

To the Cardinal of Vigilance, Irada Von Temeschwar,

My name is Megarian Icespire of Urizen, and I have served, on behalf of my spire, with the Silent Bell for seven years. I spent the three years before as an officer of the Citadel Guard fighting against the Druj. I was chosen by Malachai to oversee experiments into cruel tactics creating unvirtuous auras.

I came first to the main obstacle. No act is void of context, which reduced the opportunities available to investigate the acts done by Imperial armies on the field. The most obvious, being the Varushkan's cruelty during the recent Spiral campaign was obviously void, due to an incredible number of reasons. The fact that they were fighting to defend, and reclaim, Spiral was, itself, a demonstration of Virtue.

Following this realisation I moved onto a different method of investigation. I requested the aid of some of my spire-mates and set to work. The process was long and exhausting, but after many weeks I began to see some results. The emotions I felt the morning that I went into the testing chamber to discover that my knife had developed a 'Hallowing of the Token' were incredible.

But with the high points, came the low. To my horror I found out that I was under the effect of an anointing of Hatred a month after discovering the hallowing. It was, eventually, purged by my husband whilst I slept.

I do not believe there is any certain way to confirm evidence either way. The few essays I was able to discover regarding the matter supports the common belief that performing acts of any kind have the potential to develop virtuous, and unvirtuous, auras. From my experiments I believe that there is no tendency for cruel acts to create unvirtuous auras over virtuous ones, but they still do occur.

Yours,

Megarian Icespire

Spire of Ice and Light

Ravion

Morrow