

Shadows In Darkness.

She sits there, on the moss covered edge of the pond. Her wavy, red hair streaming down her back. Her toes just on the water. She looks up at him her hand on his chin. No one else can see, it's just him and her now. The lilies float around in the water. Bobbing up and down as the creature moves out of the water. Exposing his body. He sits on the rocky, moss covered edge. Looking down at her, he smiles.

His eyes connecting with hers.

"It's just us two against the world now," the girl whispers.
"just you and I and this cruel world we live in."

She pulls her hand away from his face and looks into the water. He moves closer towards her. Rubbing his face up against hers. She continues to look down into the water. Occasionally moving her feet to make the water ripple. She sees small fish darting around in the water, not taking notice of what lies above them.

"What is wrong, Anna, why won't you smile...anymore?" says the creature, his eyes gazing into hers.

"The world is unfair." she whispers.

"the world took away my everything, except you, you're all I have left. It's just us two against the rest of this cruel, cruel world, I guess.." she stopped.

A tear rolling down her face. Just catching a glint of light in the shadow of darkness.

She looks up at him. Her eyes full of sadness and death. Eyes that have seen horrible things. Her thoughts, thoughts a young girl should never have to think. Among this all she has left, is this creature, a creature with eyes full of sadness and death. But he is the only one she has left, the only one that hasn't left her, the only one that is there to protect her and will do anything to protect her.

He loves her.

She looks up at him.

"Stay with me forever, Jasper? In this mystical but cruel land. Stay with me. We will hide from the monsters, the demons. We will just sit around and laugh, laugh like nothing is wrong, laugh like nothing has happened. We can forget. Jasper, we can forget..stay with me." Anna says this with tears rolling down her face.

"I may be torn and broken. I may have seen death. I may be struck by sadness. But I still am all I use to be, it won't last forever, the sadness. The only people that can hear us now is the whispering trees and the bobbing lilies. Everything has been taken away, the pixies, the elves, everyone and everything, gone, taken from us. Their wings have been broken, their hearts have been shattered. We saw every little part of it but we could not save them..we had no way. So, Jasper, I beg you, please, stay with me, forever."

Tears roll down Jasper's face.

"I will stay. I love you." He replied with a whisper and a sniffle.

"What did you just say..?" Anna whispered.

"I said, I love you." Jasper replied shyly.

"I love you with all my broken heart. I love you with death and sadness in my eyes. I've loved you since the day I set eyes on you."

Anna had no words to say. She felt as though her heart had been put back together again.

"I love you too." She replied shyly.

As she said this she heard a sound. The sound of pixies dancing around. The sound elves make when they are happy and in love. The sound of the whispering trees, singing. She turns around. Jasper holding her hand as she stood up. She sees nothing but she can hear it. The sounds.

She starts to walk towards it. The whispering trees moving with her. Jasper follows her quietly, scared. Not saying a word. He can hear it too. They walk towards these joyful sounds, scared, not knowing what they are. They see light.

The whispering trees singing, the pixies dancing, the elves in love and happy.

Anna screams in excitement.

"Jasper! They are back! Everyone! The pixies and the elves! They are all back, singing and dancing! Like they use to! They are back!" Anna screams in excitement.

"What if it's a trick, Anna?" Jasper whispers, worried.

"Jasper! They are back! I promise!" she screams.

"It's really them!"

"I have to trust you, Anna." Jasper whispers, nervous but excited.

Jasper and Anna walk into the clearing. Holding hands. All the death, all the sadness, all the pain. Gone. Gone from their eyes, gone from their minds, gone from their hearts. All the pieces picked up again. All the happiness, back together again. Where it belongs. No more torn hearts, no more torn feelings, no more torn minds. Just happiness. Just love.

They had saved them, Jasper and Anna. Saved them. By standing alone, together. By loving, together. By being, together. They had brought back life. Just by standing alone, together.