I suddenly regret saying come in as Lupe wakes up and Diamond walks in. Wasn't I angry? Why do I suddenly feel guilty? Lupe covers herself in embarrassment.

**Diamond:**Oh Prince Milani you should have told me to wait sorry miss.

**Lupe:**Your Highness I am sure he didn't know it was you.

**Diamond:**We have met before?

**Lupe:**I am Lupe Day Your Highness.

Diamond's reaction was priceless like she already knows who is she.

Diamond:Soulmates do find a way to each other don't they?

Me:Umm Your Majesty can I help you?

Diamond:Can I steal him for a second?

Lupe:YesYour Highness.

I follow Diamond as she walks out.

Me:I really didn't know she was going to come back.

Diamond:I wanted to ask about your mother actually.

Me:She is going to be if there's change I will tell you.

Diamond:Don't mind that I will go to Manobi myself.

She walks away leaving me with a heavy heart.

I walk back inside the room.

**Lupe:**She is very pretty too bad she won't be queen for that long.

**Me:**What is that suppose to mean?

**Lupe:**Inga is sitting on your throne his mother made sure I wasn't accepted so I can sink in that damn river she knew I was the next queen of Zalem.

**Me:**She is the queen whether I take my throne or don't.

**Lupe:**Of Black Waters not Zalem Inganathi is not the king of Zalem. He is your brother I get it but that's your inheritance not his.

**Me:**Can we talk about us other than my inheritance?

**Lupe:**We will talk about it sooner or later because Letitia and her son along with her daughter in-laws need to leave.

Oh dear God can you hear me now?

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**INGANATHI**

Diamond was awfully quiet as we walked to the the dining room. We find Lupe and Milani laughing as they both sat down we sit down.

**Me:**Lupe.



**Her:Your Highness.**

**Me:Thank God you are back**

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**you are back Milani over there was acting like a pregnant woman already.**

**Buhle and Diamond stare at each other.**

**Her:The love we have for each other is unshakable.**

**We get served as we all sat Buhle stands up Diamond's hand is wrapped around hers.**

**Diamond:Can we have a moment of silence please? Thank you.**

**Buhle:First thank you Diamond for keeping this a secret.I have news great news too. I am pregnant.**

**Mom:What?**

**We all turn to look at hershe looks shocked.**

**Alu:Ma?**

**Mom:I am going to be a grandma!An entire granny.**

**I stand up and hug Buhle this is amazing I am going to be a father. Oh damn!**

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**LETITIA**

**She cannot be pregnant this ruins everything!**

**Hlubi:What is wrong with you?**

**Me:I will be back.**

**I walk out and head to the forest I am in a hurry as I get in Hermione's chamber.**

**Her:You are making me dizzy.**

**Me:Buhle is pregnant.**

**Her:Congratulations?**

**Me:Diamond's child is the one we need hers needs to be the first born.**

**Her:I see kill the child then problem solved.**

**Me:I need something strong then.**

**She takes out a bottle and cuts her finger then squeezes the blood inside.**

**Her:Wait for a month maybemix the blood with water before using it very deadly. How is my daughter treating you?**

**Me:Lupe is not trying anything yet.**

**Her:Because she's trying to win Diamond.**

**I grab the bottle.**

**Me:Your daughter is persistent I will kill her.**

**Her:Like I told you years ago.**

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**LETITIA**

**I was sitting in my room when Diamond just barged in.**

**Me:You knock.**

**Her:Motherwe have a problem.**

**Me:We?**

**Her:Lupe.**

**Me:Her?**

**Her:She has brainwashed Milani into fighting for his throne and we both know that Inga won't make it.**

**Me:You are Liona's heir that shouldn't bother you.**

**Her:I don't mind Milani being king except her I don't want her as queen.**

**Me:Do you have a problem with her?**

**Her:Her being queen is my problem.**

**Me:She looks harmless.**

**Her:Like you.**

**Me:Why would I help you?**

**Her:You owe me.**

**I laugh this child thinks I owe her like really.**

**Me:Since when?**

**Her:Hermione wouldn't even help you or your daughter Maze?**

**I freeze and look at her.**

**Her:**I know a lot of things you wouldn't want people to know imagine them out in the open I would have no choice but sentence you to death.

**Me:**Are you threatening me?

**Her:**Would never you owe me because we both don't want Lupe to rule because we know what will happen if she does.Letitia do something to get rid off her.

**Me:**You want me to kill her? Are you hearing yourself? There's something else why would you specifically ask me to do something to her only?

**Her:**Isn't she Midgard's sister? Just trap her or something I don't care I am trying to keep my husband alive for now he has a child on the way.Do something about itnot kill her though.

**Me:**I happen to have the perfect idea.

The moment she walks out I take the bottle and pour the blood in the two litre then mix it with water.I wonder why would she ask me for help when she knows I want her dead?

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**LIONA**

**Me:**Diamond this could backfire.

**Her:**I have seen what Lupe will doBuhle is pregnant Liona and I wouldn't be able to live with myself knowing I could have done something to make sure Inga doesn't die.

**Me:Asking Letitia to help you is suicide the woman is conniving and manipulative.**

**Her:You have to trust me on this one.**

**Someone knocks at the door**

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**the woman is conniving and manipulative.**

**Her:You have to trust me on this one.**

**Someone knocks at the doorthethe housekeeper opens and Milani walks in.**

**Me:Sorry I forgot he wanted to talk to me.**

**Her:Let me leave then.**

**She waits for him to pass.**

**Him:Diamondplease.**

**Her:**I am not saying don't want what belongs to you but consider the innocent child on the way. What would you tell your niece? That you killed their father?

**Him:**Dia-

**Her:**Queen Diamond Prince Milani. Be consideratethere is a lot at stake if you kill your brother and I will not forgive you.

She walks out pushing him out of the way.He huffs and sits down.

**Him:**She already told you everything that I know.

**Me:**I know you are questioning yourself if what I said is trueit is because the future of Zalem lies in your hands.Diamond is emotionally attached to a child which is not even born.

**Him:**I know Lupe came with this the wrong way Letitia has ruined us preparing for Inga I can't help myself but be jealous of him.

**Me:**Because he has Diamond not you? Milani if really you guys are meant to be togetherthen the ancestors will do something about it.

**Him:**I was determined to challenge my own brother for her.

**Me:**They are bonded and their love is meant to be foreverit will be tricky to turn them against each other especially at this stage.

**Him:**Then Lupe.



**Me: I can't tell you everything about your future but a cheetah never changes its spots and an apple doesn't fall far from the tree.**

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**LETITIA**

**I poured three spoons of the mix in her food and watched the maid take the food to her. I hurriedly follow the maid to the dining room. Lupe is sitting opposite me she's staring at me so I just wink leaving her confused. Throughout the lunch everyone is just quiet Diamond and Milani are the only ones not around I wonder. Buhle screams.**



**Me:On dinner just keep everyone here and ask the guards to search in every room.That is what I call killing two birds with one stone.**

**Her:One day.**

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**MILANI**

**Lupe:I still can't believe someone would do something like this.**

**Me>Welcome to Zalem.**

**Soldiers go around closing the entrances and exits the servants are here in the room.Diamond walks in looking frustrated and angry.**

**Her:I have asked the soldiers to keep all of you here while other soldiers search each and every room for what killed Buhle's baby. I don't want to hear any arguments or complaints until the search is fully done.**

**Everyone gasps**

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**Her:**This was found in your roomyou have no shame Miss Day.

**Me:**She would never do that.

**Her:**I don't remember you being her lawyer Prince Milani. Miss Day come willingly or it won't end well for you.

**Lupe:**I didn't do this! Milani tell them I didn't do this.

**Her:**High treason it is. Take her.

She tries to run but the guards catch her and pull her.

**Me:**Your Majesty Lupe didn't do this.

**Letitia:**Be her lawyer and prove to Zalem she didn'tafter all you're the only one who knows her not us.

**Me:**I wouldn't be surprised if this is all your work.

**Inga:**No Macmillan you are overstepping my mother maybe horrible but she wouldn't do that.

**Her:**Calm the hell down we will figure this out.

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**MILANI**

**There are spells keeping her from coming close this hurts more than when I believed she was dead. It has been only four days and she doesn't really look good.**

**Her:I know I came strong about wanting the throne I know I have done worse things but this one I didn't do this Milani.**

**Her tears pierce my heart as I sit down in pain.**

**Me:Again I have failed I have failed to protect you.**

**Her:**Nonodon't ever say that again.You've done a lot for meI mean I shouldn't have poked Letitia again.

**Me:**I promise you I will make her pay.

**Her:**Stay away from her if you don't want to end up here.

**Guard:**Time over Your Majesty.

**Me:**It is barely half an hour.

**Guard:**She is a high risk criminal Your Highness.

**Her:**Whatever happens know that I love you.

**Me:**I love you.

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I knock at the door and a faint voice tells me to come in. I find her in front of her laptop.

**Her:**Put the box next to others.

I stand still and she looks up.

**Her:**Prince Milani how can I help you?

**Me:She didn't do this someone framed her.**

**Her:Bring the proof to court next week then.**

**Me:We know Letitia did this.**

**Her:So I surprise everyone with the search without talking to anyone**

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**no one saw it coming.Does it ever occur to you that your lover is guilty? According to this if Buhle's child grew he or she would be the next ruler whether you take your place or don't. Lupe just happened to want the crown so bad.**

**Me:What happened to you Diamond? One moment you knew that Letitia was capable of doing things like this but now you don't.**

**Her:You want me to take your word?**

**Me:Don't you trust me?**

**For the first time in these few weeks something moves in her eyes but quickly mask it.**

**Her:I stopped long time ago.**



Ouch.

Me:Did you ever love me? Why didn't you choose me?

Her eyes tear up but she quickly wipes it as a knock echoes. Inga walks in.

Inga:I didn't know you weren't alone.

Me:Let me leave.

Inga:Milani can you please sit down?

I didn't want to argue so I just sat downhe kisses her which annoys me.

Inga:YesI lost my child and that doesn't give me any right to snap on anyone. I am sorry Milani you have all the reasons to think it's my mom and I believe you might be right.

Her:Why would your mom kill your child?

Inga:She wants you pregnant not Buhle let's not act surprised I know who is Liona. I know what power lies in your womb.

We all sit in silence.

Her:I know you know.

**Me:What does this mean for Lupe?**

**Inga:She ca-**

**Her:Will stay in prison until further notice.**

**Inga:Diamond.**

**Her:This is no longer about you here Buhle is lying on her bed knowing that Lupe killed her child and you want to torment her.**

**Me:She didn't do thi-**

**Her:Bring the damn proof until then she's going stay in that prison.**

**Inga:We didn't agree on that Diamond.**

**Her:Hey you decided on brotherhood as for me on facts so please don't tell me that.**

**Inga:Dia-**

**She stands and walks out.**

**We look at each other for a moment and burst out laughing.**

**LUPE**

**Damn I was stupid I have done terrible things but I didn't kill that child I would never do that. These spells were burning me when I come close to the bars and windows Letitia was prepared. It is freezing here there are no blankets. The cell opens Letitia walks in with blankets and the guards give me my food. I jump and eat the food so fast because I haven't eaten in six days.**

**Letitia: Would you look at that fall rise and fall. Such a waste.**

**Me: This is not over for you.**

**Letitia:It is for you. Her Majesty is being pressured to have you executed.**

**My body goes cold.**

**Me:I didn't do this!**

**Letitia:Oh trust me she knows it's just that she wanted you out of the way and as a good fairy godmother I granted her the wish.**

**Me:She is not like you!**

**Letitia:Isn't that cute? Fighting for the same person who wants you to rot here?**

**Me:I will kill you Letitia!**

**Letitia:Unlike your brother Midgard you can't touch me but I can.**

**She steps closer my body is weak as I scream in agony. I can see the blurry handprints on my thighs as I fell into the darkness.**

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**DIAMOND**

**I just cannot believe I stoop this low to get what I wantBuhle lost a baby because of me. Yes I got what I wanted but at the expense of others' pain. I can't even face Buhle anymoreI thought I was prepared**

but this is beyond what I had imagined. There are no tears to cry at all.

Khosi: I have been quiet for long because trust me I know what I gave birth to.

Me: I really underestimated her.

Khosi: Because she looked excited about having a grandchild forgetting that she's the best international actress. Being Queen is the most hardest thing ever your kind soul gets tainted because no one is playing by the rules.

Me: I don't want to play dirty in order to make things right I want to set an example.

Khosi: Are you going to tell killers to stop killing? As for rapists to stop lusting? You can't change everything but you can make a difference

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I want to set an example.

Khosi: Are you going to tell killers to stop killing? As for rapists to stop lusting? You can't change everything but you can make a difference no one needs to know how exactly did you do it. Execute people with whatever proof you make throw everyone in the fire to make your enemies fear but still keep your innocent kind face for the world and your people. White lions don't play fair when it comes to their den difference is Letitia wants every den out here.

She gives me a hug and kiss on my forehead before heading back inside the castle.

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**BUHLE**

I don't know if I am in a dream or this is reality. I was planning to surprise Inga with the gender. My baby girl would have been the most protected princess she would have had Diamond as a mentor and godmother she would have had a very amazing father an amazing mother and aunts. I would have made sure that she was happy then someone decides to take her away from me. Oh why dear lord? My baby! My eyes hurt so bad there are no tears left. I have been cooped up in my room for the past few days. I suddenly a baby crying.

