

## HANDOUT 1: VERUUD'S CALL TO ACTION

You receive a message from Veruud of the Urling, on behalf of Sibbya Dermark, a former radiant vessel whose son has been infused with the radiant power of several vessels. The text of his note follows:

*Dearest Friend,*

*I call upon you at the request of Sibbya Dermark, her son, and all who revel in the powers of life, light, and goodness. Since last you saw us, events have taken a dire turn. The decision to transfer all of the radiant power into the boy was, I still believe, the right one. However, the burden of containing such power is taking its toll on the young one. He has shown some disturbing behavior recently.*

*Perhaps more unsettling, though, is the news I have received recently that many of the former radiant vessels have been murdered, or have disappeared without a trace. I believe some unforeseen consequences of the decisions I have made are starting to surface. Your assistance in these matters would be most valuable. You can find me at the farmhouses to the south of the city of Phsant in Thesk. Please come quickly.*

*Warmest regards,*

*Veruud of the Urling*

# HANDOUT 2: WHAT HAPPENED BEFORE

## SERIES BACKGROUND

- On an otherwise normal day in 1385 DR, the Year of Blue Fire, a woman named Sibbya Dermark gave birth to a daughter. At that exact moment, the Spellplague ripped through Phsant. Sibbya died in childbirth, but the daughter was healthy and strong.
- The girl held a great radiant power within her, and she grew to the age of 22 before becoming pregnant, although the father was unknown. She died giving birth to a daughter, who also held a radiant power.

### CORE1~2 THE RADIANT VESSEL OF THESK

- This cycle continued until the current Sibbya Dermark gave birth to a baby boy who showed no sign of his mother's gift, and Sibbya herself lost the gift as well.
- The adventurers who helped her also battled orc mercenaries, where they encountered Bhral. A male orc, Bhral retired as an adventurer to start a new life with his human wife Fontin. Bhral and Fontin, who is a cousin of Sibbya, live with Sibbya and her son.

### CORE1~6 INCIDENT AT THE GORGE OF GAUROS

- Veruud of the Urling, a Rashemi Old One, learned of Sibbya and her boy. Understanding that the boy was still a capable vessel, and fearing his mother would not understand, Veruud kidnapped the boy to take him to Rashemen where a ritual could restore his radiance.
- Thayan agents and undead forces intercepted them, taking them to a cave in the Gorge of Gauros to await transfer to Thayan laboratories for further study. Adventurers reached them and assisted with a ritual that restored the boy's radiance.
- Mysteriously, they were all freed, presumably by Szass Tam, who claimed to have learned enough.

### CORE1~14 WHAT STORMS MAY COME

- Veruud learned that Sibbya and her son were not the only radiant vessels. He traveled throughout Thesk and Rashemen, gathering many individuals who held the gift of radiance.
- It was decided by Veruud and a group of adventurers that all of the radiant power from the other vessels and an artifact of radiant power should be put into Sibbya's son, so that the powers of good would have a powerful tool against the darkness of Thay.
- This power was used to defeat a lich who was attempting to capture and experiment on all of the vessels.

## HANDOUT 3: SPECIAL POWER

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