Heir of Fire (Throne of Glass #3) Sarah J. Mass Reviewed by: Marissa Klippenstein, 21 Star Teen Book Reviewer of Be the Star You Are! Charity www.bethestaryouare.org

Finally broken from the loss of her dearest friend, Celaena Sardothien only cares about avenging her death. She may serve the King of Adarlan, but she is going to make him pay. The only way she can go about doing this is by finding answers in the far land of Wendlyn. The Captain of the Guard, Chaol, sacrifices his future by sending Celaena there to make sure she is safe from the chaos to come in the capital. When Celaena arrives, she realizes that some of her darkest demons lay to rest there, and that if she can overcome them, she will become Ardarlan's biggest threat...

This book is filled with action! Since it is the third book of the series, it focuses less on character analysis and more on the progression of plot. There are many new characters and backstories revealed in this story, which is why I enjoyed it so much. The reader gets a better look at the history of this fantasy world and its inhabitants. Unlike part of the last book, this one does not focus at all on romance, which I appreciated. It gives the main characters time to prepare for the upcoming battle that is inevitably to take place in the next book. The only aspect of the book that I did not care for was Celaena's self loathing. She feels guilty that her best friend is dead, which is understandable, but sometimes it is too much. I had to step away from the story when it got this way.

I would recommend this book for ages 14+. Due to the main character's occupation, warnings are for fantasy violence and some sexual themes.

This book would be a great gift to anybody interested in fantasy, dragons, character growth, and plot twists!

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