

Chapter 127

In Chapter 127 of "All the Colors of the Dark," Saint returns home to find Jimmy asleep on the couch, the muted sounds of a hockey match emanating from the TV. Upon entering, she observes the state of the house—three empty bottles on the coffee table reflect his neglect during her absence. As she tidies up, her tasks include cleaning the bathroom and washing stained shirts, all while contemplating her previous suggestion of hiring someone for housekeeping, which Jimmy dismissed.

Saint's concerns deepen as she surveys their living space, filled with familiar yet unsettling reminders of their life together. She jumps when Jimmy approaches her, clearly intoxicated but expressing warmth in his welcome. Despite the late hour, she prepares sandwiches, and their conversation touches upon snippets of their daily lives, revealing Jimmy's mundane activities at work that further distance her from him. His teasing reference to her boyfriend hints at underlying tensions, while Saint's inquiry about her grandmother showcases her emotional burdens.

Later, she steps outside to talk with Nix, who expresses relief at seeing her. Their dialog shifts to the ongoing FBI investigation into the Macauley case, reflecting the weight of unresolved trauma. Discussion with Nix reveals additional worries about her well-being and the psychological toll of their work. He shares Norma's bleak views on female FBI agents' futures, causing Saint to reflect on her own circumstances, feeling the sting of such judgments.

As their conversation deepens, Nix offers insights on coping with failure and the importance of finding one's moral compass. Despite the complexities of their past and present challenges, the bond between Saint and Nix provides a moment of solace. Saint feels the weight of her decisions and the introspective nature of their shared experiences. The encounter culminates with encouraging words from Nix, emphasizing the importance of meaningful action—a reminder for Saint amidst the chaos of her life.