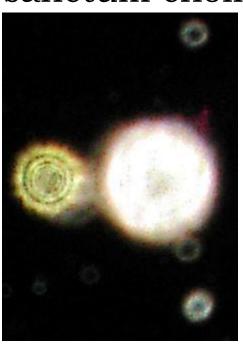
The Wind Scripture XII:

The Adventures of Fundanor and Tangasor



Long ago, in the Timeless Halls, The Nameless One created holy beings. In those days, each Ainur was given an instruction in Illuvitar's

sanctum choir.



Twin beings created by Him were great choir men, with one with voice like thunder and the other like great

winds. These two would later become great warriors in their years in and out of Arda. They were named Lord Fundanor and Tangasor the Thornlord. In the early days of the world, two trees gave light to the world.



Melkor and
Ungoliant
destroyed the
two lamps of
Valinor. It was
around this time
Manwe, with the
help of the
Nameless One's
spirit of life,
created eagles.



Who would lead them?

Why it was King Gwanmedion of course. He had served Manwe well for many thousands of years. Under his reign, the eagles did no wrong.



Many were great friends with King Medion. Tangasor was

highly esteemed in the courts of Soron. One day King Medion brought Tangasor to a banquet, where many eagles ate of the seeds of the fertile ground of Aman. "My great friend, you have served us well" bowed

the great king.

"King Medion, for so long we have become friends, I have defended your eagles across the world. Not because of honor, but because they are your subjects." Replied Tangasor.

"Yet for so long, my subjects have wondered if you would join their ranks, and become one of us" pondered the eagle.

"It would be my honor to join the knights of Soron, but my duty is to Manwe" sighed Tangasor.

"Your loyalty to him I recognize, but I will grant you the wings of our kin, and grant you the title of the Grand Thornlord over Arda"

commended Gwanmedion.

"Hail DRINGATHORN" praised the eagles of Soron.

Therefore, it was, Tangasor was given great wings from the Eagle-King. With his wings, his sole purpose was to protect the innocent fauna of the world. Great gales of wind would he blow

with his breath and his vast span.



One day,
Fundanor
looked over the
skies and saw
his brother
protecting a
flock from three
nasty balrogs.
He lept down
and talked to his
brother.



"Balrogs I see! Ha! No match

for us!" he scoffed.

"Brother? Why have you come? This is not your job!" pestered Tangasor.

"Your new eagle wings, those are from the king?" asked Fundanor.

"Lat marr kilhai!" One balrog yelled out.



"Oh I shall shut you up you up you traitor, I know who you are Balbaurog!" Fundanor shouted.

And with that Fundanor sent lightning onto

the balrog and he was smitten.



The others were afraid, when Tangasor sent a huge blast of wind away from his wings, sending the balrogs whence they came.

"Now my brother, we have catching up to do." Fundanor grinned.

They went to a high point in Beleriand.



"Look at this sky my brother, is it not wonderful?" Fundanor boasted. "Our lord
Manwe
maintains the
clean air above."
Tangasor replied
concisely.

"Yes, and we do our job to keep it safe, together!" Fundanor shouted with glee as he grabbed his brother's hand.

One day, King Medion submitted to Melkor. This appalled many of the Maiar under Manwe, and they all had a meeting at Aman Uilos with their lord.



"The day has come my friends, two of this council have submitted

to the evils of Melkor!" said Orion. "Who else will join him? Pray tell none of you!"

"Orion, do not release your anger on the eagles and doves for their sin."
Manwe regresses.

"I take full blame for this; I put too much trust into Medion and Firin." "If I may my lord, our father cursed them for their deed, if anything, the blame is on themselves."
Spoke Altarama, who was Manwe's head scribe.



"You may be right Wise White One, but my feelings are pity, for they will never know the grace and beauty of our creator" Manwe saddened as he bowed his head in remorse.

"For shame."
The council replied in response.

