

eclipse

The Urth list — 5 messages, 3 voices, 10 Jun 2008

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Marc Aramini — 10 Jun 2008, 16:42

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Marc Aramini — 10 Jun 2008, 17:02 · follows Marc Aramini

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Roy C. Lackey — 10 Jun 2008, 18:46 · follows Marc Aramini

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Marc Aramini — 10 Jun 2008, 19:55 · follows Roy C. Lackey

I don't think that the different universe issue is necessarily a problem if ossipago famulimus and barbatus (from the top of my head I know I murdered those names) sev and the green man and even tzadkiel and the ship can move between their places and the urth

Jeff Wilson — 11 Jun 2008, 03:03 · in reply to Roy C. Lackey

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She does use of a sort of dimensional portal to deposit Severian back on the Ship, already back in Briah, and is visible to him for a while after. (URTH, late Ch 22 - early Ch 23) He records seeing her in place of the moon while he scrounges among the wreckage of the flood in way similar to that earlier appearance. (can't get Amazon's "look inside" to let me check the chapter, but it's p. 340 out of 386 in the edition they offer just now)

In the earlier sequence, Severian is unable to avoid entering the portal and speculates it could be gravity or escaping air that forces him. If it's gravity, then it's possible that the Yesodis can pipe in their gravity as needed; if it's "just" air, they still may be able to bodily portal in planets to provide gravity, though I doubt they'd remove their own planet from Yesod.

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