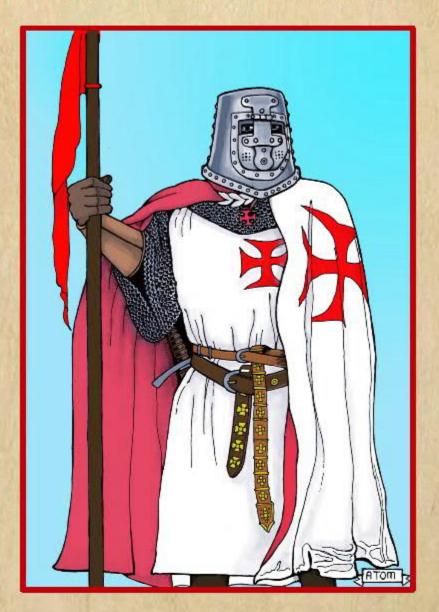
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Requirements: STR 12, WIS 12, & CHA 12

Prime Requisite: CHA and STR

Hit Dice: 1d8
Maximum Level: None

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Paladins may never have more weapons or armor than they can personally use in combat at one time. They must also give at least 10% of all they earn to their religion. In addition, after taking care of all their living and working expenses, paladins must give away 90% of their remaining wealth to their religion or another worthy charity. Note that none of these tithes or offerings can be given to another player's character in the adventuring party.

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Detect Evil 60' A paladin can, at will, *Detect Evil* just like the cleric spell of the same name (LL, p. 22). However, they must spend an entire round concentrating on it and performing no other actions in order for this ability to be effective.

Divine Bonus Because of their unswerving devotion to good, paladins receive a +2 bonus to all their saving throws.

Protection from Evil As a divine gift, once per day paladins can radiate a *Protection from Evil* aura as per the cleric spell of the same name (LL, p. 24). At 9th level, this ability is extended to 10' around the paladin.

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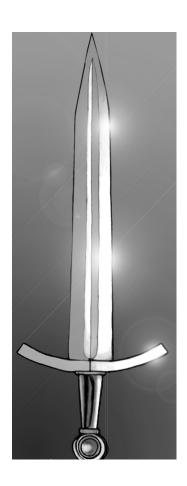
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Paladin Level Progression

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0	1	1
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5,001	3	3
10,001	4	4
20,001	5	5
40,001	6	6
80,001	7	7
160,001	8	8
310,001	9	9
460,001	10	+2 hp only *
610,001	11	+4 hp only *
760,001	12	+6 hp only *
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Hit point modifiers from constitution are ignored



Sword +2, Holy Sword

Intelligence:	12
Communication:	Verbal
Alignment:	Lawful
Languages:	3
Psyche:	12
Willpower:	24

Motivation: Destroy Chaotic Beings Spell-Like Power: Dispel Evil 1/week

Description: This powerful, sapient blade is the bane of all chaotic beings. A Holy Sword grants neutral and lawful owners a +2 bonus to hit and damage against creatures of all alignments. However, in the hands of a Paladin in combat with chaotic beings, it becomes nearly as powerful as a minor artifact, bestowing a +4 bonus to hit and damage as well as the ability to *Dispel Evil* as per the cleric spell (LL. p. 22) once per month. Holy Swords are intelligent and extremely motivated in their quest to destroy chaotic beings and will thus attempt to overpower the will of neutral owners towards that end and help direct the actions of lawful owners, yet without requiring an action that would that would cause them certain death. Chaotic beings attempting to wield a Holy Sword immediately lose 2 levels for as long as the sword is in his or her possession. Unlike cursed items, a chaotic being can discard the Holy Sword at will.

Origin and Purpose: Each Holy Sword is a unique item with each one having its own personality and personal name. Some sages suggest that Holy Swords were originally created by a lawful Elder God in the far distant past and were awarded to his greatest mortal servants. In the ages since, Holy Swords have been handed down from generation to generation with most having been lost, some destroyed, and a few stolen from their rightful owners and hidden by powerful chaotic forces. To this day, when truly virtuous and potent paladins rise in the mortal realm, lawful divine forces do all they can to discover, liberate and pair these immensely powerful weapons with them.

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