

The Thousand Scars (Counterbalance: Volume One) By Michael R. Baker

The Thousand Scars booklet

And some are prepared to go to greater lengths than others such as joining with long-time enemies within the Empire or even breaking old magic laws to summon and command great forces...Some of the characters we follow in detail included: Tyrone Cessil - A young man who has left his family behind to go to an entirely new part of the world and set up life there. **The Thousand Scars book review** Nazir Cessil - Commander of Western part of the Empire who is trying to gain more troops from the surrounding Clans in order to take on the Dominion and avenge a death in his family. **EBook The Thousand scars of death** Normally enemies of the Scars but prepared to work together to counter the bigger threats and we see how Lance's battle skills are tested time and time again when working with other groups and fighting on many fronts. **Book The Thousand scarsdale ny** The plot of this one is largely focused on each of the individual characters and how they fit in with the rest of the world.

The Thousand Scars kindle unlimited

As anyone who knows me can tell you I'm a fan of grimdark fantasy. **Book The Thousand scars lyrics** My definition is dark and gritty fantasy where the protagonists are morally ambiguous nobility isn't romanticized the villains are genuinely monstrous war is hellish and any gods or supernatural forces are either horrifying or ambiguous themselves. **Book The Thousand scars** Tyrone is a genuinely good person who is caught in the impossible situation of having his land overrun by invaders his government insane with desperation and his companions to be monsters. **Book The Thousand scarsdale medical** 5/5 9788283310290 This is the first book of my SPFBO4 (self-published fantasy blog off 2018) titles that I got around to reading and I have to say this one was a dark dark read with a whole lot of grim thrown in. **The Thousand Scars Science fiction vs** We follow a lot of different groups of people each with their own agendas morals and destinies and we see how corrupt spooky and ominous the magic of this world can be too. **Book The Thousand scarsdale medical** I don't think this will be a title that many who don't enjoy Grimdark would like but if you do like that subgenre then you may well find some good moments in this tale. **The Thousand Scars pdf chapter 1** As part of the Balian Empire facing off against the Dominion (an invading force) we have the Pharos Order The Thousand Scars The Ironhearts and many more roving clans and tribes. **The Thousand Scars book summary** I would say that I think the beginning of this book is pretty slow moving and it was around the middle of the book where I started to become more invested and excited by what was playing out before me on the page. **The Thousand Scars fantasy name** Personally I don't love battle scenes unless they are spectacular and many of the scenes in this book are particularly gruesome and grim with rape and more happening on the scene. **Kindle The Thousand scars in heaven** I wasn't the biggest fan of that and found that probably there were a few too many moments of this for my liking but I appreciate that the tone is rather bleak throughout and it's intentional. **The Thousand Scars fantasy name** I think with a very thorough copy-edit and proof-read this book could be a lot more streamlined and fun for the reader but this is of course part of being self-published and not having the bigger budget of the publishing houses so is very forgivable in this competition. **Book The Thousand scars lyrics** Some of the characters are really enjoyable and there are some very fun moments but in terms of the politics of the world and the various groups of people to follow I felt that it was a little overwhelming and didn't really explain how everything worked together for a while. **The Thousand Scars kindle reader** I did realise at the end of the book that there is a kind of glossary/codex which is a lot more helpful but as an author-generated ebook it didn't show up and I couldn't skip to the end easily. **The Thousand Scars kindle ebook** In the end I would say this is a book that will appeal to grimdark readers and those who enjoy a solid battle scene and political manoeuvring with magic

