

# Mortis: The Horus Heresy Siege of Terra - A Captivating Tale of Epic Scale and Betrayal

In the annals of Warhammer 40,000 lore, the Horus Heresy stands as a pivotal event that shaped the destiny of the galaxy. The Siege of Terra, the climactic battle of the Horus Heresy, is a grand and epic struggle that has been chronicled in numerous novels and short stories. Mortis, a novel by Gav Thorpe, is one such installment that delves into the heart of this titanic conflict.

Mortis takes place during the final days of the Horus Heresy, as the Traitor Legions led by the Warmaster Horus lay siege to the Imperial Palace on Terra. The Imperial defenders, bolstered by Loyalist Space Marines, Imperial Army regiments, and Titan Legions, fight tooth and nail to hold back the tide of darkness.

The siege is a desperate struggle, with both sides suffering heavy losses. The Traitors seek to overthrow the Emperor and seize control of the Imperium, while the Loyalists fight to preserve the legacy of the Imperium and the Emperor himself.



## Mortis (The Horus Heresy: Siege of Terra Book 5)

by John French

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Mortis features a cast of compelling characters from both the Traitor and Loyalist sides of the conflict.

- **Horus Lupercal:** The Warmaster of Chaos, once the most trusted of the Emperor's generals, now turned against his former master and leading the Traitor Legions.
- **Robute Guilliman:** The Primarch of the Ultramarines Legion, a loyal and skilled commander who leads the defense of the Imperial Palace.
- **Leman Russ:** The Primarch of the Space Wolves Legion, a fierce and unpredictable warrior who joins the fight against Horus.
- **Jaghatai Khan:** The Primarch of the White Scars Legion, a master of lightning-fast warfare who harries the Traitor forces.
- **Fulgrim:** The Primarch of the Emperor's Children Legion, a hedonistic and treacherous warlord who seeks to corrupt the Loyalist forces.

The plot of Mortis follows the siege of Terra from multiple perspectives, allowing readers to experience the conflict from the viewpoints of both the Traitors and the Loyalists.

As the siege rages, Horus's forces slowly but inexorably advance, their numbers bolstered by daemons and otherworldly allies. The Loyalists fight valiantly, but they are slowly pushed back as the Traitors gain ground.

Amidst the chaos and carnage, a number of key events unfold that shape the outcome of the siege. A fierce duel between Horus and Guilliman, a desperate assault on the Emperor's Throne Room, and a climactic battle between the Titans of both sides all play pivotal roles in the story.

Mortis explores a number of complex and enduring themes, including:

- **Betrayal and Loyalty:** The novel delves into the themes of betrayal and loyalty, as characters on both sides of the conflict are forced to make difficult choices.
- **War and its Cost:** The horrors of war are vividly depicted in Mortis, as the siege of Terra takes a devastating toll on all involved.
- **The Nature of Chaos:** The novel provides an in-depth look at the nature of Chaos, its corrupting influence, and the threat it poses to the Imperium.

Gav Thorpe's writing in Mortis is both engaging and immersive, capturing the epic scale of the Horus Heresy while also delving into the personal struggles of the characters. The novel's prose is rich and evocative, bringing the battle-torn streets of Terra and the treacherous halls of the Imperial Palace to life.

Mortis is a gripping and unforgettable tale of war, betrayal, and the fate of the Imperium. The novel provides a unique and immersive look at the Horus Heresy, capturing the epic scale of the conflict while also exploring the personal stories of the characters involved.

For fans of Warhammer 40,000 and the Horus Heresy, Mortis is a must-read. The novel is a masterpiece of storytelling that will leave a lasting

impression on readers.

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- [Gav Thorpe's Website](#)
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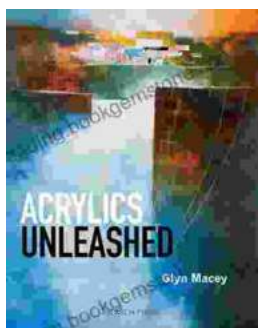


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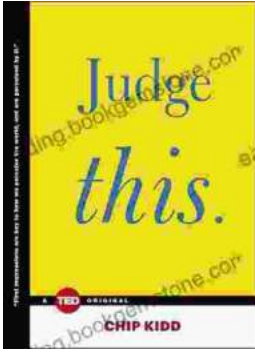
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