A new terror is striking the Four Lands, a place which has all types of creatures. Some include Elves, Dwarves, Men, and Gnomes. Moard Wraiths are taking over the Four Lands. They can summon beasts with dark magic. Brin is called upon to help Allanon destroy the Ildatch, the source of the wraith's magical power. Brin must go to the castle where the Wraiths live and find the spellbook and destroy it with the help of Allanon and Rone Leah, a prince of a small kingdom. Her brother wants to go with her, but her sister and Allanon won't allow it because he has to stay home and protect their parents who haven't come home yet from their journey. Jair has another version of the Wishsong that is just a mirage and won't hurt anybody, but it could fool people. So he has to stay home and protect their parents.

After Brin and Allanon set off, Jair finds a Gnome looking for them and he traps him with the use of the Wishsong. Later on, the Gnome becomes an important character that helps Jair. Jair runs away from his home. He goes to a river with a king that needs help from him because his river is poisoned. This king has lived for hundreds of years; he is a mystical creature who tells Jair that her sister will die. The only way Jair can help her is to go and fix the river than the answer will be told to him. He has to do this in a short time. Later he meets some companions to help him, including the Gnome that he had trapped. The Gnome Slander rebels against some
lizard type beasts that are enemies to everyone. They have Gnome slaves to command.

Later Brin gets separated with her companions, but she goes and finds the book, but the book can talk and it's taking control of her. Will Jair help her in time and save the lands from another person who will try to take over the Four Lands.

This book was pretty good. One of the reasons that the book was good is because it was very exciting at some times. This book wasn't that good because there weren't a lot of people that played a major role. This book also was kind of boring because the book was very similar to the ones before it. If you haven't read any of his books that are in the Shannara Series this book than will be a good book. I would give this book an 8/10 because it was very similar to the books before it in the series. Also because it didn't have a lot of talking in it. The last reason is because the author told you about Brin's feelings allot. That got kind of boring.

I would recommend these books to young adult readers. Also to people who like fantasy books that take place in Medieval Times. If you don't like books that are long you shouldn't read some of his books. After you start reading though his books gets more exciting. Then you probably won't get bored of it if you read it quickly.