

# Silk lives!

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Peter Cash — 09 Jun 1997, 12:08

Michael Richman wrote:

I was rather surprised with this announcement because I got the impression at the end of Exodus that the Outsider had abandoned Silk. I don't think Silk would have survived to the end of the series without the active help of the Outsider, and I pictured him dying a few minutes after Horn last saw him.

I don't think the Outsider abandoned Silk at all--I think Silk was forced to realize how badly he had misunderstood the Outsider. Nor do I think that Silk died; he's a survivor, and he's likely to live through even the worst disaster--he can't help it.

I found the ending to Long Sun very disturbing (even more than Urth) in that it seemed that Silk had been betrayed by everything he'd believed in, and that all he had left was Oreb.

Rest assured that I found it equally disturbing! (And I wasn't so sure about Oreb...) Now that I've had time to think about it, though, I'm really interested to see what Silk does next. How does he react to his world crashing into pieces? Does he come to understand that the Outsider is a spiritual God, and not at all like the programs in Mainframe? Does he come to a better understanding of Love (and that Hyacinth isn't its embodiment?)

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