

Kingdom Come Backstories: The Next Step

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EXT. SERENA'S FARMLAND - DAY

Calm blue sky. Bright green grass. Beautiful blue birds fly around the sky and are moving around the grass.

KING MAGNUS (29, noble king, romantic and confident) enters in with his white steed. He smiles at the lady he sees in front of him.

SERENA (29, kind farmer, caring and humble) is seen pulling out her newly grown vegetables. She puts the vegetables in her large basket.

KING MAGNUS
Beautiful as always.

Serena stands up with her basket full of vegetables, when a carrot falls out. Serena reaches for the carrot, but her hand is grabbed by Magnus'.

KING MAGNUS
Good afternoon, my dear.

The king moves Serena's hand to his lips.

KISS.

KING MAGNUS
How are you this day?

Serena chuckles at the king's romantic gesture.

SERENA
Oh, Magnus. You know if you keep this up, your knights will find out about this sooner than you think.

Magnus grabs the carrot from the ground and lovingly holds Serena by the waist, closer to him.

KING MAGNUS
Well, they haven't found out about us for two years now. I think we're safe.

Magnus and Serena lean their heads forward.

KISS.

Serena looks at her lover with more concern.

SERENA

What are you doing here?

KING MAGNUS

I just wanted to visit you. Is that so wrong?

SERENA

Well, when you've done it for the fifth time in less than three days...

King Magnus laughs at Serena's response.

SERENA

Magnus darling, I'm serious. You can't tell me your knights, or even your kingdom, haven't been concerned about your whereabouts lately. I'm happy to always see you, but I don't want you to get hurt.

Serena motions herself away from Magnus. She grabs her basket of vegetables from the ground, and walks forward. Magnus follows behind her.

Serena places her vegetable on a table, in front of her farmhouse.

SERENA

You've been visiting me more recently, and its been more concerning.

Serena holds herself with her arms.

SERENA

Maybe this is finally getting out of hand...

Magnus looks at his lover with worry.

KING MAGNUS

Serena...

The king comfortingly grabs the farmer's hand from behind.

KING MAGNUS

You have nothing to worry about, I promise. I've been visiting you more often because I want to. I don't care about Unity's rule, or what anyone says.

The king turns Serena around to face his eyes. He holds her hand with both of his, in between them.

KING MAGNUS

I love you Serena.

Magnus places his hand on Serena's cheek and gently rubs his thumb through her hair.

KING MAGNUS

I need you.

Serena looks at Magnus with surprise. The king leans in for another kiss, but Serena stops him with her hands.

SERENA

But you're required by law to marry
royalty.

Serena looks to the side and begins to cry.

SERENA

You deserve a queen.

King Magnus places his hand on Serena's chin, and turns her head towards his.

KING MAGNUS

You are my queen. I deserve you.

Magnus leans forward.

KISS.

Still crying, Serena closes her eyes and gives into the kiss. A calm breeze flows during the romantic moment.

The two lovebirds separate and lean their heads against each other.

SERENA

Magnus, I'm just a simple
farm-girl. Its no way in the world
this will ever work out. If anyone
finds out, including Unity
Officials, we'll be punished
severely.

Magnus only smiles at Serena's concerns as she continues.

SERENA

You'll lose your kingdom,
reputation... We'll both be

(MORE)

SERENA (cont'd)
banished! I don't care what happens
to me, but I don't want that to
happen to you.

KING MAGNUS
Then I guess we'll have to change
that. Move on to the next step.

SERENA
What? What do you mean?

King Magnus holds Serena's head with his hands.

KING MAGNUS
You worry too much my love.

Magnus looks to the side and sees his castle from a distant.
He has a big smile on his face, and turns back to Serena.

KING MAGNUS
I have to go now, but I'll return
in a couple of days.

Serena nods her head. The two lovebirds hold hands as they
walk forward to Magnus' steed.

The king climbs on his horse.

SERENA
Be safe, dearest.

Magnus turns to hold Serena's hand with his.

KING MAGNUS
I will. Promise.

Love-struck, King Magnus looks deeply into Serena's eyes.

KING MAGNUS
In a month, I will have a surprise
for you. And when I present it to
you, all of our problems will be
over.

Serena looks confused at Magnus' comments. Magnus looks
ahead getting ready to ride.

KING MAGNUS
It will all make sense in due time.

King Magnus begins to ride off with his horse. He turns back
to wave at Serena.

KING MAGNUS

Goodbye, my love. Till next we
meet.

Serena waves back goodbye, and holds her hands together. She
blushes, as her lover leaves.

SERENA

I wonder what our future will
in-store for us next, my king...

The calm breeze returns, as a diagonal bird's-eye view
camera shot show Magnus' distance form Serena.

Fades to black.