

& now there began to be a great curse upon the land because of the iniquity of the people in the which if a man should lay his tool or his sword upon the shelf or upon the place ~~whi~~^{whither}~~eh~~ he would keep it & behold upon the morrow he could not find it so great was the curse upon the land

wherefore every man did cleave unto that which was his own with his hands & would not borrow neither would he lend & every man kept the hilt of his sword thereof in his right hand in the defence of his property & his own life & they of his wives & children

& now after the space of two years & after the death of Shared behold there arose the brother of Shared & ^{he} gave battle unto Coriantumr in the which Coriantumr did beat him & did pursue him to the wilderness of Akish

& it came to pass that the brother of ~~Jar~~^{Shared}~~ed~~ did give battle unto him in the wilderness of Akish & the battle became exceeding sore & many thousands fell by the sword

& it came to pass that Coriantumr did lay siege to the wilderness & the brother of Shared did march forth out of the wilderness by night & slew a part of the army of Coriantumr as they were drunken

& he came forth to the land of Moron & placed himself upon the throne of Coriantumr

& it came to pass that Coriantumr dwelt with his army in the wilderness for the space of two years in the which he did receive great strength to his army

now the brother of Shared whose name was Gilead also received great strength to his army also because of secret combinations

& it came to pass that his High Priest murdered him as he sat upon his throne

CHAPTER 14

The iniquity of the people brings a curse upon the land—Coriantumr engages in warfare against Gilead, then Lib, and then Shiz—Blood and carnage cover the land.

¹**And** now there began to be a great curse upon **all** the land because of the iniquity of the people, in **[X]** which, if a man should lay his tool or his sword upon **his** shelf, or upon the place **[_ _]whither[_ _]** he would keep it, **[X]** behold, upon the morrow, he could not find it, so great was the curse upon the land.

²Wherefore every man did cleave unto that which was his own, with his hands, **and** would not borrow neither would he lend; **and** every man kept the hilt of his sword **[X]** in his right hand, in the defence of his property **and** his own life **and [X]** of his wives **and** children.

³**And** now, after the space of two years, **and** after the death of Shared, behold, there arose the brother of Shared **and [_]** he gave battle unto Coriantumr, in **[X]** which Coriantumr did beat him **and** did pursue him to the wilderness of Akish.

⁴**And** it came to pass that the brother of **[_ _]Shared[_ _]** did give battle unto him in the wilderness of Akish; **and** the battle became exceedingly sore, **and** many thousands fell by the sword.

⁵**And** it came to pass that Coriantumr did lay siege to the wilderness; **and** the brother of Shared did march forth out of the wilderness by night, **and** slew a part of the army of Coriantumr, as they were drunken.

⁶**And** he came forth to the land of Moron, **and** placed himself upon the throne of Coriantumr.

⁷**And** it came to pass that Coriantumr dwelt with his army in the wilderness for the space of two years, in **[X]** which he did receive great strength to his army.

⁸Now the brother of Shared, whose name was Gilead, also received great strength to his army, **[X]** because of secret combinations.

⁹**And** it came to pass that his **high** priest murdered him as he sat upon his throne.

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& it came to pass that ^{one} of the secret combinations murdered him in a secret pass & obtained unto himself the kingdom & his name was Lib & Lib was a man of great stature more than any other man among ^t~~all the~~ ~~hem~~ people

& it came to pass that in the first year of Lib Coriantumr came up unto the land of Moron & gave battle unto Lib

& it came to pass that he fought with Lib in the which Lib did smite upon his arm that he was wounded nevertheless the army of Coriantumr did ~~press~~ press forward upon Lib that he fled to the borders upon the sea shore

& it came to pass that **451** Coriantumr persued him & Lib gave battle unto him upon the sea shore

& it came to pass that Lib did smite the army of Coriantumr that they fled again to the wilderness of Akish

& it came to pass that Lib did persue him until he came to the plains of Agosh & coriantumr had taken all the people with him as he fled before Lib in that quarter of the **land** whither he fled

& when he had came to the plains of Agosh he gave battle ~~un~~^{unto} Lib & he **smote** upon him until he died nevertheless the brother of Lib **did come against** Coriantumr in the stead thereof & the battle became exceeding sore in **the which** Coriantumr fled again before the army of the brother of Lib

now the name of the brother of Lib was called Shiz & it came to pass that Shiz persued after Coriantumr & he did over throw many cities & he did slay both women & children & did burn the cities thereof

& there went a fear of Shiz throughout all the land yea a cry went forth throughout the land Who- can stand before the army of Shiz behold he sweapeth the earth before him

& it came to pass that the people began to flock together in armies throughout all the face of the land

& they were **divided** & a part of them fled to the army of Shiz & a part of them fled to the ~~a~~**army of Coriantumr**

¹⁰**And** it came to pass that **one** of the secret combinations murdered him in a secret pass, **and** obtained unto himself the kingdom; **and** his name was Lib; **and** Lib was a man of great stature, more than any other man among []**all the**[] people.

¹¹**And** it came to pass that in the first year of Lib, Coriantumr came up unto the land of Moron, **and** gave battle unto Lib.

¹²**And** it came to pass that he fought with Lib, in [X] which Lib did smite upon his arm that he was wounded; nevertheless, the army of Coriantumr did [X] press forward upon Lib, that he fled to the borders upon the sea []shore.

