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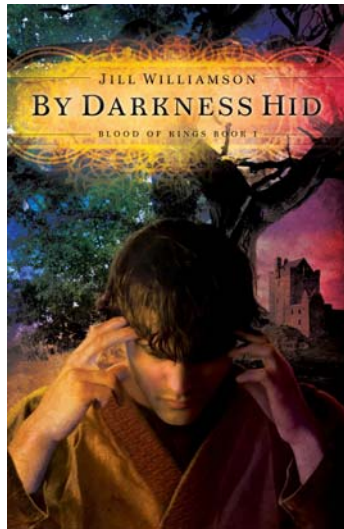
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Achan has been a slave all his life. When an enigmatic knight offers to train Achan for the Kingsguard, he readily accepts. But his new skills with the sword do not prepare him for the battle raging between the voices in his head.

Vrell Sparrow is not who she seems. She masquerades as a boy to avoid capture by the powerful forces that seek to exploit her. But Vrell feels called to help a young squire who recently discovered his bloodvoicing gift, even if doing so requires her to work with those who could destroy her.

While Achan learns to use his new ability, Vrell struggles to shut hers down. All the voices strive to learn Achan and Vrell's true identities—and a different kind of voice is calling them both.

ABOUT THE AUTHOR: Jill Williamson is a novelist, dreamer, and believer. She writes stories that combine danger, suspense, and adventure for people of all ages. An avid reader, she started Novel Teen Book Reviews (www.novelteens.com) to help teens find great books to read. She lives in Oregon with her husband and two book-loving children. *By Darkness Hid* is her first novel.



I love a good fantasy, and *By Darkness Hid* **more than fills the bill**. With an unpredictable plot, twists of supernatural ability, and **finely crafted tension** between the forces of good and evil, Jill Williamson’s book **had me captivated**. I jumped into the skin of the heroine and enjoyed her journey as if it were my own.

—Donita K. Paul, author of the *Dragon Keeper Chronicles*

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