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# Earth Defiant (The Ember War Saga Book 4)



## Synopsis

Betrayed by allies. Beset by new foes. Earth faces its darkest hour since the Xaros invasion. The Toth come to the solar system with a fleet of warships, and they demand the only tool that can rekindle the human race. It falls on Marine Lieutenant Hale to negotiate a pact that will save the human race at the cost of its soul, or start a war with a race of alien predators. The latest action packed-chapter of the Ember War Saga continues with EARTH DEFIANT.

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## Customer Reviews

I have read all the books at least twice. After finishing 'The Earth Defiant' I better understand the title. I appreciate the art work for giving me idea of what the Toth vessels' look like. There is a lot of fleet action and character building in this book. The only downside to this was that I was wanting more Hale beating people's faces in, we get some but not as much as 'Blood of Heroes.' If you are looking for the fleet action book of the series you have found it. I found myself going through a dilemma about half way through the book. My personal morality was being challenged by the

thought of human cloning, finally. The thought was there in previous books but this book brought that issue to the forefront. I was happy to see a conclusion to the issue that was tactful and exactly on point with what could really happen. Overall I would recommend this book to anyone. The characters continue to develop and act like real people. As a side note, this is science fiction so some suspension of the laws of physics are required. Anyone who hates that suspension of that should probably just keep going. Otherwise its a great book series.

I am a fan of military futuristic sci fi. This book series has just the right amount of action, description, and drama to keep the reader hooked. There are lots of books in the series and each could stand on their own. One can spend many days in this universe before it will end.

This was book 4 in the series and was another good read by Mr Fox. The book was well written and had a great storyline with plenty of action . This was another one of those books that I could not put down.

By now everyone knows I really like this series. I was worried that book four would lose steam or get convoluted like a lot of series books. Without getting too technical, let me say that Richard Fox ramped up the tension by forcing his characters to make hard decisions based on their personal beliefs. Science fiction fans won't be surprised that one of his themes opens up a tough societal question: what rights do procedurally generated humans have? (They are indistinguishable from natural humans physically and behaviorally.) This is one of the things that separates these books from books that are basically rehashes of action movies. My favorite scenes are when Lt. Hale is negotiating with the Toth (aliens who eat the lives of sentient beings.)

It's going, going, gone! Fox just cleared the bases and the home team wins! Richard has done it again. Building on the previous 3 books in The Ember War series, we see the remnants of the human race battling another foe bent on their (our) destruction. Partway through, the main characters in the book are presented with a moral/societal dilemma the equal of anything the great Gene Roddenberry could have thought up. Will this dilemma fracture the human alliance, or will it strengthen it? How will it affect our friends Hale, Standish, Orozco, Bailey, and "new guy" Yarrow and the crew of the Breitbart? You've got to read it and find out.

It's a very good work and another great work from RF. To deal with the Toth was a necessary thing and

to finish them one and for all a must. Any way, let's see wait for the next book of the saga, final move against the Toth.....

The whole series has constantly surprised me as the ever increasing challenges to humanity's survival seem insurmountable, yet the tactical and strategic solutions employed are plausible and imaginative. The key characters are likeable, yet the fate of the species rest primarily on a small group of overworked individuals across a wide band of the military-social structure who are called in to do the impossible regularly. I will definitely inhale each new volume of the series as soon as I am aware that it has become available.

Several of the main characters get more development and the false minds and weed bodied add some more depth. This book brings questions of bias and bigotry during war. I think that there are parallels to soldiers in WWII working side by side with segregated units. People with deep biases and prejudices learned to value their peers regardless of their differences because of the ugly realities of war. When you are sharing a foxhole with someone and bombs are going off. The differences between you seem so much smaller. This was very well written.

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