at the forefront and a lot of characters to follow. **The Thousand Scars booklet** It wasn't my favourite read in the grimdark genre and could do with a bit of tidying up on the writing itself but it's very readable and the fact that I read it all speaks highly of it too. **Science Fiction The Thousand scars** 9788283310290 I've been reading a lot of indie / underground dark fantasy and grimdark lately and when I first came across this one I had no idea what to make of it based on the cover. **Book The Thousand scars** Sure there may be a few issues here and there were repeated words could have been changed up but overall this is really high quality and I wasn't constantly wishing for an editor to show up as I do with many other self-published books. **The Thousand Scars booker** There are plenty of factions who all want different outcomes and aren't necessarily working well together during war time along with plenty of interesting characters making up those factions. **The Thousand Scars book summary** The great Balian Empire is being invaded by a powerful enemy and they are losing the only way to save themselves is by unleashing an ancient and terrible ritual with the power to win the war. **The Thousand Scars fantasy name** Tyrone Cessil a young warrior from the destroyed city of Valare with no hope to cling to and all his friends dead in battle joins a mercenary group called The Thousand Scars which is spearheaded by Tyir the feared and hated necromancer that secretly turned the tables in the battle against the dominion. **The Thousand Scars ebook download** With the catchphrase The Thousand Scars will bleed the world Tyir and a band of debauched mercenaries with young Tyrone at their side simply clinging to his survival instinct set out to wreck havoc against the corruption of the Empire who we learn is not nearly as just as we are led to believe. **The Thousand Scars book summary** On the other side of the coin is the main political intrigue of the story which focuses on Aldmer the leader of the Empire and his attempt to sway Tyir to their side to be used as a tool in battle. **The Thousand Scars fantasy book** He's lost everything he values so he takes a chance at a new life but what he sees as a member of the Scars keeps him constantly at war with his own morals his desperation and his anger and desire for change. **The Thousand Scars fantasy book** The Thousand Scars (Counterbalance: Volume One) 'We must stop the killing or we'll lose the war' - 'Old priest' Dawn of the Dead Let me get two things out the way right now. **The Thousand scarsoft** Another thing I should make clear straight away is that I am not an avid fantasy reader - and as such I don't really know if this is a book that will appeal to fantasy readers. **Science Fiction The Thousand scars** There comes a time in every reader's life (or at least there should) when they set aside reading for mere pleasure and find out more about the sheer beauty and majesty that is potentially in the written word. **The Thousand Scars book summary** There are other times when all you want to do is lay on a couch with a bag of Maltesers and one leg hanging loosely over the edge reading something you don't need to think very hard about. **Book The Thousand scars** It meant that I could forgive a lot of the flaws - I noticed them but it just was not something that would make me stop reading like it would have been if I was reading something else and/or in a different frame of mind. **The Thousand Scars fantasy 5** Admittedly too because I know the author I did also feel more of a compulsion to read it to the end than I otherwise would have done out of a sense of loyalty to a buddy. **The Thousand Scars fantasy name** I was at best neutral to the first two chapters the very first chapter is sadly very weak but as I was making my way through chapter 3 and I was making some notes on the book with my phone kindle - highlighting errors and flaws - I found myself eagerly typing up my note so I could return to the story and (as cliché as this will sound) find out what happened next in the street battle the chapter depicted. **Science Fiction The Thousand scars** For a book to be great I think it needs to be both fun to read and also having a certain depth and poetic complexity and if depth and poetry is not to be found then simply being fun to read can be good enough to mark a book out as worth reading just for the fun of it. **Book The Thousand scars lyrics** 2) Characters shivering with fear - no matter what sort of things they have seen before or no matter how grizzled and experienced in combat every so often a character is described as shivering to the point where it becomes rather distracting. **The Thousand Scars fantasy name** 3) The use of very stock cliché sentences such as: a 'swarm' of attackers 'All hell broke loose' 'try as he might' and 'stretch his legs' 4) People in positions of power (like say leaders of an army) giving orders not to be disturbed despite events

