



Ashes of His Past

&

Absolution By Dragon Fire

An extension of Kaidan's daedric quest Blood and Fire



Info and Warnings

Please be aware that during the ashes quest Kaidan is dealing with PTSD. Post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD) is a mental health condition that's triggered by a terrifying or traumatic event either experiencing it or witnessing it. Symptoms may include flashbacks, nightmares and severe anxiety, as well as uncontrollable thoughts about the event. Not to mention Kaidan has had his perception of himself twisted which gets further twisted and shredded during the ashes.

This means the ashes comes with trigger warnings aside from above the trigger warnings are as follows:

- Cursing
- Talk of Kaidan's past sex life
- Kaidan yelling at player

Please take all of this into account before choosing to play the ashes quest. If you choose to continue ensure you have a box of tissues close by.



Requirements

**Complete Kaidan's personal quest – All of This Past
Minimum stage 60 romance (Kaidan's love confession)**

**Visited the shrine of Mehrunes Dagon (you only need to visit and speak to
Kaidan at the shrine and then when he is resting afterwards)**

Visited Shadowgreen Cavern (given Kaidan his wooden sword)

**Turned the switch on in the MCM or Kaidan option spell (this can be
turned on or off at anytime before you visit the shrine.)**

**The quest will begin with a dremora attack 24 hours after the last condition is met
(must be in a city/settlement for this to occur)**

**The original quest Blood and Fire will activate after the dremora attack. Ashes of
his past will not activate until 24 hours later.**



Notes

It is advised to leave other custom followers such as Lucien and Inigo behind during the ashes as Kaidan will continue his interactions with them.

It is also advised to not do any major quests that Kaidan has commentary for as this will also be impacted by his silence.

Please note: As Kaidan is going through trauma it is HIGHLY RECOMMENDED NOT TO DO THE ASHES AFTER ADOPTING CHILDREN (or after having the upcoming biological children).



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The journal entries will be updated before and after you speak to Kaidan and are designed to give a deeper insight into what is going on with Kaidan written from the player's perspective.

Timers differ depending on the stage most are 24 hours however there is a 48 hour timer between the second and third dialogue with Kaidan.

If you have the companions with you during the ashes, Farkas and Vilkas will have dialogue with Kaidan (these also give some insight into what is happening)

While Aela will have dialogue with the player (click on her throughout the ashes).

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After the third dialogue with Kaidan he will stop talking and will have limited dialogue options.

Some of the remaining dialogue he may refuse and the tent will not be available.

Npc interactions will cease, if you have Erik, Farkas, Vilkas and/or Aela with you they will have some idles regarding the silence.



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An hour after the 6th dialogue with Kaidan he will give the player the talisman.

Take this along with the other items to a forge to create the Deadland Temple Talisman.

Once you have this talisman you can return to the cave and unlock the red door.

Rosalind and Kaidan will speak after that finishes Rosalind will hit the player with a temporary paralyzing spell.

Once Rosalind has been killed the screen will fade to black (this is to portray the player blacked out)

The player will come to in Kaidan's tent click on him to have a discussion with him.

This will finish the quests Blood and Fire as well as Ashes of His Past.

A new quest Absolution By Dragon Fire will appear in your journal.

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Absolution By Dragon Fire

The journal entries before and after you speak to Kaidan are intended to give further insight into what is happening.

After you leave the tent there will be an interaction between Kaidan, Vilkas and Farkas (If they were with you during the ashes). Kaidan needs time to process his thoughts therefore, will remain quiet for the next 48 hours.

After the first absolution talk with Kaidan there will also be player dialogue with Aela (if she was with you during the ashes quest.) Kaidan will be back to his normal ways with Npc interactions and all dialogue options available.



Absolution By my favorite dragon, Dragon Fire Continued

I keep wanting to talk to you, to find a way to take these thoughts inside my heart and transform them into words so you will finally know me. Truly know me. No more secrets hidden, half-truths told, or unanswered questions. I want to show you my heart laid bare with all of its broken, sharp edges and hope that you might be willing to make something of the pieces. Unfortunately, I've not been one to dabble in magic and so that kind of sorcery with words is beyond my reach. I'm not sure I could learn it from a book either, no matter how many of these horrid things you make me read. I've just not ever been the talking sort. That goes even more so when it comes to this sort of

There is a 72^{hour} timer before the next stage.

Kaidan will have a carefully folded note in his inventory, after reading it there will be dialogue with Kaidan available (you must have the note in your inventory to have this talk with Kaidan)

Again read your journal before and after each stage.



Absolution By Dragon Fire Continued

48 hours later Kaidan will have a request to return to shadowgreen cavern
(this is only available outside.)

Return to where you found Kaidan's wooden sword.

This is the final sweet tender moment that complete both ashes of his past
and absolution by dragon fire.

Enjoy, from the Harbingers at the Kaidan - Immersive Features Discord