

Severian the Liar

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David_Lebling — 16 Dec 1998, 10:55

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Matthew Malthouse — 22 Dec 1998, 01:31 · follows David_Lebling

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But nothing in that suggests that he returned to the House Azure itself. It can't have been the only brothel in the quarter.

It may be that the phrase he used to Agia was a misdirection to forestall her asking details?

Matthew