

Vampire Beginnings: Episode Four

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1 EXT. WILDERNESS

Raegel is running for his life. Or trying too. He's breathing hard, sweat in his eyes, heart thundering in his chest. He can't go any faster though, rocks slipping underneath shoes that were not made for any kind of hiking.

Behind him the Vugan is gaining, snarling and growling.

RAEGEL (V.O.)

This was going to be a dumb way to die, and I was so close! Dammit there were knives in that kitchen why hadn't I taken one? Vugan's were nasty creatures. They had three legs and two arms. Their faces were spongy, whiskery, three eyes, a mouth almost shaped like a humans. But they had two rows of teeth sharper than a Vampire's fangs. It wasn't their bite that killed you, oh no. If this thing reached me it would beat me to death, and rip me into smaller pieces so it could - shit shit! I slipped. Damn my knee. I scrambled, looking for purchase, but all these damn rocks were so loose -

RAEGEL

No, no, no!

RAEGEL (V.O.)

It grabbed my leg, yanked me towards it and that hurt like hell. I flipped onto my back and did the only thing I could think of - I swung the pillowcase, hard! There were bottles and cans inside, and I was reward with it's sound of pain, and much lighter grip. I started to scramble backwards -

RAEGEL

(sound of pain)

OW! FUCK!

RAEGEL (V.O.)

It recovered far too quickly. By the sun goddess was everything stronger than humans? It slammed it's massive fists against my chest, and the pain was terrible. I felt like I couldn't breathe.

RAEGEL (V.O.) (cont'd) 6  
 I reached blindly to the side,  
 grabbing a rock and making a fist  
 around it. I punched the damn thing  
 in the face. I kept trying to punch  
 it, yelling as I did, but after the  
 third time it just grabbed my arm,  
 pinned it to the ground and sank it's  
 two rows of teeth right into my  
 collar bone.

RAEGEL  
 (screams in pain)

RAEGEL (V.O.) 7  
 Freedom sucked. It really, really  
 did. I was going to die for it. For  
 nothing. I had accomplished nothing.  
 She'd never know - I was furious, and  
 I couldn't even use my other arm, and  
 now I was being lifted in the air,  
 and -

The Vugan slams Raegel back onto the ground. It's brutal.  
 Blood flies from Raegel's mouth and we hear bones break  
 inside of him. When next Raegel speaks we hear the pain in  
 his voice.

RAEGEL  
 (screams again in  
 Hulk slam)

RAEGEL (V.O.) 8  
 That broke something. Yeah, lots of  
 things broke. I wonder what they  
 would say about me. Would they say  
 anything? Alexa probably wouldn't  
 give me two seconds of thought. She  
 probably thought I was dead already.  
 I hated that. Not that I needed her  
 approval of course. But I wanted her  
 to see me as something other than a  
 weak, helpless human. She was so...  
 fucking magnificent, and I was going  
 to die, just like she said I would.  
 You know... maybe the very simple  
 lesson here is that men should listen  
 to women more. Huh...

RAEGEL (V.O.) (cont'd) 9  
 I was going to pass out. It was still  
 hitting me. I couldn't take anymore-  
 wait what was that noise?

We hear the sound of a transport. Alexa opens the door, holding a very sleek black energy weapon and fires repeatedly at the creature.

Pew. Pew. Pew.

RAEGEL (V.O.) (cont'd)  
That was Alexa! She looked... good. 10  
At least I think she did. Goddess, I  
was nauseous. She was shooting the  
Vugan and it- was it glowing? Did it  
have a self made force field? Since  
when did a Vugan have that!? Were all  
the books I've read outdated? Shit.  
SHIT. I heard another. Great, now I  
was being flung over it's back.

(makes a disgusted  
sound)

It smelled terrible. Right. Okay. 11  
Okay. I might have been fucked up,  
but I could still fight it. I just  
needed something to fight it with. I  
knew! I reached around it, and jammed  
my finger right into it's eye. HA!  
HA! Take that!

