

Hello everyone! Thank you for reading my story!

I very strongly encourage you to leave comments! I love reading them!

The cover art was made and is copyrighted by my wife. She is AWESOME. Go say thanks [over here!](#)

Next up, I want to give a shout out to the current Rites Proofing Team! They are, in no particular order:

****UPDATE****

Son_of_heaven176 does most of the heavy lifting on the editing and proofreading these days :)

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Fausticorn! She who wields the wiki. She's not only helped with editing, but has set up an internal wiki to help keep my head-canon straight, and it's been a huge help!

conantheimp, who has imp-danced his way through a lot of upcoming chapters already!

ComradeSparkle has been added to the team! Given that he's worked on OWoC, you know he knows his stuff.

Midnight Spark is quickly going through things as well.

A wild Willsons has appeared! He's editing documents! Oh no! ... Actually these are quite helpful! Yay!

Pencraft has been a lot of help with advice on formatting and When To Use Capital Letters For Princess And Other Titles!

JustAnotherTimeLord is also on the team! Turns out Sonic Screwdrivers can help with editing. Who knew?

Steben has been added as of Chapter 13! Welcome!

Past members of the team include: Bronymaster, AlicornPriest, JohnPerry, Equestrian Gentlecolt, and Werewolf435. They are always welcome back!

I also want to give a HUGE shout out to Kobalstromo, who has been a great friend to me here on FimFiction and is also writing an alicorn Twilight epic. His new version of On Wings of Change is just mind-blowingly-good. You all should go over there and favorite all his stories and comment that his writing is much better than mine, 'cause it is.

I also highly recommend that everyone that writes join the Author Support group. It's a wealth of advice and aid for starting and veteran writers alike!

If you all like my story, please fav/like it/comment on it and spread the word!

I write in large blocks and do at least two passes through the editors. Block One wound up being 7 chapters plus the prologue. Block two wound up being chapters 8 through sixteen. Block three looks to be seventeen through twenty-three. Things will likely continue along this manner.

I do not schedule writing or posts. My muse comes and goes. Stuff gets posted "when it's done". If I gave you guys a timeline, that would just jinx it, trust me on that one!

I have no idea how big it'll wind up being in terms of words. I'm bad at predicting that stuff.

Expect some innuendo and violence and dark moments, and even steamy and violent moments, but no explicit sex and nothing "gore for the sake of gore". It also won't get grimdark, I can't read grimdark so I definitely can't write it.

Also, very important. Rites ONLY considers Seasons One and Two canon. Anything after that is REJECTED! Hence the AU tag. Thus, the Crystal Empire does not exist. Also, despite the hearts and hooves episode, they don't have anything as advanced as video games. In Rites, Equestria is in an industrial revolution era.

Standard disclaimer applies, I don't own MLP or it's characters, just the story and my original characters, blah blah blah.

Once again, thank you for reading!