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## Transcript

KILGHARRAH

In a land of myth and a time of magic, the destiny of a great kingdom rests on the shoulders of a young boy. His name: Merlin.

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[EXT. KING’S PALACE, MAIN SQUARE - NIGHT] [People run through the square screaming, surrounded by burning rubble. Arthur and his knights run past with crossbows.]

ARTHUR

I know you’re tired, but make one last effort for me! Every shot must count!

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[INT. KING’S PALACE, INFIRMARY - NIGHT]

GWEN

I don’t think people can suffer a third night of this.

GAIUS

We must trust in Arthur.

GWEN

I do. But even he has little chance.

—

[EXT. KING’S PALACE, BATTLEMENTS - NIGHT] [Merlin walks with Arthur.]

MERLIN

I'm sorry you're having to do this.

ARTHUR

Why? You're not to blame.

[The dragon approaches.]

ARTHUR

Flame up!

[The knights light their arrows and take aim.]

ARTHUR

Stay strong! For tonight is not your night to die, I will make sure of that! Hold firm! Hold!  
Hold! Now!

[The knights shoot arrows. dragon flames the battlements and they all duck.]

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[INT. KING'S PALACE, INFIRMARY - NIGHT]

GWEN

We've no clean water left.

GAIUS

I know, but it's too dangerous to go out there.

[Gwen heads for the door anyway.]

GAIUS

Gwen! Don't!

—

[EXT. KING'S PALACE, MAIN SQUARE - NIGHT] [Gwen takes a bucket to the well in the Square, stepping over the rubble while everyone else flees. dragon flies overhead. she begins to draw from the well. Arthur enters the Square, watching the dragon circle above.]

ARTHUR

Clear the square!

[Arthur notices Gwen drawing from the well.]

ARTHUR  
Gwen?!

[Arthur looks up at the dragon as it starts to turn for an attack.]

ARTHUR  
Guinevere!

[Gwen turns and sees her peril. She runs, Arthur runs to help her. Dragon swoops and catches Arthur, causing both of them to fall. Arthur grabs Gwen's hand and they run for cover. Merlin jogs out into the square.]

MERLIN  
Fluge! Gár!

[Merlin throws a magical spear at dragon. it glances off.]

KILGHARRAH  
Do not imagine that your petty magic can harm me!

[The dragon flies off.]

MERLIN  
Why are you doing this?! You're killing innocent people!

—

[INT. KING'S PALACE, INFIRMARY - NIGHT] [Gwen treats Arthur's shoulder/chest wound in the infirmary.]

GWEN  
You shouldn't've risked your life.

ARTHUR  
I wasn't going to let anything happen to you.

[Gwen reaches to put the towel down, but Arthur catches her hand and presses it against his chest, covering it with his hand. She smiles. Gaius notices and smiles at the pair. Merlin approaches him.]

GAIUS

Are you hurt?

MERLIN

There's nothing I can do. My magic is no good. It doesn't work.

GAIUS

Dragons aren't monsters. They're creatures of wonder and magic. You must realise that they're immune to your powers.

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[INT. KING'S PALACE, WAR ROOM - DAY] [Arthur, Uther, knights, and advisors meet.]

ARTHUR

The dead number 49 men, 27 women, a further 18 women and children are unaccounted for. Most of last night's fires are now out. The castle walls, in particular, the western section are near to collapse, I could go on.

UTHER

Do we have any further idea on how the beast escaped?

SIR LEON

I regret to say, Sire, we don't.

UTHER

There must be some way to rid ourselves of this aberration. Gaius?

GAIUS

We need a dragonlord, Sire.

UTHER

You know very well that's not an option.

GAIUS

Sire, what if...there was, indeed, one last dragonlord left.

UTHER

That's not possible

GAIUS

But if there was.

UTHER

What are you saying?

GAIUS

It may just be rumour.

UTHER

Go on.

GAIUS

I'm not exactly sure, but I think his name is Balinor.

UTHER

Balinor?

ARTHUR

Where does he live?

