

father & sun are one

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m.driussi — 18 Feb 1997, 04:54

Reply: Item #1485046 from WHORL at LISTS.BEST.COM@INET#

alga,

Well, to be honest about my motives and partisanship, I'm pretty sure (hedgeword) that I like your Tartaros Rex theory because it works so well in the Osiris mode!

But to give you the workout that you deserve . . . if Pas is just a puppet, then who is fighting Echidna, and how, and why? If Tartaros can't use images because he's blind, then Tartaros cannot be the puppetmaster, right? So an accomplice, like Kypris, or, oh Thelexiepeia (I got this new theory about her . . . I'm sure you can guess), or maybe Kypris and Thel together. Anyway, okay, we'll say for the sake of your theory that some non-Tartaros agency does that whole Punch and Judy, Pas and Echidna act on the wide screen tv for the Cargo's viewing pleasure and edification (IV, 204-205). If Pas isn't real, then what are they using against Echidna? And why didn't Tartaros do any or all of this before, in the last few decades? (Or is the Echidna in the Echidna-fighting-Pas scene a fake, too?)

(Another cool thing about Tartaros Rex is that, image-less, he moves closer to the transcendent god . . . like Sphigx . . . and others even more popular. No more burning fig trees for this sky god!)

Then again, you know what I think of the Pas Pizzaman theory ("He Delivers! Nine chiliads or the pizza is free!"). And I don't think the Cargo is all riffraff--even though you might be excluding the Sleepers, I think we can gauge Typhon's intentions more clearly with the Sleepers than with the generational colonists. Seems to me that the Sleepers were chosen by slavers looking for beauty--it amounts to beautiful Athenians being shipped away to the Island of the Minotaur. Rather than a Botany Bay (or actually worse--like Aushwitz), I sense that Typhon was trying for a Xanadu. ("Monarch Typhon, you've just added Urth to your kingdom and are well on the way to re-establishing the galactic empire--what will you do next?" "I'm going to Disneyplanet!")

Hey, look! By talking about the end we've ended up at the beginning. We struggle to define the Mission of The Whorl: a two hundred year (subjective) journey, one way, to establish a colony for the glory of the Monarch; or a food delivery, in exchange for payment difficult to imagine (unless, in a slightly circular manner, the inhumani sold Typhon the Mainframe and the software in exchange for a boatload of bathing beauties and hunky hunks?).

(Imagine the culture rift on Blue between the generational colonists and the Sleepers! Can't wait for the Short Sun series!)

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