

## Prolog

### Wizard

And the gods beheld that the thunderwarriors fought hard and brave in the "battle of metal". However, they wanted to challenge them once again. This test was called the "battle of steel". In order to aid them in their holy quest it was decided to bestow unto them four magic utensils.

So the gods called upon the old dwarf and the mighty wizard and told them what they sought. The dwarf took the sword "Nothung", once belonging to "Siegfried the dragon-slayer", fused and smithed from it's steel four shakels of metal. The wizard created the same number of amulets from the skin of a black demon. He then took the silver shaded blood of a dead unicorn from which he drew four magic runes, each drenched with natural power.

The power and strength of a bear would be given to the bearer of the hammer "giants death", the speed of a hunting hawk to the bearer of the bow "heart hunter", the brutality of a lone wolf to the bearer of the axe "skullcrusher", and the deafening roar of a black lion to the bearer of the sword "souleater".

Then the dwarf mounted the shakels of metal on the amulets whilst reciting ancient words of magic power. Thereafter the amulets were presented to the dragon lords, who brought them to midgard, home of the thunderwarriors. They received this gift and a mighty power flushed through their veins. It was the power of magic-the magic of steel.

Suddenly thunder rocked the silence, lightning crushed the roof of the hall, and the two mightiest gods of valhalla -Thor and Odin- stood on the stage. The god of thunder held his hammer on high. Odin wailed his spear into the audience. Any wimp present knew now that death was imminent. They disappeared as quickly as they came.

In the blink of an eye the thunderwarriors conquered the stage:  
Once again they  
would ride side by side with their legion of doom, under the si  
gn of the  
wizard, to their next test- the "battle of steel"... So they fo  
ught with the  
power of metal and again were victorious. They devoured the hea  
rts and spilled  
the blood of their enemies. Their weapons found the hearts of a  
ll decievers and  
liers, crushing their bodies to the ground. After the "battle o  
f steel" was  
over the ground was covered by a sea of blood. From that day on  
the four  
thunderwarriors knew that they were forever bound by metal.