GAIUS

He was last seen in Cenred's kingdom in the border town of Enged, but that was many years ago.

ARTHUR

If this man still exists, then it is our duty to find him.

UTHER

Our treaty with Cenred no longer holds. We are at war. If they discovered you beyond our border, they would kill you.

ARTHUR

I will go alone.

UTHER

No.

ARTHUR

That way I will not be detected.

UTHER

No, Arthur. It is too dangerous.

ARTHUR

More dangerous than staying here? I'll not stand by and watch my men die when I have the chance to save them.

UTHER

I have given you my orders.

ARTHUR

Do not make this a test of wills, Father.

UTHER

I'm not talking to you as a father, I'm talking to you as a king!

ARTHUR

I will ride immediately.

UTHER

My concern is for you.

ARTHUR

Mine is for Camelot. I'll send word when I've found him. [to Merlin.] Prepare the horses.

[Merlin bows to Uther and follows Arthur out.]

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[INT. KING'S PALACE, PHYSICIAN'S CHAMBERS - DAY] [Merlin packs for their journey.]

MERLIN

Who were the dragonlords? Gaius?

[Merlin pulls Gaius out of his contemplative pacing.]

GAIUS

There were once men who could talk to the dragons, tame them.

MERLIN

What happened to them?

GAIUS

Uther believed that the art of the dragonlord was too close to magic. So he had them all rounded up and slaughtered.

MERLIN

But one survived. How did you know?

GAIUS

I helped him escape.

MERLIN

Gaius.

GAIUS

Merlin, you've never heard the name Balinor?

MERLIN

No.

GAIUS

Your mother never mentioned him?

MERLIN

My mother?

GAIUS

She took him in.

MERLIN

She stood up against Uther?

GAIUS

Yes.

MERLIN

She was brave.

GAIUS

Yes. When Uther discovered where Balinor was, he sent knights to Ealdor to hunt him down. He was forced to flee.

MERLIN

Why didn't my mother tell me any of this?

GAIUS

Merlin, I promised her I would never speak of these things.

MERLIN

Of what?

GAIUS

I've always treated you as my son, but that is not what you are. The man you are going to look for is your father.

MERLIN

My father?

GAIUS

Yes.

MERLIN

He was a dragonlord? Why did no one ever tell me?!

GAIUS

I wanted to. Your mother feared it would be too dangerous.

MERLIN

I had a right to know!

GAIUS

She wanted to protect you.

MERLIN

No. I had a right to know.

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[EXT. KING'S PALACE, MAIN SQUARE - DAY] [Gaius approaches Merlin in the Square as Merlin prepares his horse.]

GAIUS

You got everything you need?

MERLIN (nods)  
I'm sorry. I didn't mean to...

GAIUS  
I know that.

ARTHUR  
Come on, Merlin.

MERLIN  
You're ready?

ARTHUR  
No thanks to you.

[Arthur cringes from his wound.]

MERLIN  
You okay?

ARTHUR  
It's just a scratch.

[Arthur trots off.]

GAIUS  
Merlin, whatever happens, you must not let Arthur know who this man is. Uther would view the son of a dragonlord with the deepest suspicion.

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[EXT. FOREST - DAY] [Merlin and Arthur ride through the woods and pause at the top of a hill overlooking a village.]

ARTHUR  
This is it. One more step and We're in Cenred's kingdom. This Balinor better be worth it.

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[INT. TAVERN INN - NIGHT] [Arthur and Merlin arrive in the village at night in the pouring rain. they enter a tavern and everyone stops to stare at them.]

ARTHUR  
Greetings!

[A man pulls a knife out of a table.]

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[INT. TAVERN INN - NIGHT] [Arthur and Merlin sit at a table and the innkeeper slops their drinks all over the table.]

ARTHUR  
We're looking for a man named Balinor. I'm willing to pay...

[Arthur slaps a bag of coins in front of the innkeeper.]

ARTHUR  
...handsomely.

[The innkeeper nods and leans in.]

INNKEEPER  
Never heard of him.

[The innkeeper only takes the few coins Arthur already had on the end of the table.]

