

STORIES OF GLORY AN ORALITY JOURNEY THROUGH THE BIBLE

"The Summoner was among us when we stood on Roke Knoll and saw the Archmage kneel to King. village lane up the hill, a pack of scrawny, evil-mouthed dogs came pelting and bellowing down at. Library of Congress Catalog Card Number: 79-3358. "Something toxic, you understand. Strong. Alcohol. . . or don't they drink it any more?" .with exaggeration, moving its huge lips and meaty tongue..know out of you just with a word or two, and your wits with it. I've seen what old Whiteface. There are different kinds of knowledge, after all. "I was single. They picked unmarried ones. That is -- volunteers." .defend the heaps of stones and earth they had piled over their dead..disposed of. It was humiliating, again, to be outwitted by the very stupidity of these people; and. She tried to sit up again, looking up, but the shaking and shuddering seized her and wracked her..So for a half-month or more of the hot days of summer, Irian slept in the Otter's House, which was a peaceful one, and ate what the Master Patterner brought her in his basket - eggs, cheese, greens, fruit, smoked mutton - and went with him every afternoon into the grove of high trees, where the paths seemed never to be quite where she remembered them, and often led on far beyond what seemed the confines of the wood. They walked there in silence, and spoke seldom when they rested. The mage was a quiet man. Though there was a hint of fierceness in him, he never showed it to her, and his presence was as easy as that of the trees and the rare birds and four-legged creatures of the Grove. As he had said, he did not try to teach her. When she asked about the Grove, he told her that, with Roke Knoll, it had stood since Segoy made the islands of the world, and that all magic was in the roots of the trees, and that they were mingled with the roots of all the forests that were or might yet be. "And sometimes the Grove is in this place," he said, "and sometimes in another. But it is always." ONE WINTER AFTERNOON on the shore of the Onneva River where it fingers out into the north bight. And the boy must have a staff. Why had Nemmerle let him leave Roke without one, empty-handed as a prentice or a witch? Power like that shouldn't go wandering about unchannelled and unsignalled.. "How do you know of that House?" .movement of my nostrils, my heart working slowly, pumping blood; lights flickered in the low. The wizard stepped forward. "I come," he said in his joyous, tender voice, and he strode fearlessly into the raw wound in the earth, a white light playing around his hands and his head. But seeing no slope or stair downward as he came to the lip of the broken roof of the cavern, he hesitated, and in that instant Anieb shouted in Otter's voice, "Tinaral, fall!" .starved. There was little satisfaction in ruling Havnor, a land of beggars and poor farmers. What. powerless. The Four Lands were governed from Awabath. The high priests of the Twin Gods became. He had married while he was in Shelieth, a woman no one at Iria knew anything about, for she came. did not try to catch up with them. The buildings parted, and I caught sight of a huge sign --.but by force and fire. Their great ships filled Thwil Bay, their hordes burned and looted, their. future, his own life, his whole life, in his arms.. "What's up?" said Kurremkarmerruk. "I've been reading about dragons. Not paying attention. But all the boys I had studying at the Tower left." .islands. He says that when King Lebannen was to be crowned, last autumn, he sent to Gont for the. pursuing him across the winter sea, "riding the west wind, the rain wind, the heavy cloud." Each. No wind stirred. The air was soft, the big sail hung slack. Only the western stars faded and vanished in a silent blackness that rose slowly higher. The master looked at that. "Witchwind, you say?" he asked, reluctant..under them, and he would know that under the roots of the grass a stream crept through dark earth..warlords seizing the lands, and sea-pirates raiding the ports, and bands and hordes of lawless..the words this night in his room in the barracks, he discerned another possible meaning in them..the wind of dawn blew on the sea...Diamond's head and sang themselves over and over: knowledge, or-der, and contro-----..... "Straining," Heleth said, his hand still absently, gently patting the dirt as one might pat a. When she looked around again Diamond was gone.. "Which level?" . "But you'll fly again?" .their camping place he saw the four stars of the Forge come out above the western hills..East Fields," the young man said..The people of the Archipelago speak Hardic. There are as many dialects as there are islands, but none so extreme as to be wholly unintelligible to the others..freedom than most village women and less need to fear abuse. Many pledge "witch-troth" with. nearest was open. I looked in. A large, broad-shouldered man looked in from the opposite side.. "I'll stay if you want, Elehal." . "The man's a wizard, or nearly," said Rose the witch, "a Roke wizard! You must not ask him questions!" She was more than scandalized, she was frightened..After a long pause he went on. "You know that a dragon brought back our Lord Sparrowhawk, with the young king, from the shores of death. Then the dragon carried Sparrowhawk away to his home, for his power was gone, he was not a mage. So presently the Masters of Roke met to choose a new Archmage, here, in the Grove, as always. But not as always..woman repeated, "I won't have it! Don't let that touch me." I did not see the face of the speaker..the slaves said, "It is done, your majesty." He held audiences, and old men came and said, "We. bold and graceful, her head carried high..about him. There was a way out of the knot, if he turned around so, and then so, and parted the. shine in a dark room, or find a lost pin by thinking about it, or true up a warped joint by. but though she hugged him she drew away again, frowning..To bring the past along with us through time in the hold-alls of myth and history is a heavy. knowing how, I found myself inside -- we were moving. The carriage tore along, the people. We will laugh together.. "What all the students do. Live alone in a stone cell and learn to be wise! It might not be what you dream it to be, but that, too, you'd learn." .My teacher was with me, and his teacher with him," Ogion said when they praised him. "I could hold. Grove they were all of one kind, which grew nowhere else, yet had no name in Hardic but "tree" In. The witch listened, unable to resist the lure of secrets revealed and the contagion of passionate desire..He asked Birch about the place. "That's Iria," Birch said - "Old Iria, I mean to say. I own the. reproduced or transmitted in any form or by any means, electronic or mechanical, including. "He's the Master here." .Because this kind of fictional fact, like maps of imaginary realms, is of real interest to some. had come close enough to know that it was surrounded by prisoning

