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XENA

You know, for the life of me I can't ..  
remember.

DINONICUS

(enters)

That's very touching. I am...moved.

He notes Xena's eyes flicking, assessing chances of escape,  
but steps deftly aside as TWO ARCHERS train their bows on  
them.

DINONICUS

Both very fast. And very accurate.  
She'll be dead at your feet before even  
your quickest move can make a difference.  
I wouldn't. I mean, if you care so much.  
Why chance it? There will be other op-  
portunities. Won't there?

He throws them two sets of manacles.

DINONICUS

One around your ankles.

Xena locks them in place and then chains her wrist to  
Gabrielle's.

DINONICUS

Together again.

He and the archers back out and the tent collapses around  
them.

CUT TO:

14 EXT. SHIP - NIGHT

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XENA

Gabrielle!

GABRIELLE

I haven't gone anywhere. Are you all right?  
I thought you were asleep.

XENA

Bad dream.

GABRIELLE

Lot of that going around.

FADE OUT.

END OF ACT ONE