

Typhon

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Dan — 05 Jul 2005, 18:55

At 02:00 PM 7/5/2005, Chris <rasputin_ at hotmail.com> wrote:

If Typhon's concern for his face was unrelated to this superlative leadership ability then it would seem like more mundane factors like familiarity provide only minor motivation to go to so much trouble/discomfort, balanced as they are by the fact that as familiar as his face might be, the whole two-headed monster thing isn't exactly familiar (or positive, either). It gets points for intimidation, but a big penalty for anybody inclined to view him as a freak of "nature".

IIRC, Typhon said that Piaton's head could eventually be removed once his took over the basic bodily functions. Evidently he was deposed before this happened which was long before Sev revived him. It is odd that he allowed this image to persist on the starcrosser. Perhaps the translation technique would not allow this image to be edited, so it was incorporated into the pantheon.

Dan

Chris — 05 Jul 2005, 20:37 · in reply to Dan

This has been discussed a few times, I believe. It doesn't seem likely that the image was tied inextricably to physical appearance, unless you think that Echidne really looked like a monster, etc. It does seem to have something to do with self-image, as we see with Tartaros. But it seems just as unlikely that Echidne self-identified in such a monstrous way; even monstrous people tend to think of themselves in a better light. But if Typhon was capable of imposing this image on her, it then raises the question of why he didn't fix his own.

Perhaps he had been two-headed for so long that he self-identified that way and couldn't alter the image without damaging his personality. (This assumes he'd naturally be less concerned about damaging the personalities of his wife and children).

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