

The illustration is a rich, detailed scene. At the top, a large, ornate circular celestial map or astrolabe is centered, featuring a glowing yellow sun or moon in its center. The map is surrounded by concentric circles of stars and constellations. Below this, a city with tall, spire-like buildings and a central tower is nestled between snow-capped mountains. The city is reflected in a body of water in the foreground, which is filled with small boats and a large, glowing light source. The sky is a mix of deep blues, greens, and reds, with several planets and moons visible. The entire scene is framed by an ornate, golden border with intricate scrollwork.

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Back when this planet was known as Midgard¹, when the lifespan of galactic civilizations² was over a thousand years, when the Moon and Sun illuminated the bountiful lands, and the sky shimmered in red, green and silver, the countdown of realities began.

Living rivers flowed from the bottomless mirror lake, and the rich Northern cities with golden dwellings rose above the pearly clouds, upon which gently hovered golden Vhaitmanas³. At the top of the mountain Arim⁴ stood a magnificent palace made of gold, silver and dazzling sapphires. Magical turquoise crystals shone around it, their power uniting all eternal elements; and in the center, within a protective circle around which countless celestial bodies revolved, lay the Book, embodying the great wisdom of the Galaxies and the energy of all souls and beings of the Universes. It also served as a sacred talisman of Eternity.

On a fateful day, when the fiery flower⁵ dropped its final petal, when the Deyas⁶ drank the last drop of the elixir of immortality, when the cosmic Sun was replaced by the Moon,

¹ Midgard – the name of the planet Earth in ancient times (Northern mythology).

² Galactic civilizations – gods and demigods resembling humans.

³ Vhaitmana – an airborne chariot, a flying ship (much smaller than Vimana).

⁴ Arim (or Mira) – a sacred pyramidal mountain in Asgard (North Land of the Gods in human form) with surrounding megalithic structures.

⁵ Fiery flower – violet (viola).

⁶ Deya – priest, priestess.



and the axis of the Galaxy changed its rotation, Night⁷ fell on Midgard.

Dark forces took control and chaos ensued. The Gods drew their weapons, and Arim was engulfed in the whirlwind of the battle between good and evil. Yielding to the temptation of legions of Darkness sowing selfishness and vanity, one of the Gods traitorously broke the circle of the celestial bodies, snatched the Book, and attempted to pass it through a young demigod to the rulers of the Night. The Guardian of Arim intervened in this plan, gathered an army of Light from the loyal and strong spirits, and defeated the enemy in a fair battle, pushing the Darkness beyond the sacred realms, but it was too late – at that moment, the Book, in the hands of the usurpers, crossed the Gates of the Interrealm⁸ and closed them tightly behind.

At the same time, after the abductor from the Gates on Vhaitmana the Valkyrie⁹ flew out. Recognizing her reflection in the young demigod, she tried to reason with him, but he continued blindly follow at enormous speed towards the portal of the forces of Darkness. With no way out, the girl crashed into his chariot. A powerful explosion occurred, injuring and

⁷ Night – galactic night for thousands of years on planet Earth.

⁸ Gateway to the Interworld (Golden Gates in the Black Sea) – the path to the world of gods, a portal between the world of Gods and humans World.

⁹ Valkyrie – guardian and warrior of the Star.



crushing both of them into the raging Sea of the Dead¹⁰.

Underwater a duel ensued. The Valkyrie snatched the Book from the enemy's hands and tried to surface, but the dying demigod managed to cling tightly to the girl with both hands, dragging her down into the cold, dark depths. Gasping for breath, they descended together to the very bottom... In a matter of minutes, it was all over: touching the seabed, his pale motionless body detached and disappeared unnoticed into the dark depths, while she, with her last strength, hugged the Book tightly to her chest, closed her eyes forever, and enveloped by her flowing hair, perished. The Valkyrie died, but the Book continued to breathe, absorbing her courageous spirit...

Millennia have passed.

When Aquilon¹¹ changed, the petrified moss-covered body of the girl with the untouched Book shifted to the shallows and fell into the hands of the vessel led by the Roman commander Sulla, who inherited a slight knowledge of the priesthood from his great-grandfather.

Clumsily handling the sacred talisman, he began to consider himself fortunate! Instantly, numerous victories in battles followed, and then – power over the whole Rome! In

¹⁰ Sea of the Dead – an ancient name for the Black Sea.

¹¹ Aquilon – the Northern wind.



the shortest time, blinded by the crushing power of wealth and authority, he effortlessly squandered the gold that came to him, instilled fear, executed thousands of people and soon exterminated the ancient Venedi tribes remaining in the area. The cruel tyrant crossed the line and stood on the side of Darkness, beginning to worship the goddess of Night to eventually taking over the whole world.

Learning about this, the Venedi's priests secretly stole the Star Scriptures from the guards and sealed the pages with the most powerful spell, which was only passed down through word of mouth, so as not to harm the sacred or the human.

Meanwhile, the military commander, having lost the Book, also lost his luck, letting the abyssal scorching darkness into the temple of his soul. Soon he died a slow and agonizing death.

When the last Venedi's priest was dying, in order to prevent the sacred scripture from falling into the hands of dark forces, the spell was not pronounced. For centuries, the Book continued to be passed from hand to hand by the chosen ones in the hope one day it would miraculously return home.

And so it happened...

By the will of Fate, the Star Scriptures reached the hands of a noble young man, whose heart was as pure as an uncut



diamond, and whose faith was unshakable like the Alatyr stone! After facing countless trials, his spirit became so strong that no one could stop him anymore. Knowing to whom this Book belonged, the young man spent years searching for the way to the Great Gates to return it.

One day, he set out for the snow-covered high rocky mountains and never returned. There are rumors that the young man found a mirrored lake in the mountain valley, which was a portal to another world.

One eyewitness even swears that he saw him diving into the water from where a blinding light emanated, and after that, in an instant, lake evaporated before his eyes, leaving only snowdrifts in its place.

What really happened to the brave young warrior remains a mystery to this day, and only a few know that he truly crossed the Gates of Interworld, delivering the Book to the Gods, because at that moment the Light illuminated the souls of people across all the Starry spaces of Universe!

