

godling as assassin of Silk

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Robert Borski — 26 Feb 2001, 16:40

vizcacha having written:

<In fact, spinning this into more of an idea, what if Horn/Silk's wounds were made by a godling? I brought this idea up before but didn't have any idea for a motive. It occurs to me that if a godling commanded Silk to preach the end of the exodus, he might well have refused, even to the point of violence. A thin reed to build a theory on, I know...>

This was pretty much the argument I made in my first Piggie post, only I had Pig being the godling involved, and postulated slightly different motives than you for the dastardly deed.

But as far as your core thesis goes--that a godling may have killed Silk--I'm right with you.

I've also speculated with David DiGiacomo in private correspondence that the person who attempted to assassinate Caldé Mint might have been a godling. Mint, as she tells us, put a halt to the leaving of all landers shortly after the first darkday--thus putting her at odds with the godlings' instructions at the time.

Now for the tie-in question. Up until what point did the godlings preach their thou-must-leave-the-whorl dictate? Is it just a coincidence that the first time we hear the new message about staying is shortly after Horn has come to the Whorl via the Silk transfusion? Why now, and not earlier/later?

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Endymion9 — 27 Feb 2001, 15:40 · follows Robert Borski

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My opinion I suggested in an earlier post. I think the godlings message did not change until after Horn had interfaced with the godling. I think Horn gave a report of the (sorry) state of Blue/Green. I think at this time Silk took control of the Passilk mainframe entity and wrote off Blue/Green and began the mission of preparing to leave the whorl and look for a better location.

Dennis/Endy

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