*Aloy*

The ignorance. The stupidity. All that violence, the sacrifices, the red raids, the wars. For stupid fantasies. All because of ignorance. If they would only knew.

I don’t know if it would make a difference.

Of course it would.

I don’t know if anyone will believe it.

Why wouldn’t they? We did.

They stand to lose so much.

Didn’t we?

Not like the Sun priests, the sun king, the high matriarchs. They have devoted their whole lifes to something that’s… their whole power comes from something that will turn out to be untrue.

Yes. So we’ll do away with them.

How?

The Eclipse, with all our machines, with you, we’re stronger than they are.

I’ve seen enough attacks, enough violence. It changed nothing.

But this is different. This isn’t about a power struggle or about religious fanaticism. If we did away with all their superstitious ignorance, we could have a society based on research, on science, on knowledge. Where asking questions is not frowned upon, where curiosity is seen as a virtue. We could have laws independent on narcissistic shamans and priests claiming that they heard the word of the one true god. We could have justice, equal laws for everyone. We could have peace.

A man with equal beautiful words about peace and progress and a slight thirst for power caused the apocalypse a thousand years ago.

Yes. Because of ignorance as well. It was a design flaw that caused life to be extinct, not a vision. Arrogance. No failsafes. But we know, we won’t make the same mistakes.

I doubt it.

So you see this world, with all that is wrong, all this useless cruelty based on lies, arrogance and ego’s, and you have the power to change it, and you won’t? You won’t even try?

You wan’t to force people to agree with you under threats of death? How does that make us better then they are?

Because we are right.

The mad sunking believed the same, till the very moment he died.

But he wasn’t, that’s the point. You talk like it’s a matter of opinion, but it ain’t. The truth is only one thing. The tribes, the religions, allmother, the Banuk shamans, it’s all lies, fantasies, it’s stupid people telling themselves stupid stories to make sense of what they don’t understand. And then believing them so fiercely that they banish or kill anyone who questions them. It doesn’t have to be that way. Men made these machines, we can do it again. Think of the possibilities, the riches! There will be no more draughts, no more famine, no more miners lungs, no more accidents, no cripples. No more hard work. Everyone could have a home as big as a palace. There will be no wars. With no scarcities left there will be nothing to fight over.

I don’t know Sylens.

What not?

The religions, the tribes, they’re only an excuse for violence, I don’t think they are the reason.

Then what is?

I don’t know.

You make a weak case for your views Aloy.

Yeah. Probably. But you don’t believe any of it, you have the truth, and you still talk about violence. So I guess you don’t make a very strong case neither.

But violence for good. You think I like it? You think when the Eclipse started killing and raiding, I could sleep at night? Not being haunted by hundreds of faces of people I never knew that might not have died if I didn’t start it in the first place? We can make it all right. It might be hard, but it will be worth it, for hundreds of generations to come.

Yeah. All violence is for good, always for good.

You sound bitter.

I am.

You’re just scared. You have a chance at making the world better, of doing good, real actual good, once in your life, and you are just scared you will fail.

I am. I still won’t join you Sylens.

*Aloy gets up without even looking at Sylens. Mount’s up.*

Where are you going?

To the sacred lands.

For what?

There is still some things that don’t make sense. And… maybe, help them to... never mind.

Sylens wants to retake the Eclipse

Sylens sees a world based on knowledge

Sylens wants to attack Meridian

Final Aloy Sylens scene

Side mission ideas? Story, dialogue?