

## the sultan's law

Written on many stele throughout the city are epitaphs to the Sultans Law so that none who visit its burnished walls and gleaming pathways may claim their ignorance of his righteousness.

Whosoever of foreign nation that comes as a visitor to my lands and hath the ill presence of mind to lay hands upon the noble personages of the efreeti in a manner of violence shall find one half of his belongings confiscated and be banished forthwith from the Sultans Domain through the Maw of Righteousness. Know that I protect my people and rejoice!

Any who would slay an efreeti within his own lands know that this is a great offence for the Sultan so loveth his people. If such an unthinkable act should take place at the hands of a foreigner and it be an accident of misadventure the guilty shall serve for one year and one day in the house of his victim as a slave to his family. They are forbidden to slay thee for your crime, but they are the ones who may choose the manner of your punishment and servitude. The Sultan is Wise!

Should a foreigner take the life of one of my glorious subjects with malice and intention, he shall be beheaded upon the Plaza of Emis by a family member of the one whom he slew unless this foreigner shows great prowess and would please the family members to serve as their combatant in the Cirque of Pain. All that the being possessed becomes the property of the victim's family forevermore. So sayeth I. In extreme cases the foreigner may be cast into the Minaret of Screams. Let his name never be spoken again in my fair city.

Should one of my subjects quell the life of another of its ilk without my sanction or leave, he should pay the family of his victim five thousand pieces of brass and give to them one of his children as slave. Should he have no children he must give himself to their service for one year and one day in the house of their victim.

Should a foreigner slay another within the confines of my domain without my sanction, and with malice he shall have the corpse of his victim strapped to his back. There it shall be bound like the collar of a slave yet the corpse rot and poison him with its ichor. Thus shall he know the foolishness of breaking my commandments unto his own death. Should he survive one year and one day bearing the dead upon his back he shall be absolved of any crime of wrong doing.

Should any foreigner commit his crimes of murder or violence using the arcane arts let he be stripped of all his belongings and cast into the Minaret of Screams.

Whosoever shall take the belongings of another through grievous theft in a value of one hundred and fifty pieces of brass or less shall face imprisonment of one day per brass piece value, and must pay in restitution double the value which they sought to steal. Such a fool shall be branded a thief upon his body forthwith for all to know.

Should this dastard be again caught with the possessions of another within his holding or on his person, he shall have his left hand cut from his body and spend two days imprisoned with hard labor for each brass piece value of his crime. Triple the value must be paid to the victim of his crime. Should this person be caught a third time they shall face life as a slave sentenced to row upon my war galleys. Know ye that my mercy is great and my word is justice!

Those who would commit grand theft of over one hundred and fifty pieces of brass in value within the domain of the mighty efreet be forwarned. You shall be branded a thief and have your left hand cut from your body. You shall serve for one year and one day as a slave to those whom you have stolen from, and all of your wealth and worldly possessions shall be given to those whom you have wronged. So it is written. Should you foolishly endeavor to steal again within my domain you shall be sold into the Cirque of Pain. Again I show my mercy for there you may fight for your freedom. The Sultan is Just!

Those who would seek to counterfeit the coin of my land and disrupt the free flow of commerce shall suffer seizure and forfeiture of all their belongings and be cast into the Maw of Righteousness. Know my word for it is Law!

Those seeking to impersonate my lawful servants and anointed administrators for illicit gain shall be fined twenty thousand pieces of brass and be sentenced to the Cirque of Pain or the Minaret of Screams depending on the gravity of his crime. In lesser cases three months of hard labor aboard a war galley will suffice.

Those who would lay hands lasciviously upon a citizen of the City of Brass without my leave shall be blinded and castrated within the Plaza of Amirs. The Bazaar of One Thousand Sins provides any such pleasures of the flesh one could seek without the desecration of our sons and daughters. Am I not Just? Are not all thy wants and needs provided for?

Adulterers who perform their amorous activities without my leave or consent shall be stoned to death by their own families. I am wise and see all and know all!

Conspiracy against mine kingdom shall not be tolerated. Assassins and conspirators who would undermine my great nation shall be executed and their families put to the sword. Their property reduced to ash and their names stricken from memory. My virtue is the standard and to conspire against my virtue is to conspire against ones self.

Let all merchants deal fairly with their customer and let the buyer beware. Not all is as it seems. No lien may be laid against a merchant without proof of miss dealing.

See how my wisdom rings like peals of silver with the truth.

A merchant caught miss-dealing to his customer may be called upon by his customers to give free which he tried to make great profit through miss-dealing.

Let no item be constructed nor any magic be wrought within my domain which uses the force of water or ice magic. We are the smokeless flame ever-burning and pure. Let not our might be diluted by such whimsy.

Those who would question my law in the face of my priesthood shall be hurled into the Maw of Righteousness forthwith for I am the way and the path.

The Efreeti will strive always and evermore to occupy the idols of false gods and speak my will so that it be done on all planes of existence and further my supreme divinity. Efreeti shall always seek to enslave the lesser races of the universe and deliver them unto my service. Efreeti shall grant a tithe no less than one fifth of their monthly earned wealth unto me when asked, for the administration of the City, its public works, its Defenses, and its Armies.

When called upon, all citizens will raise arms against Mine enemies and strike with swiftness and great ferocity, raining destruction down upon the heads of our foes.

The master of a slave may treat to his slave as he desires. It is a very foolish or very wealthy master who would destroy his own property. So do I treat you, my children, so too shall you treat your slaves.

Any slave indentured for crime will be freed of his collar upon completing his tasks and time. Let the fetters fall from they who survive their toments.

Should one slay the slave of another he must provide in return slaves to the owner of double the value of what was lost. If there is a challenge to the value of these slaves they who hold the grievance may seek counsel from the delegations of my court.

Those born into slavery are the property of their parents' master. In such a case where the slaves each belong to a different master and were bred for some service payment of stud service shall be granted the owner of the male, and the child be property of the mothers owner. Thus do I impart my wisdom in fair dealings.

Should a wife of a prince lay with slaves, so should she be stoned and the slave destroyed by the husbands hands. Any progeny of theirs is outcast to walk the trackless wastes of the plane of molten skies.

Should a prince lay with slaves of the harem and beget a child that child shall be common born and his mother freed and they given one thousand pieces of brass. Many are the tales of the father slain at the hands of the bastard for mistreatment of the mother. Great is he who has a great harem, and none are greater than mine! Father you not nameless bastards, princes of the city, lest you can afford to pay the penalty.

Should any man slay the beast or destroy the property of another be it of malice or intent he shall pay the victim double that which was lost be it in animals of like ilk or in compensation of living brass and elemental jewels for the properties laid to waste.

No wish shall be granted which should bring about harm to my loyal subjects.

All efreeti bound to grant wishes must abide by the rules of law to the exact letter. No wish may be wrought that would make anyone the master of the universe. No Wish may cause love to well where there was none. No wish may grant more wishes. These are the rules of the cosmos and even I, Master of the Plane of Molten Sky and Sultan of all Efreet cannot break these rules for they are scribed within the Grimoire of Infinite Worlds and are Absolute. Lest all that was wrought before come undone and the universe be stricken void these rules thus stand. Wishes will be granted upon the exact wording of the one making the wish. An Efreeti may not grant a wish to another efreeti even if he be that efreeti's slave.

No foreigner nor beloved citizen may deny my will, nor the will of my anointed advisors and priesthood. Although they may worship other gods within my realm, my power is absolute and my laws be obeyed and respected.