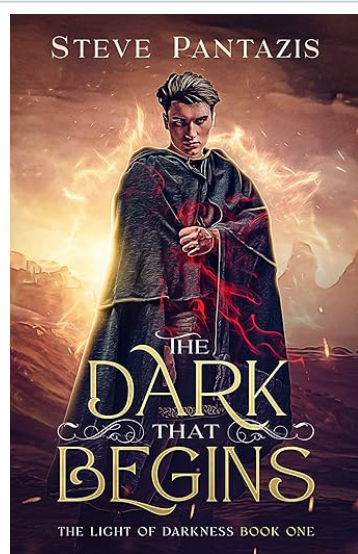


The Dark That Begins

By Steve Pantazis



BOOK DETAILS

Genre Fantasy

LOGLINE

His past brims with shattered memories. His next step could determine the fate of the world. Can this mage-in-training outwit a rival's fatal traps?

SUMMARY

Petrah can't remember joy. Accustomed to the rituals of misery after four years of slavery, the stubborn fifteen-year-old still struggles to submit to his captors' brutal cruelty. And though his mind has been wiped clean of his life outside captivity, the desperate young man seizes the opportunity to risk a daring escape. Successfully eluding pursuit, Petrah is stunned when the headmaster of a school for magi offers him an apprenticeship. But as he battles through his difficult lessons, he quickly realizes that any slip-up could leave him vulnerable to his school rival's deadly hostility. Yet, his greatest challenge lies in the dark prophecy that connects him to his brother, son of the God of Darkness. Destined to play a critical role in an ancient war, Petrah's awakening powers may either save or doom the world. Can he unlock his own powers before killing becomes part of the curriculum? *The Dark That Begins* is the captivating first book in *The Light of Darkness* YA epic fantasy series. If you like coming-of-age adventures, heart-pumping action, and unique magic systems, then you'll love Steve Pantazis's addictive take on sword and sorcery. Get *The Dark That Begins* and step into a stunning epic saga today! What readers are saying: ★ ★ ★ ★ ★ "An epic ride of magic, mystery, and adventure! The world is stunning, and I couldn't put it down." ★ ★ ★ ★ ★ "A fresh take on sword and sorcery with captivating villains and a non-medieval world. Left me wanting more!" ★ ★ ★ ★ ★ "Complex characters, intense moments, and high stakes. A real page-turner from start to finish!"

ABOUT THE AUTHOR

STEVE PANTAZIS is an award-winning author of fantasy and science fiction. He won the prestigious Writers of the Future award and has published short stories in leading anthologies and magazines, including *Nature*, *Galaxy's Edge*, and *IGMS*. He is the author of *The Light of Darkness* epic fantasy series. When not writing (a rare occasion!), Steve creates extraordinary cuisine, exercises with vigor, and shares marvelous adventures with the love of his life. Originally from the Big Apple, he now calls Southern California home.

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