around them being very desperate - like a war. **Book The Thousand scars lyrics** One of my favourite examples is 'Penor his white armor pale as winter's snow' - which is in and of itself a beautiful image and also emphasises the coolness and control of that character; it's good writing. **Book The Thousand scars in heaven** Given how frankly excellent the battle scenes are in this book such a structure is frankly a mystery but the end results of interesting events are given to us second hand for most of the novel - there are only four battle scenes in a novel about a huge intercontinental war. **The Thousand Scars booker** The effect is like there is a really cool party going on in the next room with really good music or a great live band and lots of cool people there but we the readers never get to go into the next room and join in. **Book The Thousand scarsdale** In almost every major scene where a conversation decides the course of the plot the characters start spouting Shakespearian soliloquies of exposition that slows the pace of the story immensely. **The Thousand Scars horror book** As it is this novel occasionally reads like Hamlet or something with long sentences and paragraphs packed with detail that that while needed for world building - this is a novel and not a play and so should have more room to breathe than these scenes come across as having. **The Thousand Scars book 2** The most glaring example of this is when the character Horse gives Tyrone (the protagonist if this book has one) a bow and then both characters admit they know a lot about this kind of bow - being famous in the world - but then there are a couple of long expositional paragraphs detailing a history of the bow and it's properties and the bow's use in war. **Book The Thousand scarsdale** It perhaps would have been much better since at this point in the story they are walking somewhere for the two characters to take time out to practice with the bow where Horse and Tyrone could then talk about it while using it. **The Thousand Scars book summary** This would allow us the reader to get a more direct sense of the quality of the weapon but also to allow such a lore-establishing conversation to seem much more natural - and thus weaving the exposition better with the narrative. **Book The Thousand scarsdale** One of the best moments in the novel is when near the end the Thousand Scars enter the city of Tarantown and walk around a city that is living a (relatively) normal existence where buying and trading is taking place and people are living normal lives. **Book The Thousand scars of death** This moment is so good because it is so ordinary and we see a glimpse of the world as it would be in peace time - and we see something of the working class of this world which gives it a great breath of life (ironic since it is a novel focused on following a necromancer). **PDF The Thousand scars in heaven** The book would be well served with more of these glimpses or more shots of the suffering the war is causing would allow us to sympathise more with the characters and their situations. **The Thousand Scars horror book** The author has this elaborate and actually quite interesting world for this story to take place in and a great amount of information is given to us as readers that shows this depth of planning but there are few points in the narrative where the world is being allowed to breathe. **Book The Thousand scarsdale ny** The Empire does execute presumed enemies of the state that are probably innocent of their 'crimes' (when has there ever been a 'good' empire in fantasy fiction?) and this would be better if the Dominion the great enemy of The Empire were portrayed in much the same light. **Book The Thousand scars of death** True we only get the perspective of the people of The Empire and they would be biased and so more depth is perhaps to come later in the series to The Dominion but as it stands they are portrayed as almost comically evil. **The Thousand Scars ebook reader** The two great Dominion invasion forces in the war are led by people who seem frankly demonic and their utilisation of weird magical animals like serpents and dragons and the fact that none of the Dominion forces are humanized makes this less gray but more conflicting shades of black and as a reader I don't find I particularly respond well to that. **Fantasy The Thousand scarsdale medical** Tyrone the defacto protagonist of this novel (it would be wrong to call him the protagonist exactly) is followed for most of the way but in the last two chapters he seems to disappear completely. **Book The Thousand scars of death** This seems frankly odd we as readers spend most of the book with him and it's easy to assume he is the protagonist of the novel and yet for attention to suddenly be diverted elsewhere during the final two chapters seems mysterious - future instalments will have to tell us where he is. **The Thousand Scars horror book** Yes the book deals with plenty of unsavoury

