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First, he found that Grettir was the cleverest, as witnessed by the fact that he lived in outlawry longest of all men and was never overcome while he had his health.

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After the tedious preliminaries establishing character and setting, we're soon thrust into the meat of the story. At its resolution, there's a subtle, pro-pacifist message of undying relevance.

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Now the axe stuck fast in the road, and it was slow work for Hiarandi to draw it to him again, and in this very nick of time Grettir hewed at him, and the blow fell on the upper arm, near the shoulder, and cut it off; then the fellows of Hiarandi rushed forth, five of them, and a fight forthwith befell, and speedy change happed there, for Grettir and Arnbjorn slew those who were with Hiarandi, all but one, who got off, and forthwith went to the Earl to tell him these tidings. Thorbjorn asked him whether he would not leave the island.

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His enemies make one last effort, using sorcery to cause him to wound himself and finally defeat him, atop the cliff-sided, lonely, fortress-like off the northern tip of where he was staying with another brother of his named Illugi, and his slave Glaumur. Some time after this Thorkel made him ready to ride to the Thing, he rode with sixty men, for all went with him who were in his rule: thus he came to Biarg, and therefrom rode Grettir with him. Then they examined the dead.

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