

## THROUGH THE EYES OF MY ALPHA by Cassandra M Chapter 18

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NADIA.

Although I was upset with the picture I saw in Riley's room, I couldn't be angry with him.

For starters, the female could be his sister or a relative. It just made me realize that I knew nothing about him. But then, I hadn't even been here for 24 hours yet, so I shouldn't have expected that he would tell me everything in his life in the few hours that we spent together.

Second, if that female was Andrea, should I really be upset? Or should I be thankful that she chose another Alpha and left Riley alone, giving me a shot of having him for myself? Because I was certain that if Andrea was still here, I'd be spending my days in the cell, or worse, back with my uncle, rejected and unmarked.

So maybe I should be celebrating that Andrea isn't around here anymore.

But if there was anything I wanted to know, it was who Andrea was and where she stood in his life right now. But then again, it would all go back to the fact that we just didn't have time to talk about her yet. 2

One day, maybe, but until then, I would try my best to just shove her off to the back of my mind. I was the one here with Riley, not her. —

And just as long as she doesn't show up here and stake a claim on him, I should be fine.

I stepped into the shower broken-hearted but came out of it with a clearer mind.

I have two months. And the odds were on my side.

While drying my hair, I was already thinking of grabbing some of his clothes again because I still had to pick up my clothes from the basement when I caught sight of my folded clothes on the couch where he said he would be sleeping last night.

I went to pick it up and saw a small note attached to it.

They *were* from Riley. He was apologizing for the little brown burn stain on the back of my blouse because he tried to iron and press it, but the fabric was too thin and it got slightly **burnt**.

**And the note ended** with a reminder that he'd wait for me for breakfast.

I couldn't help but smile as I picked up my blouse and checked the back portion. There was indeed a slight discoloration, but it was nothing obvious. Heck, he could burn it all and I would still not feel the least bit angry at him.

**He was actually making me** feel giddy with the thought of him ironing my clothes. I couldn't **get rid of** the thoughts in my head about how sexy he must have looked, especially if he **was half naked** while he did that,

Riley. He still amuses me,

If I based it on the things I heard about my mate, I should be scared. They said he was a good Alpha, but it was hard to stand in proximity to him because his aura was too strong, and if he didn't like you, he would not hesitate to show it.

Would that mean he liked me, maybe a bit, because he has been nothing but nice to me: Or was I just reading it wrong?

Or maybe he was trying to like me too. Besides, he has no one now but me. So I should really take advantage of this instead of overthinking, right?

I folded the note

he left me and pressed a kiss on it before slipping it into the pocket of my jeans. I then took all the clothes with me and dropped them on the bed before I took off the towel covering my body and slipped the clothes on.

I didn't have any make-up with me or anything to make me look

better, so I just kept biting my lips and pinching my cheeks to add color to them. And when I thought I was ready to face my mate, I hurriedly went to the door, casting one more glance into his room to make sure

I had set everything back in its place, except for the photo frame, before walking out of the door and closing it behind me.

I walked with

a fast stride down the stairs but slowed down once I reached the first-floor level. My eyes scanned the hallway for anyone, but it looked deserted.

He was probably  
in his office. My heart was beating erratically as I made my way there, hoping he was alone, so I didn't need to be scrutinized by anyone in there.

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And just when I was about to knock, the door opened.

Beta Dominic was standing  
in front of me, and his face warped into a silly smile before he  
shook his head and moved to the side to give me the way.

“Now I know why I was kicked out of the room all  
of a sudden.” My eyebrows hiked up as I stepped inside the room and stopped just beside him. I heard someone  
chuckling from the inside and knew  
immediately that it was my mate. “You talked too much. Get a  
way from here.” Beta Dominic winked at  
me before leaning a bit forward as he whispered something. “If  
you're not here, I'm sure  
his exact words would be ‘fuck off!’. So thanks for taming him  
down a bit.” And then he was gone. He closed  
the door behind him as he left, leaving me alone  
with my **mate, who was already** staring at me  
from his chair. **He was raking** me up and down, and instead of  
being conscious, I actually liked  
that his eyes **were on me**, and it made me straighten my posture more as I flashed him a warm smile.

“**Good morning...** Sorry I slept  
too much” “Come here.” His deep baritone voice was too sexy  
and I had to catch myself  
to keep myself **from faltering in my steps** as I approached him,

stopping in front of his table. “Closer.” His eyes were boring deep into mine, and they were starting a fire inside of me. He could say anything right now, and I would immediately do it.

I swallowed as I rounded his desk and stood just beside his chair.

His hand raised to my arm and he started brushing them softly. His calloused, hard palm skimming against the skin of my arm was giving me too many sparks, and I knew my pussy was starting to get wet already. He needed to stop caressing my skin.

“Riley...”

“Hmmm...”

