

Outsider=Pas & Kypris?

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James Wynn — 24 Jun 2005, 06:40

Nastler says:

Before the old Gnostic argument cycles through again,
I'd just like to flag the discovery of the secular
nature of Silks enlightenment made by Marc Aramini
almost two years ago (10Oct2003) but not really
discussed on the list.

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Most important, in the Outsider's discussion with Silk at the Hotel pool, he explicitly differentiates himself from the Gods of the Whorl. He says they are *becoming* him by mimicking him (Remember Mint's argument that Spider's spies will have to fight and work like the most devoted citizens so they will be trusted).

There are a lot of potential reasons why Silk hears male and female voices during his enlightenment even if we could say for a fact that the voices were Pas's and Kypris's. For example: Since Kypris was already *becoming* the Outsider and during 300 year voyage of the ship, Pas surely was well along that process, the Outsider talked to them in the voices of his images on the ship.

But there are other reasons for this in the themes and symbols of Gnosticism and alchemy that Wolfe his riffing on.

~ Crush

Roy C. Lackey — 24 Jun 2005, 13:06 · follows James Wynn

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Pas in Oreb? I don't think so. That was Scylla. (RTTW, 348)

-Roy