

# Character Background

Valeba Vision-Touched was born into a heretical cult, at least from the perspective of the Immaculate Order. His family had always provided a priest of the Sun to those who remained faithful in the surrounding region. Like his father before him, he was expected to uphold the traditions of his long-dead faith.

Unlike his father, he questioned the rituals. Valeba saw empty words and meaningless rituals where there was supposedly praise for the Unconquered Sun. Complacency and fear had cooled the people's hearts, and the members of his cult only went through the motions because their parents had.

His family moved constantly through the region as Valeba was growing up. Though the surface reason was to avoid detection by the representatives of the Realm, Valeba secretly believed that this was because of his father's unconscious discomfort with his given role. Despite his misgivings, Valeba was a dutiful son. He learned the rites his father taught him, and when the time came, he bent his knee to the makeshift altar to receive the blessing of the priesthood.

But when the ceremony reached its completion, the golden light surrounded the altar and the would-be priest stunned both father and son. In the rapid series of visions that assailed Valeba, the young man rediscovered the truth and the power of the Unconquered Sun. Now known Valeba Vision-Touched, The young priest found new purpose. With his spirit bolstered by his visions, Valeba began to share his prophecies with those around him. He spoke first to his family, then to his congregation, but as his fame grew, Valeba began to travel more widely. Journeying in an ever-widening area of the South to avoid the forces of the Immaculate Order, Valeba Vision-Touched has become both prophet and hero many of those he encounters. Using skills developed as a youth to avoid imperial forces he stays in each town he encounters for as long as he can.

While in each town, he acts. as teacher, instructing the inhabitants in the way of the Unconquered son and the mysteries of the First Age, and as judge, mediating disputes and seeking out the unrighteous and punishing them. Even after he leaves a town, Valeba remains in constant contact sending written and verbal messages via volunteer runners to encourage and advise his ever-growing flock.

Physically, Valeba is unimpressive. However, he remains himself and his belongings in a manner befitting a priest of the Unconquered Sun. He accepts donations from his flock to support his way of life but returns any gifts that would cause the giver to go without. Valeba wears white robes decorated with gold colored threads, which he keeps impeccably clean. His armor and weapons are kept in a constant state of repair, and he will not hesitate to use them in them cause of justice. Valeba is nearly always accompanied by a small group of faithful who serve as assistants in exchange for his teachings.

Valeba has been in Nexus just over a year, and has established a small following of allies and contacts.