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The chapter opens with a tense confrontation as Dockson angrily questions Kelsier's decision to take Vin into the dangerous Kredik Shaw palace. Kelsier, wounded and burning pewter to manage his injuries, responds with frustration and self-loathing, revealing their encounter with three Inquisitors. The mood is grim as the crew realizes Vin may have been left behind or captured, with Kelsier grappling with guilt over potentially leading another person to their death, reminiscent of his late wife Mare. The group prepares to search for Vin, though hope is dim given the Inquisitors' likely pursuit.

As the crew devises a plan to locate Vin, Kelsier's internal monologue reveals his growing despair and doubt about their rebellion against the Lord Ruler. The atmosphere is heavy with tension, underscored by the pounding rain outside. Just as they begin to mobilize, Lestibournes alerts them to an approaching figure, initially feared to be an Inquisitor. The crew braces for a fight, weapons drawn, only to discover it is Sazed, the Terrisman scholar, carrying an unconscious and severely wounded Vin.

Sazed urgently tends to Vin, administering pewter to stabilize her and calling for medical supplies. Kelsier watches with a mix of relief and guilt, struck by Vin's fragile appearance and the gravity of her injuries. The crew springs into action, with Clubs' apprentices fetching supplies while Sazed works to save Vin. The chapter highlights the precariousness of their mission and the personal stakes for Kelsier, who feels responsible for Vin's suffering.

The chapter closes with a glimmer of hope as Vin's condition stabilizes under Sazed's care, her Allomantic abilities aiding her recovery. Sazed's calm expertise contrasts with the crew's earlier panic, underscoring his role as a stabilizing force. Kelsier's emotional turmoil lingers, but the immediate crisis is averted, leaving the reader with a sense of cautious optimism. The encounter reinforces the ever-present dangers of

their rebellion and the bonds forming among the crew members.

