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Abby is an ordinary girl haunted by dreams of an ivory castle, bloodthirsty monsters, and a striking young man. Working as a babysitter for a family of mythology lovers in wealthy Newcastle Beach, California, she struggles to define herself among the elite class while trying to make sense of her strange visions. Upon meeting David, the doppelgänger of the mysterious man in her dreams, Abby's life is changed forever. Encountering the queen of a magical kingdom in a parallel world, Abby learns from her of an evil lord hell-bent on usurping the throne, the murder of her husband, Cai Terenmare's king, the Solas Beir, and the kidnapping of their infant son. As the kingdom struggles



to endure, the queen shows Abby the full extent of her destiny. She must convince her mysterious crush, David, that he is the lost heir. While braving attacks from the dark lord's sadistic minions, David must realize his true identity and return to Cai Terenmare to claim his throne before time runs out, lest the evil that was temporarily locked away be unleashed, threatening to destroy both the kingdom and all of humanity.

Melissa Eskue Ousley is an Oregon Coast resident and former educator. Her expertise in psychology and interest in culture and mythology have heavily influenced the themes and character development in her first novel, *Sign of the Throne*, book one of a trilogy written for young adults. The second and third novels in the series, *The Rabbit and the Raven*, and *The Sower Comes* are also available.