characters and of course most people will swear in their everyday life (in my personal life I swear more than should ever be considered appropriate) but context does matter. **The Thousand scarsoft** One scene where this was glaring was when there was a war council called by the defacto Emperor Bane Aldmer in chapter 4 and while the people present are the military establishment the characters are swearing like drunken sailors. **Book The Thousand scars of death** It's jarring surely highly esteemed military men would have both more restraint no matter what the circumstances and more decorum than this because the war council is ultimately official business and so demanding of a certain respect - I would have thought so anyway. **The Thousand Scars bookworm** The author clearly had fun writing this novel and it is very easy to sense - and a great amount of passion has gone into constructing a vast and detailed history of his world. **Book The Thousand scarsdale** He and his band of merry cutthroats decide the Dominion need defeating but they know they'll need the help of the Keidan (a force more powerful than the Scars with a powerful resource Tyir needs to get the job done). **The Thousand scarsoft** I do like it that even though the three forces (usually not overly friendly to one another in the past) were allied together it still left me wondering whether it truly was enough to even make a dent against the Dominion. **Book The Thousand scars of death** Suddenly his part of the Empire is invaded and destroyed and he's forced to join The Thousand Scars under a Necromancer - Tyir, **Book The Thousand scars in heaven** Tyir of Irene - A necromancer known for having destroyed many of the Order's people and using powerful dark arts: **The Thousand Scars horror book** Tyir wants vengeance for the death of his friend by the Order under the Empire and also to show what the magic can do, **Book The Thousand scars in heaven** By this definition A SONG OF ICE AND FIRE isn't completely grimdark because Jon Snow exists along with other purely good heroes. **The Thousand Scars pdf reader** The problem with most grimdark fantasy is it's very easy to write really bad stories with shock value and very hard to write good fantasy the same way: **The Thousand Scars Science fiction vs** There's also a lot of stories which slap the label of grimdark on their back covers or advertisements without actually having any of the grit the real grimdark requires, **Book The Thousand scars lyrics** Hayes and Joe Abercombie there's a dozen hacks who don't deserve the mantle: **Kindle The Thousand scarsdale ny** What does this have to do with THE THOUSAND SCARS? The Thousand Scars is grimdark and it is gloriously so: **Book The Thousand scarsdale ny** I am going to state that with the exception of WHERE LOYALTIES LIE by Rob J, **EBook The Thousand scars in heaven** Hayes and THE GRAY SISTER by Mark Lawrence it is the purest example of the genre I've read this year, **Book The Thousand scars in heaven** I don't hand out 5 star ratings wily-nilly and this one genuinely earned it, **The Thousand Scars kindle unlimited** This book is great and if you like dark gritty and brutal fiction then this is the book for you, **The Thousand Scars ebooks online** The premise is the Balian Empire is a corrupt oligarchy that decided to bite off more than they could chew by attacking the Dominion, **Kindle The Thousand scars in heaven** Unlike most grimdark fantasy this is not Northern European fantasy but Southern European with a strong Greece versus Persia feel. **The Thousand Scars book pdf** The Balian Empire is being exterminated due to the many atrocities they wrecked against the Dominion and are now hoping to turn to necromancy in order to reverse the tide: **The Thousand Scars ebook reader** The thing is the protagonist Tyir is the only necromancer they know and he's the leader of the Thousand Scars mercenary group. **The Thousand Scars booklet** It takes roughly half the book to get to the Thousand Scars portion but its' well worth it as they are a band of degenerate scum who still manage to be somewhat likable, **The Thousand Scars book summary** Well likeable in the sense you want to get to know them better before you hope someone puts them down. **Book The Thousand scars** One effective story is told by one of them about an Innkeeper's daughter that well says everything you need to know about these people: **Science Fiction The Thousand scars** Thankfully to keep the story from being too dark we have a secondary protagonist in Tyrone: **The Thousand Scars book pdf** I liked the contrast even if I could tell he was someone who was going down the highway to hell by associating with the people he was. **Book The Thousand scars** Baker is a master of writing battle scenes as each one contributes to the character development of not only the participants but the societies involved, **Kindle The**