RAEGEL (V.O.) (cont'd)  
It howled and flung me. Oh fuck. Why 12  
was I so high in the air, why had it  
thrown me so hard - she consumed me.  
That's what it felt like when Alexa  
Vires had you in her arms. Now all I  
could smell was her, and hear her  
hard breath, and feel her arms around  
me, and that hurt, because, you know,  
things inside, broken, but I no  
longer cared that they hurt.

RAEGEL  
How did you know? 13

ALEXA  
Later, Raegel. 14

RAEGEL  
Wait. Wait. You're in sunlight. 15

ALEXA  
Shut up. 16

RAEGEL  
(concerned now)  
Alexa, get out of the sunlight. 17

ALEXA  
I'm working on it! 18

RAEGEL (V.O.)  
We were moving so fast. One moment it was hot sun and torrid air. The next I was in the transport. It was cool, and dim, wasn't artificial light great. She put me on the floor ,but I could hear those things outside. Were they banging on the transport? 19

2 INT. TRANSPORT

We hear the rapid, loud thuds and the Vugan's, growling. An alarm goes off.

AI  
Warning critical fail- 20

ALEXA  
Computer silence. Begin diagnostics, self repair the moment the proximity is clear. 21

RAEGEL  
Wait, what are you doing - 22

ALEXA  
We can't leave with those things tearing the transport apart. This is not a war ship. 23

RAEGEL  
Can't you call for backu- 24

ALEXA  
Just lie back Raegel. I'll fix you when I'm done. 25

RAEGEL  
You can't go out there. Alexa stop- 26

RAEGEL (V.O.)  
Of course she didn't listen to me. That stubborn, stupid woman did not listen to me! 27

RAEGEL  
Computer don't you have any weapons?  
(MORE)

RAEGEL (cont'd)

(beat)

Don't you ignore me you stupid, 28  
stupid machine you've got to help  
her!

(beat)

Fine! I'll help- 29

RAEGEL (V.O.)

I tried to stand up. I really did. 30  
But the moment I tired, I passed out.

### 3 INT. VALORIA'S OFFICE

Everything about her space is neat and tidy, obsessively so. Valoria's compulsion for control is manifested in her environment.

She is reading from her tablet when we hear the beeping of an incoming video call.

Valoria smiles and takes the call. Izbe is on the other end, speaking in hushed tones. They do not want to be overheard.

VALORIA

Yes? 31

IZBE

She let a human go free. 32

VALORIA

(sighs)

Alexa, Alexa, Alexa. 33

IZBE

Her transport is gone. If I had to 34  
guess, the human got in trouble and  
she's gone after him.

VALORIA

In daylight? At the height of the 35  
suns power? By the goddess she is  
stupid.

IZBE

She has a soft spot for this one. 36

VALORIA

Why? Who is? 37

IZBE

No one. Just arrived with Clan Sora. 38  
But something about him got to her.

VALORIA  
 He either has something on her, or he has value we've not yet seen. I'll take it from here. Well done, Izbe. 39

IZBE  
 You honor your end, I'll honor mine. 40

VALORIA  
 Of course. Of course. 41

Valoria disconnects the call.

VALORIA (cont'd)  
 (calls out)  
 Alicia, come here. I've a new assignment for you. 42

#### 4 INT. TRANSPORT

The scene slowly fades into a hissing and mechanical sound as the transport begins making repairs.

AI  
 Repairs commencing. 43

RAEGEL  
 (groans)

RAEGEL (cont'd)  
 Alexa... 44

RAEGEL (V.O.)  
 The transport door was still open. She wasn't inside. How long had I been out? I had to do something. I tried to crawl forward... and there she was. Oh thank the goddess. She fell into the transport, a strange translucent helmet around her head, the blood of those things on her. At least I hoped it was all their blood. 45

ALEXA  
 (having trouble breathing)  
 Computer... give... Raegel... control... acknowledge. 46

AI  
 Acknowledged. 47

ALEXA  
Say... say your name. 48

RAEGEL  
What? why- 49

ALEXA  
Just do it! 50

RAEGEL  
Raegel. Alexa what's wrong, how can I- 51

ALEXA  
Computer my s- 52

RAEGEL (V.O.)  
She didn't finish the sentence. She just stopped talking. I hate to admit it, but I... I've never felt so terrified. Not even when I thought I was going to die. I crawled over to her. 53

RAEGEL  
Computer, shut the door. 54

The door slides closed.

