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Dumbledore, the headmaster from the Harry Potter series, once said, "It is a curious thing, but perhaps those who are best suited to power are those who have never sought it. Those who, like you, have leadership thrust upon them, and take up the mantle because they must, and find to their own surprise that they wear it well" (Rowling 718). In the Anglo-Saxon tale Beowulf, the protagonist embodies an ideal epic hero, mirroring similar motivations and achievements to those of Albus Dumbledore. Both men are honored, respected people; both heroes have an enemy that is feared throughout the land; and both characters have the