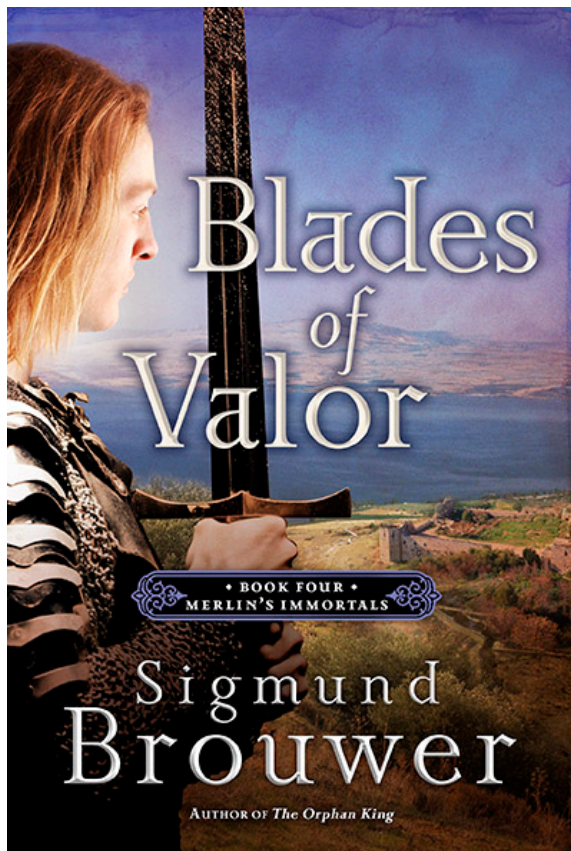


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The Exciting Conclusion to the “Merlin’s Immortals” Series This eBook-Only Fantasy Fiction is Perfect for Reluctant Readers



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Speaking of the series, Brouwer says “I hope that a strong theme emerges as the story unfolds. I think that each of us

faces age-old ideas and conflicts, and each of us must learn the same lessons learned by individuals of previous generations. Some things — science and math — can be passed along from one generation to the next, but the important matters in our spiritual lives have to be relearned by each new generation. I hope the epic battle between Merlins and Druids is a reflection of the battles that each of us face and the decisions that each of us have to make, with consequences for each of us that truly have eternal implications.”

Whether he’s engaging students to pursue reading through his Rock & Roll Literacy Show (rockandroll-literacy.com), or providing teachers with resources to instill a love of story in their students, or encouraging school librarians (www.story-diva.com/), Brouwer is committed to helping kids get hooked on reading, and his “Merlin’s Immortal” series does just that!



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