RAEGEL (V.O.)  
When I reached her, it took a lot of painful effort to get myself to sit up, back against a wall, and get her at least half into my lap. She was breathing, weakly. It sounded wrong, raspy, kind of like mine. Weren't we a pair. Except this was my fault. If she died from sun exposure it would be my fault. 55

RAEGEL  
You stupid woman, why are you here? What would possess you to come after me? You should have let me die out there, I deserved it. I never meant for you... no. No. Alexa, you will not die like this. I forbid it. Computer, how do I remove her helmet? 56

AI  
Sun visor open. 57

RAEGEL  
This helmet protected her from the sun? What else? 58

AI  
Mistress Vires is wearing UV protection on her custom fitted - 59

RAEGEL  
It's in her armor? 60

AI  
Yes. 61

RAEGEL  
Then why does she sound like this? What's wrong with her? 62

AI  
Her suit is capable of blocking approximately five minutes of sun exposure when taking additional damage. 63

RAEGEL  
How long was she out there? 64

ALEXA  
Seven minutes and thirty eight seconds. 65

RAEGEL  
How do we help her? 66

AI  
The suit is equipped to begin a healing process for UV exposure. 67

RAEGEL  
Why isn't it automatic? You know what, never mind. Can you active it? 68

AI  
Yes. 69

RAEGEL  
What are you waiting for it? Do it. Do it now. 70

AI  
Process commencing. 71

RAEGEL  
(sigh of relief)  
Will she be all right? 72

AI  
She is currently in a UV induced  
coma- 73

RAEGEL  
I know that. Will she wake up? 74

AI  
Calculating... 75  
(beat)  
She has a 87.9% chance of making a 76  
full recovery.

RAEGEL  
Oh, thank the sun goddess. Well, 77  
maybe not her. Whatever.  
(softer)  
You're going to be fine, Alexa. You 78  
hear me?  
(beat)  
Computer... I'm bleeding. 79

AI  
Yes. Would you like me to open the 80  
first aid kit?

RAEGEL  
That would be great. 81

AI  
It is open. Please refrain from 82  
moving Mistress Vires too much during  
the process.

RAEGEL  
Wouldn't dream of it. Computer... how 83  
far away are we from the Akashic  
Cave?

AI  
By kilometer or time? 84

RAEGEL  
Time. 85

AI  
We are two hours from your 86  
destination.

RAEGEL  
 (beat)  
 You're sure, Alexa will be all right? 87

AI  
 She now has a 91.2% of making a full 88  
 recovery.

RAEGEL (V.O.)  
 I wouldn't get another shot at this. 89  
 And if I didn't get to that cave I'd  
 always been this weak, bleeding on  
 myself, no use to her or anybody  
 else.

RAEGEL  
 Take us there. 90

AI  
 We are enroute. 91

5 INT. VALORIA'S OFFICE

We once again hear the sound of Valoria's tablet. Another  
 video call.

VALORIA  
 Report. 92

ALICIA  
 She's been located. I'm sending you 93  
 the coordinates.

VALORIA  
 A moment. 94

Valoria switches tabs bringing up a map. When she see's the  
 exact location her daughter is in, all the smug arrogance  
 vanishes from her face. It's a carefully controlled panic  
 that now sits under the surface, it's urgency sharpening her  
 words.

VALORIA (cont'd)  
 You are sure? 95

ALICIA  
 Yes ma'am. 96

VALORIA  
 She is not to enter that cave. Do you 97  
 understand me? If she exits that  
 transport kill the human, and detain  
 her. I am enroute.

ALICIA  
On your order, mistress. 98

6 INT. TRANSPORT

The transport hums nearly silently, hovering over the landscape as it races towards the Akashic Cave. The interior nearly silent. Slowly, Alexa stirs.

