

Sev's grandpa

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Roy C. Lackey — 14 Apr 1999, 17:20

Another point in support of my theory about Sev being his own grandfather is found when he is on the "raft" with Odilo (son of Odilo), Pega, and Thais, after the flood. It dawns on Pega that Sev looks like the image she has seen in the House Absolute of the long-gone, badly-scarred Autarch Severian, who, she thinks, looks like a cutthroat. She thinks that Sev may be descended from him. Sev says, in part:

"But wouldn't the cutthroat have to be my grandfather? Severian the Great would be eighty or more if he were alive, surely. Whom should I ask about him, Pega? My mother or my father?"

An odd thing to say, no? Wolfe wouldn't hide a clue in plain sight, would he? <g> The idea of intergenerational, familial resemblance had been prefigured in the chapter when Sev recognized Odilo as being the son of the Odilo he had known.

On Tue, 13 Apr 1999 14:27:40 GMT Jonathan Laidlow wrote:

And how does this interbreeding produce the saviour? Surely the results would be much less favourable....<<

Well, I don't want to start a religious debate, but the most recent Christian holiday is related. <g> Jesus, Who is Lord, Son of God, engendered by the Third Member of the Trinity, Which is One.

Roy