## Episode 13: The Key of Zarathustra, Rart Two

## BRIEF SYMOPSIS

The cast learns that 'Morturom Demonto,' the book that Nectanebus uses in the future to rip open the Hellmouth, is currently (as in of this time) being written. Urigan, the priest of Eriskagal who is writing the book, believes that it comes from Eriskigal, when in actuality it is coming from Humbaba, the evil force in the woods that is controlling the evil dead. They undertake a mission to rescue Shamhasa from Ralkgall, one of Urigan's most trusted disciples, but then must obtain the Sun Sword of Utu, a powerful artifact, to exorcise her of possession by one of the Evil Dead. In doing so, they win their first major victory against Humbaba the Terrible and plan a final assault on the temple after stopping a Deadite operation to raise an army of undead, and stealing the weapons and armor for their own people.

## **Quotes and Great Moments**

Matthew brings the head of Ralkgall to Shamhasa's father. He accepts it and grants Matthew permission to court his daughter.

(As Shamhasa slips into his tent and disrobes) "Not good..."-Matthew

Shamhasa and Matthew have a very nice time together. © The entire cast can hear the moans coming from his tent. Anita finds herself extremely relieved and racked with jealousy all at the same time.

Everything that has happened begins to sink in for Anita and Klaus. Anita in particular seems to struggle with the knowledge that she is at least in part responsible for Drake's death. Klaus attempts to challenge these conclusions to no avail. When he finally leaves her to go to sleep, Anita cries and gouges the insides of her arms in anguish. Both suffer nightmares that are so severe they remain affected the next day.

"Your old man's coming."-Matthew
"Oh, \*\*\*\*!"-Shamhasa

"I see you're already roused..."-Enkidu
"Yep..."-Matthew

Shamhasa gets possessed by a deadite. Matthew begs Anita to 'fix" her. Using her limited knowledge of spirit mastery, enhanced by ritual, Anita attempts to exorcise the demon from Shamhasa, and is assaulted by the taint of Humbaba. She grabs the sides of her head and screams as blood pours from her nose and ears and she suffers a fit of Madness before passing out cold.

\*Elaborate for the magically challenged, please."-Matthew

"Uh, Matthew? Gods don't have boobs!"-Anita

The cast is able to obtain the Sunsword of Utu. John uses it to kill Shamhasa, who is restored to normal. She throws her arms around Matthew and professes her thanks.

"Well, that's just typical..."-John