**Me:** Baby where are you?

The baby cry echoes in the entire room.

**Me:** Please come to your Mom I promise I won't let you leave me right now. Please.

I feel arms wrap around me it takes time for me to go quiet and look at her. I never thought she could be my biggest shoulder to cry on.

**Her:** I am here please next time find me so we can cry together. Okay?

I just nod as she holds me tighter.

**Her:** My mother the very much beautiful Sesihle Beoana used to sing a very terrible song. Want to hear it?

**I nod.**

**Her:You look so ugly when you cry no one will marry you and they will dump you. So ugly when you cry but I love you anyway.**

**Me:That is bad.**

**Her:It is what made us laugh while crying.**

**Me:My mother would shout at you for even crying but cries after.**

**Her:Look if you want to go home you can do that no one will stop you.**

**Me:I need to face my problems.**

**Her:You look so ugly when you cry no one will marry you and they will dump you. So ugly when you cry but I love you anyway.**

**We both laugh.**

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**MILANI**

There are cameras everywhere as we step in the royal court but they are outside the courtroom. Questions are being thrown my way but I have blocked every thing from my ears.I sit in the middle of the crowd in silence. Everyone settles in as the royal family is announced Letitia is the first to enter dressed to kill followed by Inga. Diamond is the last to enter in a suit holding her body just right. No! I shake my head as we bow. The judge enters and we all sit in silence.

Solicitor:This is a case against Lupe Day she is being accused of high treason by the royal family. A poison that killed Queen Buhle's unborn baby was found in her room.

Judge:How does she plead?

Lawyer:Not guilty Your Honour.

The lawyer I found for her was highly recommended but I still had no hope.



**Judge:Let's begin then.**

**I zoned out the moment the royal lawyer spoke the way he was saying things he definitely sounded like Letitia.There were even witnesses that saw Lupe in the kitchen that day which surprises me because she was with me.**

**Lawyer:I would like to call Prince Milani to the stand.**

**Everyone whispers as I walk to the front Lupe looks so hollow but she gives me a smile. They make me swear and sit down. The royal lawyer looks at his papers before standing up.**

**Him:How well do you know Miss Day?**

**Me:Well enough to know she would never kill a child.**

**Him:Is true that you are in a relationship with her?**

**Me:It is.**

**Him:And you would do anything for her?**

**Me:Yes.**

**Him:Even she kills a child you would do anything for her?**

**Lawyer:Objection!That is uncalled for and my client is innocent until proven guilty!**

**Judge:Refrain from asking questions like that councillor.**

**Him:I apologise Your Honour. Prince Milani please explain to me why there was a bottle of poison in her room?**

**Me:That is a mystery because according to the proof given to her lawyer we weren't in the castle the night before and during the day until dinner when the accident happens.**

**The lawyer looks shocked I catch Letitia looking pissed.**

**Lawyer:I submitted the proof Your Honour I am sure my colleague didn't look at it.**

**Him:I didn't receive any email.**

**Judge:Councillors in my chambers now! Court is adjourned!**

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**LETITIA**

**Me:Damn it! How the hell did that happen?**

**Her:Simpleto make things hard for the judge have Buhle dead.**

**Me:**No Hermione that is risky.

**Her:**Who said anything about you doing it? She is emotionally and physically exhausted so just tell her it was her fault and she would do the rest. Make sure she leaves a letter where she points to Lupe she might even mention that Lupe promised to bring her something delicious.

**Me:**Ohhhthat sound just right.I will be back.

I walk out and head to Buhle's room I don't even knock I find her reading.

**Me:**You!

**Buhle:**Me?

**Me:**This is all your fault

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I don't even knock I find her reading.

**Me:**You!

**Buhle:**Me?

**Me:**This is all your fault I lost my grandchild.

**Buhle:**I didn't poison my baby!

**Me:**You might as well have done that!Since when you eat food without being tasted huh? I lost my grandchild all because of your stupidity and blindness. You deserve to die that poison should have killed.

**Buhle:**That is not true I would never intentionally hurt my baby.

**Me:**You ate a cake that Lupe bought for you as a gift and look where we are now.

**Buhle:**What?How come I don't remember this?

**Me:**Because you are stupid I believed that you were a better partner for my son because you are a princess I was wrong. You are a murderer just like Lupe! You both belong in hell! Trust I am going to make sure you rot in hell you are going to die the way you killed my grandchild.

**Buhle:**I am sorry for trusting Lupe I shouldn't have eaten that cake I am so sorry.

Oh poor child she thinks she ate cake? She really is broken at least she will rest in peace if my plan works.

**Me:**Hang yourself that will be better.

I walk out of her room wiping the fake tears off my eyes.

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**BUHLE**

**I tie the rope around the fan and I start writing. Letitia is right I deserve to die I ate that cake willingly and didn't do what royal people do. I put the paper on the bed and climb the chair. The fan is hanging on the ceiling and has a button on the side to turn it on. The rope lays on my neck the baby cries are making me deaf as I turn the fan on it pulls me up until my feet away from the chair. First I struggle but then I remember.**

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**DIAMOND**

I really can't sleep so I just walk out of the castle. I find Milani standing outside so I just turn to go back.

**Him:**I never imagined that one day you would hate me.

**Me:**I don't hate you.

**Him:**You can't stand me I get it but I have to protect Lupe.

**Me:**I don't remember arguing with you about that.

**Him:**I think you did catch some feelings Diamond.

**Me:**Sex was great Milani there.

He laughs a genuine laugh making me smile.

**Him:**You acting so uncaring is very cute you know that? Such a turn on.

**Me:**Turn off if you keep talking.

He steps closer I just look at him.

Him:We will end up together in the end just keep sleeping with my brother for now my love after all he has two wives. Liona told you that we will end up together and trust me we will.

Me:She is selling you dreams.

Him:Yet you are breathing different right now.

He places a hand on my stomach.

Him:Something is pulling my hand so I just decide to.

I gasp as his hand touches between my legs. My head spins for a moment I see someone hanging. I hold my head and the image is clear as my body goes cold.

Him:Diamond!

Me:Buhle!Buhle is ha-ning help her.

I feel light as he holds me.

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INGANATHI

I hear shouting I turn to touch on my side Diamond is not here. The door is pushed open Milani walks in with an unconscious Diamond

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I jump.

Me:What happened?

Him:She collapsed outside luckily I was there too.

He puts her on the bed.

Him:Shiit.

Me:What?

Him:She said something about Buhle hanging.

I don't even ask as I jump and run to her room with Milani following me. The door is lock so I ask the guards to break.

Me:Nono Buhle please don't do this to me.



**The guards cut her down I just try to do the CPR but she is not breathing.**

**Me:Please don't do this to me.**

**Him:Brother please let her go she's gone.**

**I just sit on the floor holding her in my arms.**

**Me:She is not dead she can't die I was just learning to love her more.Buhle please.**

**I finally let her go as the paramedics arrived they declared her dead just maybe I am cursed. Why everything like this is happening to me? I am receiving shots everywhere I shouldn't have taken this crown! I can't stop thinking about her body hanging the moment I walked in her room.**

**Mom:I am really sorry my son I understand how she felt our mistake was thinking she would be fine.There are times when I wanted to kill myself when Louisa was killed but then I remember that I have three more children.**

**This woman here makes me sick so I just walk out leaving her acting like she didn't kill her own grandchild deep in me I know she did this.**

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**DIAMOND**

I blame myself for not checking her before I went to sleep maybe she would have been alive. How did this turn so wrong? There are screams of her siblings and mother this is worse than Louisa's funeral. I barely cried during this time because this is all my fault I don't deserve to cry at all. I left in the middle of the funeral and went back to the castle I just couldn't stand this. I went straight to her room it looks very clean. I see a shadow standing next to the window.

**Me:**Buhle?

She looks so pretty in her white dress.

**Her:**You were my very first best friend.

**Me:**I am really sorry.



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I spot Letitia sitting on a chair by herself so I walk over and sit next her.

Me:Zalem is cursed.

Her:You can say that again.

Me:I give it you though making someone believe whatever you say. You had her dancing to your own tune.

Her:I am not following you.

Me:You had Buhle believing she ate some cake she got from Lupe so she could leave a well organized evidence against her.

She tensed up before composing herself.

Her:I don't know what you are talking about.

Me:Oh you do you are just shocked that I know you told her to hang herself. That was your second mistake Letitia soon you will be dancing to my tune. One thing you should know about me is that no matter what I do not back down. Watch and learn!

I leave her shocked and disappear in the crowd.

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**MILANI**

Yes I was sad for my brother but things have taken a very drastic turn. Buhle apparently left a suicide note literally pointing to Lupe I just couldn't believe how fast this has accelerated. Just after her funeral we had to be back in court and we have been all sitting here with no sign of the judge or the queen. Letitia Inga and the rest of the family were sitting impatiently. After almost an hour the judge arrives.

**Judge:** Court is adjourned until further notice due to Her Royal Highness's strict instructions. She will be addressing the media in two hours so be prepared. Adjourned!

Huh?

Everyone is left confused.

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**INGANATHI**

**Mom:** Diamond cannot just decide to brief the media without consulting any of us.

**Me:** She is the queen not us it is clear she doesn't need any of our consultation.

**Mom:** Your wife is literally doing whatever she wants and you have nothing to say.

**Me:** Calm down you are the only one complaining about this as if she's going to expose you.

**Lola:**I hope whatever she says will save Lupe.

**Mom:**Over my dead body I will kill Lupe myself then!

**Me:**Ma!!

**Mom:**I don't care! She killed my grandchild! Drove my daughter in-law to suicide!Trust me I will kill her!

**Milani:**You will follow her.

**Sona:**Can everyone keep quiet? The briefing is about to start.

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MILANI

Again I really need to stop admiring her all the time.

Inga:She even has a new hairstyle she is about to braai us.

Lola:Shhh.

Her:Greeting to all Zalem citizens.This briefing came as a surprise but it is something that needs to be addressed. Not so long ago we suffered a loss we lost our future heir and Queen Buhle in a blink of an eye. We cannot even express how much it hurts but we will keep her in our memories. Let's give them a moment of silence of two minutes with our eyes close and hold each other's hands.

I feel a hand touch mine I look at Inga and smile weakly he looks like he's about to cry.

Her:Thank you.It has come to everyone's attention that there's a suspect to this case evidence is perfectly laid against her. Yes the evidence is very convincingI am not arguing with this. Then on Buhle's funeral something reminded me that I was a medical student and there are never coincidences.I asked a pathologist to check out the evidence fortunately there are new developments in the evidence.We found someone else's fingerprints on the first evidence I won't dwell on that. Miss Day will remain in cells because she is safe there from whoever is trying to frame her for a crime she didn't commit. Thank you.

Everyone is stunned at this

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I won't dwell on that. Miss Day will remain in cells because she is safe there from whoever is trying to frame her for a crime she didn't commit. Thank you.

Everyone is stunned at this I am the first to stand up and hurry to the cells. Lupe is standing looking at the TV in shock.

Lupe: I am clear!

Me: She knew what she was doing all along. Thank God you are off.

Lupe: I didn't kill that child!

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LETITIA

I watch as the journalists leave the castle I am more than pissed as I wait for her to come down and she finally comes down.

Me: What on earth was that?



**Inga:Lower your tone when talking to my wife Mother.**

**Me:She is letting Lupe go! Do you hear yourself?**

**Her:She is staying in prison until we know whose fingerprints are those.**

**Me:You should have consulted the elders.**

**Her:The same elders that hate Milani and agreed with you that you should drown Lupe? They agree on whatever you want that is not my council but yours.**

**Me:Those are very deep accusations Diamond you should know better.**

**Her:Factsthose are facts you know are true.**

**Me:So all of a sudden I am a bad guy? We planned this together.**

**Her:Oh please do tell everyone what we planned I am sure everyone wants to know. Humour me.**

**I look at everyone she had me right on track and I can't continue.**

**Me:I guess there's no need for you to have the same council I understand a queen should follow their heart.**

**I literally sit down because for now I am defeated.**

**Her:Checkmate.Now watch who is going to pay for your sins.**

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**DIAMOND**

**I literally dug myself a grave questions were being thrown my way courtesy of Letitia Zalem. Everyone wanted to know about the fingerprints unfortunately there was none I just made a suicide attempt and it has everyone by the tits. I was standing in front of the royal school when I saw a shadow standing next to me.**

**Him:**You are a very mysterious queen indeed people can't even see your move until you make it.

**Me:**I will take that as a compliment Prince Hlomla.

**Him:**Just call me Hlomla Your Highness.

**Me:**Unfortunately you can't do the same.

**Him:**You are more like the ruler and Inga follows you.

**Me:**We follow each other.

**Him:**Because you guys are mates it doesn't mean you have to stick together.

**Me:**I happen to know that but I chose him didn't I?

**Him:**Can leave him.

**Me:**Prince Hlomla you are going to piss me off and like you said I am very unpredictable so don't test waters with me.I won't be so pretty anymore.

**Milani:**Is everything okay here?

**Me:**I think Hlomla over here needs some beauty sleep don't you?

He looks scared because I know my eyes are white he nods before running away.

