

**Gaia. A world where the gods rule not from above, but from the boardrooms of their corporations—and where demigods and mortals alike struggle to win their approval not through ritual sacrifice, but through obeisance to their corporate empires.**

**Leda Dioscuri** is wasting her twenties. A teenage tech prodigy, she was destined to become a star in the corporate empires of the Olympian gods. But right out of college, she accepted a job from **Spartan Industries CFO and demigod Tyndareus Dioscuri**—and then his hand in marriage. Two years later, she has become a trophy wife, admired for her youth and beauty but not her intelligence, which she is beginning to fear is gone for good...

Until everything changes.

Leda and Tyndareus are attending a party on the private island of the playboy god of thunder and lightning, **Zeus, CEO of Olympic Energy**, who is looking to acquire a new company. While waiting for Zeus to appear, Leda finds herself drawn to a large, beautiful swan swimming in the lake below the palace. But when she goes to find him, he attacks her. She flees and is rescued by Zeus. At first, he is angry at her for trespassing, but upon seeing her beauty he tries to seduce her. She angrily rebuffs him and returns to the party. Later that evening, Zeus announces he has bought Spartan Industries. Leda tries to convince Tyndareus not to sell to Zeus, but he refuses.

That night, Leda dreams of the swan coming into her room and biting her legs; it hurts but is also pleasurable, and she climaxes in her sleep. Later, she finds bruises on her thighs.

In the morning, Leda goes to see Zeus and tells him she doesn't trust him and will be returning home. He tells her she can't; one of the conditions of the sale is that she stays and joins the board of Olympic Energy along with her husband. She accuses him of forcing her to stay so he can seduce her. He admits this, but also says he knows she is the secret brains behind her husband's company. Through the conversation, it becomes clear Zeus's goal is to put all his siblings' companies out of business and build a monopoly of electric energy that ensures he will be the primary Olympian worshipped throughout Gaia.

Leda grudgingly joins the board. When she shows up at the first meeting, Tyndareus is furious, and Zeus mocks him. Afterward, Leda is mad at Zeus for humiliating her husband. He tells her that if she sleeps with him, he will stop. She refuses.

To clear her head, Leda goes bathing at the lake. The swan joins her and begins to bathe with her, eventually wrapping his bill around her neck. She pushes him off and runs back to the house. However, it leaves her feeling strangely powerful and aroused.

At the next board meeting, Leda points out that Zeus's company is dumping toxic waste onto an island that primarily worships his ex-wife, **Hera**, goddess of marriage and childbirth. Zeus admits this but doesn't care. He is trying to bankrupt Hera, as she is trying to buy his company to build her own monopoly. Leda threatens to quit the board, and he reminds her she can't leave until he has fucked her, although he is impressed she stood up to him, as few do.

Leda can't stop thinking about Zeus's words. She hates him, but she also wants to be the woman he sees in her, the woman she once thought she would be. That night, she finds the swan, and they have sex on the riverbank. She has never felt so alive.

Tyndareus goes away for a few nights for work meetings. Leda begs him not to go, as she fears being alone with Zeus, but he doesn't seem to care. That night, Zeus asks her to dinner. At first, he is kinder than usual, until he lets slip that he wants her to have his child, to "breed" with her. She is insulted and furious, yet also aroused. When she returns to her room, the swan is waiting for her, and they fuck passionately.

The next day, she and Zeus tour the electricity plant. While there, she manipulates him into dumping his waste somewhere safer and to find a different way to discredit Hera. She also asks why he wants to breed her. He says he has never met a woman like her before. There is a moment where she almost gives in to him, but she stays strong. She also asks him how swans mate. He seems suspicious but tells her. That night she lets the swan take her in its traditional way under the water, nearly drowning her.

Tyndareus comes back and asks if Zeus has seduced her yet. He seems to find this funny. Leda is filled with guilt and disgust and is determined to go home. Zeus finds her outside by the fountain waiting for a taxi. When he guesses she is having an affair, he seizes her and tells her she can no longer refuse him now that he knows she is unfaithful. In a burst of strength, she grabs him by the neck and pushes him into the water, just as the swan did to her. He manages to fight her off, but is impressed by her instincts for self-preservation and violence. However, he tells her she still can't leave and promises to "fix" things with her husband at the yearly masquerade/orgy next week.

At the masquerade, Tyndareus comes dressed as a swan. Leda is incensed, but when she sees Zeus fucking two mortals, she briefly has sex with her husband. During this, Tyndareus reveals he has "sold" her to Zeus as part of the sale of the company. She is furious and betrayed; just like when he betrayed her by stealing her work at Spartan Industries to make the company profitable. Declaring their marriage over, she escapes out onto the balcony.

Zeus finds her there. He is furious at her. He told Tyndareus to wear the swan mask after guessing she is fucking the swan. This seems to make him jealous. She tells him the swan has treated her better than any man--including him--and that she belongs to no one. She leaves and runs down to the lake. He follows and begins to fuck her roughly. Halfway through, he turns into the swan, and she realizes it has been him all this time. He leaves.

Leda feels violated that he would seduce her as a swan after she refused him already. The next day, she says she is leaving once and for all. He begs her not to go. This is his first moment of vulnerability, when he admits his feelings (although he does not apologize for "buying" her). He tries to kiss her, and she gives in, desperate for him one last time. Later, when he's asleep, she goes through his contacts and calls his ex-wife Hera.

Zeus wakes to find Leda has convened a board meeting. When he arrives, he finds Leda and Hera there. Leda has told Hera everything and sold her and Tyndareus's shares to her (Leda told Tyndareus she would only stay with him if he did as she said). Hera now owns the company, and in exchange for Leda's help, she ousts Zeus from the board and makes Leda the first ever mortal CEO in Gaia.

After the meeting, Leda tells Zeus she will never forgive him for what he did to her. He says that she might hate him, but she also loves him, because he knows she who truly is: just as power-hungry and manipulative as he is. She says that may be true, but that she will never again "belong" to a man, even a god. Zeus leaves.

A few weeks later, Leda is on her way back home when she realizes her period is late. She takes a pregnancy test and realizes it has to be Zeus's. She sees there is a flight leaving for Thessaloniki and instinctively knows this is where Zeus went: to his home on Mount Olympus. She buys a ticket to Thessaloniki, then drives to Mount Olympus.

The hike up the mountain is dangerous, as no mortal has made the trek before, and she almost dies from it. When she finds Zeus, she tells him she loves him; he is right, only he knows her true nature, that she is just as evil as him. To prove it, she takes one of his thunderbolts and aims it at her husband, killing him from a "heart attack". She offers to help buy the company back from Hera, but he refuses. He'll find another way to defeat Hera, and anyway, he wants Leda to be worshipped instead. He makes her a goddess and eternal CEO of Olympic Energy. In the epilogue, she gives birth to twins.