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"FICTION TEACHES ME TO SPOT CHARACTERS IN SCRIPTURE."

–DR. J. RICHARD MIDDLETON

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ORELIA

SPECIES: KYA-HUMAN

SERIES: IMPERIUM DESCENT

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ELDA MAEVA

SPECIES: MUL-HUMAN

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ROHOAR

SPECIES: JUJARI

SERIES: RUINS OF THE GALAXY

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"My grandfather was one of the very few who were calling for peace during the civil war between the Muslims and Christians in Lebanon. He was constantly receiving death threats from the Syrian regime to scare him into doing and saying what they wanted. I can't even count the times that a cab driver has asked my name, also Hasan Khaled, and then asked if I was related to *the* Hasan Khaled. They would proceeded to tell me how great of a man he was. Many times they cried, and oftentimes they were Christians."

–HASAN KHALED

“One of the things I loved about your books is that I could see how you were trying to break through stereotypes and expectations. It feels like you’re telling me that people are people, even though at first glance they fit stereotypes and prejudices, you peel the layers off and show us how our preconceived notions of how this person will act based on what they seem to be can be very wrong.”

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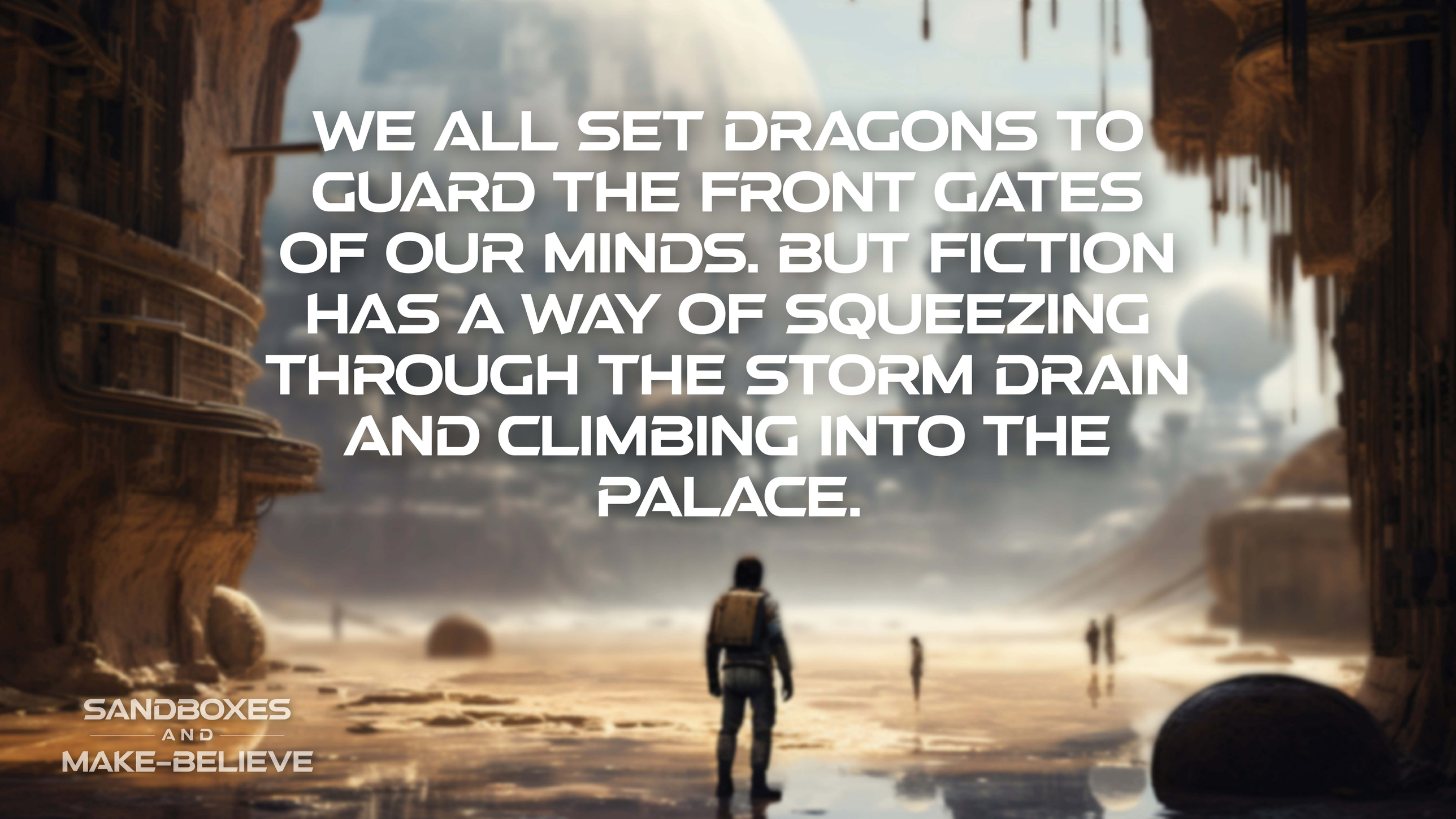
WE ALL SET DRAGONS TO GUARD THE FRONT GATES OF OUR MINDS. BUT FICTION HAS A WAY OF SQUEEZING THROUGH THE STORM DRAIN AND CLIMBING INTO THE PALACE.
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