

this is how we are

a daemonic debut
by David J. Keffer

"this is how we are" is a novel set in the Warhammer world, defined by the two "Realm of Chaos" books, "Slaves to Darkness" (1988) and "The Lost and the Damned" (1990). In this novel, four characters are each possessed by a daemon associated with the four greater gods described in those books:

- Khorne: The Blood God, God of Violence
- Tzeentch: The Changer of Ways, God of Magic
- Nurgle: The Great Lord of Decay, God of Disease
- Slaanesh: The Pleasure Lord, God of Depravity

The title, "this is how we are", is a statement that reflects both an unapologetic defiance for the flaws of the protagonists as well as an admission of the absence of any reasonable explanation for how they came to be this way.

As a first novel, it suffers from many of the common flaws of first novels, including a lack of lyricism in the language. There has been no effort to edit the novel. At the same time, the themes that would appear again and again in the works of the author are already present in this debut. There remains a document, in which it falls upon the protagonist to condemn the universe for its insufferable shortcomings and to rise to the moral challenge required to reject it on such terms, though doing so results in self-destruction.

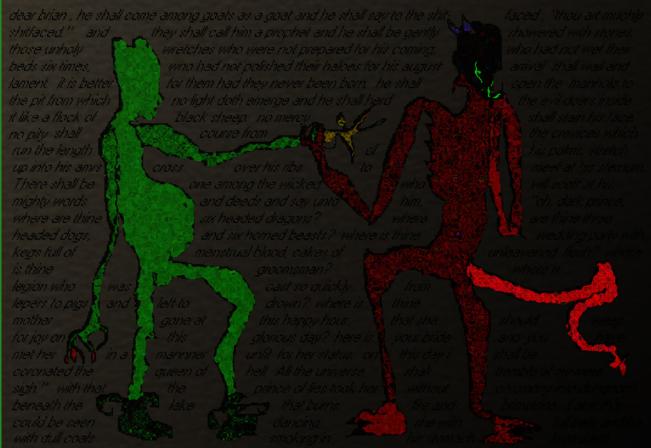


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