**Milani:I heard everything**

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**he is charmed.**

**Me:I don't care.**

**It goes silent.**

**Milani:Thank you.**

**Me:You welcome.**

**Part of me wanted to keep Lupe spell bound in that prison.**

**Milani:Diamond?**

**Me:Huh?**

**Milani:I do not know how to tell you this.**

**Me:Shoot your shot.**

**Milani:I try but I just can't forget you at all there are times when I am with Lupe I suddenly think about you.I thought I would at least forget you instead it is worse.**

**A cough interrupts us making me jump.**

**Her:Your Highness.**

**I just hug her.**

**Siba:And me?**

**Me:I missed you.**

**Siba:Mils there's something I want to show you.**

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**LUPE**

**I am little happy that I am treated better now I am not spell bound anymore.I hear heels clicking I look up as she comes to my cell. They open it and put a chair for her to sit on. I can't believe I was willingly to turn brothers against each other.**

**Me:I am really sorry for how I acted towards you.**

**Her:Thing of the past.**

**Me:And you are the only one that managed to prove my innocence.**

**Her:I lied.**

**Me:Huh?Wait what do you mean?**

**Her:I lied about the fingerprints there is nothing that proves your innocence.**

**Me:You said on the ne-**

**Her:I lied what I said was pure lies.**

**Me:What?Why?**

**Her:I can do whatever in whatever way I want.The thing is I need something from you.**

**Me:Me?What is that?**

**Her:Your Mother's chambers whereabouts lastly your home.**

**Me:I swore an oath to never tell.**

**Her:I thought as much that's why I made sure everything is in order to arrest Milani in your place and have him executed tomorrow.**

**Me:You can't do that!**

**Her:I just lied to international TV what makes you think I can't do this?**

**Me:I will tell you I will tell you.**

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**DIAMOND**

**Liona:If this backfires you are dead I hope Lupe didn't lie about her not being in her chambers at this time. Don't make a mistake.**

**Me:**I heard you.

**Liona:**Here is the tree.

I touch the snake print and it opens showing doors leading down.I walk down the stairs there lights making the stairs noticeable.I can't believe the beauty of this place.The water looks so black and thick I don't know why but I find myself putting my hand in the water. All of a sudden I am standing in front of an iron gate on what looks like an old bridge. There are houses everywhere people dressed in dirty clothes I look around and see a very high mountain blocking anything else. I gasp when I feel something cold touch my neck I shake my head and move away from the water.

**Liona:**You were taking too long.We need to leave. Pour that thing in the water.

I pour whatever is in that bottle and we run out of the chamber.

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**HERMIONE**

**Me:**You are telling me that you were played by an amateur.

**Her:**I really didn't see this coming.

**Me:**Wait did we leave this open?

**Her:**No.



I rush inside trying to sniff but there's nothing at all.I put my hand in the water but nothing shows.

Me:Someone was here! Someone intruded in my chambers! My children find them.

I spit in the water and it roars before going silent. I wait until it clears the huge iron gates stand in front of us.

Her:What does this mean?

Me:Someone knows how to find Midlands the gates to Midlands have been found.

Her:This is bad.

Me:Somehow whoever did this knew how to cover their tracks. Damn it! Make sure security is tight until we find whoever!

Who the hell did this?

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LETITIA

I really don't know how the hell are we suppose to find this intruder on the other side Diamond seem to be digging pot holes on my routines.I want her dead but have to refrain from doing anything like. I haven't seen Khosi

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**Hlomla** Liona and most probably Lufezo is in Manobi checking on his much awake favourite wife. I could care less I have bigger issues to face. I am watching them fighting trust me this the first time I am seeing this. Diamond stands still and slaps the living hell out of Inga everyone decides to intervene well they are fighting over dinner. I come out of the darkness and rush to them like the mother I am.

**Me:**What on earth is going on here?

I have to give it to Diamond she gives hell of a good slap Inga's face is red.

**Charlotte:**You might consider asking dear brother to explain because from what I heard he is wrong.

**Diamond:**Bloody selfish bastard! You think I don't want to be a mother?

**Inga:**There is no need to talk about this in front of everyone.

**Diamond:**You literally attacked me in front of everyone when you said that sometimes women are selfish they don't try to avoid stress and don't look out for things that could kill their children.

**Inga:**I wasn't atta-

**Diamond:**Right after what the doctor explained about what happened to me you suddenly have remarks like that. Inganathi do I look stupid to you? Speaking indirectly about me doesn't mean I won't catch it.

**Me:Inganathi you were being rude and since when do you know how pregnancy feels like? Are you a woman? Since when did you hear any of us shame men using their manhood? You are being a hypocrite right now and she should give you more slaps let her go.**

**One thing I hate is men commenting nasty things about women while they have no idea what she went through emotionally and physically when pregnant.I despise that!**

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**INGANATHI**

**I was wrong but I was so stressed that she didn't even bother telling me that she was once pregnant**

and the child died in her womb. I was too insensitive I knock in her office and someone tells me to enter. I am shocked to come face to face with her twin this really is creepy this guy legit looks like her.

Him: His Royal Arse is asking for an audience.

I hear whispers and he steps away. Well I guess it is family day. Her parents friends siblings Liona and some girls whom I think are the girlfriends are here.

Me: I will come back.

Her: Let me walk you out.

We walk out.

Me: I am really sorry for what I said.

Damn the slap she gives me has me seeing stars.

Her: Love are you okay?

Me: What the hell?

Her: That felt so good trust me I wouldn't mind doing it every day.

Me: You just slapped me again.

**Her:**I am only making myself clear baby boy.

**Me:**Huh?

**Her:**You are not going to lead Zalem like your mother you are not going to fulfill other people's wishes of wanting an heir you are not going to involve other people in our conversations

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because I have a strong personality that doesn't mean ask for backup when facing me. Do it by yourself like when you approached me the first time I take decisions with you but you don't Inganathi. We are married for goodness sake.

**Me:**I am so sorry.

**Her:**I know we will talk about everything else. You have been cooped up listening to the elders pressure you in wanting a child and didn't even see the letter inviting me to my graduation party.

I don't think I heard her clearly as she goes back to her office.

**Me:**Wait are you trying to tell me we are about to finish a year married? I already finished a year being king? What?

**Milani:**And then?

**Me:**I think I did not even see Christmas with all these things happening in this kingdom man I have known Diamond for two years.

**Milani:**Huh?Are you okay?

**Me:**Diamond is finally getting her degree!

**Milani:**She is graduating?

**Me:**Yes!

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**DIAMOND**

**Me:**Look when cleaning the castle or my chamber stop using these strong detergents. Right now I can't even stand my room what you can do you can clean today using them but then tomorrow use nothing at all.

They just nod and I let them go.

**Inga:**Thandolwam.

I don't know how the hell am I suppose to stay mad if he keeps calling me like that.

**Me:**I am trying to operate here.

**Inga:Thando.**

**I look around trying to avoid him.**

**Inga:Wam.**

**His cologne is on me like a blanket as he wraps his arms around me.**

**Me:Let me go.**

**Inga:I love you.**

**Me:I love you too.**

**He turns me around.**

**Inga:Do not ever forget that.**

**He puts my hand on his chest and pushes me up.**

**Lola:Parental guidance advised!PDA.**

**Alu:We will sleep outside because of them.**

**Sona:There are people waiting to dust the frames but the king and queen are making live porn.**

**We all end up laughing anyway.**

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**UNKNOWN**

**I look at the pictures she definitely does look beautiful I have to admit she has grown up.**

**Guard:You!Where is your feather duster to clean those frames?**

**I quickly snatch the feather duster on the floor and get back to my job. No one has notice my existence for months in this castle well I have avoided meeting someone who might recognize me. Am I ready to be known that I am here?**

**[Now Let's guess who is this? Please readers leaving a comment is very appreciated. Makes me wanna drop more than two chapters]**



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Liona:So in this map there's nothing about a longest mountain or tall whatsoever.

Me:We have been looking at these maps for hours so tired and drained.

Liona:Letitia is turning the elders against you isn't she?

Me:The fact Buhle got pregnant first makes them bitter and angry.

Liona:You are not getting any grey hair?

Me:Inganathi and Milani are dealing with them.

Liona:Both?I give it to you.

Me:Mxxm I saw someone yesterday and I don't know if my mind is playing games with me or not.

Liona:What is going on?

Me:I have been monitoring the castle I step in the throne room and I see a man dusting the pictures.

Liona:What did you expect? A woman?

Me:He looks like Shaka.

Liona:Wait what? Is that even possible? That might mean he was also drowned.

Me:Or I am just seeing things who knows? Then he hid himself and lowered his face when he noticed I was there.

Liona:But you look convinced.

Me:I saw the list of employees.

I open the drawer and hand it to her.

Liona:A coincidence?

**Me:** Oh wait I know where is that mountain. How can I forget that story he used to tell me?

**Liona:** Huh?

**Me:** When me and Shaka were in high school not dating well he was trying to impress me. He asked Sasa to invite me for a sleepover.

**Liona:** 2 hours away from home?

**Me:** Anyway I went there he took me to the mountain Liona used to tell me it is a gate to another kingdom.

**Liona:** Wait wait Tafelberg is the biggest mountain but on the other side it is the longest.

I take the map and put it in my drawer as a knock echoes.

**Me:** A moment please. Come in! As I was saying the servants' quarters can fit perfectly on the south side of the castle instead of inside.

**Her:** Why would you want to move them from here inside?

**Me:** I am trying to give them space and privacy

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I did a survey on how they feel about this and all of them agree. They are tired of sneaking around when they want to leave.

Her:Who cares about their personal interest?

Liona:Why would you care? You were born selfish and self centered entitled old hag.

Her:And yet here I am entitled to everything in Zalem and you get nothing no mate wanted you or wait even your crown didn't want you.

Liona:Just like you right sister?

Letitia looks pissed as she stares at Liona.

Liona:Our crowns don't want us just like our mates life can be so tough and short like your common sense.

Oh damn it I want to laugh so badluckily Milani surprise us and walks in without knocking.He is also taken as he stares at the two sisters.

Him:Umm I could come back.

Liona:Oh no Letitia was on her way out weren't you? Right Queen Diamond?

Letitia looks at Liona for the last time and walks out.

Him:Intense.So have you found the mountain?

**Me:**You told him?

**Liona:**Um Mond you can't go alone there.

**Me:**And you told him out of all people?

**Liona:**Well he is your protector.

**Him:**We have to find a way to go therewithout anyone looking for the queen.

**Me:**I'd rather stay herel am not going anywhere with him.

He looks at me and chuckles.

**Him:**She told her husband everything except for the Letitia part so now she will have to tell him that I am coming too. Such a sight.

**Me:**Too bad you are staying here.

**Him:**I will be with you anyway.

**Me:**Bitch.

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**UNKNOWN**

**Him:Bro Queen Diamond is legit.**

**Me:Say that again.**

**Him:She is going to make our own quarters.**

**Me:What?She is still the same Diamond.**

**Him:I can't believe you didn't even date her in highschool because I would have.**

**Me:Only if you knew.**

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DIAMOND

Me:Nathi.

Inga:Mmm.

He turns around and pulls the blanket to cover himself. I just scoot close to him I touch his neck and he removes my hand. He hates being woken up what a king.

Me:Inga.

Him:Diamond let me sleep.

Me:I am cold and I feel like I'm going to cry.

He turns around so fast and looks at me with those sleepy eyes of his.He pulls me to his chest and kiss my headhe wraps the blanket around me.

Him:You good?

**Me:**No.

He looks down at me with a confused look.

**Him:**Thandolwam tell me what is wrong.

**Me:**I don't know I feel emotional maybe I am stressing about the graduation.

**Him:**Lay on my chest and relax for now we will talk about it in the morning.

I snuggle closer to his warmth is it safe to say I really do love him?

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**MILANI**

I knock at the door and I hear him telling me to walk in. What the hell? Diamond is lying on the bed on her stomach with no top and only panty. Inga walks out of the bathroom.

**Inga:**Sorry this woman doesn't like staying in her clothes. I go to the bathroom and this is what happens.

He covers her but she pushes the blankets he does it again but still she continues. She turns around her breasts out on display. She looks so beautiful as she rubs her eyes Inga kisses her.

**Her:**Inganathi do not touch me.



**Inga:I am trying to cover you**

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**Milani is here.**

**Her:Get out then!**

**Inga:The anger woman I didn't do anything.**

**She pushes him off the bed and they both fall on the floor. She untangles herself from him and she looks at me.**

**Her:Morning Milani.**

**Me:Umm Your Highness morning.**

**Inga:Thandolwethu will you please stop terrifying my brother.**

**She looks at me and laughs pulling her panty up I can't help but laugh as she goes back to bed.**

**Me:You married a sociopath.**

**My heart breaks in pieces as I look at Inga staring at her there's a naked truth that these two are stuck**

together and I am hoping for a future that will never happen. I should really let go this is not going to end well at all.