"What say you, Tangasor? You were not only Medion's greatest friend; are you now his greatest enemy?" Manwe questioned.

"No. I do not have hate for him." Tangasor responded with little words as possible.

"They have dishonored our kingdom, and our being!" shouted Geilsoron.

"They slander the name of the Ainur!" cried out Falgehon the Eagle-Knight.

"You must not take their evil and say evil in response!"
Manwe commanded.

"Understood my lord, I apologize." Bowed Sire Falgehon with shame.

"Fundanor my herald, who shall replace them?" Manwe asked.

"My lord, none shall replace him, but I vote Lord Gwaihir to be the regent of eagle and dove, for he is the farwatcher over the world."

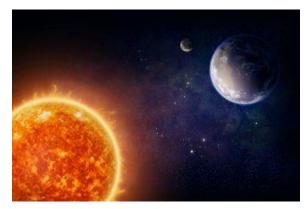
"I accept Gwaihir will become the regent over the Aiwendor Kingdom" nods Manwe.



Therefore, the new ruler over the kingdom of birds would be Gwaihir the Eagle-Maiar.

Later on, Melkor and Ungoliant would destroy the two trees. Plauging the world into darkness. The Ainur would

create the Sun and Moon.



Before Arien and Tilion became the protectors of the Sun and Moon, Varda would allow Fundanor and Tangasor to guard the day and night sky. Fundanor guarded the night, and

Tangasor
guarded the day.
This was for a
short time, as
Manwe gave
them a new
task.

Recently born was a born of the kin of Tulkastaz, and his name was Telkastaz.



His potential was greater than his father's was who had never once trained to fight. Manwe wanted powerful things to come of Telkastaz. The two worked together to train

the boy. Like his father, combat came naturally to him. Not only did Fundanor and Tangasor teach the skill of combat to Telkastaz, but taught him the principle of good.

"Now Telkastaz, what did we discuss last time?" asked Fundanor.

"I know! We talked about the corruption of Melkor!" the boy responded excitedly.

"That is correct my boy, long ago Tangasor's good friend was persuaded to Melkor, and from him came the kingdom of vultures!" exclaimed Fundanor.

"Brother, must we talk of this?" Tangasor pleaded. "Yes Tangasor, how is he going to learn of the temptations of malice if he is given no example?" concluded Fundanor.

"Now Telkastaz, it is like we always say-"said Fundanor before he was interrupted.

"I know I know, you must not take evil in response of evil," whined Telkastaz.

"Close to that, you must not take their evil and say evil in response," Fundanor instructed. "My lord Manwe said that one day, and I have never forgotten it."

The boy would grow up, and take a new name. Eonwe would become one of the

strongest
warriors on
Arda, and the
new herald of
Manwe after
Fundanor
stepped down.

"Boy, you do not know how happy I am, my work and effort has made you a valiant warrior." Fundanor sobbed.

"And, we are blessed to be your teachers!" Tangasor said lightly.

"I am in your debt, my old friends" Eonwe nodded, as he became the new herald of Manwe.



Melkor one day fought with Eonwe.

"Clearly you must be angered at my presence, you are strong kin of Astaldo!" laughed Melkor.

"I won't let you do what you did to my father all those years ago!" Eonwe yelled.

With his sword
Eonwe began to
strangle Melkor,
but with each
gasp of air,
Eonwe's eyes
began to darken
and he grew

with unbound rage. However, he let Melkor go. For a short time, Eonwe turned to Melkor, but after remembering the words of his teachers, he returned back to Manwe, and requested repentance. He was forgiven for remembering not to take evil in response of it.

Fundanor would be dormant for a long time, Varda gave Fundanor his own nebula, which he named Liniath.



Tangasor would search for his old friend Gwanmedion, and went across the stars to find him. Supposedly, Tangasor found Vulture King Medion on Planet Thoro in the Andromeda Galaxy. No one has heard of Tangasor since he left for Andromeda.



After asking Varda, she only told me that he wished to be left alone.