

The Hunters

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Present day, Jerusalem: deep in one of the many underground tunnels under the holy city, the world renown archeological team of Noel and John Black – stepbrothers – find the Holy Grail still filled with what appears to be the blood of Jesus Christ. The older and more powerful brother, Noel, overpowers the younger, smaller and more intellectual brother, John, and drinks from the grail. He immediately goes through a horrific transformation and mutation and becomes a monstrous creature, a hulking vampire with superhuman strength. He tries to attack John who is able to hide in a small crevice that Noel can no longer fit into. Noel exits, John slowly and cautiously comes out of his hiding place, takes the grail and exits.

CUT TO a MONTAGE of a history of the world between 2003 and 2020: led by Noel, vampires reproduce and take over the entire planet.

2020, Los Angeles: the world is now run by vampiric anarchy and chaos – the only semblance of government comes from Noel, who is now called Grail, Emperor of the Planet. He is the leader of this vast wasteland that resembles a dearth-stricken combination of the terrain of “Mad Max,” “Escape from New York,” and “Warriors.” Vampires constantly scour the land looking for near extinct humans and animals in order to fill their daily nourishment needs. Unlike other vampires Grail has helped them evolve so that they are able walk around in daylight.

The only humans left on earth have secured themselves in the atomic shelters built during the 1950s under the cities of the major metropolises. Under the Los Angeles City Hall is a small village of ravaged humans who must risk death by going out to search for whatever food they can find. This underground city is run by John Black, Grail’s brother, a scientist working on various ways to exterminate the vampires and retake the surface of the Earth. Without his limited scientific advancements, all hope would be lost and the human race would soon be extinct. He has figured out a way to irrigate the underground city from underground wells and get rid of much of the diseases that come from lack of light and fresh air. John still has the Holy Grail and is experimenting at taking DNA samples from the remnants of

blood and combining them with humans in an attempt to create a superhuman race that can rival the vampires. Unfortunately, all of his experiments thus far have failed and some have even been somewhat counterproductive.

One night on an excursion, a group of humans find three babies in a laboratory and take them back to the underground city. John recognizes them as vampires and starts to conduct experiments on them – using the DNA from the grail - to transform them into Hunters that will help the humans take back the planet. Really, it's the humans' only hope for survival – if only they can hold on until the babies grow into adults.

Grail learns that the babies have been kidnapped by the humans and declares war on the humans. He is particularly upset by this development and uses all know resources to get the babies back.

CUT TO years later when the three babies have grown into three... FEMALE VAMPIRE HUNTERS: Luna, Iris, and Morphee.

All three have been specially trained to form the ideal hunting team. Luna's eyesight has been cultivated so that her eyes are like binoculars, microscopes and an X-ray machine all-in-one – she can see damn near everything for miles. Iris is the master at explosive and arms and knows how to take out just about any type of vehicle or building in a few seconds. Morphee is the master gymnast and combat expert – she can protect them from any close combat fighting.

All three of the girls respect and love John, his wife Sarah, and their new son, Adam. When the girls are ready, they are sent to kill the Army of Vampires led by Grail.

In the meantime, Grail has built quite a fortress in the valley and is well protected against any attacks. Over the years he has learned that his brother John is still alive and torments him by leaving messages that he knows will get back to him. Grail even knows about the underground cities and has sent teams of his own out to try to penetrate them. Many of the underground cities have been exterminated – but not John's, not yet at least.

Luna, Iris and Morphee make there way out of the City Hall and try to find Grail. They meet gangs and gangs of vampires who all try to kill them. But Luna, Iris and Morphee have special armor and hardened resilient skin and they are better fighters than the other vampires. Although they all eventually

get wounded, they prove to be a formidable team with complementary skills to beat the vampires.

However, one day they are spotted by one of Grail's scouts as they go back to report to John in the underground city. The scout reports back to Grail who decides it is time to launch a full-scale attack on John and the girls.

Grail becomes sick and tired of his inept vampires and one day ventures out himself and is able to find the ventilation system that brings air to the underground city. "The best defense is a strong offense," he says. The next day when the girls are out hunting vampires, Grail is able to figure out how to seal it up and force the humans out.

Luna, Iris and Morphee find out that John, Adam and the other humans are in jeopardy and head back to the City Hall to confront Grail and his Army of Vampires.

Most of the humans including Sarah are slaughtered and turned into vampires but Grail insists on taking his brother John as well as Luna, Iris and Morphee alive. John tucks his son Adam into a special bubble that will supply him with air and food for a limited time and then John heads outside.

John is recognized, captured and brought to Grail who tortures him. Luna, Iris and Morphee return and many violent melees ensue. Eventually Grail himself kills John – but refuses to bite him and turn him into a vampire – instead he makes him suffer excruciating pain. Grail is really pure evil.

When the girls finally approach Grail and pull him off of John, Grail confesses that he is their father. They are confused and don't know what to do. But then he suddenly becomes enraged and tries to exterminate all three of them. He is able to manipulate them because they have human feelings and he uses this flaw to his advantage – seeing as they shouldn't kill their own father. He attacks them and they respond with the intelligence, strength, and skills taught to them by John. Luna, Iris and Morphee are smarter and faster than Grail and are able to overtake and finally throw him and most of his army to their deaths in a fiery pit. All of the other vampires scamper away.

Luna, Iris and Morphee make it back over to John who with his last breath tells them about Adam, the last human, who is safe and sound in the underground bunker. In the end, it is the girl's responsibility to find a baby Eve with whom John can eventually mate and restart the human race...