ALEXA (V.O.)  
It was the scent of blood that pulled 99  
me back to consciousness. I felt my  
fangs emerge ravenous for the taste.  
I sat up, too quickly, and was  
instantly nauseous.

ALEXA  
(groans)

ALEXA (cont'd)  
Sun exposure was nothing to toy with. 100  
It wasn't my first time, but I did  
hope it would be my last. I licked my  
lips and looked around, the scent -  
Raegel. He was on his side on the  
floor, an open med kit beside him. It  
looked like he'd taken pain meds, a  
lot of them, and done a terrible job  
trying to clean and dress the bite  
he'd gotten. I quickly moved closer  
to him, ignoring the hunger that  
clawed at me. I lifted up his shirt  
instead. The bruising pattern was  
concerning.

ALEXA (cont'd)  
Computer, scan the human for internal 101  
injuries.

AI  
Listing all injuries. The human has 102  
severe internal trauma. He will be  
deceased in-

ALEXA  
Computer silence. Go offline. Raegel 103  
wake up.

(smacks his face)  
Wake up now. 104

Raegel slowly opens his eyes. He's more than a little high from the pain meds, we can hear it in his unusually weak tone.

RAEGEL  
Mmm... wha... Alexa? 105

ALEXA  
Listen to me. I need you to do something you're not going to like. 106

RAEGEL  
You look nice... 107

ALEXA  
Raegel, focus. 108

RAEGEL  
What... what is it? 109

ALEXA  
You're dying. But I can fix you. 110

RAEGEL  
Figured. Fucking Vugans. 111

ALEXA  
Raegel please. You have to drink my blood. 112

RAEGEL  
I've never needed a Vampire's blood. Never drank it before. Not once. 113

ALEXA  
That doesn't surprise me. 114

RAEGEL  
Wait. You don't want me to die. 115

ALEXA  
(sighs)  
No. No, I don't. 116

RAEGEL  
I didn't want you to die either. 117

ALEXA  
You saved my life. You could have killed me. 118

RAEGEL  
I would never. And you saved mine. Hey, why didn't you just turn it on yourself. Your suit. 119

ALEXA  
I was going to pass out. You would have been defenseless. I needed to give you control of the transport first. 120

RAEGEL  
You're very... heroic. 121

ALEXA  
I am a fool, is what I am. 122

RAEGEL  
No. no, Alexa. I'm a fool. A very big fool. And I don't want to die with you thinking that of me. 123

(beat)  
I'll do it. I'll, drink, from you. 124

ALEXA  
(sighs in relief)  
I expected more of a fight. 125

RAEGEL  
(light laugh)  
Yeah. Yeah. Those meds are nice. Hmmm... But, I... really don't want to die. Not like this. Not with you seeing me like this. 126

ALEXA  
I know, I know. You want to be my equal. 127

RAEGEL  
I want to be someone worthy of you. 128

ALEXA  
(beat)  
What? 129

RAEGEL  
Hmm? 130

ALEXA  
Never mind. 131

ALEXA (V.O.)  
He wouldn't need much. I split open the skin of my palm. Vampire blood affected those who took it differently. Truly it depended on the Vampire. 132

(MORE)

ALEXA (V.O.) (cont'd)  
 Because I could heal myself as fast as I could and I'd been blessed with strength, both of those attributes would pass onto him, for a short time. Enough to repair what was broken inside of him. Well, the physical parts at least. I pressed my palm to his mouth and he closed his hand around my wrist, taking what I offered. He looked at me the whole time. It was... intimate in a way. Involuntarily I ran my fingers through his messy hair. When it was enough, I took my hand away.

ALEXA  
 There. You'll begin to feel better shortly. Just rest. 133

RAEGEL  
 Mmmhmm... Alexa... I want to know... what's in that cave... if any of this was worth it... 134

ALEXA  
 Rest, Raegel. 135

Raegel's out for the count. Alexa watches him sleep for a short time, before she tends to her needs as a Vampire; blood pack from the cooler.

Pixel's super epic transition beats goes here.

