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Chapter 12

Voltron soon landed on the planet. Merla, and the rest of the team disembarked the mighty robot. They were able to track Lotor, and Allura's location with a sensor devise that could trace humanoid life forms.

"According to these sensors...", began Keith, "They're in somewhere in that cave."

"That's the heart of the volcano!", Merla informed them, "That's where they're going to jump in!"

"Come on team!", ordered Keith, "Let's go!"

Keith, Hunk, and Pidge ran towards the cave. Merla began to run towards it as well, but Lance grabbed her wrist to stop her.

"What are you doing? Let go of me!", she commanded.

"Sorry, Merla.", Lance told her, "You're staying here."

"Why, I thought you trusted me?", she asked.

"Of course I do, in fact I love you.", he told her, "But I've lost too many people in my life whom I care about. You're not going to be one of them. Besides, your people need their queen. You may be the key to peace between Drules, and Humans."

"I'm a warrior Lance! I can take care of myself. I know you love me, I love you too. It would kill me if anything happened to you. But I can't stop you, it's your job. Besides, Allura's a princess of her own world. Her people need her as well. That didn't stop the rest of you from letting her join the team."

"There was no one else. Besides, Voltron is technically hers. We really couldn't stop her.", he told her, "Also, You're the one that I love. You're the one I would give my soul to." With that he picked up Merla, and threw over his shoulder. He then took her back to the yellow lion, set her down, and tied her to it with some rope that he had hidden from her sight.

"You can't do this!", she yelled, "Untie me at once!"

"I set a homing beacon, inside the red lion. Galaxy Garrison should pick it up, they will rescue you in case we don't make it. I hope to see you soon, Merla.", he told her as tears began to swell in his eyes. It was as if he was afraid he wouldn't make it back alive to see her again. She knew that was the reason why he was crying, and why he didn't want her to go. He then gave her a passionate kiss, as if it was a kiss goodbye. He then ran to keep up with the other team.

"Lance come back!", she cried, "I can help you!"

“Where are Merla, and Lance?”, asked Pidge, “They were behind us just a minute ago.”

“They’re probably making out again.”, replied Hunk.

“I don’t know where they are.”, said Keith, “We don’t have time to wait. Allura’s in trouble.”

They headed into the cave as the signal, from the sensors, began to increase.

“This way!”, said Keith. As they entered, the three of them were hit by Hagger’s magical electrical bolts from her staff. The team collapsed immediately. Hagger began to laugh.

“You see my pet!”, she told her evil cat, “My magic is more powerful here.” She then ordered some of the guards to take their unconscious bodies to Lotor.

“Wait, where is the other one, and Merla?”, she asked, “There are only three of them. No matter, these three will do.” Little did Hagger know, that Lance had witnessed everything without being caught.

“Oh Crap!”, he thought, “I have to rescue them, but how?”

Meanwhile, Merla was still tied to yellow lion and kept trying to get loose.

“Oh, that idiot!”, she thought, “How could he do this to me?” Just then she saw Cheddar.

“You have to help me little one.”, she told him, “Please, chew through the ropes. You’re friends are in danger, and need my help.” Cheddar nodded, and began chewing through her bonds. She was soon free.

“Thank you little one.”, she told him, “Now, let’s go!”

Lotor, and Allura stood over the cliffs that led to the lava below. Allura looked down, it must have been a thousand feet to the bottom of the cliff. Allura’s hair was down, and both she and Lotor wore long white robes. Lotor was in awe of her beauty.

“You are as lovely as always my dear.”, he told her.

“Why can’t I move?”, she asked. Some kind of force was holding her place. She tried to move, but she was unable to do so.

“Hagger had placed a spell on you.”, Lotor explained, “I’m sorry, but it was the only way to make sure you were cooperative.”

“Please don’t do this, Lotor.”, she said with tears in her eyes, “You’re going to kill us both.”

He looked into her eyes. It almost broke his heart to see her so upset. How could he have left her back on that decoy world to die? Before he met her, he was incapable of true love. She taught him to love someone other than himself. It was the most powerful feeling he had ever experienced. He had to conquer her, and make her feel the same about him.

“Don’t worry my love.”, he told her, “Eternity awaits us. We shall soon be gods, and you will be mine forever.” He then cupped his hand, under her chin, and kissed her. She couldn’t fight him, Haggar's spell prevented her from doing so. He then removed her robe, and was more than pleased by her naked body.

“I knew you’d be perfect.”, he told her, “You are truly a goddess.” He then removed his robe revealing his naked, muscular physique. It was a first for her, she had never seen a naked man.

“Enjoying the view?”, he asked, “I know I am.”

“Look at the happy couple.”, laughed Haggar, “What a handsome pair you make. I have a wedding gift for the both of you. Guards! Bring in the Voltron force.”

“This is perfect!”, laughed Lotor as the guards laid the unconscious members at the edge of the cliff, “They are just what I need!”

“What are you going to do?”, asked the terrified princess.

“You shall soon see my dear.”, he told her, “Cossack, have my men line up along the cliff!” Sixteen guards were soon lined up at edge of the cliff.

“What’s going on?, We can’t move!”, said one of them.

“You have all served me well.”, he told them, “But for me to be accepted, I must offer the gods the lives of twenty one loyal warriors. Cossack! Begin!” Cossack began decapitated the helpless solders, and let there dead bodies fall into the lava below. Lotor laughed, Allura was horrified by what she saw.”

“You monster!”, she cried, “How could you kill your own people? They were loyal to you.”

“Consider them a present my dear.” he told her, “There was a reason I chose them. They were instrumental in my father’s first attack on Arus. One of them raped your mother before he killed her. He made your father watch before slitting both their throats. I needed loyal warriors, but I chose this group as revenge for the pain my father has caused you.”

“I knew my parents were murdered!”, she cried, “I didn’t know how! No wonder Coran refused to tell me.”

“On top of it, I now have three enemies to offer.”, he told her.

“No!”, cried Allura, “Please don’t! I’ll do anything, but you must spare them.

“I’m sorry my beloved.”, he said, “But the more I offer the more powerful we shall become.”

“Sire I’m confused.”, said Cossack.

“What a shock.”, replied Lotor, “What are you confused about?”

“The four solders you killed before, and the sixteen you offered now only come to twenty.”, he informed him, “You are one loyal warrior short.”

“Actually Cossack, I was saving the twenty first warrior for last.”, explained Lotor.

“Who would that be?”, asked Cossack. All of a sudden the answer became obvious. Cossack began to run for his life. Haggar used his magic to stop him, and forced him to the edge of the cliff. Lotor walked over to him wielding his laser sword.

“Why sire!?”, begged Cossack, “I have always been your loyal servant!”

“I know Cossack.”, replied Lotor, “You are special, that’s why I’ve saved you for last.” With that he ran his sword through Cossack’s heart, and let him fall into the lava.

“Stop!”, cried Allura, “I can’t take anymore! Please I beg of you, spare my friends. I’ll go with you willingly. Just don’t harm them.”

“They have been a thorn in my side for too long.”, he told her, “If I spare them the gods will not except us. There is no other way. But I promise they will feel no pain”

“Father, help me.”, Allura cried to herself, “We are all in danger.” It seemed hopeless. They were all doomed.