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**INGANATHI**

**Dr:Your Majesty we might have made a mistake.**

**Me:Huh?**

**Dr:Her results got swapped by mistake we apologize for that.**

**Me:I got in a fight with my wife because of swapped results! Are you fucking with me Dr?**

**Dr:I apologise Your Highness.**

**Me:I heard you the first timewhat is different now?**

**Dr:ThisYour Grace.**

**Me:Huh?What is that? Wait.**

**Dr:YesYour Highness.**

[Guessing Game what is happening? ]

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**DIAMOND**

I was standing on top of the mountain looking trying to find the gate soldiers stood next to me. Siba Milani and Inga were standing right next to me in their armours. The sky suddenly changed as the soldiers looked around the ground shook for a second. Suddenly the sky cleared and I gasped as I saw what I call a massive army. The army didn't look human at all as we stood in shock. The ground beneath us started trembling I could feel myself floating as I fell and a crushing sound echoed as my

back hit the ground. I laid helpless as I heard screams and swords the fighting took time as I stayed on the same spot unmoving. Then it was silent something was coming my way I was jerked up and dragged towards the tree. My body hurt as whoever made me lean against the tree for support first my eyes couldn't see anything clear as I looked at the shadows. I looked at the creatures burning the bodies around it was clear that I was the only survivor of my army. I couldn't move as I stared at the burning bodies of Milani Inga and Siba I couldn't cry at all. One of the creatures wore white he looked like he was the leader as he came close. The moment he took off his armour I realized he wasn't a he but a she. I tried to speak but instead I coughed blood.

Her: Shh you are going to hurt yourself. Getting you pregnant seemed to be a struggle but then you did exactly what I have been trying to achieve. Me and Hermione have tried all methods to open this gate but we couldn't. You find the gate suddenly it is open you are so powerful yet stupid. Now I'm keeping you so you can watch me turn everyone to my worshippers because they have no choice.

Me: You are si-ck!

Her: You gave me this you opened the gate between Zalem and Midlands not knowing that there rippers living on the border. To them humans are meals Your Highness now you have given them meals that would last them a lifetime.

I coughed more blood.

Me: Thi-s is no-t over Leti-ti-tia.

Her: But it is you are going to die knowing you destroyed Zalem you let power make you cocky you tried being ahead but instead you opened the gate for evil to enter anytime it wants. I am going to destroy my little queen history is going to remember this. Take her to the cells!

Tears fell as I was dragged I couldn't even feel my legs. I was picked up and thrown in what looked like a cagemy body was burning I could feel the blood dripping down from my neck. I knew my backbones were broken as I could not move anything except my head and fingers I could see black dots in my vision as I tried waking up but eventually I was closing my eyes anyway slipping into darkness.

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What I was sleeping on was very comfortable

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I was confused because I remember I was in a cell not bed.

Voice:Do not move.

I immediately opened my eyes and looked at the woman doing something on my back.

Me:What are you doing to me? How did I get here?

Her:You have been badly injured in the war they threw you in a hole thinking you were dead. Luckily Her Majesty knew how to find you.

Me:Her Majesty?

Her:Queen Swazi.

Me:I don't know who is that.

**Her:Wait here someone will come and help you get on the wheelchair.**

**She walks out I try to move but still I can't feel my legs nor arms or backbones.Suddenly I feel warm arms touching my waist pulling me up and puts me on the wheelchair the mirror is right in front of me I have a scar across my cheek my left eyes looks black I have a bandage wrapped my neck head and arms. As for my legs there are in a cast no wonder I could not move I looked like I did survive war. The man pushes the wheelchair out of the room in silence. I have to admit this kingdom looks like a haven I can smell the sweet scent of flowers surrounding it.I wonder how is Zalem doing I should have known better than go around trying to take Letitia down.**

**Her:As a queen stop trying to fix everything.**

**I turn to look at this beautiful woman standing next to me on the verandah.**

**Me:I thought finding Hermione's home would be great get Midgard his crown so he can face Letitia.**

**Her:You are powerful child your mistake was trying to find the gate to that kingdom you are life and death which means you can open any gate in this world.You had to find your power yourself but instead you have made a huge mistake my husband as a healer had to intervene because rippers can never live amongst humans.**

**Me:What have I done?**

**Her:You didn't train Diamond you took your training lightly physically you are ready except mentally emotionally and spiritually not forgetting spells.You have become too comfortable on a throne the ancestors blessed you with you think you are untouchable those were your mistakes.You have the power to destroy earth and build it but no you are stuck with the fact that you are a queen your husband loves you basically you are happy you have everything.Diamond you are going back to Zalem and you are going to make sure none of this happens.**

**The man comes back and pushes the wheelchair back inside.I feel so ashamed of everything I have**

done because she's telling the truth. I am put back to bed immediately I feel sleepy.

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DIAMOND

I feel a stab on my back making me scream then another and other until I cannot feel my whole entire body.

Man:Breath slowly.

**I do that.**

**Man:Now try sitting.**

**I almost fall but I manage to gasp in shock.**

**Me:I can feel my legs! My arms!**

**Man:That was the point.**

**I am on my feet hugging him tears falling down.**

**Man:Do not cry child everyone is bound to make mistakes.Swazi is a seer so she knows how you could have avoided the war making her think everyone can see what she can.**

**Me:You are the king of healers.**

**Man:Oh yes and it is time to go back people are really worried about you now.**

**Me:Huh?**

**He laughs.**

**Man:You really have no clue what you are capable of. Child you travel through time it is a defense mechanism your power have you travel through to see the aftermath of your actions. We might have helped but you did this you know what will happen if you look for Midlands you will unleash hell.**



**Me:I am not sure I am following.**

**Man:Here.**

**He gives me my wedding ring the moment I put it on everything goes white I feel a burning sensation on my throat there's something on my arm there's a beeping sound ringing in my ears. I literally jumped and it became clear. Wait this is a hospital? My arm is bleeding there are pipes allover me doctors are coming in a hurry I can't hear a thing they are saying as they inject me forcing me to sleep again.**

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**INGANATHI**

**I thought I have lost her**

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**I can't hear a thing they are saying as they inject me forcing me to sleep again.**

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**INGANATHI**

**I thought I have lost her she literally collapsed and has been unconscious for almost two weeks now.**

Her heartbeat would accelerate sometimes her nose would bleed and still she didn't wake up now she was awake but she looked lost.

Her:What happened?

Me:You fainted about two weeks ago.

Her:No ways it felt like a day.

Me:Huh?

Her:In the dream I was in it felt like it was a day.

Me:I was so worried about you and ummm.

Her:Maybe it was stress. Is everyone doing okay?

Me:Liona is the only one who seemed to understand what was going on.

Her:Oh?

Me:Are you okay?

Her:Yesyes I am. Are you ok? You look terrible.

Me:I couldn't sleep knowing you guys were lying here all alone.

**Her:Us?**

**Oh shit! The door opens Uzile is all over her her siblings are fighting over her at least I have to find another way to tell her the truth.**

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**MILANI**

**For the past two weeks we have been stressing about Diamond I mean she just collapsed out of the blue. Inga released Lupe under stress I didn't understand how someone just collapses to be honest I was really worried about her more than I was about Lupe. Something has to be wrong with me. How do I keep obsessing over my brother's wife like this?**

**Lupe:Milani!**

**Me:Huh?**

**Lupe:You have been like this lately I am tired of asking why. They are here.**

**Me:Who?**

**Lupe:See? We literally told you that the King is coming back with her yet you didn't hear a word we said.**

**I was about to answer when Nasreen screamed her name and ran to her. My heart was beating as I looked at her this woman will forever stay beautiful.**

**Her:I am back.**

**She sits down and everyone is already talkingI feel eyes staring at me. Inga is watching me like Lupe on the other side.Oh I was smiling looking at Diamond.**

**Her:Where is Letitia?**

**Letitia:That is the first you asking about me.**

**Her:I care about you Mother.**

**Letitia:Humour me my child.**

**Her:I would love too but as you can see I am exhausted.**

**Letitia:One would swear you are pregnantyou collapsed.**

**Inga:Can we just enjoy our food in peace?**

**She can't be right?**

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**INGANATHI**

**Her:How long has she been doing this?**

**We were standing outside watching Diamond training with swords.**

**Me:Ever since she woke up from the hospital.**

**Her:Have you told her?**

**Me:I haven't told her anything Liona she is always busy and tired.**

**Her:**You are avoiding to tell her that she's pregnant. If she loses the pregnancy while training non stop are you going to pretend you didn't know?

**Me:**I really don't know what is going on with her. Have you seen her eyes? Every time she is in the dark they glow in the afternoon they turn white she gets a little bit angry too.

Liona laughs.

**Her:**Clearly you have never seen a lion descendant pregnant it is only two months in the next season she is going to burn everyone alive and cry the same time.

**Me:**You are not serious she is already giving me grey hair.

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**DIAMOND**

**Me:**Mmhm right there keep massaging Inga.

**Him:**We do need to talk about something.

**Me:**Mmmm.

**Him:**The doctor called me before you collapsed he told me that they made a mistake.

**Me:**Good.

**Him:There is something else.**

**I open my eyes and look at him he looks worried.**

**Me:Speak!**

**Him:You are pregnant.**

**I don't think I heard him.**

**Me:I am not pregnant.**

**Him:You are.**

**Me:No!! I am not pregnant! Keep your hands away from me!**

**I am already on my feet walking out of our room.**

**Me:NonoI can't be pregnant**

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I can't be pregnant not now or soon I just finished a year married. No no.

Him:Diamond what on earth is wrong with you? You have been acting weird ever since you woke up now you don't want to believe that you are pregnant. Tell me now that you want an abortion because I am tired of going in circles with you. You want us to take decisions together but look at you doing whatever you without even consulting with me your husband. Tell me now if you don't want any of this.

Me:Ingana-

He leaves me standing I am starting to feel so emotional as tears fall down. The guards are literally shocked well it might be that he never raised at me like that. Everything keeps falling apart Queen Swazi was right I have been way too comfortable forgetting that I was made a queen for a reason. I walk back inside with tears falling down I can't hear anyone as I go back to my quarters. The moment I step in the room I sink on the floor and cry. I don't know why do I keep pushing myself this hard I don't know the fact that I am leading a kingdom.



DIAMOND

I try to move but someone is holding me tight.

Me:Inganathi.

Him:I shouldn't have snapped at you I am really sorry.

Me:I deserved it I acted in a wrong way for a mother to be.

Him:I know it is scary knowing very well that my mother is going to be the most happiest about this.

Me:Do we have to tell everyone?

Him:Nopel made a mistake with Buhle so no not this time around.

Me:I am really sorry.

Him:We are together in this I made a promise the moment I asked you to be in a relationship with me that you will be my purse always on my side. I love you.

Me:I love you too.

I just kiss him I have to say I love this man.

Him:Nono don't do things like that in front of our child Diamond.

Me:I will be starved because of a foetus?

Him:Oh yes Thando.

Me:Wow I am divorcing you after this.

Him:The drama you have wow.

Me:You married me regardless.

Him:There is something I have been meaning to talk to you about.

Me:Sounds dangerous shoot me.

Him:Macmillan.

I swear my heart skipped a beat.

Me:Exactly what?

**Him:Lupe has been complaining about his mental state.**

**Huh?**

**Me:Is he going crazy?**

**Him:He is not concentrating on anything at all he hardly talks I tried but he said he was fine. I think you should talk to him.**

**Me:Me?**

**Him:I believe he would listen to you he cares about you more than he does with us**

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**after all you are his best friend's little sister.**

**Me:I don't like this at all maybe he's going through something he is old enough to ask for help. You have to remember he's no child.**

**Him:I am really worried about him he used to tell me everything but he doesn't anymore.**

**Me:Ingamathi can I just stay from this? If he can't talk to Lupe what makes you think he would talk to me.Can I just not get involved?**

**Him: Dia-**

**Me: No and no please don't nag me.**

**Yes I was guilty about Milani's fault I could be the one hurting him but I had to remember I am married.**

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**LETITIA**

**Her: Whoever discovered that gate is not trying to open it. This is very worrying we don't even know who we dealing with.**

**Me: On the other side Diamond is not even getting pregnant at all. Pressuring my son has proven to be useless.**

**Her: I have to admit that girl surely knows how to control a man we're running out of time.**

**Me: Those herbs are not making her more fertile don't know how it is so hard to get this child pregnant.**

**Her: And I am tired of being stuck worrying about someone not making a move we need to be there when they open the damn gate.**

**Me: My question still stands how did they know how to find your chamber? Something doesn't add up Hermione.**

**Her:Lupe was in jail. Midgard he would never.**

**Me:Why wouldn't he? He needs his crown to get the rest of his powers and unfortunately he can't get to his home.**

**Her:Compromising the location of our home is outrageoushe just can't do that.**

**Me:Yeshe can if he wants his powers and throne.**

**Her:Then find him!**

**Me:You are the basilisk not me.**

**Her:Do not piss me off.**

**Her eyes glowed yellow and I immediately closed my mine in fear.**

**Her:Good girlsend your lapdogs to find him or I will find your eyes.**

**MILANI**

Something was really wrong with me my heart hurt so bad I just couldn't stand Lupe. I could feel my heart breaking every day I keep seeing Diamond and Inganathi what was worse I could see how much they were in love my heart kept breaking. I wanted to cry because this was beyond painful I never really thought loving someone could really hurt to this point. Why me?What is left to say? I didn't look like me anymore my heart set on fire so it can die I am losing my voice calling on her. I just stared in space sitting on my balcony I heard footsteps maybe Lupe is here to annoy me. The person sits but I have nothing to saythey don't say anything that is fine by me.It becomes irritating so I look I am shocked to find Diamond staring at me.This traitor is already pumping blood like it is nobody's business.

**Me:Your Highness.**

She stares at me unmoving I can't read what is going on her mind.

**Her:Follow me.**

She is already on her feet I stand fast and follow her. Trust me she is so fast as I follow she is going so

fast I don't know about keeping up with her. The cars are already waiting as she enters.

