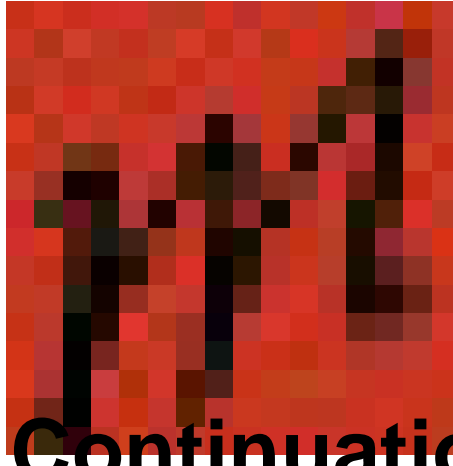


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The sacred books of the ancient Persians said : "If you want to be holy, instruct your children, because all the good deeds they do will be imputed to you." [\[1\]](#) They advised marrying early, because the children would be like a bridge on Judgment Day, and those who had no children would not be able to cross over. These doctrines were false, but they were very useful.

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[\[1\]](#) Mr. Hyde.