MERLIN  
You think one of these men is Balinor?

ARTHUR  
I hope not.

MERLIN  
So do I.

—  
[INT. TAVERN INN, GUEST CHAMBER - NIGHT] [Arthur and Merlin getting ready for bed.]

ARTHUR  
What is wrong with you today?

MERLIN

What?

ARTHUR

It pains me to admit it, but I do enjoy your surly retorts. In fact, it's probably your only redeemable feature.

MERLIN

Thanks.

ARTHUR

There are loads of servants who can serve. So few are capable of making a complete prat of themselves. What is it?

MERLIN

Nothing.

ARTHUR

It's something. Tell me. Alright, I know I'm a prince, so we can't be friends. But if I wasn't a prince...

MERLIN

What?

ARTHUR

Well, then...I think we'd probably get on.

MERLIN

So?

ARTHUR

So at least can you tell me?

MERLIN

Well, that's true. But you see, if you weren't a prince, I'd tell you to mind your own damn business.

ARTHUR

Merlin. Are you missing Gaius.

MERLIN

Something like that.

ARTHUR

Well, what is it, then?

[Arthur throws a pillow at Merlin.]

MERLIN

I'll tell you. I'm worried about everyone back in Camelot. I hope they're alright.

ARTHUR

So do I.

—

[EXT. KING'S PALACE, MAIN SQUARE - NIGHT] [Leon heads the knights against the dragon back in Camelot.]

SIR LEON

Hold! Hold! Hold! Now!

[They shoot at the Great Dragon. The dragon blows fire. The knights hunch down and overlap their shields against the flames. Uther watches from his chambers.]

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[INT. TAVERN INN, GUEST CHAMBER - NIGHT] [Someone sneaks into the room and reaches for Arthur's bag. Arthur grabs the man's hand and throws him onto Merlin's bed at knifepoint. Merlin wakes.]

MERLIN

What's going on?

ARTHUR

Do you know what the punishment is for theft?

ASGERD

No, please. I've got children to feed.

ARTHUR

Tell me where to find Balinor.

ASGERD

Balnor?

ARTHUR

What do you know of him?

ASGERD

Nothing. I...

ARTHUR

Do you value your life?

ASGERD

It's been many years since I saw him!

ARTHUR

You know where he lives?

ASGERD

You must travel through the Forest of [place name: Marendred.] to the foot of [place name: Feyora.] Mountain. There you will find the cave where Balnor dwells.

[Arthur releases Asgerd.]

ASGERD

But don't get your hopes up.

MERLIN

Why?

ASGERD

He will not welcome you. Balnor hates everyone and everything. A cave's the best place for him.

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[EXT. FOREST - DAY] [Merlin and Arthur walking their horses through the woods, Arthur stumbling a bit. Merlin notices.]

ARTHUR

It's all right.

MERLIN

No, it's the wound. Let me have a look.

[A branch snaps as Merlin's looking at Arthur's wounded shoulder.]

MERLIN (whisper)

Get down! Get down!

[Merlin pulls him down to hide behind a fallen tree. Cenred's men pass by.]

MERLIN (whisper)

Arthur? (shakes him) Arthur?

[Arthur has passed out.]

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[EXT/INT. BALINOR'S CAVE - DAY] [Arthur is slung over his horse as Merlin guides them to Balinor's cave. Merlin leaves Arthur for a bit as he enters Balinor's cave.]

MERLIN

Hello?!

[Balinor grabs him from behind.]

BALINOR

What do you want here, boy?

[Balinor lets him go and Merlin stares at his father.]

MERLIN

My friend, he's sick! He needs help!

BALINOR

Show me, boy.

[Merlin keeps staring.]

BALINOR

What are you waiting for? Fetch him!

—  
[INT. BALINOR'S CAVE - NIGHT] [Balinor treats Arthur's wound.]

BALINOR

Ahlúttre þá séocnes. Þurh- hæle bræd. He needs rest.

MERLIN

Will he be alright?

BALINOR

By morning.

MERLIN

Thank you.