Thousand scarsdale medical He manages to capture the horror and confusion of the conflicts as well as how people on the ground would feel when dragons or Greek fire are used. **Book The Thousand scarsdale medical** In conclusion this is a great book and everyone who likes gritty unapologetic dark fantasy should check it out, **The Thousand Scars ebook3000** This book pulls no punches but it is stronger for the event, **Book The Thousand scarsdale ny** I also liked the fact it's set in a Greece-like environment rather than your typical stand-in for England. **The Thousand Scars Science fiction vs** I would definitely start by discussing the dark tone of this one, **Book The Thousand scars lyrics** There are a lot of very grim scenes involving flesh blood gore and burning people alive (this is seen as a way to stop them going to their version of Heaven). **The Thousand Scars booklet** We have quite a few opposing forces to become familiar with through our various characters, **The Thousand Scars book** Each group have their own ideas about how to fight the Dominion the movements of troops magic and warfare: **Book The Thousand scars** There's a lot of fighting throughout and many moments where we see battles being played out or hear about them from our characters, **The Thousand Scars horror book** The copy of the book I have (an ebook version) had quite a few grammatical issues/spelling issues and also some sentences that could have been structured much better: **The Thousand scarsoft** On the whole I think this story did engage me in the second half and the necromancy and magic elements were a lot of fun to follow: **The Thousand Scars pdf book** Is that a whale or a ship or what the heck is going on? My expectations were low but the end product completely blew me away: **PDF The Thousand scarsdale ny** Most of the pitfalls of indie fiction are entirely gone here: **The Thousand Scars Science fiction vs** Although less sprawling and complicated for much of the book I was reminded of the tone of Malazan: **The Thousand Scars book summary** Several segments had me thinking of the back and forth conversations of the Bridgeburners. **PDF The Thousand scars of death** A really great balance is also struck between the action-heavy segments and the character-building ones were people are planning attacks or copying dusty tomes in libraries, **Book The Thousand scarsdale** There really aren't any noble or altruistic characters just ones who are more sane or less willing to commit violent atrocities to win: **The Thousand Scars book pdf** The magic system and religious and government structures are quite a bit different from your standard European high fantasy which is a welcome change of pace, **The Thousand Scars fantasy name** Overall really enjoyed this one and would like to see more from the author, **The Thousand Scars Science fiction vs** 9788283310290 A review of The Thousand Scars by Michael R BakerJust finished reading The Thousand Scars by Michael R Baker - it was gritty and awesome, **The Thousand Scars pdf reader** This is also a fellow SPFB0 entrant and it looked great so I had to give it a read: **The Thousand Scars book** In short it's about an outlawed grizzly mercenary company led by a necromancer who fights for survival against a great enemy, **Book The Thousand scars lyrics** The company is full of cutthroats murders rapists and hardened warriors and have a grim set of morals - and these are the good guys, **The Thousand Scars book summary** First is Tyrone whose chapters dominate the first half of the book as probably the main character, **Book The Thousand scars** He is a noble scholar who is made an outlaw after the destruction of his home city and has no choice but to join up with The Thousand Scars: **The Thousand Scars ebook pdf free** His father Nazir who fights for the empire in a war against the great invader but also on the other side to The Thousand Scars too. **The Thousand Scars book pdf** He has a cool story line which keeps us up to date with "the bad guys", **The Thousand Scars horror book** The later half of the book is mostly the mercenary captain's chapters. **The Thousand Scars book summary** There is Tyir the necromancer who leads the company charismatic but still very dark - I wouldn't mess with him: **Fantasy The Thousand scarsdale ny** He is able to raise the dead to fight for him - which is kick ass, **The Thousand Scars kindle direct** He is possibly my favourite character and I suspect for me the star of the show, **The Thousand Scars book summary** There is another rival mercenary leader Lance Ironheart an old enemy who The Thousand Scars must ally with to do battle with the greater evil: **PDF The Thousand scarsdale medical** There are several other cool characters but these are the main POV characters which tell various sides of the story to unveil a huge world and plot: **Book The**