AI  
 Destination reached. 136

ALEXA (V.O.)  
 The Akashic Cave was a place of myth. Our stories told of a place where the memories of our souls lived. It was a holy place I suppose. Though for reasons I could not remember we were always told it was not a place to seek out. So how had Raegel discovered it? Who had given him that piece of paper I'd seen with instructions and the cave's symbol? 137

(beat)  
 I was unsurprised he'd ordered the Transport to take us here. On the outside it looked unspectacular. 138

(MORE)

ALEXA (V.O.) (cont'd)  
 With his human eyes I'd doubt he  
 would have been able to see the  
 entrance, as hidden as it was in the  
 rocks cliff face. I should have  
 returned home. Immediately. But now  
 that I'd had a blood bag, and time to  
 think, a curiosity was settling in.  
 And I felt... oddly pulled to this  
 place.

(beat)  
 Strange. Very strange. 139

RAEGEL  
 Do you always feel this amazing? Is  
 this what it's like? 140

ALEXA (V.O.)  
 I turned in my chair to look at him. 141  
 He was sitting up, staring at his  
 hands, looking down at his body as if  
 he would be able to see the changes  
 inside. I stood and walked over to  
 him, checking the bite mark from the  
 Vugan. It was fully healed. Good.

ALEXA  
 I'm not sure how to tell you how it  
 feels for me because I've always felt  
 this way. 142

RAEGEL  
 Goddess. I feel like I could punch a  
 hole through this transport. 143

ALEXA  
 (laughs)  
 Please don't. It's just been fixed. 144

ALEXA (V.O.)  
 I hadn't seen him smile yet. It  
 was... lovely. It made his eyes kind. 145

RAEGEL  
 That's twice you've saved my life. 146

ALEXA  
 (amused)  
 I'm glad your counting. 147

RAEGEL  
 (beat)  
 Are we here? At the cave? 148

ALEXA  
Yes. Which is what we need to discuss. 149

RAEGEL  
You didn't take me back. 150

ALEXA  
Obviously not. Where did you get th- 151

RAEGEL  
(interrupts)  
I meant what I said. 152

ALEXA  
You say a lot of things. 153

RAEGEL  
(self deprecating  
laugh)  
I do. But... You saved my life. You didn't have to do that but you did so I should, say things. I should - wait how did you know I was in trouble? 154

ALEXA  
(sighs)  
There was a drone following you. 155

RAEGEL  
Oh. 156  
(beat)  
Why? Why let me go just to spy on me? 157

ALEXA  
Because unlike you I know how dangerous the wilds actually are and I wanted to keep an eye on you. 158

RAEGEL  
You were worried about me. 159

ALEXA  
Where did you get- 160

RAEGEL  
Do you know there are chapters on you in the history books of Nomoria I was allowed to read. 161

ALEXA  
I know what those books say. That's not important now- 162

RAEGEL

You sounded larger than life. Larger than any of the Vampires I'd come across. Then you swept into Clan Sora, and you weren't a fantasy character anymore you were real. We'd heard the rumors, we knew you didn't like the way Clan Sora was treating us. I'm sure there were other reasons you conquered them but... did you know some of my kin prayed to you? Night after night, they would say a prayer that the great Alexa would come free us and take us to her clan. 163

ALEXA

I... mmm. Did you pray to me, Raegel? 164

RAEGEL

(laughs)

No. Of course. Not me. Besides I knew you wouldn't hear. I prayed for our freedom. 165

ALEXA

Of course. 166

RAEGEL

But not... not for the reasons you think. 167

This is important to him, Alexa realizes. It's in his posture, in the way he avoids her eyes. He's never had any trouble staring her down before. They need to talk about the cave, about the situation they're in but - she wants to give him this space.

ALEXA

(beat)

All right. What reasons? 168

RAEGEL

(beat)

When I saw you come down those steps, in real life, I'd never been so angry. But I was angry because all I could think was that I'd never be good enough for you. I was dirty. I was weak and scared. I was nothing to you but food. And the first time I saw you, more than anything, goddess, more than I wanted to be free, I wanted to be worthy of you. 169

(MORE)

RAEGEL (cont'd)

(beat)

I hated that. I hated that you made 170  
me feel that way and I didn't even  
know you. I'm not a child. This isn't  
a book. But you made me feel... you  
made me feel.