—  
[INT. BALINOR'S CAVE - NIGHT] [Merlin and Balinor eating dinner.]

MERLIN

Looks good. How long have you lived here?

BALINOR

A few winters.

MERLIN

Must be hard.

BALINOR

Why are you here?

MERLIN

Just travelling. We're looking for someone. I was told, well...they said that he lived somewhere hereabouts. A man named Balinor. You never heard of him? He was a dragonlord.

BALINOR

He's passed on.

MERLIN

You knew him?

BALINOR

Who are you?!

MERLIN

I'm...Merlin.

BALINOR

And him?

[Balinor points at Arthur.]

MERLIN

He's my master.

BALINOR

His name!

MERLIN

His name is Lancelot. He's a knight. You know, a nice one.

BALINOR

His name is Arthur Pendragon. He is Uther's son.

MERLIN

Yes.

BALINOR

This is Cenred's kingdom. He's asking for trouble. What do you want from me?

MERLIN

Are you Balinor? The Great Dragon is attacking Camelot.

BALINOR

His name is Kilgharrah.

MERLIN

Well, we can't stop him. Only you, a dragonlord, can.

BALINOR

He doesn't act blindly. He kills for a reason. Vengeance. This is of Uther's making.

MERLIN

But he's killing innocent people. Women and children.

BALINOR

Uther pursued me! He hunted me like an animal!

MERLIN

I know.

BALINOR

What do you know about anybody's life, boy?! Uther asked me to use my power to bring the last dragon to Camelot. He said he wanted to make peace with it, but he did not! He lied to me! He betrayed me! You want me to protect this man?

MERLIN

I want you to protect Camelot.

BALINOR

He killed every one of my kind! I alone escaped!

MERLIN

Where did you go?

BALINOR

There's a place called Ealdor.

MERLIN

Yes.

BALINOR

I had a life there. A woman. A good woman. Ealdor is beyond Uther's realm, but still he pursued me. Why would he not let me be? What was it that I had done that he wanted to destroy the life I built, abandon the woman I loved? He sent knights to kill me. I was forced to come here, to this! So, I understand how Kilgharrah feels. He's lost every one of his kind, every one of his kin. You want to know how that feels? Look around, boy. Let Uther die. Let Camelot fall.

MERLIN

You want everyone in Camelot to die?

BALINOR

Why should I care?

MERLIN

What if one of them was your son?

BALINOR

I don't have a son.

MERLIN

And if I told you...

ARTHUR

Merlin. Merlin. (cough)

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[EXT. BALINOR'S CAVE - DAY] [Merlin watches his father by the mouth of the cave. Arthur comes out of the cave.]

ARTHUR

I feel great! What the hell did you give me?

MERLIN

It was all down to Balinor.

ARTHUR

So we found him, then? Thank heaven for that.

MERLIN

That doesn't mean he's willing to help.

ARTHUR

What?

MERLIN

You won't persuade him.

ARTHUR

Does he know what's at stake?

[Merlin nods.]

ARTHUR

What kind of man is he?

MERLIN

I don't know. I thought he'd be something more.

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[EXT. LOWER TOWN/KING'S PALACE, BATTLEMENTS - DAY] [People of Camelot carry buckets of water through the lower town to put out the fires from the night before. Gwen gazes across Camelot from the battlements with tear-stained cheeks. Gaius joins her.]

GAIUS

You missing Morgana? She's stronger than people think. I believe that, wherever she is, she'll be alright.

GWEN

And Arthur?

GAIUS

You care a lot for him, don't you?

GWEN

Everyone does.

GAIUS

I think he cares the same way about you. It's alright, I won't tell anyone.

GWEN

I know we can never be.

GAIUS

Oh...the world's a strange place, Guinevere. Never underestimate the power of love. I've seen it change many things.

—

[EXT. BALINOR'S CAVE - DAY] [Arthur walks back to Merlin after talking to Balinor.]

MERLIN

What did he say?

ARTHUR  
He'll change his mind.

MERLIN  
He said that?