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She was on her phone the whole trip 2 hours in the same car in silence but I knew we were heading to High Waters Valley. I can see from through the window that we are going to her house. There are furniture trucks in the yard as we walk out the fence has changed too actually even the paint outside. She is already talking to everyone and I am confused at this so I just follow like a lost puppy behind her. The house looks different there are more pictures and paintings on the wall.

Her: Finish up! You are taking your time.

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I decided to lend a hand I regretted it the moment I threw myself on the couch. Everything was different every room was newly renovated and different. Diamond left with them leaving me behind.

Her: How does it feel?

Damn I fell off the couch and she laughed.

Me: What the hell?

Her: You didn't even here me enter so how does it feel?

Me: What?

**Her:**The house.

**Me:**I have to admit it is beautiful and extraordinary makes me feel the warmth coming from every corner.

**Her:**It is a good thing you are agreeing scoot I need to sit.

**Me:**You brought me to work my body hurts.

**Her:**I wanted to talk. You know heartbreak has its phase?

**Me:**I don't understand.

**Her:**You can't have everything Macmillan

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every heartbreak has its season but we can't have everything what we want. I know how much it hurts to love someone without having them by your side I know it hurts you so bad but we can't have everything. I know I am partly at fault for what is going on to you I know I played a big role in hurting you.

**Me:**Mo-

**Her:**I may look like I don't care Milani but I do it hurts seeing you like this and knowing very well I am



playing a huge part in destroying but we can't have everything we want.I used you when I already knew that I have a future with your brother I am to blame for everything.

Me:Diamond please.

Her:Nono Milani your sleepless nights are my fault. I shouldn't have used your love like that I should have known better than that. Look at me I am here say it on my face that I destroyed you.

Me:But through you I learnt how love feels like.

I feel hot tears leaving my eyes and she wraps her arms around me.Damn why do I cry this much over her?

Her:I am truly sorry Milani.

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When I wake up I am sleeping on the couch with a blanket covering me it is already late. As if on cue Diamond walks in with two plates.

Me:This looks tasty.

Her:Most definitely.

Me:I do forgive you because I know I can't have everything I want I have to remember that Inga loves you too.

**Her:Just stay alive to achieve those dreams that brought you to this house.**

**Me:It can never be mine.**

**She takes a letter from her pocket and hands it to me. I open it I look at her and read it again.**

**Me:You did not!**

**Her:It is yours to keep you can move in anytime.**

**I hug her.**

**Me:Why?**

**Her:Milani I wronged you I was selfish enough to string you along I have hurt you already and I could hurt Inga too.As a leader I need to acknowledge my wrongs and do right by them I am not buying you to stop whatever you want to do this house was given to you by the ancestors just like my crown.**

**Me:I know I was wrong too for approaching you knowing very well my brother wanted you. I got burnt.**

**Her:You cried you scared me.**

**Me:Do not shove it on my face to be honest I can never stop loving you.**

**Her:Milani.**

**Me: I know I will stay away from you but I can never stop loving you.**

**I grab her closer she looks like she's going to cry but isn't I kiss her forehead.**

**Me: I can never Diamond Beoana but I will stay on the first row watching.**

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**LETITIA**

I look around her office but nothing was suspicious I opened the drawer but it didn't even move. I looked around for a knife and unscrewed the lock.

Me:What the hell?

There were maps only in the drawer I took them out but still it was nothing at all. I looked at them but nothing was there I looked at all the papers but nothing. I fixed the drawer and looked around for the last time I was about to walk out when an envelope sat next to her desktop computer. It was already open I swear my eyes were playing games with me. Why was she signing her house to Milani? I walk out leaving the letter behind.

Me:Hlubi I need you to do something for me.

Hlubi:That is?

Me:Find Diamond's house I want to know what is she doing there with Milani. My daughter in-law left with her brother in-law and hasn't come back yet it is bedtime I would love to know why. Why is she handing the house to him?

I walk to Inga's room I knock and find him talking on his phone.

Him:So everything is done? I saw from the pictures they are decorated it nicely. At least Milani was able to smile about it. He did what? Oh no you are lying babe.

Me:Inganathi is that Diamond?

Him:Yes.

**Me:Where is she?**

**Him:High Waters Valley. My love I will call you back.Is there something you need from her?**

**Me:What is she handing her house to Milani?**

**Him:Why shouldn't she? She can do whatever she wants with 'her' house.**

**Me:She is going to spend the night with him your wife is going to spend a night with another man. Are you stupid or something?**

**Him:What are you trying to imply? That my wife is a whore?**

**Me:You are the one saying that she doesn't even want to give you a child and now she's out there with another man the one who seem to worship her like a goddess.**

**Him:Mother spit it out exactly what you are saying about Diamond. I want to understand your problem with my wife the girl I married not because you like her or don't. Spit it out.**

**Me:Do not ever talk to me like that because of that girl wake up Inganathi I didn't make you king only for you to make Milani act like one. Consider yourself wifeless if you continue letting yourself being controlled by that girl. Where is the future heir of Zalem? Huhh now she's spending nights with your brother a man that also have eyes and a dick.**

**He looks at me shocked then behind me I turn around I am shocked too I stumble a bit but regain my balance.**

**Her:That was a mouthful.**

She steps in the room and goes and kiss Inga.

Him:Continue Mother no need to stop say everything to her.

Me:She doesn't scare me if you think I won't repeat what I said. She's too close with Milani for my liking.

Her:Of course you have experience same thing happened to you and Liona while you had the King trapped you continued with Midgard. Again you have all the experience Mother so I hear what you mean but too bad me and you on the same line never.

I was speechless right now so I just walked out.

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INGANATHI [WARNING SN]

I have to admit some of the things my Mother said kind of got to me I mean I saw the same day was hospitalized that Milani couldn't keep his eyes off her. Then he tells me about falling for someone's mate same time he just can't seem to keep his eyes off her. He is my brother I know him

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I know him I know when he is hurt and I can see how hurt is by me and Diamond. I know he was meant to be king so what if they were meant to be together and rule? But then I love her.

Her: Inganathi Zalem!

I am blessed to have this woman the same time I am really worried about Milani's love for her he has changed ever since we got married.

Her: Zalem.

Me: Baby.

Her: You are not listening to me.

She pouts her eyes are already glassy dealing with a pregnant is going to be stressful.

Me: Baby come here.

She ignores me and sits on the chair still. I walk over to her and pull her closer.

Her: Nathi leave me alone.

I press play on the speaker.

"Suited for each other year

Don't try to move me from my lover yeah.

Suited for each other suited for each other

Tailor made I'm glued up on my lover

I never lose him to another yeah

When we talked on the phone

And you said you love me

Did you say that this is for show yeah

I wanna scream from the top of rooftop

Tell you that my love for you "

I kiss her first she's trying to push me but I manage to get on the bed. The beat is making me a little crazy as I continue kissing her the zip of my pants is hurting me already.

Me:Thandolwam.

Her:Inganathi.

She is breathing heavily already.



**Me:I love you.**

**I am undressing her as I keep talking to her.**

**Her:I love you too.**

**She pulls my shirt up and pull me closer to her. Such a possessive woman!**

**Me:You are so impatient.**

**She is undoing my belt the woman I married is an addict I tell you.Her hand was already in my boxers stroking my bulgemy mouth was on her biting and nibbling as she moaned.I could feel the moisture between her legs.I slowly laid on top of her gripping her bottom my arms I look up at her.**

**Me:You okay?**

**She just noddedI know it has been a long timeas I entered her she gasped sinking her nails on my back burying her mouth on the crook of my shoulder.I slammed into her driving deeper pushing her up as she moaned.I gripped her ankles yanking her legs over my shoulders I buried myself completely and she screamed.Then plunged in faster making half scream and moanshe pulled the pillow covering her face. I could feel her muscles gripping my dickit jerked releasing deep inside her making her release hers. The velvet sheath spasming rippling and milking. I laid on top of her as she tried keeping her eyes open.**

**Me:I love you.**

**Her:Leave me alone get off.**

**What was funny she wasn't even attempting to move me.**

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UNKNOWN

It was our break time sitting under the tree eating our lunch the royal family was doing the same.

Him:Look at our quarters our queen is doing the most.

Me:Ohh Yanga your crush on the queen is quiet disturbing.

**Her:You think? He always think he will get a chance.**

**Him:Buli shut up a man can only dream.**

**Her:Dream my foot go for your league not her.**

**I always knew these two like each other but don't want to admit it.**

**Me:Do not bite each other good people.**

**Her:Oh my god she's coming over!**

**Me:Heeh?**

**I turned my heart stopped she was really coming over everyone was watching her as she graciously walked towards us.The King followed after herthey stood not far from where I was sitting.**

**Her:Ladies and gentlemen no no sit down.I am looking for Yanga Masia.**

**Yanga:Me!**

**We laugh because we know how much he likes her.**

**Her:Thank youI want information of every employee working in castle copy of their ID's.**

Him: We would love to put everyone in our database in case something goes wrong. UI funeral covers medical aid etc.

Everyone is shocked literally flabbergasted by this at the same time proud of our young queen. We stand and clap her eyes so fast land on my direction she is looking at me I know she can't fully see me with everyone standing in front. She stares until the King whispers something to her. Does she recognize me?

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LIONA

We were all sitting waiting for the king and queen to arrive almost everyone was here actually which was kind of surprising. They walk in and we bow they sit on their thrones.

Her: This came as a surprise but I had to do it sooner. As a queen I am suppose to have my council who will advise me on some. Traditionally

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I am suppose to have my council who will advise me on some. Traditionally the children of the present council follow on the steps but diamondically that is not going to happen. I have come to a decision with my husband that I choose my own council by myself.

Letitia: What on earth is this? This cannot happen in this kingdom!

Inga: In whose kingdom? Your time came now it has expired heal woman.

Everyone gasp at this Letitia looks angry.

Her: Raise your opinion what I said still stands I will choose my own council.

The elders talk amongst themselves they must be really angry about this but it is what it is.

Inga: Silence! Let your queen speak.

Her: Thank you my love.

Love oh love what a blessed thing.

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LETITIA

This child is working on my last never. Diamondically? What bullshitting is that?

Her: First Sibahle Beoana the Royal commander of our soldiers secondly the so beautiful Liona Black.

You have to be kidding me!

Me: This is going to be a circus.



**Him:Your Highness! Diamond!**

**Me:Nono!You are dead I buried you! No! No!**

**Him:It's me precious stone.**

**Me:I do not care! You are dead to me! You are dead! I buried you Shaka Sipuka! You are dead!**

**I hurried back inside the castle no no I am just seeing things.**

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## SEASON FINALE

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LETITIA

I walked inside the throne room and look around not for long I will be back on my chair Diamond must really think I am stupid not to notice her growing appetite. I smile as I sit on the throne a roar echoes in the room making me get on my feet so fast. The white lion stands before me looking pissed it roars again on my face making me whimper. The guards are in the room so fast they stand pointing guns at the massive lion before me. It was clear they were all scared as they didn't even get closer. Diamond walks in confused she looks at me and smiles she walks to the lion it turns around and bows to her. She brushes its head making it purr.

Her: Do not ever sit on my throne.

I stare in shock as it disappears and she walks out.

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I am going up and down still in shock the white lion always scared me and now this is beyond. I pour the water inside the basin I cut my hand then stir the water.

Me: Show me.

It shows her sitting in her office writing and Milani walks in somehow I can't hear a thing they are saying Milani grabs her hand and kisses it. No no no! I hit the basin and it falls on the ground.



**Me:Damn it!**

**I grab my cloak and walk out.**

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**I walk down the stairs**

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**no! I hit the basin and it falls on the ground.**

**Me:Damn it!**

**I grab my cloak and walk out.**

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**I walk down the stairs! find her bathing which is weird. I mean it is a whole pond and she's naked scales are pilling off leaving her body looking so smooth and tender.**

**Her:You are starting to grow fond of me Letitia Black-Zalem.What is wrong?**

**Me:I need a huge favour.**

**Her:There is a price for that.**

**Me:Diamond is pregnant.**

**She turns around so fast and looks at me.**

**Her:That is a deal breaker then. Anything but I need some blood maybe royal blood.**

**Me:I have the right person.**

**Her:Aren't you scared of his aunt? After she's the only that destroyed my creator.**

**Me:He is going to stand in our way of getting that child he has fallen for Diamond.**

**Her:Considering he's suppose to be king he's going to make me a little powerfull will stop pilling for some time. Deal.**

**I smile we shall see Milani.**

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**MILANI**

**Lupe laid on the bed going through her phone.**

**Me:Hey.**

**Her:Love.**

**Me:I am sorry I haven't been myself lately.**

**Her:How long?**

**Me:Huh?**

**Her:How long have you fallen for her?**

**Me:For who?**

**Her:The Queen.**

**Me:Has been years now but I got over her.**

**Her:Have you seen how you look at her? Have you seen how you worship the ground she walks on?  
Have you Milani?**

**Me:I guess I never really got over her but I won't do anything about it.**

**Her:So I am suppose to accept that you fell for her and suddenly you over her? Do I look blind to you?  
Now I understand why you never wanted to try and take your crown from them.**

**Me:That is not true Lupeyes I like her way too much because when you were gone she's the only one that made me believe in myself.She stood up to me she was there for my mom when she had no one falling for her was not intentional. I am so sorry that I made you feel like I was still in love with her I am really. We can even go to my house if it makes you feel better.**

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**LUPE**

**Me:**I am hurt that you didn't even bother to tell me anything.

**Him:**I am truly sorry.

**Me:**I don't want to leave your home just because of jealous towards a woman that helped me in so many ways without reminding me all the time. Any man would want a woman like that trust me.

