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How could I have not seen the true path? I see
it now so clearly. But can I get another chance to
make things right?

They came. They came to D'ni - those who felt
called. I knew they would. I was prepared for
them, and I pointed the way. I spoke often of the
pride of D'ni, of their belief in their own power
and strength and the reason that D'ni once fell. And
a few understand. And they begin to follow me. I am
the Grower - I would lead them to rebuild.

Yet another burden.



But what is the task of a grower? My Father wrote another Age, but I see that the tree is not a place, but a people - the heart of a people. That is what must grow.

If only I had another chance to make things

right. The tablet is the key - how could I have failed?



