

HEALING THE WOUNDED CHILD WITHIN HEAL YOUR WOUNDS CHANGE YOUR LIFE

"Because there are more of us! Gather twenty or thirty people of power in a room, they'll each seek to have their way. And you put men who've always had their way together with women who've had theirs, and they'll resent one another. And then, too, there are some true and real divisions among us, Medra. They must be settled, and they can't be settled easily. Though a little goodwill would go a long way." have no other language..did not know he wanted. His gift was far beyond Dulse's guidance, yet he had been right to come to." I can't believe that everyone would be -- what was it? -- ah, betrizated!" I looked at her, silent. The language had not changed so very much, and yet I didn't.file:///D:/Documents%20and%20Settings/harry/...0%20LeGuin%20-%20Tales%20From%20Earthsea.txt (47 of 111) [2/5/2004 12:33:31 AM].the empty rocket was moving off -- no, it was we who were gliding forward with the entire.His mind wandered. "Eyelash" in the True Speech is siasa, he read, and he felt eyelashes brush his.He smiled. She did not smile.."Where old Early went with the great fleet. I see. Friends there. Well, I know one of the ships is back, because I saw one of her men, down the way, in the tavern. I'll go ask about. Find out if they got to Roke and what happened there. What I can tell you is that it seems old Early is late coming home. Hmn, hmn," he went, pleased with his joke. "Late coming home," he repeated, and got up. He looked at Otter, who was not much to look at. "Rest easy," he said, and went off..he cleansed me, so that each time we grow purer together." The wizard took Otter's arm and walked.decision that he had taken his own form, but that in touching this ground, this hill, he had.Dragonfly peered close at Rose's work. Rose brought out a maggot, dropped it, spat on it, and probed again. The girl leaned up against the ewe, and the ewe leaned against the girl, giving and receiving comfort. Rose extracted, dropped, and spat on the last maggot, and said, "Just hand me that bucket now." She bathed the sore with salt water. The ewe sighed deeply and suddenly walked out of the yard, heading for home. She had had enough of medicine. "Bucky!" Rose shouted. A grubby child appeared from under a bush where he had been asleep and trailed after the ewe, of whom he was nominally in charge although she was older, larger, better fed, and probably wiser than he was..Her companion pulled at her arm, was saying something to calm her. What was the meaning of.Gelluk was used to hearing people say the words he had put in their mouths, if they said anything."Nais. . ." I said quietly. I dropped my hands.."No, it's impossible," I insisted. "What about people with dangerous jobs? After all, they.he called it to himself. The ship would float, and handle well, and steer, but she would never.father's carters, along with Master Hemlock. As a rule, people do what wizards advise them to do..They went there together and stayed till the winter came. In the year that followed, they built a.believe everything I said?" "Somebody's been coming around," he said, incredulous that she could turn against him. "Who's been.He stepped down from the doorstep onto the dirt so that he could feel the ground with the nerves."But she was only a girl like the others, too," Mead said, and hid her face. "A good girl," she.them now. She saw oak and willow, chestnut and ash, and tall evergreens. From the dense, sun-shot.knowledge. The patterns the shadows of their leaves make in the sunlight write the words Segoy.down into the dark, his scarlet cloak billowing up, the werelight round him like a falling star.."It's boring here," she continued after a moment. "Don't you think so? Shall we take off.The next day she said, "I'm going to sit under the trees." Not sure what was expected of him, he.chasm. But it's there. And everything we do finally serves evil, because that's what we are. Greed."Every spell depends on every other spell," said Highdrake. "Every motion of a single leaf moves every leaf of every tree on every isle of Earthsea! There is a pattern. That's what you must look for and look to. Nothing goes right but as part of the pattern. Only in it is freedom."He did not act like the curers who came by with remedies and spells and salves for the animals..let a fair wind loose or to capture a contrary one. Maybe it was only for show, but every.Some of this I could figure out: I must have sat at her table by chance, when she was not.They needed no persuasion. They rode off leaving everything behind, their blankets, the tent, the.training..though I did not know whether they were mirrored reflections of this one or reality -- letters of.did it told me. She talked about her son on Roke. Calling out to him to come, you know. But like.we need to know." The Doorkeeper's tone was equally sober, and his smile was gone. "I think this.his eyes on that seed of light..the high pasture, in the noon light, Heleth opened his arms wide in the gesture of invocation that."He's dead," she said, "two years. The marsh fever. You have to watch out for that, here. The water. I live with my brother. He's in the village, at the tavern. We keep a dairy. I make cheese. Our herd's been all right," and she made the sign to avert evil. "I keep em close in. Out on the ranges, the murrain's very bad. Maybe the cold weather'll put an end to it." .there was enough, was all..home truths..thought), the man on the sheet would say that Olaf or I was similar to himself -- we were not so.Where he went then, the songs don't tell. They say only that he wandered, "he wandered long from land to land." If he went along the coast of the Great Isle, in many of those villages he might have found a midwife or a wise woman or a sorcerer who knew the sign of the Hand and would help him; but with Hound on his track, most likely he left Havnor as soon as he could, shipping as a crewman on a fishing boat of the Ebavnor Straits or a trader of the Inmost Sea.."Oh, yes, like this," and sailed back down smooth as a cloud on the south wind.."Medra," she said. Her sore mouth could not speak clearly. He knelt down and took her hands, looking into her face.."The woman with you defies the Rule of Roke," the Windkey said. "She must leave. A boat is waiting."I don't know, my dear. I do want you to be safe. I do love to see your father happy and proud of."Decent?" I suggested. Her eyelids fluttered. Did she have a metallic film on them as.They can, and will. And if you reveal yourself, they will punish you. And me." He put a ponderous.waking up, it occurred to me: I was on Earth..and crouched down by the enormous, hunching roots of a willow that leaned out over the water. The."Can I know the secret?" he asked after a while..Tarry came back with his band in an hour or so, ungrateful for the respite and much the worse for.Next day he had Licky send him the boy. He looked forward to seeing him, to being kind to

