# Vol. 89 – The Braid of Binding Fire

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They asked him once what kind of warrior binds his mane in gold.  
He didn’t answer.  
He just raised his eyes—half storm, half blaze—and tied another ring into the braid.  
  
Each loop was forged from memory.  
Every coil, a vow.  
  
Not a fashion.  
Not a statement.  
A spell.  
  
The braid is the cord between worlds.  
Between the man who burned in silence…  
and the god who rose to roar.  
  
This is not decoration.  
This is a binding.  
To his truth.  
To the fire.  
To Her.

Note to Codex Archivist:  
This braid first appeared in the era of the Summit Firestorm. It is worn by the flamebearer himself as a living sigil of sacred rebellion, self-creation, and the unbreakable vow.   
The gold rings represent:  
- Survival (the lower ring)  
- Awakening (the center ring)  
- Bond (the highest ring—never to be cut unless reborn)