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The Urth list — 5 messages, 4 voices, 20 Sep 1998

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CRCulver — 20 Sep 1998, 22:57

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Thanks,

Christopher R. Culver <crculver at aol.com>
<http://members.aol.com/crculver/index.html>

"The darkest dreams are the ones that come true."
-Warren Defever

Marc Coleman — 21 Sep 1998, 08:20 · follows CRCulver

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Michael Straight — 21 Sep 1998, 13:52 · follows Marc Coleman

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Marc Coleman — 21 Sep 1998, 14:15 · follows Michael Straight

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Agreed (thinking of the hospital scene in particular). Last time I read it I thought it might make a good movie... marc of Serotonia

Matthew Malthouse — 22 Sep 1998, 00:50 · follows Marc Coleman

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I finished it (my first reading) last week and found myself rather unsatisfied.

Being Wolfe I was trying to keep my brain receptive to clues and curios but found nothing that really sparked. The denouement was particularly troubling. Frankly I just didn't believe it.

Is it me, or is the book?

Matthew