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**SCORE/GRADE:**

CONTEXT: *The Bronze Bow*

On the lines below, answer ONE of the following questions in a single paragraph. Be sure to refer to the events of this story to explain your answer.

***What did the author believe? Was he a member of a religious tradition, political party, or other organization? Was he associated with a social cause or movement?  
Was he associated with a particular intellectual school or mode of literature?  
How do these details make themselves apparent in the story?***

Elizabeth George Speare was a Christian and a traditionalist, despite the sharp decline in popularity of Christian values and the fragmentation of the traditional family in her contemporary society. Her faith is readily apparent in *The Bronze Bow* as she makes repeated allusions to the New Testament and even includes the historic figure of Jesus Christ as a character in her story. In addition, her family values factor in the story as she demonstrates the grievous effects which the destruction of the family unit has on Daniel and his sister. The significance of family continues to play a part as Daniel chafes under feelings of guilt and responsibility towards his sister and his grandmother even after he has committed to an outlaw's life in the mountains.