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The planet Takeni needs a miracle to survive a Xaros invasion. They've got the *Breitenfeld*.

The Xaros, a galaxy wide scourge of murderous drones, have their sites set on a peaceful planet. Against the odds, and the orders of his superiors, Captain Isaac Valdar sends his ship to the planet's defense. The battle against the onslaught can't be won, and escape with the world's civilians demands a terrible price.

Pressed by an alien fleet and a horrifying foe on the planet's surface, the *Breitenfeld* must risk everything for a chance at victory.

Blood of Heroes is the latest installment in this epic military sci-fi series. The Ember War saga continues!

Blood of Heroes Details

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Panos Panagiotidis says

As always, so good. The war just gets bigger and bigger :)

Matthew says

Another great book in the series

Jim Kratzok says

Excellent story! The odds against humanity surviving keep increasing. First it was the Zaros bent on wiping out any sign of intelligent life on Earth. Then, after losing most of the planet's population, the Toth discover we taste good. And they are hungry! Drastic measures are the only way we can expect to survive but some of them may not be very popular....

Jim says

This third book of the series continues to be a bloody struggle for Earth's remaining humans. Except, this time they go looking for trouble. Isaac Valdar, Captain of the starship Breitenfeld, has decided to send his meager forces on a rescue mission. It's not to rescue humans but a sizable planetary colony of Dotok, an alien species on the brink of extinction caused by the Xaros. He has decided to take the Breitenfeld to the planet Takeni which is the last stronghold for the Dotok. If the settlements on Takeni get wiped out, it's the end of the Dotok species.

So, although this seems like a simple rescue mission, no one knows if the Xaros have found the Dotok on Takeni yet. As expected, upon reaching the space near Takeni, Captain Valdar flies right into a massive space battle. This one is a little strange. It appears the Dotok fleet is firing on their own colony ships! After some trial and error, Captain Valdar makes contact with the Dotok Admiral and demands to know what's going on. Thousands of Dotok survival pods are ejecting from the Dotok colony ships and the Dotok fleet is firing on them!

Once the translators come on line, Valdar gets an explanation. The Xaros have captured these colony ships, killing all aboard and are using mindless banshees as their soldiers occupying the life pods. The Dotok Admiral tells Captain Valdar not to let any of the life pods land on his ship. Unfortunately the warning comes to late. These banshees stand six and half feet tall and are all teeth and claws. They have armor and weapons, but are just as dangerous without either. Not only are they landing on the Breitenfeld, but thousands are landing on the planet.

Well, the humans have their job cut out for them. They find that the initial estimate of Dotok colonist remaining on Dotok is much greater than anticipated. The number to be rescued won't fit in the Breitenfeld, so what are they going to do. It so happens that the Dotok society is based on a ranking system. Each Dotok is ranked according to their ability to contribute to the society at large. Higher ranked Dotok get better living

conditions, food, clothing and other things first. This ranking include men, women and even children. So, when the Dotok learn that only a limited number might be rescued, they begin lining up according to rank. Guess who is at the front of the line. It's not the women and children!

Lots of good Marine combat in this one. I can't believe how tough these Space Marines appear to be. Not a one seems to have broken and turned to a slobbering idiot even though the Banshees are about anyone's worst nightmare. Our group of Marines, led by Lieutenant Hale is slowly being decimated. We get to know a few more things about each one of his Marines only some of them won't make it through the entire book.

The writing is great. The editing was almost perfect. I couldn't find a single instance of a missing word or bad sentence, but with the action so fast paced, I probably wasn't looking for such errors. If you've read the first two books, then you'll need to read this one. And, yes, there is another book in the series coming in February 2016!

Shelly Singhal says

The saga continues

What really impressed me about this chapter was the way the author didn't fall prey to the temptation to keep all the key characters alive through miraculous escapes. This was sad in places and also full of great battles and we finally see the bad guys. Can't wait for the 4th book.

Wally says

I enjoy this series, but Richard Fox overuses the trope of military members sacrificing themselves to save others. It really doesn't need to happen several times in each book.

Bradley Flower says

I very much like this series of books, yes it is a bit predictable, but they are well written and the voice acting is spot-on. Cannot wait to start the next one after a small break, on to other books so that it keeps me looking forward to the next one.

Todd Gutschow says

Common space opera with a solid underlying story

The usual space and terrestrial battles you find in a space opera. Nothing really exciting here. However, the underlying story is intriguing enough to keep going.

Matthew says

Great

Fantastic read again. Cant fault this series. Looking forward to the next book as an old foe makes an appearance.

Jeffrey Robbins says

Finally, the IronHearts are unleashed and they know how to throw down. A much more action-oriented book in the series so far.

Marie M Williams says

Fantastic!

The action was amazing and made my heart race. This book showed the best of what humans can be. At time it broke my heart when we lost friends and made me cheer when we did the seemingly impossible. Yeah Marines!! Ohhh Rah!

John says

No shortage of excitement in book 3 of the Ember Wars series. This story took an interesting step away from the drones of the first two books, which kept my interest peaked. Lots of action, lots of drama, no pansy lovey-dovey nonsense in this book at all. I was happy to finally find some sort of commander for the Xaros in this story, and it looks like we will see more of "the General" in stories to come. Good series for the space-war sci-fi enthusiasts out there.

Don Moore says

So much fun!! I really dig the situations that humanity gets into in these books. I love the premise and the road to redemption in the story line.

Joey Calvey says

Cod mittens!

This is the best new military Sci fi series I have read this year. Marines, aliens, space and ground combat, powered armor. The Ember Wars has it all. I read this on Kindle Unlimited.

Sarah says

Enjoyable book

The Breitenfeld and her crew manage to pull off another nearly impossible mission, with the loss of several heroes as a result. Looking forward to the next mission.