It kind of scared me seeing him look at her like that it was like de ja vu I mean everyone can how beautiful she is. I had to calm down and remember she's married to his brother.

**Him:**I want you.

He started kissing me I could feel my stomach clench at the feeling of being kissed. His hand was under my top undoing my bra. I pulled his T-shirt up and first I thought I heard a hissing sound maybe its my true self getting excited. Then I head it again it was way too loud even Milani paused no that's not me. Oh no! I pushed him and pulled the blanket to cover his eyes.

**Him:**What the hell?

**Me:**Please don't open your eyes at all cost.

I stand up and look around I see her shifting and immediately avert my gaze from her.

**Her:**Wellwellhello Lupemy baby I missed you.

**Me:**Mom.

**I swear I was sweating.**

**Her:You don't even come by to see your mother any more.**

**She brushes my face tilting towards her.**

**Her:Open them baby let Mama see.**

**I feel my control slip and I look at her my body goes rigid and cold.**

**Her:Just like thatI can see your pretty face this is what I always enjoyed when it comes to my children.  
They just can't resist my control.**

**Me:What do you want Mother?**

**Her:Like who do I want? I mean I am here for His Majesty.**

**Me:Leave him alone! He didn't do anything to you.**

**Her:Awe love is such a beautiful thing my baby girl.**

**Me:Kill me leave him alone.**

**I am stuck on the same spot I know I won't be able to protect him from her. My mother always scared me and I don't know how I got the guts to turn against her.**

**Her:Oh I remember how you betrayed me baby girl and you are following him wherever he is going and Midgard will be next I am tired of having weaklings as children.**

**Me:Ma please**

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**I am tired of having weaklings as children.**

**Me:Ma please I will do anything please don't hurt him.**

**Her:Give me your word you will hand get me Diamond's baby before Letitia.**

**My heart stop as I realise that I wouldn't do anything to save him except this.**

**Her:You are pathetic! Useless! You are no serpent! You embarrass me!**

**Her eyes are gold she looks angry.**

**Me:I love you Macmillan.**

**I feel her fangs sink on my neck it hurts but I know he will be safe.**

**Him:Lu-**

I know he is going to freeze the moment he see her body that's how powerful my mother can be. I hear the door open there's shouting and she immediately lets me go I sink on the floor with my hand on my neck.

Diamond:Lupe blink if you can hear.

Me:Co-ngra-tulationsyou are going to be the best mom. Take care of him for me.

My eyes voluntary close themselvesmy body feels lighter and I can't hear anything.

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DIAMOND

I stare at the blood oozing from her neck and try my best not to touch it. Milani is on the phone calling the paramedics Inga is getting towels to stop the blood from covering the whole entire room. As a future doctor I am worried that she's not going to make it the way her blood is coming out we might be late.Her skin starts pilling Macmillan stares at her confused I guess he had no clue that she's a serpent. The paramedics are already inside and do whatever they are doing I know they don't want to say she's slipping and might not make it.

Me:Aren't you coming Milani?

Him:Oh yes.

Poor guy I feel for him but then we're dealing with mother and daughter situation here.



[Like I said Season finales. When I finish the story I will open a new page and I will let you choose between two stories. At least by next Diamond will come to end. Is she going to end up with Milani or Inganathi is her happily ever after?.]

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77 SEASON FINALE

MILANI

I don't know what to think so all along Lupe lied to me about having no parents or siblings for that matter. She lied to my face but then I know why would she do having a mother like that is no fun at all. The doctor comes to us.

**Dr:**I am very sorry we did everything we can to stop the bleeding but it was too severe.

**Me:**My ears shut my eyes close for a moment I can't breath at all my heart is shouting left right center in my chest.

**Me:**That woman wanted to kill me not her! She can't die! She needs to come back !Lupe!

**Inganathi** grabs me and pulls me in a hug.

**Him:**ShhI am so sorry.

**Me:**She just came back to me she can't die Lupe can't just do that to me. No she can't!

There are no tears coming out I don't know why this always happen to me. Why does everything has to hurt? Why do I keep losing all the time?I am so tired of this constant pain.

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**LETITIA**

**Me:**This is going to make them curioushe was suppose to die.

**Her:**Lupe had to be put in her place.

**Me:**You killed her Hermione!

**Her:**I killed my daughter Letitia! What? Suddenly you have developed feelings no wonder you didn't kill Midgard because deep down you just can't.

**Me:**That is not true! I needed him as a familiar.

**Her:**Look where that got you you are starting to irritate me I give you orders and you will follow them Letitia. I have been letting you do whatever you want as you like but not anymore.

**Me:**Her-

**Her:**Did I say talk? Exactly now as I was saying

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Letitia get me that little queen on a silver platter or I will oh wait you know exactly what I am capable of doing.

**Me:**Dia-

**Her:**Shhh first things first I need you to meet your partner in crime.

The water boils and I look at her shocked this can't happen no no.

**Me:**Louisa.

**She stares at me unmoving.**

**Her:She follows orders you give her some and she will do them. You get me that queen and I will resurrect your daughter from the dead.**

**Me:It will raise questions.**

**Her:Only me and you can see her.**

**I just sigh defeated.**

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**MIDGARD**

**I stare at her sleeping on her bed I cannot believe that I fell for her well it was just a natural instinct for my mate. This woman betrayed me used me tried to kill our child had me trapped like a puppet she belittled demolished my dignity and lastly took my inheritance.I have been watching her ever since I got out of the king's body now she has gotten my sister murdered by our mother. I wrap my hands around her neck her eyes shoot open.**

**Her:What are you doing?**

**Me:I am going to kill you bitch this is just to let you know that I am going to kill you.Rest assured. I let you go once but not this time aroundnot when it comes to my little sister never Letitia.**

78 SEASON FINALE

LETITIA

After he left I couldn't sleep a wink because I was shaken and scared I know what this man is capable of doing.I walk to the kitchen to make myself something to drink I am actually shocked to find Maze sitting drinking coffee.

Her:Dad has that effect of making people stay awake after seeing him.

Me:So?

Her:Shows that you still scared of him.

**Me:**In your dreams.

I make my tea in silence.

**Her:**Why do you hate me so much Mama?

Something moved in me the look on her face had me biting my tongue from lashing at her. I take my cup and leave.I will not be weak because of her no I won't. I was trying so hard not to feel anything. Did power real change me to this bitter twisted heartless conniving and evil woman? Where did I go wrong? Was my jealous for Liona this much? I hated that the ancestors chose her instead of me she was just a child and she had no clue.What did I gain except powerful from destroying my home?Innocent lost their lives because of me and I am still willing to destroy them.

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**DIAMOND**

I was laying on the bed when a hand touched my stomachit was like a stab so I turned to look at whoever was doing this. I screamed.

**Inga:**Diamondit's me it was just a dream my love.

**Me:**Lou-isa.

**Inga:**You were dreaming my love.

I didn't like this at all

**Sponsored**

**why would she show up in my dreams? She never really liked me.**

**Me:Ninety percent of my dreams come true Inganathi and this one anything is possible in this kingdom.**

**Inga:Why would come to you?**

**Me:She touched my stomach and it hurt. What if your mom did something so she could use her?**

**Inga:As a zombie? Is that possible?**

**Me:What is not possible in Zalem?Your mother never gives up you should know that by now.**

**Inga:I know.**

**I snuggle close to him.**

**Inga:Baby.**

**Me:My love.**

Inga:There is something I need to tell you.

Me:Ok.

Inga:I was never meant to be kingMilani was.

Me:I know but I don't understand why take the crown.

Inga:Letitia vowed to do exactly what she did to our father if he dares become king.

Me:And you still think not everything is possible in this kingdom?

Inga:I want to give him his crownsame time I know I could be handing over to my mother I know how dangerous she is.

Me:We need to be a little patient Inga.

Inga:I know my love.

I just close my eyes.

Inga:Is he ever going to recover?

Me:I will make sure he does I won't let him commit suicide.

Inga:It's funny how he adores you one would say he's in love with you.



**My heart stopped at that.**

**Me:Who wouldn't want to fall for me? I mean your uncle fell for me.**

**Inga:Don't be so cocky about it.**

**Me:I am so beautiful.**

**Inga:Damn right you are.**

**Me:Really baby?**

**Inga:Oh no I am not boosting your ego let me sleep.**

**Me:While I get my 'beauty' sleep unlike you get me something cake ish.**

**Inga:Servants are all over this place.**

**Me:I know I am asking you as my husband and father to our child.**

**Inga:Emotional blackmail I'll get it anything you want.**

**Me:A mall?**

**Inga:Sleepyou are losing it.**

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**79 SEASON FINALE**

**MILANI**

**I think sometimes I have realised that letting someone go hurts less than keeping them in your mind. I smiled as I stared at her grave she has rested in peace and could never be hurt again. My heart is at peacewell Diamond had me on my toes if it was not training I was attending meetings in other kingdoms. I don't know if she can't see how deeply in love I am with her. I can't get her out of my mind I think that is one of the reasons I have willingly let Lupe go.**

**Voice:**Despite everything she really loved you.

I turn to look at the man putting flowers on her grave he stands up and looks at me.

**Me:**Woah your eyes.

**Him:**I could make them normal but I just don't want to.

**Me:**How did you know her?

**Him:**You're asking me how I knew my sister?

I look at him the resemblance is there their tendersmooth skin and hair.

**Me:**Midgard.

**Him:**Mr Midgard I am a little older than your father.

**Me:**Mr Midgard.

**Him:**You know Lupe was going to die in their hands.

**Me:**Their?

**Him:**Hermione and Letitia.

**Me:**I don't think I follow.

**Him:**Their plan was to kill you first then her but I guess it went wrong you see with my mother you can never be able to stop her. Her deceitful voice trust me that one makes pastors turn to devil worshippers.

**Me:**Powerful?

**Him:**Even me I can't ignore it so that is why I choose not to be on her way because she wants me dead too.

**Me:**Are you sure she's your mom?

**Him:**Absolutely.Basilisks naturally protect their offsprings but it is not the same case when it comes to my mother. She killed every last of them leaving her only then she married a serpent king getting us the weaklings.She wanted puppets not children and somehow we disappointed her so she met Letitia. They clicked because both believe that their inheritance was taken by younger siblings so the rest is obvious.

**Me:**Trust me I have every idea what she's capable of.

**Him:**But there's a way to destroy my mother here in Zalem no one can face her.

**Me:**There is?

**Him:**Do you know the story of the queen of hell?

**Me:**Not really.

**Him:**She was brought back to earth after million of years in prison serpents basilisks and other devils you know are her descendants. Queen Nara was brought back by Queen Tahira because of power they all wanted power. Unfortunately there was already a girl that would face herstory short that girl after hours of fighting she killed Nara making her the most feared demon slayer in here and hell. No children of Nara even my mother want to cross her.

**Me:**She is legendary.

**Him:**This happened two or three years before you were born.

**Me:**What?

**Him:**Yes and I need you to get her to Zalem.

**Me:**Who?

**Him:**Your aunt.

**Me:**My aunt?

**Him:**Queen Kuvemna.

**Me:**Wait it's her the Great Battle of Manobi.

**Him:**Tell her exactly what happenedtrust me it will be enough to get her here.

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**DIAMOND**

**I took the cup from the servant.**

**Me:Wait did you put three teaspoons of sugar?**

**Her:YesYour Highness.**

**Me:Can I have some milk?**

**She takes the kettle and pours the milk**

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**I accidentally touchshe jumps her skin feels so cold.**

**Me:Are you okay?**

**Her:Just a little coldYour Grace.**



She stretches her hand my skin glows and she quickly hides her burnt hand but it's healing.

Me:You can't. Again what are you doing here?

Her:Congratulations on the baby.

Me:I don't remember telling you that or anyone for that matter.

Her:I take you don't know me.

Me:Even if I did I could care less you mean nothing to me.

She looks offended her eyes twist to snake eyes and she hisses the scales are visible on her neck they look hard.

Me:Calm down anaconda.

I know she wants to touch me. She starts speaking in tongues and my mouth decided to follow suit I don't even know where I learnt that.She calms down and look at me.

Her:I am no anaconda.

Me:Cobra?

Her:Basilisk!



**Me:**The oh so famous Hermione such a beautiful name.

I sidestep her and walk out of the bathroom and she follows me.

**Her:**This has turned out to be different than I expected.

**Me:**You expected lights drama and fear too bad I didn't prepare for that.

**Her:**Makes me wonder how Letitia will even succeed.

**Me:**You should ask her that not me.

Her eyes widened in shock.

**Her:**Hell no! What is she doing here?

She is already out of the room I go to my balcony and I'm quiet shocked to see cars coming in.

