

The Marauders' Raid and the village

That peace ended in fire and steel. Marauders descended upon Dragonspire, slaying Rygarth after a brutal battle. Myra and Dodahar were seized as curiosities—"dragon-hoarded spoils"—and kept in chains. Their captors saw no people, only trophies

Salvation came in the form of Arak, a paladin of Thalros, who led a strike force that annihilated the marauders. He returned Myra and Dodahar to her birth village, where celebrations erupted—so long as the paladins remained.

When Arak's party departed, the truth surfaced. Myra was branded impure, tainted by her years with Rygarth and the marauders. Dodahar, half-dragon and wholly misunderstood, became a symbol of her "sins." The village that had cheered her return now shunned her. Months passed. Myra tried to rebuild her life, but hatred festers easily. Her former fiancé, Julius, returned with a mob convinced they were delivering justice. They dragged Myra into the square and executed her in a display of cruelty meant to "cleanse" the village.

Dodahar was forced to watch. When they turned on him, he broke free long enough to hurl himself off a cliff into the river below. The current carried him away from the nightmare.