

# QUICK CARD: THE *BRONZE BOW*



<i>Reference</i>	<i>The Bronze Bow</i> . Elizabeth George Speare. (1961) ISBN: 978-0395137192
<i>Plot</i>	Hebrew Daniel, a runaway apprentice who has cast his lot with the zealots in the fight against Rome, returns home to care for his troubled sister upon his grandmother's death. He struggles with the implications of his vow to "live and die for God" and learns what it really means to "bend a bow of bronze."
<i>Setting</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 1<sup>st</sup> c. Judea, in the hotbed of the conflict between Rome and the Jews</li> <li>• Time of Christ</li> <li>• Daniel's young adulthood.</li> </ul>
<i>Characters</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Daniel Bar Jamin, the young protagonist</li> <li>• Leah, Daniel's demon possessed sister</li> <li>• Grandmother</li> <li>• Joel and Thacia, Daniel's friends</li> <li>• Rosh, the leader of the zealots</li> <li>• Samson, the slave Daniel helps to free from the Roman prison transport</li> <li>• Jesus, the strange, new Jewish leader</li> <li>• The young Roman soldier who befriends Leah</li> <li>• Simon, a fellow blacksmith and friend of Daniel who comes to follow Jesus</li> <li>• Nathan and Kemuel, members of the zealot band Daniel founded</li> </ul>
<i>Conflict</i>	<p>Man vs. Society            Man vs. Self            Man vs. God</p>
<i>Theme</i>	<p>The Effects of Bitterness            The Nature of Forgiveness            Sacrificial Love            Redemption            Grace</p>

<p><i>Literary Devices</i></p>	<p>Similes Metaphors Allusions Foreshadowing Symbolism – extended metaphor</p>
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