Thousand scarsdale ny The scene has a very ancient Greek or ancient classical Mediterranean bronze age feel to the setting which I found really great, **Science Fiction The Thousand scars** All in all I really enjoyed this book it was well written and I loved the grittiness of events that transpire, **The Thousand scarsoft** The characters are great and I was quickly on-board with all of them. **Book The Thousand scars of death** The whole undead thing is right up my street too and I really enjoyed it: **The Thousand Scars horror book** I look forward to reading Michael R Bakers's future books in the series and to finding out more about the counterbalance and Tyrir, **The Thousand Scars book summary** I would very much recommend it to any fan of dark fantasy and feel compelled to give it 5 stars, **The Thousand scarsoft** Thanks for readingLee 9788283310290 I'm relatively new to military Fantasy. **The Thousand Scars epubor** That said I'm quite certain that Michael Baker has crafted an absolutely fantastic novel. **Book The Thousand scarsdale medical** The Thousand Scars begins with a war between two parties the Balian Empire and the Dominion: **The Thousand Scars fantasy name** We are led to believe based on POV and perspective that the Balian Empire is the faction to root for and that's just fine. **The Thousand Scars kindle cloud** We are introduced to a number of characters that through dialogue as opposed to exposition explain the history of the war. **The Thousand Scars booklet** We also learn that the dominion destroys the city of Valare with sorcery and that necromancy was used to hold the Domnion at bay, **Book The Thousand scarsdale ny** It's here that we are introduced to Baker's amazing use of gray characters in his incredibly Grimdark world. **Book The Thousand scarsdale medical** We see lines crossed to achieve results that are shocking and disturbing and much like GRRM will leave your mouth open with disbelief as beloved characters die and loyalties shift: **The Thousand Scars horror book** It's through these sections that we learn what it means for the victors to write the histories of war and we realize everything we thought we knew was wrong , **The Thousand Scars book summary** While Baker writes some exceptionally well choreographed battles that are fun and easy to follow it is his character moments that make the novel such a great read, **The Thousand Scars fantasy book** Tyrir is also a wonderful multidimensional character who shifts his presence from Jedi Master/Father figure to Tyrone to crazed bloodthirsty killer often in a matter of pages. **Kindle The Thousand scarsdale** While we root for him and The Scars we know at the core of it that they have committed monstrous atrocities. **The Thousand Scars book 2** I have read books that are more flowery and poetic in their prose but one thing I can clearly state is that Baker has set up something amazing with this novel: **The Thousand Scars ebook pdf free** His incredible pacing high energy battles and quirky dialogue (especially between members of The Scars) will keep you turning pages long in to the night: **The Thousand Scars booklet** As a debut novel The Thousand Scars is one of the finest I've read in the Fantasy genre and Baker has me invested in his world and stoked for the next instalment, **The Thousand Scars fantasy** 9788283310290 The greatest war since the time of ancient Chaos has reached the Balian Empire. **Book The Thousand scars in heaven** Within the Balian council a rogue faction unleashes an unthinkable dark magic to defeat its enemies: **Book The Thousand scars** As the Empire loses ground disgraced scholar and exile Tyrone Cessil is forced to go on the run: **The Thousand Scars kindle reader** His only chance is with a band of cutthroat mercenaries the Thousand Scars: **The Thousand Scars fantasy summary** Tyrone's new commander is the notorious and hated Necromancer Tyrir of Irene, **The Thousand scarsoft** Life with the Scars is hard but Tyrone believes the Necromancer can stop the Empire's forbidden sorcery, **The Thousand Scars booklet** Tyrir leads the Scars on a campaign of bloody vengeance and they commit acts of horrific brutality leading Tyrone to question the price he is willing to pay to survive, **The Thousand scarsoft** 1) I know the author of this book; he's a close friend of mine: **The Thousand Scars pdf chapter 1** 2) Just because Michael Baker is a friend of mine does not mean I'm going to be shying away from the flaws in this book: **The Thousand Scars fantasy name** All I can do is approach it as a book as a reader of literary fiction and poetry and who has a guilty pleasure for horror. **EBook The Thousand scars lyrics** Thankfully I was very much in the second mood when I sat down to read this: **Book The Thousand scars** However despite the tone I might be setting with those two opening paragraphs I honestly found this book a lot of fun to read: **The**