**80 SEASON FINALE**

**SHAKA**

**I was getting ready for work when the door flew open I just pulled my pants up so fast.**

**Me:What the hell?**

**Guard:Her Majesty is asking for your audience.**

**Me:What?**

**Guard:Should we drag you?**

**Me:Let me get a shirt.**

**The moment I take it they are already pushing me to leave the room. Everyone is looking at me confused and lost some must probably think I did something. The moment I walk in her office I freeze and look at everyone staring at me. Sasa looks at me in anger.**

**Her:We buried him didn't we?**

**Milani:Wait a moment this is Shaka Diamond's late husband?**

**Inga:He was the only survivor from the war considering whatever he talked to my mom about it they faked his death.**

**Diamond:Why?Shaka answer!**

**Me:I made a deal with Letitia to send my team on the edge of Midlands gate.**

**Inga:What?**

**Diamond:Forty three men lost their lives that night and you still think that was a deal?**

**Me:I had no choice they were going to kill you all.**

**Diamond:Look who's talking.Oh wait it's you! Are you fucking with me Shaka? I supported those families they supported me back but all along it's you. What kind of sick twisted man did I fall for and marry? Heeh?**

**Inga:Calm down Wam.**

**She is on her feet and comes my way her fist collides with my jawshe pulls me by the shirt and punches me again.I feel disoriented though as I try to gain balance then she wraps a hand around my neck I look at her she's glowing.**

**Liona:**This is not good she might burn us all.

They are already on their feet as she lets me and drops on her knees she's flickering like a light as she tries to breath. The room temperature is rocket high as I try to breath.

**Diamond:**'I'd rather choose to die myself if someone ever threatens me using my family ' How come you forgot that line Sipuka?

Her voice was way too smooth

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Her voice was way too smooth a little pitchy.

**Liona:**Mondyou are going to burn us all in this room.

In her place stood a red fiery lion roaring.

**Maze:**She is emerging she has fully accepted her power as a white lion descendants.

A woman with silver tipped hair walks in she moves so fast and touches Diamond with a something making her scream. Diamond's nose started bleeding.

Inga:She is pregnant Aunty!

The woman looks shocked and moved Diamond stood up so fast and punched her. She was moving fast as she punched the woman again sending her flying across the room. Inga stands before her and looks at her.

Inga:Hurt me then Diamond.

Diamond drops on her feet and stops glowing.

Diamond:I am so sorry I couldn't control it. I am sorry I didn't know I was going to hurt anyone.

Inga hugs her as I look in fear. What on earth just happened?

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**MILANI**

I am still shocked about what happened lastly about the fact that she's pregnant with his child. Why can't I just get over her? Why am I still mourning the love we never had?

Her:What is going on Macmillan? You called me for what exactly?

Surprisingly she was fine no bruises or anything.

Me:Aunty we have a problem a huge one.

Her:We?

Me:A basilisk wants me dead.

Her:Why?

Me:I don't know I have no clue but Letitia is working for it.

Her:So this woman destroyed your mother now she's coming for you? I really don't understand how she sleeps at night.

Me:There is a big reason why she would want me dead.

Her:You can't keep your eyes off her daughter in-law?

I just laugh.

Me:I am not that obvious.

Her:Believe whatever you want to believe my love.

Me:Aunty as I was saying.

She laughs at me.

Her:Go ahead.

Me:I was the one meant to be king.

Her:What?How come your mom never said this?

Me:She doesn't knowFather never told her except Letitia.

Her:Your father will forever be stupid.

Me:Auntyhe didn't know she was going to react this way.

Her:Fact stands he is stupid. Where is he now? His kingdom is falling apart but he's busy comforting your mother those two are negligent irresponsible and stupid. Does your mom know she has a 6 year old left behind? They are busy traveling the world knowingly they left their children with a woman that could kill them. It still amazes me how they can up and leave without telling anyone or taking Nasreen with. Again Milani do you have parents?

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**81 SEASON FINALE**

**MILANI**

I am arguing with myself if I should go over to her as she sitting under the tree.

**Her:**I was thinking about when you were finally going to come over.

**Me:**I was scared of being burnt.

**Her:**Funny.

**Me:**Hi.

**Her:**What do you want?



**Me:Hi.**

**She looks at me and laughs she's so damn beautiful.**

**Her:Milani hi.**

**Me:I miss the old days when you wouldn't call me by my man.**

**Her:But you once said I must scream your name.**

**I look at her shocked and she laughs.**

**Me:Aren't you dirty minded?**

**Her:It is the truth isn't it?**

**Me:It is making me uncomfortable.**

**Her:Horny?You have the power of your hand.**

**I can't help myself I burst out laughing as she just smiles.**

**Me:I don't even know why I came here now. I think I like this pregnant Diamond.**

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**INGANATHI**

**I walk out only to stop as I look at Milani laughing as he's sitting right next to her. My heart is beating so fast as he flicks her hair before running away. I gather my strength and walk to her.**

**Her:Nathi.**

**Me:How are you feeling today?**

**Her:I can't even go to my own graduation party because I am scared of blasting.**

**Me:Is this why you are sulking these days?**

**Her:I am not sulking.**

**She pouts okay this is not good.**

**Me:I am sorry.**

**Her:Six months left and I am so tired I keep flickering I get angry**

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**I get angry I can't stop eating.**

**Woah she's crying and I don't even know why do I keep forgetting how to talk to her. I just hug her  
Milani shows up and look at us confused.**

**Him:And then?**

**Me:I said she was sulking.**

**Her:I want to go to my graduation party.**

**Him:Umm should I just run away or?**

**I raise my eyebrows and look up at him. He raises his thumbs and leave.**

**Me:Thandolwam.**

**Her:What?**

**Me:Can we get inside? There's something that you need to see.**

**She's on her feet already as we walk inside.**

**Them:Surprise!**

**Her:Ah!What the hell?**

The five litre glass tank of water falls on the ground and everyone looks at it confused.

Me:Congratulations!

Her:Thank you.

They pull her so she can go get dressed.

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LETITIA

Her:Wow you are dressed up.

Me:I was in a party Diamond was graduating.

I involuntary smile.

Her:You look proud what was she studying?

Me:Medicine.

Her:Now she's a doctor no wonder you proud.

**Me:**I didn't come here for that. Why did Louisa try to kill Diamond?

**Her:**I don't know what you are talking about. Did you know that she's immune to me? Or even that Queen Kuvemna was here?

**Me:**What on earth are you talking about?

**Her:**You are pathetically weak and a liability.

**Me:**I-

**Her:**Shut up! I gave you time to deliver Letitia I will do things my way and myself!

√82 SEASON FINALE

LETITIA

I find Louisa sitting on top of my bed.

Me:Will you ever talk to me?

Her:What you did to Aunt Noreen is the same thing that happened to me.Why Mother? Why would you do another woman like that?How could you?

I just keep quiet because I know my wrongs.

Her:Now because of you I can't rest in peace I am being sent around to kill people who are not trying to destroy other people.

Me:I did whatever to survive caring for other people wasn't part of the plan.

Her:Not even your children mattered except you are wicked.You have no idea what Hermione has in store for you.

Me:What do you mean?

She stands up and leaves the room. I don't know what she means at all this could mean Hermione has other plans for me.I should act faster than her as soon as possible before she comes for me.

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**SHAKA**

**I just stare into space and I try to think about everything.**

**Voice:You died along with our son you had me mourning you for years Shaka. I wanted to die because of you now you are here I want you dead.**

**Me:I am sorry very sorry Diamond I thought I was doing everyone a favour. I can't change what I did to you.**

**Her:I have learnt to accept everything around me but the way I want you dead it's true there's a thin line between love and hate.**

**Me:It did hurt but I had no choice but to protect you and our child I did what I did thinking I was going to die.**

**Her:Trust me I know what Letitia is capable of.**

**Me:I can never bring back what you lost or anything we had for that matter.**

**Her:I lost a child my very first child.**

**Me:I am really sorry.**

**She looks at me as tears fall on my face I can't turn back time at all.**

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**LIONA**

**I stare at the clouds forming it was clear that rain was on its way. Someone knocked at the front door.**

**Siba: Please get that!**

**I get to the front and open the door. A man stands before me.**

**Him: Good afternoon Miss Black.**

**Me: Come in.**

**I let the elderly man inside.**

**Me: Can I get you anything to drink?**

**Him: Just tea Miss Black.**

**I get to the kitchen**

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I hear Siba go to the living room and seems like he knows him. I come back with three cups of tea.

Siba:My love this is umm Shaka's father.

Me:Mr Sipuka.

Him:You know I never really thought Sibahle has a taste in women he always chose nerds.

We laugh.

Siba:Father Sipuka you are embarrassing me.

Him:You had no taste did you?

Me:Trust me I saw his exes I understand what you mean.

Siba:Ambush ambush I am telling Thandolwethu.

Him:Speaking about her how is she? I mean finding after finding Shaka.

Me:She is fine being pregnant is taking a toll on her this might be the stressful pregnancy she ever got.

**Him:**This is why I'm here I need to talk to you Miss Black.

**Me:**Is everything fine with her?

**Him:**She can't keep that pregnancy there's something worse coming.

**Me:**What?

**Siba:**Why?

**Him:**Either she kills the child now or when she realise she has to it will be too late.

**Me:**Why?

**Him:**This person coming is going to tie Inganathi to his daughter Letitia will kill both of them unknowingly.She cannot go pass fifth month!

**Me:**This is worse than facing Letitia alone this could destroy her.

**Him:**This person is moving fast Miss Black I could be wrong about when they strike.

**Siba:**Who is this person?

**Him:**Something powerful that is all I know.

**We were doomed how on earth will we tell Diamond?**

√83 SEASON FINALE

INGANATHI

Me: Isn't there any other way around?

Liona: The fact he told us meant there's nothing to do.

Siba: We had to tell you the truth.

I really don't know how long Diamond can stay strong for this everything seem to attack her at every corner. She sat in silence on her chair she didn't even say a word as we all sat on the table.

Sasa:Mond.

Her:Mmm.

Me:Say something.

Her:I do not know what to say I'm three months pregnant now I can't keep my baby.What can I say about that? Clearly the ancestors want me to kill myself cause I don't know how long I can keep up with everything I am so tired.

Liona:I am really sorry.

Her:I already dreamt about not having this baby but I assumed Letitia took it.I wasn't meant to be happy it is obvious.

We just go silent.

Milani:Do we at least have a clue of who is coming?

Siba:Not even close.

Me:We might be facing an unknown person.

**Siba:Zalem is truly cursed I am tired.**

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**LETITIA**

**Me:This is not the right time for you to come.**

**Her:Someone already told them that I am coming.**

**Me:Who?Zalem has no seer.**

**Her:It has what you call a traditional healer very unnaturally powerful.**

**Me:I thought those are extinct.**

**Her:He happens to be Diamond's former father in-law.**

**Me:We should just kill him.**

**Her:I just said he's way too powerful or are stupid?**

**Me:I wa-**

**Her:Nothingprepare for my coming and stop asking questions.**

**Me:Diamond already knows who you are.**

**She wraps her hand around my neck and squeezes making me whizz.**

**Her:You are getting on my nerves Letitia.**

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**MILANI**

**I don't know how this ancestors operate but they are the most selfish bunch you can find**

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**MILANI**

I don't know how this ancestors operate but they are the most selfish bunch you can find I am telling you. They can't even protect an innocent child at all. I find her lying on the couch with her eyes close I just move her feet and sit before putting them on my lap.

Me:Hey.

Her:Hi.

Me:How are you doing?

Her:Surprisingly I am fine not depressed as I expected.I think I kind of knew somehow I wasn't going to be a mother soon. Don't stop massaging.

Me:Where is Inga?

Her:Tafelberg to talk to Shaka's father.

Me:You didn't accompany him.

Her:Not interested.

I massaged her feetthen rubbed her knees. I looked at hershe was still lying with eyes closed. I don't know what I was doingmy hands were on her thighs now since she was wearing shorts. Her eyes opened and she looked at me.

Her:What are you doing?

**Me:Testing waters.**

**I towered over her as she looked up at me I lowered myself and kissed her. First she let me then she froze.**

**Her:NonoMilani.Please don't.**

**I moved and stared at her then Inganathi walks in.**

**Him:Hey guys.**

**He looked at us confused and lost. I completely got off the couch.**

**Me:Hey bro. Bye.**

**I only noticed that I had a boner when I was at the door it was visible since I was wearing a tracksuit.**



84 SEASON FINALE

DIAMOND

Him:What happened?

Me:I don't know.

I know something was in his mind but he wasn't really sure but I wasn't interested in explaining anything to him. Mentally and physically exhausted was just beyond I can't seem to be happy at all no matter what I do nothing is going right.

Him:Did you hear me?

Me:Huh?

Him:Never mind.

Me:Okay.

I turned around and let the hot tears fall.I am so tiredI can't do this anymore. I felt leaning towards

me.

Him:Thandolwam.

Me:I am going to lose my baby Inganathi I am going to lose another child again.Why does it have to be me? Can I just stop being queen?

Him:Shhh.

I just let the tears fall down and I couldn't stop shaking.

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LETITIA

We were sitting down having dinner but clearly the mood was somber and I still had no clue why. A guard whispered something to Diamond and Inganathi.Inga was the only one shocked as he looked at the unmoved Diamond. Suddenly my body went cold as the guest walked in.  
LionaMazeMilaniInganathimy mother and father brother and Diamond stood up so fast and stared at her.

Diamond:About time Her Majesty finally meets us.

Her:Ohh Queen Diamond you're making me all shy.

Diamond:I thought natural killers are not hilarious.

Her:Is something in your chest? Trust me I am not your friend.

Diamond stepped off her throne and walked towards Hermione. She removed the hair from Hermione's face making her flinch and move.

Diamond:Do not make me lay my hands on you Hermione

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Diamond:Do not make me lay my hands on you Hermione I know why you are here.

