

Chapter Forty-Seven

In Chapter Forty-Seven of "If These Wings Could Fly," Leighton enjoys a quiet Friday evening with Liam at his home, appreciating the mundane yet comforting atmosphere. After a quick tutorial on Liam's shower and borrowing one of his old football shirts to wear, she explores the house, brushing her fingers over the picture frames, reflecting on the memories they hold.

Liam prepares dinner, creating a playful spread of peanut butter sandwiches, which makes Leighton laugh. They settle in the family room to watch superhero movies, sharing an intimate moment. As they eat, Liam reveals a rebellious side by breaking his family's rules about eating on the couch, which prompts a discussion about their night together.

The mood shifts when they become more physically affectionate. However, when Liam's hand brushes against Leighton's breast, he abruptly pulls away, expressing his worry about taking things too fast. Leighton is frustrated that her father's past actions loom over her relationship with Liam, feeling that he shouldn't influence their connection. She insists that their intimacy should stem from mutual desire, dismissing any fears about her father's baggage.

As they delve deeper into the conversation, Leighton reveals she is on the pill, indicating that she is not making impulsive decisions about their potential sexual relationship. They discuss their feelings, with Liam confessing that he's falling for her. This unexpected revelation takes Leighton by surprise, as love carries weighty implications that she's not sure she's ready for. After some back-and-forth, they decide to embrace their connection without pressure for the future, agreeing on no promises.

The chapter concludes with a relatable mix of playful banter and emotional honesty, leaving Leighton content despite the underlying complexities of their relationship. The evening wraps up on a positive note, which helps Leighton process her tumultuous feelings from the last twenty-four hours.