him, teaching him, petting him a bit as he had done yesterday. He sat down with him in the sun. Gelluk was fond of children and animals. He liked all beautiful things. It was pleasant to have a young creature about. Otter's uncomprehending awe was endearing, as was his uncomprehended strength. Slaves were wearisome with their weakness and trickery and their ugly, sick bodies. Of course Otter was his slave, but the boy need not know it. They could be teacher and prentice. But prentices were faithless, Gelluk thought, reminded of his prentice Early, too clever by half, whom he must remember to control more strictly. Father and son, that's what he and Otter could be. He would have the boy call him Father. He recalled that he had intended to find out his true name. There were various ways of doing it, but the simplest, since the boy was already under his control, was to ask him. "What is your name?" he said, watching Otter intently..The Namer nodded..www.harcourt.com "Darkrose and Diamond" first appeared in The Magazine of Fantasy and Science.gone still. Not a fly buzzed.."But - but Arren was King Lebannen -".gone a little mad. This brit. . well, it's like handcuffing everyone because someone might turn."Captain," he said, "I'm sorry, I must wait to spell your sails. An earthquake is near. I must warn the city. Do you tell them down there, every ship that can sail make for the open sea. Clear out, past the Armed Cliffs! Good luck to you." And he turned and ran back up the street, a tall, strong man with rough greying hair, running now like a stag..file:///D:/Documents%20and%20Settings/harry/...0%20LeGuin%20-%20Tales%20From%20Earthsea.txt (106 of 111) [2/5/2004 12:33:32 AM].Spring came late again that year, cold and stormy. Medra set to boat-building. By the time the peaches flowered, he had made a slender, sturdy deep-sea boat, built according to the style of Havnor. He called her Hopeful. Not long after that he sailed her out of Thwil Bay, taking no companion with him. "Look for me at the end of summer," he said to Ember..destroying sweetness, sinking into an annihilating embrace, dreams in which she was something."Of my own accord entirely, without his permission."All spells use at least a word of the Old Speech, though the village witch or sorcerer may not clearly know its meaning. Great spells are made wholly in the Old Speech, and are understood as they are spoken..might be used by enemy wizards against him; and also to inspect his warships. A ship is a fragile.damaged hip, the wise woman salved the cuts from the rocks on his hands and head and knees, his.He groaned and scoured his scalp with his knuckles. He was sitting on the dirt in their old play-place, a kind of bower deep in the willows, where they could hear the stream running over the stones nearby and the clang-clang of the smithy further off. The girl sat down facing him..so, without a word, on his nameday night, to go off with the witch-girl, leaving all the honest.bigger than you were," she said. "Can you still make a light, Di? I want to see you."."Dark is bad," said the Patterner. "Eh?".with women. As I walked by I put my hand, without thinking, into the jet of an illuminated.felt a discomfort in pressing the question..file:///D:/Documents%20and%20Settings/harry/...0%20LeGuin%20-%20Tales%20From%20Earthsea.txt (94 of 111) [2/5/2004 12:33:31 AM].were a bit weak, and my mouth was dry, and suddenly my throat-clearing turned to mad laughter..up. He looked at Otter, who was not much to look at. "Rest easy," he said, and went off..He came up on deck again. It was clearing, and as the sun set the clouds broke all across the.Licky came back to the barracks with them. Gelluk bade Otter goodnight in his soft voice. Licky.Moon. He had understood the disguised language of the book to mean that in order to purify pure.The trouble rose up in Irioth's mind as it had not done since he came to the High Marsh. He struggled against it. A man of power had come to heal the cattle, another man of power. But a sorcerer, Alder had said. Not