Hermione quickly covered the burnt mark on her cheek and spat.

Inga:Let's eat.

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HERMIONE

I never felt so disrespected and belittled by a child probably same age as my grandchildren.I need to move fast so I can be done soon. I took the two dolls i made.I put them on the platter tying with a thread I cut my hand and poured the blood all over the dolls then burnt the incense. I sat down humming with my eyes closed then the drums started so I opened my eyes to find shadows in the room.

Voice1:Her-sss-mione ss ssswhat did you assk for our presssence in Ssssaalem too?

Me:Vi skal føre dem sammen og øge produktiviteten.(We need to bring them together and make them viable.)

Voice2:What do we getsss in re-sssturn?

Me:Place on the council. Knob dem sammen. (Tie dem sammen)

I watch as they all looked at each other and nodded.

Voice3:Go ahead.

Me:Stram deres lænker helt kun være separeret gennem døden. (Tighten their bonds to their skins only be separated through death.)

I watch as the dolls burn slowly.

Me: Ingen kræfter skulle adskille dem undtagen døden. (No power should separate them except death).

The dolls are complete ashes I get up and smile they really thought they will outrun me. Sounds about right all I have to do is get Letitia to do the rest.

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√85 SEASON FINALE

INGANATHI

I watch her as she paces around.

Me:You are making me dizzy.

Her:I provoked a damn basilisk who in anger did what she was here for now there's no turning back.

Me:What are you talking about?

Her:She did what she came here to do.

Me:Ohh that I was prepared anyway.

Her:Inganathi you are way too calm.

Me:I am the one who is going to die.

Her:Are you fucking with me?

Me:Diamond I am the one who is going to die not you in the end.

Her:This is what you are going to say to me? Do you even care at all?

Me:Dia-

Her:No!You are an excuse of a man who can't even fight for his family I should never have married you.

Me:My lo-

She walked out leaving me feeling more worse than before I don't know how to exactly feel after what Liona told me about Diamond and Milani she explained everything. I knew Milani was in love with her I just didn't know how deep. Now all odds are against me and Diamond. Why mother?

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DIAMOND

I don't know how long I can keep my sanity this is getting out of control.I am approaching my fifth month and we can't seem to find Hermione anywhere. I just sit down and brush my stomach.

Me:Your name is Buhle you are going to lie dead six feet under just like her. I guess in this world I am meant to lose

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I can't even enjoy pregnancy.

I just brush my stomach in silence.

Him:I don't know what to do Thandolwam I keep failing I brought you here knowing very well that my mother wouldn't stop at all. I am so sorry I should never have done this.

I lean forward to him he just hugs me.

Me:I am so sorry for the way I have been acting what I said to you. I know this is difficult and I shouldn't blame you for that.

I just lie on his arms trying so hard to think of another way to stop this but my visions have given me a clue. I didn't like it one bit I hated being the only one who knows what is going to go down but I have to accept it.

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LETITIA

I don't know what Hermione exactly did and I really don't care nor even mind whatever she did as long as we get what we want.Inganathi walks in looking pissed.

Him:At least I will die in your arms Mother.

Me:What are you on about?

Him:She didn't tell you what she didamazing Mom.

Me:She?

Him:What Hermione has done.

Me:Why would I want to know?



Him: You don't want to know? Okay I will see you in hell then.

He walks out leaving me confused and lost.

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DIAMOND [2 WEEKS LATER]

I was having breakfast when I felt sharp pain on my stomach.

Me: Ouch.

Inga:Are you okay?

Me:Just cramps.

Then again and again until I couldn't move I screamed.

Charlotte:She is in labour!

I think I was dying.

Milani:She is five months pregnant!

Then the pain stopped like it wasn't there.

Me:That is weird there's nothing now.

Liona:Your water didn't break maybe it was just cramps nothing much.

Milani:Inga!

I turned around to see him on the ground bleeding and I feel something wet slipping from my nose to lips. I wipe it to come back with blood. I rush to him and rock his head.

Me:What did you do?What have you done Nathi?

Inga:I had to do something about this my love.

Me:You are leaving me all alone Inganathi you promised to be on my side please don't die.

I just let the tears fall the pain comes back and I let out a scream as Inga coughs out blood.

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MILANI

I don't know how to handle everything everyone is a mess Inga is in ICU and Diamond is in labour. Everyone looks lost and confused.

Me:Liona please don't tell me he did it.

Liona:He took a chance none of us could take Macmillan.

Me:Is he going to make it?

Liona:I wish I knew that but I don't.

Dr:Good day everyone.I am afraid we don't have any good news. Her Majesty and the King drank a very dangerous poison

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luckily for her it went for the baby that's what caused the bleeding.

Me:And the baby?

Dr:I am afraid the poison killed her organs we had to take Her Majesty through surgery to clean her womb.

Me:Inganathi?

Dr:He is still awake.

Letitia:Can we see him?

Me:Everyone else except that witch.

Letitia:He is my son!

Liona:Hermione tied them together Letitia she wanted you to think you were only going to kill the child. Inga has done exactly what you were going to do.

We find him staring into space.

Me:Inga.

Him:Hi-i.

**Me:You good?**

**Him:Where is she?**

**Me:Something about cleaning up her womb.**

**Him:Do me a favour.**

**Me:Shoot me.**

**Him:Keep her safe for melove her more now don't ever let her go to bed in tears like I did.**

**Me:Ingana-**

**Him:I know you love her little brother I knowI already knew trust me.**

**Me:You cannot die on me brothereyou just can't Inganathi.**

**Him:Promise me.**

**He closes his eyes.**

**Me:Inga no! Doctor! Nurse! Someone help me! Please don't do this!**

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MILANI

Dr:Her Majesty has woken up.

Me:We will see her my bro-

His doctor came out of the room.

Me:Is he okay?

Her:I am really sorryhe didn't make it.

How the hell is Diamond is going to survive this? Zalem is cursed if you tell me.

Liona:If this doesn't kill Diamond I really don't know anymore I give up.

We go to her and I must say shock is understatement because Diamond is already sitting on the edge of the bed.

Her:About time you arrived I need something to wear.

Me:Where are you going?

Her:To the castle where else?

Liona:You just came out of surgery Diamond.

Her:Not really they inserted tubes in me and drained every ounce of blood having vacation in wrong places.

Liona:Aren't you suppose to be resting?

Her:I knew months ago that I was going to lose the child and ta-da I did.Can you take me to my husband?The doctor told me he was awake.

We look at each other.

Me:Umm Mond.

Her:You really don't want me to leave this room.I want to see Nathi.

Liona:Diamond we need to talk to you about Inga.

She looked at us confused

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then realise without even asking.

Her:This is just a dream right? I am going to wake up and realise he's still around that my husband hasn't forsaken me. Inganathi made a promise and he will live by it he will.

Liona:Diamond.

Her:Stop talking! You are all liars he's not dead.He can't die we have only a month before our second anniversary.I really can't keep husbands for that long I am going 28two dead husbands and two dead children. Wow!

Me:Diamond.

Her:In the end Milani you got me. All of this because of an end. Liona look at you acting like you had no clue about this. Do you know I can't cry anymore?I need to put an end to this madness someone needs to pay for this.



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LETITIA

I kept pacing up and down still trying to process the fact Hermione betrayed me in the most terrible way. Was she going to kill me too? What was going on with Diamond and Inganathiit has been hours now. I just go down and up trying to figure a way out.

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I couldn't sleep a wink at all knowing very well I was about to face hell. I heard noise downstairs so I quickly wore my gown and went there.

Milani:Diamond no!

She was literally glowing she turned to look at me.

Her:Letitia come here!

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NARRATED

Letitia stood there confused and lost at what to do. Before she could move a fist connected with her nose.

Diamond:I get out of her way I let her do whatever I ignore her ways I try to smile with but no she doesn't appreciate that.

Her leg connected with Letitia's ribs she pick her up and throws her against the wall. Letitia keeps mumbling spells but unfortunately for her they seem to anger Diamond more. Everyone stood shocked as she dragged her to the front yard.

Diamond:I expected a real fight from you.

She was kicking and punching her until she laid on the grass unmoving.

Milani:Diamond stop! She is hardly alive!

Diamond:I am going to kill her!

Diamond took out the knife and stood above Letitia.

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Charlotte:How could you?

Diamond took hold of her hand burning her.

Diamond:Exactly how I felt because of your mother so do not ever question me or you will join her.

Liona:Diamond she's dead you can stop.

Diamond:We just started though. Hermione where are you? Come out come out now!

It was clear to everyone that Diamond was angry as she flickered like a dying light. Milani evacuated the castle and made sure everyone was out. They did that for nearly two hours Diamond sat cross legged on the floor waiting for Hermione.Someone screamed Diamond stood there smiling as the ground shook. A massive snake waltz in and hissed at Diamond.

Liona:Basilisk.

Milani:This is badvery bad.

Liona:We are doomed.

It went straight for Diamond it was war as none of them seemed to be able to attack each other

though. This went on for some time until they both stopped and looked at each other. Diamond's arm was bleeding her eyes turned white she picked up a sword and went straight for Hermione speaking in strange words. Hermione jumped but Diamond caught her leg and pulled her back down sending her flying across the room. She rushed to her dragging her by her hair and kicked her right on shin. Hermione laid on the ground looking lifeless Diamond turned around for a split second and gasped.

Milani: No!!

Blood came oozing out of her mouth as Hermione stood behind.

Hermione: It is an ancient dagger and is meant to kill you whoever reigns. You really thought you could defeat me? Child please.

Diamond fell on her knees Milani ran to her followed by Liona.

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### DIAMOND

I was lying on a cold floor and someone was trying to wake me up. I looked up and Inga smiled down at me.

Him:Hey.

Me:Nathi.

I stood up and hugged him.

Him:Zalem will fall apart if you let yourself die.

Me:Where am I?

Him:Between death and life it's either you choose to stay alive or die.

Me:I know I have to go back.

Him:And I will always love you.

Me:I love you so much.

Then my sight became clear.

Milani:Mond.

Me:It is not my time to die yet.

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NARRATED

She got up leaving Hermione shocked on how she has managed to get back on her feet.

Diamond:I bring life and death I am the light and darkness the dream and a nightmare I am queen can never let myself be defeated. I have lost almost everything but I stand.

Her hands rubbed against each other as she walked towards Hermione. Then something happened she disappeared right in front of them.Before they could rub their eyes

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a roar echoed in the kingdom. There stood Diamond with a white lion on her side it pounced on Hermione coming back with a chunk of flesh. Diamond attacked together with the lion.Hermione leaned against the wall trying to breath as the wounds bled.

Diamond:I can't just die you know?

She picked the dagger up and walked towards.

Diamond:I think we should try this on you shall we?

She stabbed her right on the stomach Hermione a loud hiss as Diamond twisted the dagger.

Diamond:Other basilisks are waiting for you and they told me that one way or another I had to kill you.

Diamond rubbed both her hands and put them on her face. Hermione screamed and hissed as her face fried she stopped crying but Diamond continued.



**DIAMOND[PRESENT DAY]**

**I shoot up from the bed in sweat damn these dreams of the past need to come to an end.**

**Voice:Your Majesty.**

**Me:Huh?**

**Her:You need to take it easy from jumping.**

**Me:You can be annoying about it I need to keep fresh.**

**Her:As your-**

**Me:Liona stop speaking like a robot and what are you doing in my room at this time? Don't you have Siba and those rascals of yours to bother?**

**She laughs at me.**

**Her:I just love seeing you all riled up like I said I love the pregnant Diamond.**

**Me:Piss off.**

Her:Breakfast came and went but you were still sleeping.

Me:I was dreaming about that day.

Her:When you defeated the undefeated I really thought they would put a big fight.

Me:I thought so too.

The door flies open and the troublemakers run in.

Me:Oh no!

Lupe:MommyBuhle said I smell bad like a dead fish.

Buhle:I was only playing with her.

Inga:I just came here for the drama.

Me:Where is your father?

He walks in making me smile.

Him:I didn't do anything.

Me:These triplets are very annoyingthey are pissing me off.

Him:Girls what did I say about insulting each other?

Both:It doesn't make everything betterit makes things worse. And it is wrong.

Buhle:I am sorry Lupe.

They hug each other.

Me:Come here.

I just kiss their little faces before they run off leaving Inga behind.

Me:Inga.

Inga:MommyI want you.

You would swear he's not a boy and the first born out of the triplets.

Me:Come here.

Him:One would swear I did something to our children they prefer Mommy more than me.

Liona:She gave birth to them.

Inga snuggles to me

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**I know he's going to fall asleep he always does.**

**Liona:Let me go check my rascals.**

**Me:Bye honey.**

**Liona:Love you.**

**She walks out.**

**Him:Hey baby.**

**Me:Hihe is asleep already.**

**Him:He is a mama's boy. Look at him he's just three years old.**

**Me:Leave him alone.**

**Him:How is Milani Junior?**

**Me:Who said we are going to give him your name?**

Him:Mond.

Me:Nowe won't do that. We have you or are you dead?

Him:Ouch.

He lies on the bed behind me he kisses my neck.

Me:And then?

Him:Missed you?

He picks Inga up and walk out of the room he comes back smiling. He kisses me softly.

Him:I can never change anything for these momentsour triplets and the baby boy on its way the love I have for you. I love you.

Me:I love you too.

My name is Diamond the dawn of my reign camenow through the sunset I am still Queen.This was my story.