



The Incorporeal Fellowship Part I

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INCEPTION

Leading up to the final century of the 9th millennium BTE (Before Talderon Era), violence and chaos ruled most civilizations in the galaxies. The universe had barely survived the six hundred-year Ethnopecuniary Wars, during which enemies and allies became all but indistinguishable from one another. Alliances were established on the basis of immediate necessity, not on long-term benefits of mutual importance. Today's foe was tomorrow's ally. As violence, corruption and abuse spread from planet to planet and galaxy to galaxy, chaos reigned throughout the known civilizations.



Chaos ruled for hundreds upon hundreds of years

Many accounts of this dark period in history have vanished, negating our ability to pen the details for posterity. All that remains are the remnants of the destruction, whispers of what was witnessed, and validations of events too terrible to disremember.

What is known is that entire planets fell under the control of despotic rulers or invaders, bent on plundering whatever minerals and commodities that particular world produced in meaningful quantity. The inhabitants of the occupied planets were typically enslaved and worked to death. Slavery served to keep the conquered from forming meaningful opposition to those in control and, as the death toll mounted, it reduced the number of possible mutineers that might come forth to threaten their authority.



War and slavery were de rigueur

In desperation, vast numbers of species began to migrate to other planetary systems, and even distant galaxies. This period in intergalactic history became known as ‘The Age of Anarchic Disarray’.

As new civilizations began to appear in far flung corners of the universe, the effects of previously unknown phenomena began to produce innumerable mutations. Most of these mutations were fatal, and resulted in the annihilation of millions of species, sometimes entire planets. But a limited number of beings not only survived the effects, but did, in fact, gain significantly in physical strength, size, and mental abilities.

Tarseus Prime, a mid-size planet in the Parathakan system, became an unlikely ray of hope for the countless civilizations that were systematically tearing themselves apart.

Due to a fortuitous combination of cosmic and genealogical events, Tarseus Prime, along with other more obscure planets and systems, began to produce an inordinate amount of mutations during the last century of the 9th millennium, leading up to what became known as the Talderon Era (TE).

EMERGENCE OF MINDERS

Two beings, Daalakaal Shawnde and Moderlan Flath, transmutants with extensive mental superiority and stability, arose on Terseus Prime. They perceived each other’s existence, and resolved to meet to discuss how best to use their extraordinary abilities to bring an end to the universal chaos.

It soon became evident to both that they could vastly expand their mental powers through a series of challenges they designed themselves, resulting in highly enhanced abilities, one of which was teleportation. Their subsequent explorations led them to discover the existence of others with unique abilities, not quite to the level they themselves possessed, but significantly sophisticated. These mutants were scattered among assorted systems throughout the universe.

As Daalakaal's and Moderlan's abilities to enter and influence the minds of most species in the universe expanded, they comprehended the exclusivity of their own transmutation, and the mutations of other beings with analogous mental aptitudes. As such, they understood the need to classify and declare a new species that would best describe the entire grouping of superior mental mutations. Thus, the term *Minder* was born.



Gene mutations led to a new classification of species

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