“What are you doing?” His hand jolted away from my arm and he let out a deep sigh before leaning his back against his chair and closing his eyes. “I’m sorry...”

“I’m not angry... it’s just...”

He snapped his eyes open and looked at me, his brow raised. “It’s just...” “It’s too many sparks...” . “You didn’t like the sparks...” He concluded.

I bit my bottom lip as I stared at the small desk on his side, just so I didn’t have to look at him. “I like them, but it’s making me wet too... And I’m afraid someone will come in and smell my arousal.”

There I said it.

A growl rumbled from his chest as he leaned his elbow on his desk and covered his face with his hands. “Nadia... What will I do with you?”

I giggled to cover my embarrassment for being too upfront. “We can eat breakfast if you haven’t eaten yet.”

He slid his hands up to his forehead and tilted his head in my direction. I could see his eyes **were still** black, but they were slowly returning to their ocean blue color. “I think that’s a good

idea before you give me a full erection.”

I gasped at his words before he laughed at my reaction. He stood up from his chair, coiled an **arm around my** waist, and pulled me closer to his. *My* hands immediately went up to his chest, stopping me from slamming my face into his hard torso.

“What games are you exactly playing at, little mate?” His head was leaning down at me, a teasing smile tugging at his mouth. I **suppressed** a grin from forming on my lips as I shook my head. My gaze was fixed on him, **and** I couldn’t help but marvel at how beautiful he was.

**He was so close** and I could see clearly his perfect chiseled nose, the rough stubbles on his chin **that made him** look tougher and sexier, and then, those plump lips.

I **swallowed as my eyes** focused on his slightly parted lips, and I suddenly felt so thirsty. I was still contemplating whether I s

ould attempt to kiss him, but I remembered that last night, he broke it up almost immediately. My eyes widened as his face leaned closer. My heart skipped a beat as his lips were closing in on me, and I immediately closed my eyes, bracing for impact. And it was like magic. A collision of senses. His lips brushed against mine, and my arms automatically wrapped around his neck as I clung tightly to him like he was my saving grace. Oh, Goddess, yes, he was indeed my saving grace.

A low growl erupted from his chest as his hold on my body tightened as he started to kiss me deeper and harder. He was trying to part my lips, and when I finally did, he didn't waste time in plunging his tongue into mine. He was kissing me hard and deeply, but passionately, and I was drowning in it. We were still lost in each other's kisses when I felt something start to rumble in my stomach that immediately pushed him away.

I was embarrassed that it would growl loudly again like yesterday.

His eyes flitted with confusion as he stared at me, his lips still glistening wet from our kisses.

"I'm sorry..." He closed his eyes and turned to the side before brushing a hand over his hair.

"No. Wait... It's not what you think."

"I know. You were just teasing. I shouldn't have kissed you."

"No, that's not what I meant."

He let out a sigh before he looked at me, confusion written on his face.

“My stomach was starting to rumble, and I don’t want you to hear it growling again, like last time. It’s embarrassing.” He raised his eyebrows but didn’t say anything. “Fine, if you don’t want to believe me, it’s up to you.” I sighed in desperation as I turned around and walked away from him. “I’m going to eat.”

**I didn’t feel any movement behind me, and I knew I would be disappointed if he didn’t join me for breakfast.**

**I turned my head and looked** at him. “Have you had breakfast?”

He just shook his head. “Come, eat with me.” I extended my hand and for him to hold. “And I promise you, I’ll give you **tons of kisses afterward.**” 1.

“But I want a downpayment now.” He was still not moving from his place and his face was **showing no emotions** at all.

**I wasn’t sure then** if that was a joke or not. I stared at him for a long time as I **crossed my arms against my chest**, waiting for him to say he was joking or something.

**But he wasn’t moving. He was just staring** at me with a stoic expression.

**Stubborn Alpha. He always wanted** to have the upper hand.

I rolled my eyes before walking back to where he was and grabbing his face with my hands and pulling it closer to mine before kissing him passionately, letting my lips devour his plump lips. As much as I was doing this so we could eat breakfast already, I wouldn't deny that I was enjoying this,

And Goddess, I could get used to this. After a while, I pulled away from kissing him and just stared at him. A smile formed on his lips as he cupped my cheeks and rested his forehead on mine.

“Nadia...”

“Hmmm...” I mumbled, enjoying the way my name was rolling off his tongue.

“You're beautiful... I hope you know that.” My heart fluttered at his statement. I have been called beautiful before but it sounded more

real and sincere coming from him. He was indeed making me feel beautiful. And while I was thinking of how I should reply to his compliment, my annoying stomach growled in hunger again, drawing his attention. “Beautiful... And always hungry.” He added, chuckling, before he withdrew his forehead and coiled an arm around my waist, pulling me closer to his side as he guided and walked us towards the door.