Chapter 27

The chapter opens with Feyre reflecting on a tense and emotionally charged night, where Tamlin's anger manifests in a destructive outburst that echoes through their home. Her attempt to avoid confrontation and her desire to stay connected are thwarted by Tamlin's abrupt decision to send her away for her safety. She is overwhelmed by the chaos and her own feelings of helplessness, as her mind is haunted by the threatening presence of Rhysand and the looming danger of the impending blight and the mysterious threat under the Mountain. Her emotional turmoil is palpable as she struggles to process the upheaval in her life and the uncertain future that awaits her.

Tamlin's actions reveal a protective but conflicted attitude, as he admits he cannot shield Feyre from the dangers outside their home. His decision to send her back to her human family is driven by a desire to keep her safe from those who might harm her because of her connection to him and her potential as a threat to their enemies. His words are filled with regret and helplessness, emphasizing the severity of the threat they face from Amarantha and the other dark forces in Prythian. Tamlin's insistence on her leaving underscores the peril they are in and the impossibility of their current situation, forcing Feyre to confront the reality that she cannot stay with him and must return to her previous life, which now feels like a prison.

Feyre's feelings of frustration and heartbreak are compounded by her desire to stay with Tamlin, despite the dangerous circumstances. She pleads to remain, but Tamlin's resolve is firm; he fears for her safety and recognizes that her presence could make her a target. His admission that he cannot protect her against the rising threats, including the powerful and deadly Amarantha, underscores the gravity of their situation. His warning to conceal the truth about her whereabouts and her identity highlights the level of danger she faces if she remains in Prythian. Their emotional

exchange reveals the depth of their love and the tragic necessity of their separation, even as both wish for a different outcome.

The chapter culminates in a passionate and bittersweet farewell. Despite the pain of parting, Feyre and Tamlin share a moment of intimacy, trying to cling to each other amid the chaos. Feyre's internal conflict is evident as she struggles with her desire to stay and her understanding of the peril she faces if she remains. Tamlin's reassurance that her departure is temporary offers a fragile hope, but both are painfully aware that their separation is inevitable. The chapter ends with a poignant reminder of the thorny, prickly nature of their relationship—marked by love, sacrifice, and the harsh realities of the dangerous world they inhabit—leaving Feyre with a mixture of longing and resolve as she prepares to leave.