



How to Make *Reapers* a Reality

I finished writing *Reapers*, and I have decided to publish it myself through my special-projects company, Scrub Jay Journeys. Since I plan to create the highest quality book possible using offset printing and original artwork, and since I will print enough copies to keep the sales price low, the initial investment is much higher than it would be if I were to choose the print-on-demand option with a stock cover or simply create an ebook.

That's why I am asking for help. I don't want to use one of the crowd-funding options such as Kickstarter because of the limitations they impose, the fees they charge, the requirement to have a promotional video, and the need to create multiple levels of rewards. This is a much simpler method. If you pre-order a book, I will send you a copy when the book is published. If we don't raise enough money by the end of the year, and I decide not to publish *Reapers*, I will refund your money.

The fundraising website allows you to pre-order *Reapers*, and it displays a meter that shows how close we are to obtaining the funding goal. I am hoping for \$3000. That won't fund the entire project, but it will be enough for me to proceed. The site also has a Donate button that allows supporters to add more to the campaign if they so desire.

The pre-order price for *Reapers* is \$10. The system will charge \$4 for shipping, which won't go toward the fundraising goal, but the entire \$14 will be refunded if I don't publish the book. This means that I need 300 orders in about sixty days to reach the goal. That might sound like a lot of orders, but I think we can do it, especially if you help me by sharing this news with your friends.

So please share this through social media, in blog posts, and at schools, homeschool groups, work and other gatherings. Feel free to print out a description of the story at this link: <http://www.daviscrossing.com/ReapersStory.pdf>. The ordering link is on that page.