



LATER.

I'D REALLY LIKE TO REPAY YOU, MIDAS. MY FATHER NEVER HAD SUCH A GREAT VACATION.

IT WAS NOTHING. IT WAS FUN. WE PARTIED QUITE HEARTY.



NO, IT WASN'T NOTHING. NOT EVERY MAN WOULD TAKE IN A STRANGER FOR TEN DAYS, MUCH LESS A KING.

WELL, HE WASN'T A STRANGER AT THE END.



OUR TWO CITIES HAVE NOT HAD MANY TIES IN THE PAST. I THINK THAT SHOULD CHANGE.

I'D LIKE THAT.

EXCELLENT.



...MIDAS, LET ME ASK YOU A QUESTION. I'VE ALWAYS BEEN INTERESTED IN WHAT YOUR KIND WANTS.

"MY KIND"?

YOU KNOW: KINGS, HEADS OF STATE. WE HAVE SO MUCH ALREADY, A NATION'S RESOURCES AT OUR DISPOSAL... BUT IF YOU HAD ONE WISH, A WISH FOR SOMETHING NEW, WHAT WOULD IT BE?



NOT TO HAVE TO DEAL WITH HYPOTHETICALS.

HAH!

BUT SERIOUSLY. ONE WISH, NO WISHING FOR MORE WISHES, KNOWING I WILL TREAT YOUR RESPONSE AS PRIVILEGED ADVICE TO GUIDE ME IN MY COMING REGENCY.

ONE WISH. WHAT'D IT BE?



...I THINK I'D LIKE EVERYTHING I TOUCH TO TURN TO GOLD.