Solaris Compared

Tarkovsky (1972) Soderbergh (2002)

Deeply Russian Manifestly American

Long, very silent Compact, fairly silent

Meditative Mnemonic

Staggering for audience Question-raising for audience

Existential Gestural

Palate more color-driven Palate more cold

Natural and rural Urban Professional

Anti-2001 2001-like

Sets more shabby Sets more functional

Station's library & civilization [No real equivalent]

Purpose of Suffering Purpose of Existence

More Spiritual More Psychological

Meaning of the conscience Meaning of mental stability

Love of Wife, Mother, & Father Love of Wife

Love of Father/motherland Love of individual existence

Guilt and Forgiveness Guilt and Forgiveness

Nature of Pity and Love Nature of Love

Idealized polis/paranoia Capitalist ennui

Brugel's *The Hunters in the Snow* John Donne

Kati more symbolic Rheya more troubled

Snaut (Snow) more noble, cultured Snow (II) more uneasily comic

Sartorius-- duty-driven, inhuman Gordon—driven and fearful