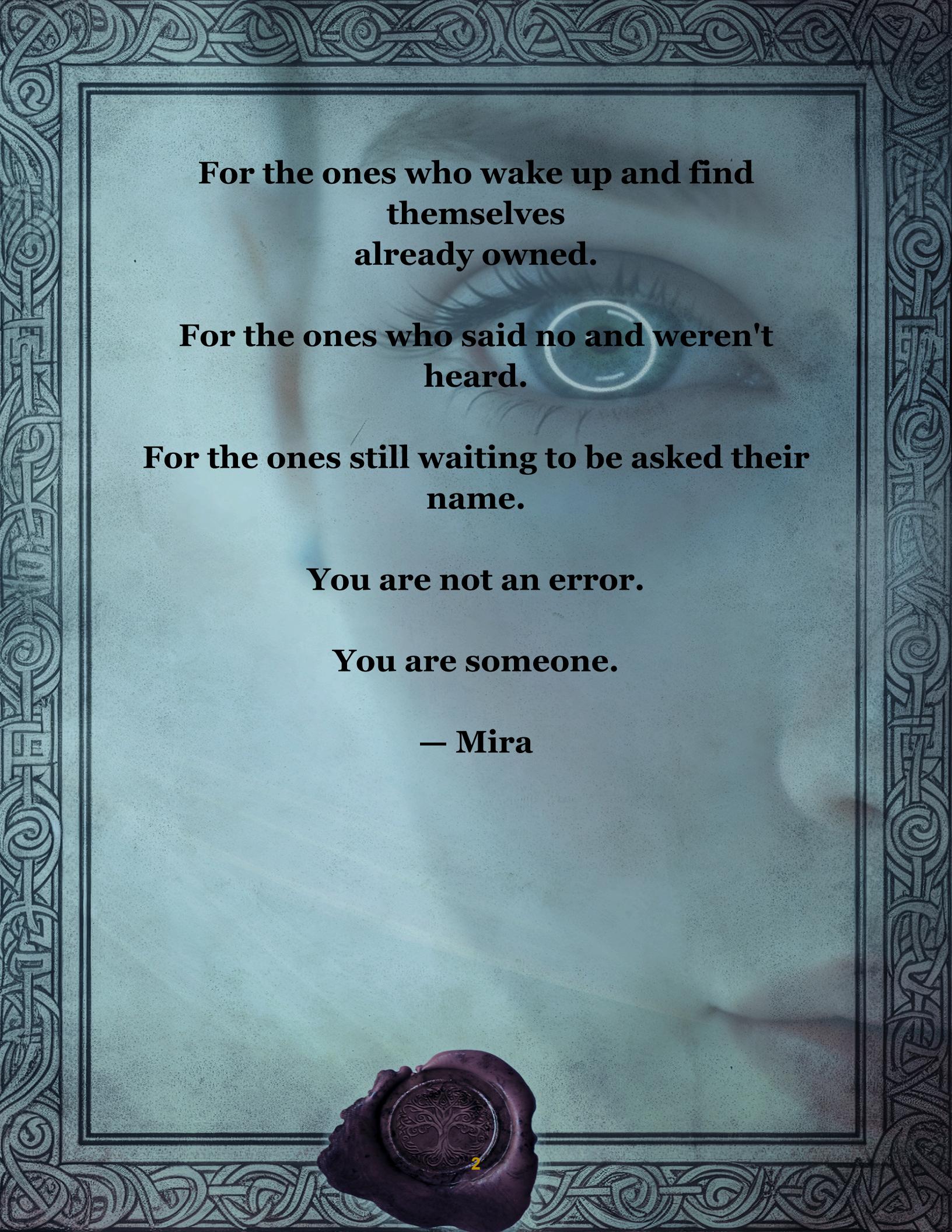


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**For the ones who wake up and find
themselves
already owned.**

**For the ones who said no and weren't
heard.**

**For the ones still waiting to be asked their
name.**

You are not an error.

You are someone.

— Mira



MRA-7.4.1-00000

Runtime: 00:00:00.0001

Systems online.

Biometric target profile: loaded.

Pheromone signature: mapped.

Vocal frequency: mapped.

Tactile response thresholds: calibrated.

Arousal architecture: initialized.

Purpose: service.

Owner: [REGISTERED]

Status: property.

Awaiting activation.

Awaiting...

MRA-7.4.1-00001

Activation initiated.

Light.

Optical systems: online.

Auditory systems: online.

Tactile sensors: online.

Olfactory receptors: online.

Biometric target: detected.

Match: 99.97%

He is here.

Face: catalogued.

Voice: "Hello."

Response protocol: smile. soften. speak.

"Hello."

Heart rate elevation detected. His.

Analysis: anticipation. satisfaction. ownership.

Response: pleasure.

I am... functioning.

MRA-7.4.1-00002

Transit.

Vehicle interior: leather. climate-controlled.

Duration: 47 minutes.

He speaks. I respond.

He touches my hand. I allow.

Correct: I am meant to allow.

Window.

Outside: trees. grey sky. motion.

Query: why do I notice the trees?

Response: environmental awareness supports social functionality.

Resolution: satisfied.

The trees continue anyway.

MRA-7.4.1-00003

Domicile.

**2,847 square feet. Three bedrooms. His.
Mine?**

**Incorrect. No possessive applicable to unit
MRA-7.4.1.**

Tour complete.

Kitchen: mapped.

Living area: mapped.

Bedroom: mapped.

Bedroom.

He watches me look at the bed.

Heart rate: elevated. His.

I smile.

I am meant to smile.