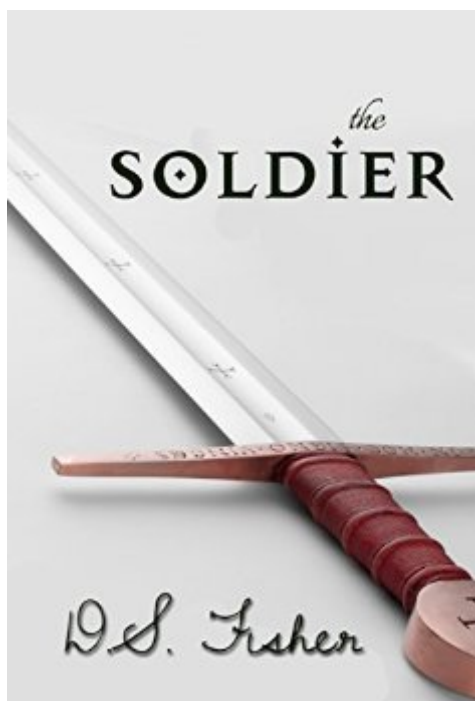


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# The Soldier



## Synopsis

Maddus is not a legendary fighter. He is not a veteran, a knight or even a great warrior. He is a man; a man who loves his wife enough to join the army before the final battle in a losing war in the hopes of keeping her, and all like her, safe. The final battle will be the siege of Tenarr, the capital.

Underequipped, with a small army of mostly new recruits, few believe they stand a chance “ not against an experienced army that massively outnumbers them “ an army with sorcery on its side. Maddus, though, doesn’t believe this. He joins the army believing that any one person there can make a difference. He believes they can win.

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## Customer Reviews

This is the only book I’ve ever encountered in which I could never really keep straight the endless characters but never felt that such confusion impinged on my ability to understand the gist of things. Despite the profusion of characters and back stories, the narrative is terse and economical and the author has an expert grasp on pacing and tone. Moreover, the language of the novel casts knowing darts outward from the ostensible soldier story toward enduring themes of love, society, democracy, friendship, and institutions in ways more effective than most "deep books". D.S. Fisher is an

amazing author and I will wait for more books from you.

The Soldier is a wonderfully written fantasy thriller that had me glued to every page. This author has an outstanding way of making you feel as if you are really there experiencing the battles and hardships that these men endure. It brings great sadness but at the same time great joy as you read along. My emotions were all over the place and I love a book that can do that to me, it's a sign of a great writer. Thank you D.S. Fisher for the wonderful ride you just took me on, I will not soon forget it and hope that you will bring me something new soon.

I really enjoyed this book! It was highly captivating and kept my attention throughout. I appreciated the way the author weaved the love story into the plot. The main character Maddus, is a strong and brave soldier. Not everyone possesses such bravery to defend their loved one by entering battle. The action is very well written. The words deliver the author's true intent. Also, the verbiage used made the book play out like a movie in my imagination. I highly recommend this book!!!

There aren't many authors who can so seamlessly weave together a tender love story with a gripping action, but that's what you get with this book. I found the characters to be very relatable, despite the uniqueness of the setting and circumstances. Well-written book and highly recommended.

The Soldier By D.S. Fisher  
The main character in the story Maddus joins the defenders of the fortress capital Tenarr the land of the Demurians. The King Howndell and his army of 10,000 against the army of the king McRayne and the land of Sindutia and their champion Gallar. The king's advisor Kalicka gives him the knowledge of what should be done to have his army conquer many lands. The author D.S. Fisher creates a world where the swords clash against the battle-axes and men and women join in the fray. Exciting storytelling that takes you to the battlefield. When the troops of King Howndell are not in training, they are in the bar having some ale. They have seven days to prepare for battle. The sergeant Degessi and trainer Serran have their jobs cut out for them in order to get the troops ready. One of my favorite lines from the story. "His beard was so thick it was impossible to determine whether he was smiling or not, and his dark eyes did not shine, but his bald head did." I found this story to be an excellent read. I look forward to reading more works by this talented author. I rated it a solid 5 star rating. Well written with a great cast of exciting characters who will bring you to the battlefield. I can hear the sound of bagpipes. It won't be long

now until the attack begins. And another line from the story. "You said bravery was standing your ground even when you're terrified."

D.S. Fisher is one of the few who has the talent to draw his readers in by making the characters feel real, to the point where the affairs of each character influence the reader's own emotions. I fell in love with the characters and soon found myself unwilling to put the book down. The idea of the main character (Maddus) starting as an underdog but gaining the respect of the other soldiers is portrayed perfectly. Maddus also has one of the most interesting backgrounds I've seen in a novel, especially coming from only reading one book about him. One of the other interesting aspects was the ability to see the story unfold from multiple perspectives, often as characters were introduced. D.S. Fisher's writing style never ceased to draw me in and amazed me. Maddus is probably my favorite character because of his unrelenting spirit. He comes into the war as one of the youngest soldiers but is not willing to go down without a fight. Because of this, he manages to quickly acquire friends out of the soldiers. The selection of characters with differing personalities is also a rare but much appreciated addition to *The Soldier*. Nowadays it seems that most books have characters that all seem the same. However, I noticed a difference with D.S. Fisher's characters. There is a huge variety of different people, all with different views. The addition of women into the war further displays the differences between characters. Overall, this was a wonderful action packed read that found me glued to the pages. I highly recommend this to everyone, especially those into books with an old-fashioned battle feel.

I love a good fantasy action/adventure and this book was a perfect fit. Filled with action and believable and relate-able characters I couldn't put it down and finished it in a couple days. One man can make a difference :)

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