¹³**And** it came to pass that Coriantumr **pursued** him; **and** Lib gave battle unto him upon the sea []shore.

¹⁴**And** it came to pass that Lib did smite the army of Coriantumr, that they fled again to the wilderness of Akish.

¹⁵**And** it came to pass that Lib did **pursue** him until he came to the plains of Agosh. **And** Coriantumr had taken all the people with him as he fled before Lib in that quarter of the **land** whither he fled.

¹⁶**And** when he had **come** to the plains of Agosh he gave battle []**unto**[] Lib, **and** he **smote** upon him until he died; nevertheless, the brother of Lib **did come against** Coriantumr in the stead thereof, **and** the battle became exceeding**ly** sore, in **the which** Coriantumr fled again before the army of the brother of Lib.

¹⁷**Now** the name of the brother of Lib was called Shiz. **And** it came to pass that Shiz **pursued** after Coriantumr, **and** he did over []throw many cities, **and** he did slay both women **and** children, **and** he did burn the cities [X].

¹⁸**And** there went a fear of Shiz throughout all the land; yea, a cry went forth throughout the land— Who[-] can stand before the army of Shiz? **Behold**, he **sweepeth** the earth before him!

¹⁹**And** it came to pass that the people began to flock together in armies, throughout all the face of the land.

²⁰**And** they were **divided**; **and** a part of them fled to the army of Shiz, **and** a part of them fled to the []**army of Coriantumr**.

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& so great & lasting had been the war & so long had been the scene of **bloodshed & Carnage** that the whole face of the land was covered with the bodies of the **dead**

& so **swift & speedy** was the war that there was none left to bury the dead but **they did march forth from** the shedding of blood to the shedding of blood leaving the **bodies of both men women & children** strewed upon the face of the land to become a prey to the **worms of the flesh**

& **the** scent thereof went forth upon the face of the land **even upon all the face of the land** wherefore **the** people became troubled by day & by night because of the **Scent** thereof

nevertheless **Shez** did not cease to pursue Coriantumr for he had **swoarn to avenge himself upon the** Coreantumr of the blood of his brother which had been **slain & the word of the Lord which came to Ether** that Coriantumr should not fall by the sword

& thus we see that **the Lord** did visit them in the fulness of his wrath & their wickedness & abominations had prepared **away** for their everlasting destruction

& it came to pass that **Shiz** did pursue Coriantumr eastward even to the borders by the sea shore & there he gave battle unto **Shiz** for the space of three days

& so terrible was the destruction among the armies of **Shiz** that the people began to be frightened & began to flee before the armies of Coriantumr & they fled to the land of Corihor & swept off the inhabitants before them all them that would not join them

& they pitched their tents in the vally of Corihor & Coriantumr pitched his tents in the vally of Shurr now the vally of Shurr was near the hill Comron wherefore Coriantumr did gather his armies together upon the hill Comron & did sound a trumpet unto the armies of **Shiz** to invite them forth to battle

& it came to pass that they came forth but were driven again & they came the second time & they were driven again the second time & it came to pass that they came again the third time & the battle became exceeding sore

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²¹**And** so great **and** lasting had been the war, **and** so long had been the scene of **bloodshed and carnage**, that the whole face of the land was covered with the bodies of the **dead**.

²²**And** so **swift and speedy** was the war that there was none left to bury the dead, but **they did march forth from** the shedding of blood to the shedding of blood, leaving the **bodies of both men, women, and children** strewed upon the face of the land, to become a prey to the **worms of the flesh**.

²³**And** **the** scent thereof went forth upon the face of the land, **even upon all the face of the land**; wherefore **the** people became troubled by day **and** by night, because of the **scent** thereof.

²⁴Nevertheless, **Shiz** did not cease to pursue Coriantumr; for he had **swo**[_]rn to avenge himself upon **[X_]** Coriantumr of the blood of his brother, **who** had been **slain, and** the word of the Lord which came to Ether that Coriantumr should not fall by the sword.

²⁵**And** thus we see that **the Lord** did visit them in the fulness of his wrath, **and** their wickedness **and** abominations had prepared a[_]way for their everlasting destruction.

²⁶**And** it came to pass that **Shiz** did pursue Coriantumr eastward, even to the borders by the sea[_]shore, **and** there he gave battle unto **Shiz** for the space of three days.

²⁷**And** so terrible was the destruction among the armies of **Shiz** that the people began to be frightened, **and** began to flee before the armies of Coriantumr; **and** they fled to the land of Corihor, **and** swept off the inhabitants before them, all them that would not join them.

²⁸**And** they pitched their tents in the valley of Corihor; **and** Coriantumr pitched his tents in the valley of Shurr. Now the valley of Shurr was near the hill **Comnor**; wherefore, Coriantumr did gather his armies together upon the hill **Comnor, and** did sound a trumpet unto the armies of **Shiz** to invite them forth to battle.

²⁹**And** it came to pass that they came forth, but were driven again; **and** they came the second time, **and** they were driven again the second time. **And** it came to pass that they came again the third time, **and** the battle became exceedingly sore.

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sides **was** so great that Shiz commanded his people
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Coriantumr; wherefore, they returned to their camp.