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Now the strength of that war-forged alliance is about to be tested. For Charon's Ferry is about to give up the secret of its dead. A ship has emerged from the deadly warp point at last. A ship which responds to the challenge of an Orion star ship using ancient human communications codes . . . then opens fire.

The holocaust of interstellar warfare has been ignited anew, in a bloody crusade to free Holy Mother Terra.

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Editorial Review

From the Back Cover THE PRODIGAL'S RETURN

Neither side having proved capable of pressing their conflict to a successful conclusion, the Human-Orion war to end all interstellar wars has collapsed into an uneasy peace. But it is a peace filled with fear, hatred and mistrust on both sides. Then from out of a warp point notorious for devouring space ships, appears a ship from the dim mists of half-forgotten history. It responds to hails from the patrolling Orion sentry using ancient human codes from a long lost colony. And it opens fire on Orions, igniting the fires of interstellar war anew, in a quest to free Holy Mother Terra....

About the Author

David Weber is a science fiction phenomenon. His popular Honor Harrington space-opera adventures (most recently, "At All Costs") are "New York Times" bestsellers and can't come out fast enough for his devoted readers.

White was an officer in Naval Intelligence, and served in the Mediterranean and the Vietnam War Zone.

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