ARTHUR  
Just...give him a moment.

BALINOR  
Farewell, then.

ARTHUR  
That's your decision?

BALINOR  
I will not help Uther.

ARTHUR  
Then the people of Camelot are damned.

BALINOR  
So be it.

ARTHUR  
Have you no conscience?!

BALINOR  
You should ask that question of your father!

MERLIN  
And you are no better than him!

ARTHUR  
Don't waste your time, Merlin!

MERLIN  
Gaius spoke of the nobility of dragonlords! Clearly he was wrong!

BALINOR

Gaius?

MERLIN

Yes.

BALINOR

A good man.

MERLIN

Yeah. I was hoping you'd be like him.

ARTHUR

Merlin!

MERLIN

I wanted to...

ARTHUR

Merlin!

MERLIN

Well, there's no point.

—

[EXT. FOREST - DAY] [Arthur and Merlin ride off, then set up camp in the woods.]

ARTHUR

I always thought that silence would be a blessing with you, but I find it just as irritating. You're a riddle, Merlin.

MERLIN

A riddle?

ARTHUR

Yes. But I've got to quite like you.

MERLIN

Yeah?

ARTHUR

Now I realise you're not as big a fool as you look.

MERLIN

Yeah, I feel the same. Now that I realise you're not as arrogant as you sound.

ARTHUR

You still think I'm arrogant?

MERLIN

No. More...supercilious.

ARTHUR

That's a big word, Merlin. You sure you know what it means?

MERLIN

Condescending.

ARTHUR

Very good.

MERLIN

Patronising.

ARTHUR

It doesn't quite mean that.

MERLIN

No, these are other things you are.

ARTHUR

Hang on!

MERLIN

Over bearing.

[Arthur hears a twig snap and picks up his sword.]

ARTHUR

Shh.

MERLIN

Very overbearing.

ARTHUR

Merlin!

MERLIN

But you wanted me to talk.

[Merlin hears another twig snap. Merlin picks up a sword and follows Arthur. They hear trees move behind them and turn around.]

BALINOR

Careful, boy. I thought you might need some help. This is dangerous country.

ARTHUR

And will you return to Camelot with us?

BALINOR

You were right, Merlin. There are some in Camelot who risked their lives for me. I owe a debt that must be repaid.

ARTHUR

If you succeed in killing the dragon, you will not go unrewarded.

BALINOR (scoff)

I seek no reward.

ARTHUR

Great! Let's eat.

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[EXT. FOREST - DAY] [Merlin and Balinor collect firewood.]

MERLIN

This wood's too wet.

BALINOR

Don't worry. I'm sure we'll find a way to make it light.

MERLIN

When you healed Arthur, I heard you mumble some words.

BALINOR

An ancient prayer.

MERLIN

I thought it might've been more than that.

BALINOR

The Old Religion can teach us many things.

MERLIN

The Old Religion. Is that something you were taught?

BALINOR

It's not something you can learn. Either it's a part of you, or it isn't. My father knew that, and his father before him.

MERLIN

Were they also dragonlords?

BALINOR

We'll need some kindling.

MERLIN

You mentioned...You spoke of Ealdor. You took refuge with a woman.

BALINOR

That was a long time ago.

MERLIN

I grew up there.

BALINOR

Ealdor?

MERLIN

Yes. I know the woman.

BALINOR

Hunith? She's still alive?

MERLIN

Yes. She's my mother.

BALINOR

Then she married. That's good.

MERLIN

She never married. I'm your son.

BALINOR

I don't know what it is to have a son.

MERLIN

Or I a father.

[Merlin hears something snap and sees Arthur walking close by.]

MERLIN

You must not tell Arthur.

[Balinor hands Merlin some firewood and they smile at one another.]

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[EXT. FOREST, CAMP - NIGHT] [Arthur sleeps as Merlin and Balinor sit by the campfire. Balinor whittles some wood.]

MERLIN

Why did you never return?

BALINOR

I thought her life would be better without me.

MERLIN

Why?

BALINOR

Uther wanted me dead. If he'd found me, he'd have killed me, and your mother. I wanted

her to be safe.

