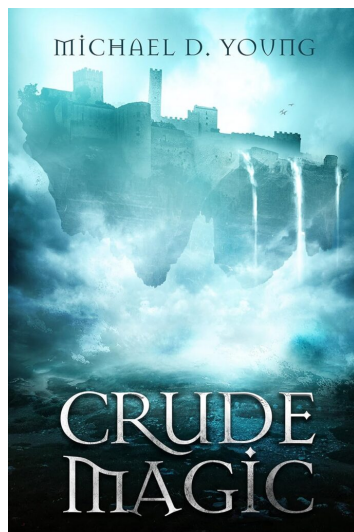


# Crude Magic

By Michael D. Young

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#### BOOK DETAILS

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| <b>Genre</b>        | Fantasy                           |
| <b>Tropes</b>       | short story,<br>prequel/companion |
| <b>Release Date</b> | 2017-11-06                        |
| <b>Length</b>       | 33                                |

#### LOGLINE

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#### SUMMARY

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#### ABOUT THE AUTHOR

Though Michael grew up traveling the world with his military family, he now lives in Utah with his wife, Jen, and their three children, where he creates online curriculum for Brigham Young University. He is a graduate of BYU and Western Governors University with degrees in German Teaching, Music, Educational Leadership, and Instructional Design. He enjoys acting in community theater, podcasting, playing and writing music, and spending time with his family. He played for years with the Bells on Temple Square and is now a member of the Tabernacle Choir at Temple Square.

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