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THARION VALEHART

The Fallen Paladin

WRITING SAMPLE – MALIN LOVENBERG

Gender: Male
Culture: Tiefling
Class: Paladin
Age: 75 tiefling years (50 human years)

CHARACTER

Values: Morals, a smart joke and a good book.

Governing traits: Philosophic, jovial, protective.

Conflicting trait: Distrustful, easy to anger.

Physical

Tharion has a dad bod with sinewy muscles, and is on the shorter side of 155 cm.

Most of his clothes have been used and washed for decades (as he does not own a lot of coin), but Tharion taught himself to sew and have patched the holes with a mix of various fabric pieces.

He walks with a limp from a permanent scar from shielding a member in his treasure-hunting party when an avalanche struck in a narrow stone pass, crushing his leg. For Tharion, others always come first.

Voice

Tharion has a deep, breathy voice that carries the tone of a worried father. It is light with jokes, but edged with genuine concern about the dangers ahead.

BACKSTORY

Tharion, once a devoted paladin of the Celestial Custodians, had always believed in the inherent goodness of mankind and his sacred duty to protect it. But that faith was shattered when he was assigned to mentor a young boy in the order's archives.

The boy, in his curiosity, uncovered something forbidden—a map detailing a palace built in honor of a fallen god, a secret creation of the order that had been quietly worshipping this dark entity. Tharion, unable to believe that his beloved order could be involved in such heresy, took the map to the high priest, hoping it was nothing more than a mistake.

But when they arrived, the priest reacted with violence. In an instant, the boy was struck down, the map consumed by flames. And when the priest turned on Tharion, it became clear: there was no turning back. Tharion had to flee, leaving behind everything he thought he knew.

CURRENT

Now a fugitive and relic-hunting guide, Tharion uses his vast knowledge of the sacred to lead treasure seekers through forgotten ruins, ensuring their safety along the way. On the surface, it's just another job to him—one that keeps him moving and keeps his past at bay. But beneath the surface, Tharion is on a secret mission of his own: he is hunting for the temple of the fallen god, determined to destroy it and put an end to the order's dark legacy once and for all.