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Lit as Life

Wrath of Achilles

Achilles was the hero of the Trojan war, he was the son of Nereid and Peleus, king of Phthia. His most notable feat during the war was slaying the Trojan prince Hector outside the gates of Troy. Achilles was killed near the end of the war by Paris who shot him in the heel with an arrow. His heels were like the soft spot on his body because when he was an infant his mother dipped him into the river and held him by one of his heels. Over time they tried to get the "immortal" shell of his body off, one way was to burn it off but that wasn't successful. Achilles was extraordinarily strong, courageous and loyal, but he had one vulnerability—his "Achilles heel."

Achilles was one of the strongest, most powerful gods there was, when Achilles was 9 years old, a seer predicted that Achilles would die heroically in battle against the Trojans. When Thetis heard about this, Thetis disguised him as a girl and sent him to live on the Aegean island of Skyros. To be a great warrior was Achilles fate, however, and he soon left Skyros and joined the Greek army. In the last effort to save her son's life, Thetis asked the

blacksmith Hephaestus to make a sword and shield that would keep him safe. The armor that Hephaestus produced for Achilles did not make him immortal, but it was distinctive enough to be recognized by friend and enemy. The Greeks started to lose one battle after another then Achilles best friend Patroclus decided to compromise with Achilles and use his armor as a disguise so Achilles wouldn't have to fight. The plan was working until Apollo intervened on the trojans behalf and helped the trojan prince find and kill Patroclus. Achilles, who was very angry seeked revenge. He chased Hector back to Troy killing all the Trojans on the way. Once they made it back Hector tried to come to an agreement with Achilles which resorted to Achilles stabbing Hector in the throat.

Hector wanted an honorable burial in Troy but Achilles had other plans. He dragged Hector's body behind his chariot all the way back to the Achaean camp and tossed it on top of the garbage pile, Achilles wanted to humiliate him even in death.