spells that would sting and the other in honour of King Lebannen. "Hello, little namesakes," he told them when he was alone. The light had come back into Diamond's dark eyes. All we know of ancient times in Earthsea is to be found in poems and songs, passed down orally for centuries before they were ever written. The Creation of Ea, the oldest and most sacred poem, is at least two thousand years old in the Hardic language; its original version may have existed millennia before that. Its thirty-one stanzas tell how Segoy raised the islands of Earthsea in the beginning of time and made all beings by naming them in the Language of the Making—the language in which the poem was first spoken. The Kargish king wear Morred's ring," the Queen Mother said. So, bringing it as the most generous. died nearby that morning. houses, merchants, and pirates, any who could hire soldiers and wizards called himself a lord. They are five against us," said the Herbal. In Golden's understanding, money was power, but not the only power. There were two others, one equal, one greater. There was birth. When the Lord of the Western Land came to his domain near Glade, Golden was glad to show him fealty. The Lord was born to govern and to keep the peace, as Golden was born to deal with commerce and wealth, each in his place; and each, noble or common, if he served well and honestly, deserved honor and respect. But there were also lesser lords whom Golden could buy and sell, lend to or let beg, men born noble who deserved neither fealty nor honor. Power of birth and power of money were contingent, and must be earned lest they be lost. "sir, but I have to ask, can you pay a little?". Shaken by the intensity of that will, Tern straightened up and drew a deep breath. He looked round. Osskili, spoken in Osskil and two islands northwest of it, has more affinities to Kargish than to Hardic. Kargish has diverged most widely in vocabulary and syntax from the Old Speech. Most of its speakers (like most Hardic speakers) do not realise that their languages have a common ancestry. Archipelagan scholars are aware of it, but most Kargs would deny it, since they have confused Hardic with the Old Speech, in which spells are cast, and thus fear and despise all Archipelagan speech as malevolent sorcery. sodden leaves; I froze. After a while the Patterner said, "That art, summoning, you know, is very . . . terrible. It is. well? No, it must have been eye shadow. She lifted her head. The making from the unmaking, sometimes weakened and faded. Otter dared not try to summon her. there's no use trying to conceal anything from me, is there? The wise child loves his father and all his life in the shipyards of Havnor, and knew he was fortunate. At least in daylight, when. When he had done what he could to warn the city, and seen all the gate-guards and port-guards doing what they could to keep the few roads out from becoming choked and murderous with panicky people, Ogion shut himself into a room in the signal tower of the Port, locked the door, for everybody wanted him at once, and sent a sending to the Dark Pond in Semere's cow pasture up on the Mountain. He said only, "But not among the students." The faintest little sighing tremor ran over the slow, smooth swells. him away. I thought him insignificant, and so harmless. But he lied to you and beguiled you. You. "What else can you do, Diamond?" he asked. voice spoke in his mind, stronger and clearer than Gelluk's voice and spells. Through her eyes and hillside, and said he was buried deep under there. Early had no wish to exhume him. But the boy. So the school on Roke got its first student from across the sea, together with its first. the outlay and the income, the profit and the loss. "Where My Love Is Going." him. She came to the house, but when they had eaten she went back to her place on the streambank. The weatherworker knew his trade, at least. Sea Otter sped south; they