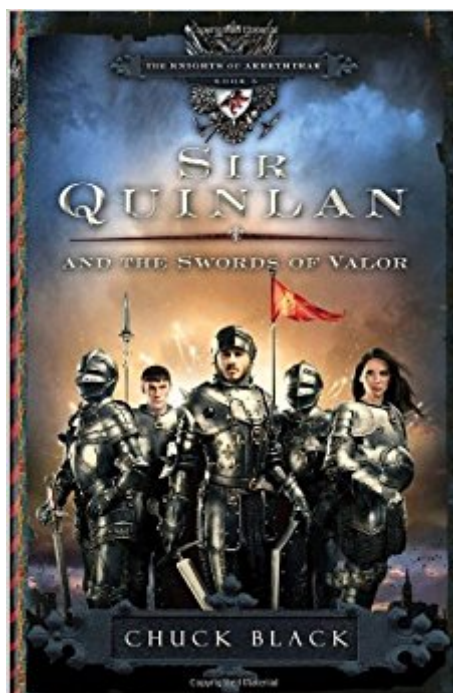


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Sir Quinlan And The Swords Of Valor (The Knights Of Arrethtrae)



Synopsis

Two friends face the Dark Knight's deadliest scheme, but only one knight has the courage to overcome. Sir Quinlan leaves his boyhood friend to serve the Prince, fighting a battle darker and more intense than any he's ever known. The mysterious Sir Baylor recruits him into the ranks of an elite unit of knights known as the Swords of Valor, but when tragedy strikes and everyone blames Quinlan, the Swords of Valor disband, ending a legacy of heroic deeds. Alone and despairing, Quinlan wanders the kingdom, fleeing his past. His providential encounter with Taras, a mysterious Silent Warrior and former trainer of Valor Knights, offers Quinlan a chance to redeem himself and learn the ways of the secret warriors. The training is grueling, and just when Quinlan seems to have left his failures behind, he receives an impossible challenge from the Prince—one that will force him to face his past and the mighty men who blame him for the tragedy that ruined them. Can Quinlan reunite the Valor Knights in time to save the people from the Dark Knight's evil plot to rule the Kingdom of Arrethtrae, or will the Valor Knights lose the most important battle of all?

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Customer Reviews

CHUCK BLACK, a former F-16 fighter pilot and tactical communications engineer, is the best-selling, award-winning author of the Kingdom series and the Knights of Arrethtrae series. He has received praise from parents across the country for his unique approach to telling biblical truths.

His passion in life is to serve the Lord Jesus Christ and to love his wife, Andrea, and their six children. He lives with his family in North Dakota.

Books good. I know because I've read it before and have it on my shelf. But I wanted the Audio and it wouldn't let me download it without paying for Audible so I couldn't get the product I wanted.

Grandson was eager to read through this along with the rest of Chuck Black's series. Great price and in good condition.

My 14yo son loves this whole series and devoured them.

Excellent series!

Very great book and the illusory plot line matched perfectly to real life events and trials! I recommend this for any young or old reader alike!

The basic story line is alright, but in a medieval setting you don't expect the characters to say things like, "Gee thanks!" or "Hey, that's lousy!" Kind of lowers the level, ya know? Also, we were extremely disappointed that there were female knights. Not what we expected in a Christian series set in the Middle Ages. Having both male and female knights working together made for some 21st century conversations which seemed very out of place, along with the aforementioned use of American slang. The author did make some good points regarding the stated purpose of the book, which was against apathy. But he didn't do it well enough that we will be buying any more of this series.

I can't say enough great things about these books. I did not know what to expect from Chuck Black book. Biblical allegories are often lame and you get the feeling the author is trying too hard to make a point. That is not the case here. These books are fun to read. Chuck Black is the author of many novels including the popular Kingdom Series and The Knights of Arrethtrae series. Each story is strong enough to stand on its own. I have 10 kids, and each of the readers enjoy the books. Even kids who are not familiar with the different Bible stories will still be on the edge of their seats. My wife has read all of them aloud. Our children are familiar with Bible stories, and they "get" what is going on. It adds another whole level of interest as they try to link the story they are hearing with the stories they already know. But, that usually happens after each episode, since some of the

segments are so tense they are completely lost in the story. Then, after reading to them we hear "Please! One more chapter!" This is a refrain I hear nearly every night.

Chuck Black writes allegorical novels for young people using medieval knights, princes, and kingdoms to teach Biblical truths. His original Kingdom Series, an allegory of the New Testament set in medieval times, is one we are already using in our family. Sir Quinlan and the Swords of Valor is number 5 in his Knights of Arrethtrae series, tales of knights called by the prince who face real life struggles in becoming who they are called to be. Quinlan, called Twitch by his friends, lives in the shadow of his friend Tav. Both have been training to be knights for the Prince, but Twitch is never confident in his ability and is always sure that he can never be as good as Tav. When Tav's uncle, one of the Knights of Valor, tries to persuade Tav to join him in fighting the Shadow Warriors, Tav is unconvinced, but Twitch feels a call, a desire to find out his purpose. Twitch calls on the Prince to show him the purpose for his life and pledges himself to the prince. As a result, Twitch, now Quinlan, becomes a Knight of Valor. He is still unsure of his ability, however; and his lack of confidence contributes to a failed battle in which their leader, Baylor, is killed. Quinlan, burdened and weary and discouraged returns to his former life and friend. But, he realizes Tav, as well as the other knights of his former city are all distracted now by the paythas they are keeping as pets. Quinlan resumes his journey to serve his Prince and discover his purpose and finds out that he was meant to be so much more than he ever dreamed as he leads the other knights in a battle for his home city. I have to admit these stories are a bit predictable. And, my adventure reading son critiques them as being a little slow to get started and hard to get into. But, the medieval knights, princes, and battle scene is appealing to young readers- especially boys. The lessons learned by the characters in the story are good ones- obvious enough to be absorbed by young readers but not so obvious as to stifle the story line. I enjoyed Sir Quinlan's story and thought the lessons learned as he searched for his life's purpose were well taught.

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