

shadow of the torturer and thomas covenant

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Well I finally read SotT. It was my eighth time trying to read it, and I didnt have anything else to read, but I still can't believe I got it down. It seems that everywhere I go and talk about science fiction people are horrified that I have never read SotT or "can't believe" that I stopped reading TC after the third book, and only read *it* because I got all three as a Christmas present from my brother.

To all of you who are shaking your head at my obvious brain-damage, I can tell you exactly why I find both series so hard to read:

No matter how beautiful and well-crafted the writing,
if the main character could drop dead on the next page and I
would feel nothing then I am not enjoying the book.

Anybody *else* feel that way? Incidentally, Gene Wolfe is not the first person who has "literary style" and has written fantasy. Peter S. Beagle comes to mind immediately, but Poul Anderson also has written some of this. Then again, Poul Anderson has written *everything*...

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