ALEXA (V.O.)

There are not a lot of firsts when 171  
you're two thousand years old. You  
get use to it. But here he stood,  
with my power running through his  
veins, with this cave that was so  
important to him a few short meters  
away and he'd chosen to be open and  
vulnerable with me. He still had not  
met my eyes, he, who'd never had any  
issue staring me down before.

(softer)

I stood, closing the distance between 172  
us and touched his bearded face.

ALEXA

Look at me. Please. 173

ALEXA (V.O.)

It took him a moment. I waited. 174  
Finally his eyes met mine and the  
feeling that rushed through me was...  
exquisite.

RAEGEL

I know. I'm ridiculous. I'm a lot of 175  
things. I do want humans to be free.  
I do want to be a vampire's equal.  
But you... fuck you, Alexa. From you,  
for you, I want even more.

ALEXA

You are enough, Raegel. As you are, 176  
you are enough.

RAEGEL

How can you say that? 177

ALEXA

Because I am not stupid. You, you, 178  
courageous, beautiful, frustrating  
man, I am learning are also sometimes  
stupid. You're enough because you are  
brave. Because you want better for  
your people. Because you are willing  
to fight for it, to die for it.

(MORE)

ALEXA (cont'd)  
 In fact you are so stupid and so brave, and so... worthy of me, you were going to die for it alone. You have no army. You clearly have no friends. All you have is your conviction. Your passion. What drives you. *That* makes you worthy.

RAEGEL  
 Not just for them. I wasn't going to die alone, just for them. 179

ALEXA (V.O.)  
 His words thrilled me. It had been... longer than I could remember since I'd felt such a thing. 180

RAEGEL  
 (quiet)  
 I want you. 181

ALEXA  
 (smiling)  
 You've said that before. 182

RAEGEL  
 How long do I have? Feeling like this? 183

ALEXA  
 A few hours at most. 184

RAEGEL  
 Then let me please you. Mistress. Here. In this space where there is just the two of us. I can be a fast learner. 185

ALEXA (V.O.)  
 I shut him up with my mouth over his. My sigh was one of pleasure, one of relief when he did not disappoint me. He returned my kiss, his lips softer than anticipated. 186

ALEXA  
 (a soft moan of delight)

ALEXA (V.O.)  
 Pleasure was easy to come by. After two thousand years my partners were so many, and so varied I could not remember them all. 187

(MORE)

ALEXA (V.O.) (cont'd)  
 Though none ever pleased me as well  
 as the magnificent, Lilith of planet  
 Heven. So, yes, pleasure was easy.  
 Connection was... different.  
 Connection was rare. Connection was  
 that thing that underlaid passion. It  
 made it burn brighter, made a simple  
 human's kiss, overwhelming. Oh, he  
 was worthy. And I would make him  
 prove it.

The music transitions. Alexa's soft gasp. Raegel's deeper  
 moan.

RAEGEL (V.O.) 188  
 The feeling of Alexa inside me was  
 the most incredible thing I'd ever  
 felt. Her strength in my hands. Hands  
 that I used to lift her, move her  
 where I wanted. I put her back  
 against the wall, my body pressed  
 against hers. I loved kissing her.  
 When I felt her Vampire Fangs graze  
 against my lower lip it made me moan  
 so loudly she laughed. She had a  
 beautiful, fucking, laugh. Everything  
 about her was beautiful.

RAEGEL (V.O.) (cont'd) 189  
 Clothes were such a nuisance weren't  
 they? Mine were easy to come off, but  
 that damn suit of hers - I made her  
 laugh again as I struggled, and I was  
 instantly addicted to hearing that  
 sound. I figured it out, with her  
 help, and it wasn't a laugh, but her  
 moan I was blessed with when I  
 dropped to my knees and pressed my  
 mouth between her thighs. Her back  
 braced against the wall, her legs  
 over my shoulders, my hands atop her  
 thighs holding her still as I tasted  
 her. When I pushed my tongue inside  
 her, her breath came sharper. Her  
 moans louder when her clit was  
 between my lips, gently, harder, and  
 when she came, I nearly did too.

