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m.driussi — 09 Jul 1998, 03:33

Matthew Malthouse,

Rather than the JFK riff, I shoulda followed my first impulse:

"Would it be easier to grasp if you considered Sev's ship time and Yesod high jinks as a sort of Egyptian Book of the Dead?

"Pharaoh died and went into the heavens. At the umpteenth gate, the guardian asked, `Do you still claim to be Pharaoh?' And he looked within himself and saw that, although being Pharaoh was at the core of his self-image, his sense of identity, that this too was just a mask, a thing of Earth, a role he had played while on Earth. But now divorced from that stage, apart from that contextual reality, he could see that it wasn't him, no, it was just another mask he had confused himself with. No greater or lesser than the gilded sandals, the wand and the flail, the double crown--this was just another prop. Another thing to let go of in the purifying process of working through the afterlife maze . . . "

Then again, maybe not! A tangent too far.

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