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The Flame is Jean Johnson's seventh offering in the Sons of Destiny series.

Koranen is the seventh son. He was born with the powers of a Pyromancer, a person with the ability to use heat and fire. It's an exceptional ability, but the downside is that his emotions are wrapped in the same fire that he controls, causing him to heat up to incredible temperatures if not in tight control of himself. The prophesy states, "Water shall control the Flame", and with that promise, Kor holds out knowing there is one woman out there who will complete him, one that he will be able to hold without fear of burning.

With Menomon's water system on the brink of collapse, a deal is brokered to allow a group of Aquamancers to inspect Nightfall's Desalinator. They will fix the Desalinator, which is not running at full capacity, and when they return home, they can build a new one for their own city.

Danau has lived with the skills of an Aquamancer her entire life, but only during puberty and her emerging sexuality does she learn that her ability has given her a curse: cold. Not just a little, either.

When things heat up "they find that fire and water always create steam."

This is my first adventure into Jean Johnson's world with the brothers, and I found myself very intrigued with the world and its characters. I did not find myself lost having not read any of her previous work, but will be finding the rest of the series soon. It was also pleasant that the romance was not the whole focus of the book. I enjoyed the entire story from the political intrigue to the romance and the internal struggles of the characters. I thoroughly enjoyed myself! Definitely worth the read and to share.