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Short Bio (50 words):

Nicholas Teegarden is a husband, father, veteran, and award-winning Christian author from small-town Oklahoma. His debut novel, *The Copper Scroll: Masa Chronicles*, combines archaeological mystery with faith and adventure, earning a ChristLit Award and a 5-star Readers' Favorite review.

Long Bio (150–200 words):

Nicholas Teegarden writes faith-fueled thrillers that explore the intersection of history, belief, and discovery. His debut, *The Copper Scroll: Masa Chronicles*, follows archaeologist Joshua “Masa” Bennett across the Middle East in a race to uncover one of history’s most enigmatic biblical relics. Praised for its vivid realism and clean storytelling, the novel has been honored with a ChristLit Award, a Readers’ Favorite 5-star review, and recognition at the Paris Book Festival.

A veteran whose global service inspires his storytelling, Teegarden aims to create cinematic fiction that uplifts while it thrills. He is currently developing the next installment in *The Masa Chronicles* alongside The Teegarden Writing Room, a growing creative community where readers and writers explore faith, art, and story together.

Masa Chronicals: The Copper Scroll

2025 Christlit Book of the Year Finalist, Amazon top 40 Suspense/Thriller, 4x Award Winner.

When American grad student and military veteran Joshua Bennett arrives in Amman, Jordan, he expects academic adventure—not a deadly race for an ancient secret. At the heart of the mystery lies the Copper Scroll, a cryptic Dead Sea artifact rumored to reveal the location of a legendary treasure hidden in the Judean desert.

But the deeper Joshua digs, the more perilous the quest becomes. Coded messages, shadowy figures, and a centuries-old conspiracy draw him into a world where every answer leads to new questions—and every ally could be an enemy. With a silent watcher in the library, a priest and a

rabbi with secrets of their own, and a warning slipped into his backpack—"The shepherd's path is not for the faint-hearted"—Joshua is thrust into a high-stakes chase across the Middle East.

As Mossad agents, Templar knights, and ISIS operatives close in, Joshua and his unlikely allies must unravel clues, dodge deadly rivals, and confront a truth that could shake the foundations of history. The journey will test his courage, convictions, and heart—because some secrets refuse to stay buried.

Rich in authentic detail and pulse-pounding suspense, *The Copper Scroll* is a gripping archaeological thriller where ancient legends collide with modern danger. Perfect for fans of Dan Brown, Steve Berry, and Indiana Jones—this is a clean, high-octane adventure you won't want to put down.

Awards:

**Christlit - now Book of the Year Finalist
Paris Book Festival Honorable Mention
Titan Literature Gold
Reader's Favorite 5-Star**

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