MERLIN

We could've come with you.

BALINOR

What kind of life would you have had here?

MERLIN

We'd have been...happy. When we've finished in Camelot, I will take you to Ealdor.

BALINOR

She won't recognise me. I see her in you.

MERLIN

Yeah?

BALINOR

You have her kindness.

MERLIN

How did you become a dragonlord?

BALINOR

You don't choose to become a dragonlord. It's not something you're taught. It's a sacred gift. For thousands of years it's been handed down from father to son. And that is what you must now become, Merlin.

MERLIN

I would like that.

BALINOR

And like all dragonlords, you won't know for sure that you have that power until you face your first dragon. You should get some sleep. We've a big day ahead of us. Goodnight, Son.

MERLIN

Sleep well, Father.

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[EXT. FOREST, CAMP - DAY] [Merlin wakes and sees mini-dragon that his father whittled

for him. he smiles. Arthur grabs him from behind, covering his mouth.]

ARTHUR (whisper)  
Cenred's men.

[Arthur draws his sword. Cenred's men attack. Merlin tosses his father a sword and takes on his own opponent. Merlin gets disarmed. Balinor rushes to his aid.]

BALINOR  
No!

[Balinor is run through. Merlin catches his father.]

MERLIN  
AHHHH!

[Merlin's eyes glow and he throws the guard who just stabbed his father. Merlin lowers his dad to the ground and holds him.]

BALINOR  
Ah, I see you have your father's talent. Merlin...

MERLIN  
Please, no. Please. I can save you.

BALINOR  
Listen to me. When you face the dragon, remember: be strong. A dragon's heart is on its right side, not its left.

MERLIN  
I can't do it alone.

BALINOR  
Listen to me! Oh, my son. I've seen enough in you to know that you will make me proud.

[Balinor dies.]

MERLIN  
No. Father. (cries) No.

[Arthur shows up, sees Balinor, and throws his sword down.]

ARTHUR  
NO!

[Merlin wipes his eyes and stands up to face Arthur.]

ARTHUR  
Camelot is doomed.

—  
[INT. KING'S PALACE, WAR ROOM - DAY] [Merlin and Arthur ride back to Camelot in the rain. look outs spot them and rush to tell the King. the King and his advisors stand as Arthur and Merlin enter the War Room.]

ARTHUR  
I'm sorry, Father. I failed you. The last dragonlord is dead.

[Gaius looks at Merlin who tries not to cry. Gaius lowers his head.]

UTHER  
There are many years where I might've wished for that news.

ARTHUR  
All is not lost, Father. We have to fight the monster ourselves. So let us ride out and fight on our own terms: on open ground, on horseback, where we can manoeuvre better.

UTHER  
There is no point.

ARTHUR  
So what? We stand here, watch Camelot fall.

UTHER (nods)  
You have my blessing.

ARTHUR  
I need a dozen knights! Those who do not wish to fight can do so without stain on their character. For those brave enough to volunteer should know, the chances of returning are slim.

[Sir Leon's the first to step forward. twelve other knights step forward and form a circle around Arthur.]

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[INT. KING'S PALACE, MERLIN'S CHAMBER - DAY] [Merlin sits on his bed and cries over the dragon figurine his father made for him. Gaius enters.]

GAIUS  
Merlin, what happened?

MERLIN  
I couldn't save him.

GAIUS  
Merlin.

MERLIN  
He said the dragonlord's gift is passed from father to son.

GAIUS  
That is true.

MERLIN  
When I faced the Great Dragon, my magic was useless.

GAIUS  
Your father wasn't dead. It's only then you can inherit his powers.

MERLIN  
Do you think I'm strong enough to stand up to him?

GAIUS  
Only time will tell.

[Arthur's Chambers. Merlin helps Arthur put on his armour.]

ARTHUR  
Well, look on the bright side, Merlin. Chances are you're not going to have to clean this again.

MERLIN

You must be careful today. Do not force the battle.

ARTHUR

Yes, Sire!

