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OF FÁFNIR



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Dragons in the Works of  
J.R.R. Tolkien and C.S. Lewis.  
A Christian Perspective

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*For my wife Adrianna, a dragon-tamer since 2006*



The dragon in legend is a potent creation of men's imagination, richer in significance than his barrow is in gold. – J.R.R. Tolkien

One does not need the size of a dragon to have the soul of a dragon. – Robin Hobb

Fairy tales are more than true: not because they tell us that dragons exist, but because they tell us that dragons can be beaten. – G.K. Chesterton





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