

CHARTRULEAN

Just being back in this city is a weight off.

SOPHROSYNE

I feel like I'm just going to be in your way.

CHARTRULEAN

It's hard to be in someone's way if they lack direction.

[Beat]

SOPHROSYNE

If you had made different choices, what would have happened with the Rau?

CHARTRULEAN

They'd have put most of us out of our misery. A much kinder fate than the one we're capable of inflicting upon ourselves.

SOPHROSYNE

Mother told me once that I have to find something that I believe in so deeply that it hurts. Something that's worth fighting for. As trite as it sounds, I chose freedom. Is there something that's like that for you?

[Silence]

CHARTRULEAN

Yoba told me recently that it takes a village to change the world. That it's not just up to one person. It was most obvious thing anyone's ever said to me.

SOPHROSYNE

Yoba said that?

CHARTRULEAN

Because of the people I've met, I have some hope that our world can be saved from my mistake.

You've already been able to see many things that I overlooked. The gardens. Boethema.

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CHARTRULEAN (CONT'D)

Your father is ending an intergalactic war, and winning the hearts of the people. Havelion fights for equality and justice. Admiral Lapadine gives us tools to build, and a home. Yoba reveals our friends and enemies.

SOPHROSYNE

But you're at the center of all of it, whether you like it or not.

CHARTRULEAN

And it's a lonely place.

SOPHROSYNE

You're not alone. We all want to help you win.

CHARTRULEAN

Why should you have to?

SOPHROSYNE

Because of who you are, not what you think you're supposed to be.

(frustrated)

Don't you see -- you have to break a little in order to rebuild. You have to fear in order to conquer. None of this is that strange, it's in our nature.

What you're asking us to do is stop the cycle from repeating itself. That's like asking the world to stop spinning completely. All we can do is a little better each time.

CHARTRULEAN

It. Can. Stop.

SOPHROSYNE

How, once we're all dead? I reject that.

CHARTRULEAN

No. I promise to explain it better soon.