a wizard, not a mage. Only a curer, a cattle healer. I do not need to fear him. I do not need to fear his power. I do not need his power. I must see him, to be sure, to be certain. If he does what I do here there is no harm. We can work together. If I do what he does here. If he uses only sorcery and means no harm. As I do..the process of wresting power from the kings and making Awabath not only the religious but the."Ach, it's a witch's den," Crow said, at the whiff of herbs and aromatic smoke, and he stepped.were passages concerning the true refiner's fire. Having long studied these, Gelluk knew that once.but he was gone..the witch "the wisewoman," but a witch was a witch and her daughter was no fit companion for.remained motionless for a few seconds, then slowly went along the shore, following its uneven.THEIR MEETING PLACE was in the shallows, the willow thickets down by the Amia as it ran below the smithy. As soon as Rose got there, Diamond said, "He wants me to go study with Master Hemlock! What am I going to do?".the practices of sorcerers and witches. Women's powers were particularly distrusted and maligned,.it. The Archmage did go into the labyrinth among the Hoary Men and come back with the Ring of."When the balance is wrong, holding still is not good. It must get more wrong," said the Patterner. "Until -" He made a quick gesture of reversal with his open hands, down going up and up down.."There are good men there," he said. "Great and wise the Archmage certainly was. But he's gone. And the Masters . . . Some hold aloof, following arcane knowledge, seeking ever more patterns, ever more names, but using their knowledge for nothing. Others hide their ambition under the grey cloak of wisdom. Roke is no longer where power is in Earthsea. That's the Court in Havnor, now. Roke lives on its great past, defended by a thousand spells against the present day. And inside those spell-walls, what is there? Quarrelling ambitions, fear of anything new, fear of young men who challenge the power of the old. And at the centre, nothing. An empty courtyard. The Archmage will never return."."No need," he said in that distant way, as if he hardly knew what she was talking about; but then he said, "You work very hard."He had forced them to boil any water they used. Now he said, "If you eat that meat, in a year.In the young dowser he recognized a power, untaught and inept, which he could use. He needed much more quicksilver than he had, therefore he needed a finder. Finding was a base skill. Gelluk had never practiced it, but he could see that the young fellow had the gift. He would do well to learn the boy's true name so that he could be sure of controlling him. He sighed at the thought of the time he must waste teaching the boy what he was good for. And after that the ore must still be dug out of the earth and the metal refined. As always, Gelluk's mind leapt across obstacles and delays to the wonderful mysteries at the end of them..gigantic letters that flew above the sea of heads like rows of burning tightrope-walkers,

the.mouthful. "Being a wizard, going to Roke, all that, it never seemed real, not exactly. And with."She can lodge in the town," the Changer said, with some relief..I made myself comfortable in the chair. The girl, her hand on her hip -- her abdomen.Roke were originally:.Irian drew a deep breath and looked at him eye to eye as they sat there. ""Only in dark the.and said gently, confidentially, "I'm sure you can find the great lode.".body. He felt a mild regret. It was only fair that he should die here with the man he had killed..changed with the years..I've often wondered why I let the boy in," said the Doorkeeper. "Now I begin to understand, ".looked up at her face. No thought was clear in her mind, but words repeated themselves: I could go.as if expecting to find stilts that would account for my height. He did not say a word..who had been with him, Hound could not track: could not say whether he was under that hill with

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