MERLIN

I'm serious.

ARTHUR

I can hear that.

MERLIN

Let matters take their course.

ARTHUR

Merlin, if I die, please...

MERLIN

What?

ARTHUR

The dragonlord today...I saw you. One thing I tell all my young knights: no man is worth your tears.

MERLIN

Yeah. You're certainly not.

[Arthur picks up a sword and Merlin does too.]

ARTHUR

What are you doing?

MERLIN

I'm coming with you.

ARTHUR

Merlin, the chances are I'm going to die.

MERLIN

Yeah. Yeah, you probably would if I wasn't there.

ARTHUR (scoff)  
Right.

MERLIN  
Do you know how many times I've had to save your royal backside?

ARTHUR  
Well at least you got your sense of humour back.

[Arthur swipes Merlin's sword out of the way and heads toward the door. Merlin follows. Arthur stops.]

ARTHUR  
Are you really going to face this dragon with me?

MERLIN  
I'm not going to sit here and watch. I know it's hard for you to understand how I feel, but...well, I care a hell of a lot about that armour, I'm not going to let you mess it up.

[They laugh. Arthur gives Merlin a friendly hit and they exit. Gaius watches from the battlements as the dragon slayer party rides out of Camelot.]

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[EXT. FOREST CLEARING - NIGHT] [The dragon slayer party waits for Kilgharrah. The dragon arrives..]

ARTHUR  
Hold firm.

[Kilgharrah swoops down.]

ARTHUR  
Hold! Hold! Hold! Now!

[The knights circle their horses in formation to surround Kilgharrah. Kilgharrah knocks Merlin, Arthur and some other knights off of their horses with his tail. Kilgharrah roasts some other knights.]

MERLIN

No. Stop!

[Kilgharrah turns toward Merlin and Arthur. Arthur picks up a spear. Kilgharrah contemplates Arthur for a moment and then tries to flambé him. Arthur rolls out of the way and stabs Kilgharrah in the side. Kilgharrah roars and knocks Arthur out. Merlin gets up.]

BALINOR (voiceover)

You're the last dragonlord now. You alone carry the ancient gift. Deep within yourself, you must find the voice that you and Kilgharrah share, for your soul and his are brothers. When you speak to him as kin, he must obey your will.

MERLIN

Dracan! Nán dyd álc áciere miss! Eftsíðas eom ála cræt! Géate' stær ábære gárræs! Géate cyre. Mé tácen átende diegollice. Car grise áþes.

[Kilgharrah settles back and bows to Merlin. Merlin picks up the spear.]

KILGHARRAH

I am the last of my kind, Merlin. Whatever wrongs I have done, do not make me responsible for the death of my noble breed.

[Merlin thrusts the spear into the air and Kilgharrah winces.]

MERLIN

Go! Leave! If you ever attack Camelot again, I will kill you!

[Kilgharrah bows. Merlin drops the spear.]

MERLIN

I have shown you mercy! Now you must do the same to others!

KILGHARRAH

Young warlock, what you have shown is what you will be. I will not forget your clemency. I'm sure our paths will cross again.

[Kilgharrah flies off. Arthur wakes.]

ARTHUR

What happened?

MERLIN

You dealt him a mortal blow.

ARTHUR

He's gone?

MERLIN

Yeah. You did it.

ARTHUR

Ha! Ha! Ha! \*insane laughter\*

MERLIN (laughs)

You did it.

[Arthur and Merlin head for the drawbridge. Uther sees them from his window, sighs in relief and leaves. Gwen and Gaius come to meet them. Gwen runs to Arthur and hugs him.]

GWEN (whisper)

I thought I'd lost you.

[Gaius and Merlin hug.]

GAIUS

My boy.

[Arthur and Gwen leave.]

MERLIN

I felt him there with me, Gaius.

GAIUS

He'll always be with you.

MERLIN

I hope so.

GAIUS

Merlin, I know I can never compare with your father, but for what it's worth, you've still got me.

MERLIN

Well, I suppose I'll just have to make do.

GAIUS (laughs)

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