Thousand Scars booking This book despite the flaws I will get in to is I think a lot of fun and so is worth celebrating for that and that alone. **Book The Thousand scars lyrics** It needs to be stated that the writing quality here is by and large competent but it never elevates itself with more poetic ambitious uses of language: **The Thousand Scars horror book** This by itself is not needed to write a 'good book' of course but a little more ambition with the writing would have been a bit more appreciated: **Fantasy The Thousand scars book** This is more nit-picking than anything else and again the writing itself is by and large competent if prone to clichés: **Book The Thousand scars of death** 5) One character telling another that something they ask about is a 'long story' especially when it isn't: **EBook The Thousand scars of death** There is too in the kindle version the occasional typo but I've made notes of them and will send them to the publisher soon after posting this review, **The Thousand Scars book review** However it must be said that there are examples of very good writing too, **The Thousand scarsoft** And also it must be said that the characters develop very naturally especially Tyrone and Horse who get the most attention in the book: **The Thousand Scars Science fiction vs** Also the battle scenes in this novel are excellent and they convey the emotion and the hectic nature of what the battles would really be like superbly. **Book The Thousand scars of death** Sadly there are a lot more battles that are reported to the audience but are not seen: **Science Fiction The Thousand scars** There is also a major problem with exposition in the novel: **The Thousand Scars pdf** While this is obviously to show the detail of thought put into the world - a better balance of exposition and narration is called for here, **The Thousand Scars ebook download** There could have been shorter scenes better plotted to let all this exposition come out more naturally, **The Thousand Scars book summary** This is a major criticism to be made of the book in general, **Fantasy The Thousand scarsdale** But another point to bring up is how the world feels as a concept: **The Thousand Scars fantasy name** The world itself is depicted as quite a brutal place and there is an attempt to have a moral greyness that makes this book more than a battle between good and evil, **Book The Thousand scars lyrics** Grey is not just a dark colour it's made with a hint of light. **Fantasy The Thousand scarsdale medical** The world then is grim and unrelentingly grim and if you are the sort of reader to whom that appeals then you'll find this book more agreeable than others will: **Book The Thousand scarsdale ny** A final point to make is that and I am no prude by any means the use of bad language in this book lacks much restraint, **Book The Thousand scars lyrics** There is a sense that this book would suffer from much over-analysis however and despite its faults this book is admittedly very engaging: **The Thousand Scars Science fiction vs** It is then a very fun novel to read and if that was the goal then the author has succeeded very admirably: **The Thousand Scars fantasy name** There is also plenty of intrigue and mystery remaining to make the next instalments in this series appealing: **The Thousand Scars pdf chapter 1** The author has started a series I do see myself wanting to see more of and I will be reading the next book. **Book The Thousand scars of death** 9788283310290 The first thing that stands out about this book is the setting: **The Thousand Scars pdf chapter 1** There is impressive world-building at work here—this is clearly Baker's passion. **Book The Thousand scarsdale medical** The story itself however suffers from pacing issues from early on: **The Thousand Scars book pdf** There's a large amount of filler text a lot of telling rather than showing and several potential battle scenes that were summarized rather than being lived in the moment: **The Thousand Scars Science fiction vs** It bears mentioning that the editing was poorly done especially for the book having been published by an actual press albeit a small one: **PDF The Thousand scarsdale ny** The characters are varied and interesting and there are no enormous info dumps which is a huge bonus. **EBook The Thousand scars lyrics** Baker seems confident he has created a fully realized setting and is content with showing it to his readers in due course, **The Thousand Scars pdfescape** I loved this! Many writers forget that a part of great world-building comes in proper exposition and Baker achieves this beautifully, **The Thousand Scars Science fiction vs** When all is said and done the book was worth the read but it could easily be 4-star material if the editing and pacing issues were cleaned up: **Book The Thousand scarsdale ny** I just finished reading Michael Baker's 'The Thousand Scars' which is the first novel in his Counterbalance series: **The Thousand Scars fantasy**