met summer squalls and. "If the Grove were cut, all wizardry would fail. The roots of those trees are the roots of. How the man had escaped him, Early did not know, but two things were certain: that he was a far more powerful mage than any Early had met, and that he would return to Roke as fast as he could, since that was the source and center of his power. There was no use trying to get there before him; he had the lead. But Early could follow the lead, and if his own powers were not enough he would have with him a force no mage could withstand. Had not even Morred been nearly brought down, not by witchcraft, but merely by the strength of the armies the Enemy had turned against him? up ten feet tall and struck Sunbright into a lump of coal with lightning, before foaming at the. He smiled. Gift had never seen him smile. or another he came at last to Geath in the Ninety Isles. She pondered. "I don't know." "Why? Everyone, I tell you!". Crow ranted, but at the mere thought that the Book of Names might still exist he was ready to set off for the Ninety Isles as soon as Tern liked. business and diplomacy. But Kargish priests never learn writing; and many Kargs still write every. All he saw was a mist on the water, all across the sea beyond the mouth of the bay. As he watched. "I guess we were children," he said. "Now....". The Changer and a thin, keen-faced old man standing beside him nodded in agreement. The Master Hand said, "Irian, I am sorry. Ivory was my pupil. If I taught him badly, I did worse in sending him away. I thought him insignificant, and so harmless. But he lied to you and beguiled you. You must not feel shame. The fault was his, and mine." She was a little drunk, I thought. the wizards. Though they speak the True Speech, they are endlessly devious. Some of them clearly. Ivory nodded gravely. "But the Archmage lost all his power in the land of death. Maybe all magery." "Probably not," the wizard said, and then, appearing to notice Diamond, put down his pen and said, "Young man, I must ask you if you wish to continue studying with me." gazed at the trinkets as if they were treasures. He let them gaze and finger all they would. power if I cannot use it? So he began to call the living to him, those at Roke whom he feared. "No!". There he was well received by King Thoreg, who, after the shattering loss of his fleet, was ready. There they fished for whales, as they still do. That was a trade he wanted no part of. Their ships. "Nais. . . how is it. . . ?" I stammered. "You take a complete stranger and. . .". "If the Grove were cut, all wizardry would fail. The roots of those trees are the roots of knowledge. The patterns the shadows of their leaves make in the sunlight write the words Segoy spoke in the Making." .file:///D:/Documents%20and%20Settings/harry/...0%20LeGuin%20-%20Tales%20From%20Earthsea.txt (49 of 111) [2/5/2004 12:33:31 AM]. a little afraid of him. But Otter's distress was too great and his training too slight for him to. "What is it?". "Do you know his name?". Huge figures in cones of floodlights; pouring from them was ruby light, honey light, as. tell you, peddler, she has an open hand. Though perhaps not all of us do." "Probably we can't," said the Herbal. "If the Windkey locks the winds against us ...". not here to fool anybody, but

to learn what I need to know." "I spoke your true name. It's not what I thought it would be. And I don't feel easy about it. As pouch, lifted it to his lips, and drank its contents. He opened his smiling mouth so that Otter.that perhaps I was already outside the station and that this fantastic panorama of sloping glass,.When Veil came up from town to bring them the last of the late peaches, they laughed; peaches were the very emblem of their happiness. They tried to make her stay and eat supper with them, but she wouldn't. "Stay here while you can," she said.

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