RAEGEL (V.O.) (cont'd) 190  
 I felt so powerful because of her,  
 but I still don't know how I ended up  
 on the floor on my back. I didn't  
 care either.

(MORE)

RAEGEL (V.O.) (cont'd)  
 Her hair curtained around us, her lips demanding, her tongue on mine, sharing the taste. When she touched me, her mouth swallowed my sounds. When she took me inside of her, I couldn't have cared less about freedom. My only job, my sole purpose in that moment was to please her.

RAEGEL  
 You're beautiful. So beautiful. 191

ALEXA  
 Mmm. So are you. 192

RAEGEL (V.O.)  
 She sat up, a goddess astride me. I touched every part of her I could reach, her thighs, her hips. I caressed the well defined muscles of her stomach and watched them tremble as she moved. She took my hand, guiding my fingers between us, and I knew what she wanted. I touched her clit as she rode me harder, faster. I could not contain my sounds of pleasure, and she did not contain hers. In that moment, I dared to wonder what it would be like if she was always... mine. 193

A soft sexy transition sound to indicate the change in P.O.V.

ALEXA (V.O.)  
 For a human, the way he moved inside of me was perfect. It was even better when he used the strength I'd given him, flipping us over, pinning my back to the floor with his weight atop mine, which I eagerly welcomed. He slid back inside me, sending every sensitive nerve ending on fire. It was too much and not enough. When our hips pressed tightly together he went still, and kissed me. He kissed me slowly, all his passion and focus and conviction just for me. It felt like a gift. I framed his face and ran my fingers through his beard. Finally, he moved. Slow. Sensual. I didn't expect him to feel as good as he did. 194

(MORE)

ALEXA (V.O.) (cont'd)  
 It was another gift, watching his  
 face, watching the pleasure darken  
 his eyes, and tighten his beautiful  
 features. I wanted more. I wanted to  
 be inside of him. I wondered if he  
 would allow it...

ALEXA  
 Raegel... 195

RAEGEL  
 Do it. 196

ALEXA  
 ...be sure. 197

RAEGEL  
 Please. 198

ALEXA  
 (groans)

RAEGEL (V.O.)  
 Her fangs pierced my skin and I've  
 never come so hard. The pinch of pain  
 was nothing, *nothing*, compared to the  
 feeling of her inside me. I was  
 utterly consumed by her lips sucking  
 at me, the jerk of her hips, the  
 delicious sting of her nails into the  
 muscle of my back as she came again.  
 Maybe I'd gotten freedom all wrong,  
 because I felt it now. Here. With  
 her. 199

RAEGEL  
 I'm... never moving. 200

ALEXA  
 (amused)  
 You'll get hungry before I will. 201

RAEGEL  
 Mmm. Don't care. 202

ALEXA  
 (laughs again)  
 Kiss me. 203

## 7 INT. ALEXA'S STUDY

The scene slowly fades into the sound of Alexa writing.  
 Raegel sits beside her.

RAEGEL  
I think I should edit a few more things. 204

ALEXA  
(amused)  
Why? 205

RAEGEL  
Well if you're going to describe our first time together, I think you should include how good I looked without my clothes. 206

ALEXA  
No. They can wonder. That's for me. 207

RAEGEL  
(laughs)  
As you wish. 208  
(beat. A more serious tone)  
You don't have to write what happens next. 209

ALEXA  
(beat)  
Yes, I do. 210

RAEGEL  
I hate thinking about it. That was so hard for you and I... I could have lost you. 211

ALEXA  
But you didn't. 212

RAEGEL  
Thank the Goddess. 213  
(softer)  
Write it tomorrow. I think we should re-enact what happened in the transport. 214

ALEXA  
(laughs)  
Oh do you? 215

RAEGEL  
Mhmm. I can do it better this time. 216

ALEXA  
Prove it. 217