



# Sphere's Divide: Pilgrim of Element

By J.C. Norman

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*A man with no knowledge of the new planet upon which he finds himself stranded must help to unite its people as an encroaching black hole threatens to destroy them in this new science fiction fantasy series.*

When Val awakens on the alien planet Sphere — a place where all animals have advanced as far as human beings and the natural elements can be controlled — he has only a metal staff in his possession and no recollection of his past or indeed how he arrived there. When he is taken in by local Elders, he is assigned to the fighting arena to prove he is not an undercover enemy operative. During an intense battle, Val's magical powers are revealed as he beats back his opponent to win. Impressed with his victory, the Elders immediately convene and inform Val of the grave danger that threatens everyone on Sphere: a black hole that will destroy all life is hurtling its way toward them.

Meanwhile, a young student of Sphere, Acarlie, who has had every advantage during her childhood and is now training as an Elementalist — a human trained in the harnessing and control of natural forces — sets out on the traditional pilgrimage to fight each elemental discipline on her quest to master them all and become an Elemental Lord. On this journey, Acarlie crosses paths with Val and his party and learns of the impending doom. As feelings begin to develop between them, Acarlie must choose between her ancient duty to finish her expedition and advance her powers or join Val on his journey to a distant island where the only hope of saving the world may exist.

Inspired by an eclectic blend of science fiction classics like *Dune* and *Star Wars*, by Japanese cultural history including the Samurai code and by contemporary video games like the *Final Fantasy* series, **Sphere's Divide** by J. C. Norman is the exciting first installment in an ambitious sci-fi fantasy story. Exploring themes of isolation, acceptance and perseverance, **Sphere's Divide** follows the suspense and romance surrounding its two protagonists as they battle to safeguard their planet, fight for their own futures and uncover the truth of their pasts.

**About the author:** J.C. Norman grew up and currently lives in Milton Keynes Village in the UK where he works in the food industry. He has studied martial arts all his life and has worked to incorporate this experience into his writing. **Sphere's Divide: Pilgrim of Element** by J.C. Norman (published by Clink Street Publishing 6 October, 2015 RRP Paperback £9.99, eBook £3.99) is available online at retailers including Amazon.co.uk and can be ordered from all good bookstores.

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