name It's dark gritty and although some people may disagree with me I'd say it's not without hope, **The Thousand Scars book 2** Although that may seem a far reach upon reading the first half of the book. **The Thousand Scars epubublishing** In brief the Dominion has invaded (in retribution for what has been done to them in the past): **The Thousand Scars Science fiction vs** They are numerically and militarily superior to the Balian Empire and as I said it feels like all hope is lost. **Book The Thousand scars** Tyrone one of the main characters reluctantly joins The Thousand Scars after his homeland is decimated by the Dominion. **Book The Thousand scarsdale** The Thousand Scars is a mercenary band of cutthroats and to begin with he doesn't really fit in. **Fantasy The Thousand scarsdale medical** One character to whom I was drawn was Horse who looked out for Tyrone and showed him the ropes so to speak: **The Thousand Scars booking** Tyrir is a small time necromancer who is a novice at the art but he is also the commander of The Thousand Scars. **Science Fiction The Thousand scars** I liked him too he was interesting three dimensional and to begin with I wondered where his allegiance would lie with the war slowly advancing to his doorstep, **Book The Thousand scars in heaven** They don't initially make it to the Keidan but I won't go into more detail save it to say that it definitely wasn't smooth sailing for the poor buggers, **The Thousand Scars book 2** I enjoyed this adventure and with the binding of three unlikely forces together to fight the Dominion the book finished. **Book The Thousand scars of death** I look forward to seeing where Michael takes us in this series. **Book The Thousand scarsdale ny 9788283310290** This is a grim account of a war that brings unlikely allies and possibly the end of all existence. **PDF The Thousand scars in heaven** Necromancy is a rare but powerful art in this world and I enjoyed the exploration into that. **Science Fiction The Thousand scars** There is a prominent necromancer Tyrir who leads a group of warriors and scoundrels who are mostly evil individuals. **The Thousand Scars book summary** His past experiences become a point of conflict with potential allies and they all have trouble trusting anyone, **Kindle The Thousand scars of death** There are a lot of characters to keep track of several point of view characters and omniscient POV in some parts: **Book The Thousand scarsdale** There are a variety of court rooms council meetings and strategy sessions. **Book The Thousand scarsdale** It's a strange critique to have but I felt like there was too much dialogue: **The Thousand Scars fantasy 5** Nobles and commanders spend a lot of time discussing the war and what is going on out there and I wanted to be out there more rather than in the meeting: **PDF The Thousand scarsdale ny** This is a complex world with multiple planes of existence and deeply developed history religions and political conflicts, **EPub The Thousand scarsdale medical** The most interesting character to me was Tyrone and I feel like we got to know him better than the others. **Kindle The Thousand scars in heaven** He and his father are on opposite sides of this war so there's a bit of intrigue about that. **PDF The Thousand scars of death** The Thousand Scars is for readers who enjoy an emphasis on the politics of war the evil violence it begets and the inherent darkness of necromancy. **Book The Thousand scarsdale medical 9788283310290** great necromancy & a band of nasty heroes - what more could want except for book 2. **The Thousand Scars book** look forward to reading more Scar escapades 9788283310290 Michael R. **Book The Thousand scars** Baker studied history at University of Sunderland and at last he found a use for his degree, **The Thousand Scars book summary** The idea for Counterbalance came off the back of an exhausting bus journey ironically starting an even longer voyage into writing and publishing fantasy. **Book The Thousand scarsdale medical** Alongside his passion for storytelling and worldbuilding Michael is an avid video gamer and cartographer bringing his fantasy world and others from the mind onto paper reality, **Book The Thousand scars lyrics** The Thousand Scars is Michael's debut novel and the first of the epic fantasy series. Lance - Ironhearts mercenaries are commanded by Lance. For every Mark Lawrence Rob J. I'm not naming names but you know who you are C.T. Phipps. It's also great. He also has no desire to help them. We see much of their activity both good and bad. Michael R. I gave it 2.75*/5* or 5.5/10 for the purposes of SPFBO. It is the first book of his Counterbalance series. There are several big characters. Mr Baker's "dead" were really well done. The main story revolves around two major points of view. Tyrone is a truly conflicted character. I have read books that are more complex. The Thousand Scars will bleed the world. And

they will save it. So there you have it. Examples being: 1) Characters and things endlessly grinning. Sometimes it becomes frankly overbearing. It always feels unnatural. As much as he may now hate me for it. The dialogue also frequently feels awkward to me. Still there are good aspects. 9788283310290 ***Warning spoilers! Continue at your peril. Muhahaha!*** Sorry. Time will tell I guess. I struggled to stay immersed in the story. There were few times I could connect with the characters.

