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## *Release the Handle As You Turn*

A warm-hearted story about friendship and love across all boundaries.

But this is also a social satire in the same tradition as Gulliver's Travels and its Nordic counterpart, Nils Klim's Journey to the Underworld – a burlesque narrative that shifts between different realities, interconnected by black holes through which we move from Here to There in a terrifying twinkle of an eye!

I stared at the burning currant bush. Tried to catch a glimpse of who had hidden behind it. And I couldn't stop myself from addressing her.

– “Lady,” I said cautiously. “Excuse me for asking ... but I was under the impression that the Nameless One usually materialised in briar bush and not a currant one?”

– “Too true,” the voice replied. “But can you spot any nearby briars?”

– “No,” I admitted.

– “There you are, one has to make the best of what's at hand,” the voice said. “And in my view, the currant bush is a perfectly good option. Burns just as well, too!”

– “Blessed Lady,” Jensen said unhappily, closing his eyes and burying his snout in the grass.

– “Never mind Jeremiah. He isn't himself these days.”

– “Is that so?” The voice sounded concerned. “Who is he now?”

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Tor Åge Bringsværd is an award-winning and productive prose- and playwright who writes for all ages. His works have been translated into 23 languages, and his plays have been staged in 12 countries. He writes fiction and non-fiction for both children and adults.



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