



"One ring to rule them all, One ring to find them,
One ring to bring them all and in the darkness bind them
In the land of Mordor where the shadows lie."








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Author Kragg Pirate Posts: 17 From: St. Charles, MO, USA Registered: Jun 2001	Topic: The Question of the Ents and the Entwives  posted 28 June 2001 02:27 PM  profile  mail  edit  quote <hr/> I have been puzzled about the Ents and the Entwives for several years. As any who have read the Lord of the Rings knows, just about everybody or group of the "good guys" has what one could refer to as a happy ending except the Ents. They are left still not knowing where their Entwives are. My contention is that Tolkien mistakenly left their coming together out of the finished project, and I believe he meant for them to meet, and he meant for them to meet in the Northfarthing of the Shire. In chapter one of The Fellowship of the Ring, Sam Gamgee is debating with Ted Sandyman. Sam says his cousin saw a Tree-Man walking along the North Downs as big as an elm tree. (Does this description sound familiar?) Upon meeting Merry and Pippin Treebeard questions them repeatedly about their country, and asks them pointedly if they have ever seen Entwives in the Shire, because it sounded to him like the type of land they would like. Treebeard later on reminds
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Merry and Pippin to send him word should they ever see or hear about any Entwives in their land.

I read a commentary several years ago, (I do not recall the author), who stated the Ents and Entwives would never get together due to the fact that the Ents had evolved into reproducing asexually via Huorns. I do not buy that argument now, nor did I buy it back then. I think Tolkien just forgot to get them together, and I believe he originally intended for them to meet again. As he himself stated in the prologue: The book was too short, but he felt no compulsion to change it.

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I agree whole heartedly with you Kragg!!
I think the Huorns were a different, what's the term, species(?), than the Ents. The Ents controlled or herded the Huorns.

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Oh yes I like to believe that the Ents and EntWives would find each other again. It would be very sweet.....but, as an EntWife m'self, I must say, there are so many gardens and meadows and fields that need my attention. And the young trees and bushes that need looking after! The flowers and vegetables and grasses cannot be neglected!

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Someday I'll feel confident that the younger EntBrides can take on the job, and I will return to Fangorn...

How much more will the Ents endure? maryals

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