The Odyssey by Joel

Ladies and gentlemen,people of Athens,this is a tale of great human endurance and bravery.it is full of deadly monsters, violent battles and violent villains. It is the tale of General Taurus,the toughest of the General Princes of Athens,and his fights ,furies,trial and tribulations during his five year odyssey back home after the Corinthian war.

The men celebrated on the boats after their victory,eating and drinking all night long.But as the night drew to a close ,a storm brewed over the waves,rushing and swirling furiously.The men,underestimating the power and violence of the waves,went to sleep. When they woke they were far away from Athens drifting off on the wine dark sea.The sea crashed and howled while a colossal rush of wind blew the sail posts down,breaking the hull.They crashed against the rocks of an island.As the ocean calmed ,they relaxed a little and decided to explore the island . Unfortunately,that was not the end of their troubles as they had just landed on Typhon’s island.there, troubled by hunger to eat,they killed his cows and harvested his grain,and as they were feasting by the fyre was when Typhon struck.

“Who dares trespass on my sacred island!”he exclaimed.

“I am General Taurus and these are my men.”

“You have killed my cows and harvested my barley and now I will cook you!”burning with rage he chased them off the island. But Typhon was not done yet.He grabbed 5 men and spat searing fyre burning them alive. Running off the island in a frenzy, the men climbed into the remaining ships and scrambled off the island.

The men were shivering violently,the violence and fury of Typhon still made them fear for their lives.

“Listen men! We need to focus on the task ahead!”said Taurus firmly. Bartholemew replied”How can we focus when a god is trying to kill us!” As the day went on the ocean seemed ready to burst again.The ocean trembled ,sending the men into panic as Taurus forced them to row as if your lives depended on it.Finally,after a burst of water,the kraken appeared. Spinning, it smashed into the sails and hulls.Taurus reared to slay the beast but a tentacle slammed into him and knocked him off his feet. A wave rose high and the boat had been swallowed by the inky, murky sea.

The men clung desperately to the boating wreckage as the waves carried them to the end of the earth…except what they were approaching was an island! Land ahoy ! the men called out excitedly.they clambered on and ate as much meat as they could find, and drank from the lake.At least they could rest for a while.

Unfortunately ,the island was inhabited by the ruthless laestrygonians,the deadliest creatures on earth.They had the most violent army in the world. Silently,the army advanced on Taurus and his men and when the time was right … they stuck. Chasing them around the island, many just jumped of the island. But Taurus managed to kill the leader sending the army into chaos. They were able to claim the island.

As the sun rose and the birds tweeted, the king of gods pleaded with typhon to let Taurus go.

“Don't you think that Taurus has suffered enough!”Zeus pleaded