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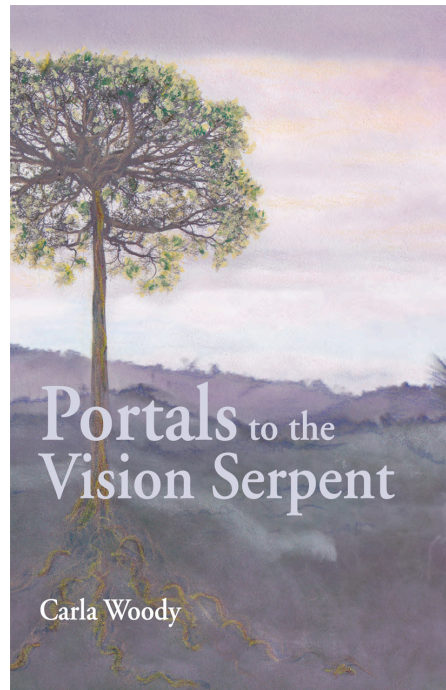
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PORTALS TO THE VISION SERPENT

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Description

Preston Johns Cadell is tormented. He attempts to outrun discontent and the void in his heart. His mother is hardly around. His father's origins and disappearance are shrouded by family secrets. His sole remembrance of his father is flying through the stars nestled in his arms.

Any comfort Preston derives is from an unseen advisor who teaches him of the invisible world. Now he is coming of age. Memories arrive from long ago when a brown-skinned woman cared for him. But she, too, vanished. Finding the buried remains of his father's altar, Preston must answer the draw to his destiny, to discover his lineage—even though he has no idea how or where it will lead him.

Portals to the Vision Serpent is a Hero's Journey into the realms of shamanism and the Maya world. Interwoven are the struggles of indigenous peoples to preserve their way of life and tragedies that often come from misunderstandings. Through a family saga of dark wounds and mystery, spiritual healing unfolds.

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Editorial Reviews

“The search to find one's True Self is a journey that often challenges cultural preconceptions and assumptions. *Portals to the Vision Serpent* takes this journey deep into the heart of the True People, delivering a story of longing and mystery woven like a story cloth between two worlds.”

– Sharon Brown, Publisher, *Sacred Fire Magazine*

“Bloodlines are story lines. In *Portals to the Vision Serpent*, Carla Woody invites the reader to explore the mysterious, ever-unfolding tale that each one must tell with our lives...one chapter at a time. Step into these pages. Invoke your true name. Re-member who you have always been.”

– Jamie K. Reaser, author of *Sacred Reciprocity: Courting the Beloved in Everyday Life* and *Note to Self: Poems for Changing the World from the Inside Out*

“*Portals to the Vision Serpent* is a transcendent spiritual adventure of a soul's inner and outer journey into the rainforests of Guatemala and Mexico and brings awareness to the struggles of native people amidst the onslaught of cultural genocide.”

– Matthew J. Pallamary, author of *Land Without Evil*

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