

sorry - relic from the hand of God

The Urth list — 4 messages, 4 voices, 17 Dec 2002

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maa32 — 17 Dec 2002, 14:02

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James Wynn — 17 Dec 2002, 16:16 · follows maa32

Marc explains:

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If you did not feel it was right to pass on the information you should have kept its existence to yourself. Having done so, you could still ask Mr. Wolfe for permission to share it, stipulating that you won't do so without his leave.

<Mr. Ethicist> Crush

matthew.malthouse — 17 Dec 2002, 16:29 · follows James Wynn

On 17/12/2002 16:16:06 James Wynn wrote:
<Mr. Ethicist> Crush

Just for once: "What He Said".

Matthew

James Jordan — 17 Dec 2002, 17:53 · follows matthew.malthouse

At 10:16 AM 12/17/2002, you wrote:
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I'm not sure that's fair. It does enlighten us. Marc says he was both right and wrong about Urth and Blue. Doesn't that tell us quite a bit? Blue is not Urth. But Marc was also right -- about something.

1. Marc has argued about smart trees on Urth. He tells us he was right about that. So this is not the "right" information he is withholding.
2. Marc as argued that Blue is Ushas. Hypothesis: Marc was right that Blue is in some sense Urth/Ushas. But he was also wrong.

It seems to me that this is quite a lot of information.

I've posted what seems to me to be a valid inference from it, and about the only way I can think of for the Blue=Urth thesis to be both right and wrong.

Of course, I may be wrong. There may be another solution. Or Marc may have been writing about a different aspect of things.

But no matter what, his post advances the discussion, even if he is not free to give us all the clues he now has.

Nutria