In many popular or semi-popular books which present the criticism of the Pentateuch one finds such statements, for instance in the latest edition of Peake's Commentary, page , such statements as the following:

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"The J document, which was written in about the ninth century, B.C., uses the name JHWH for God." 'The E document which was written in northern Israel about a century later, uses the name Elohim for God."

These statements give an entirely false impression. All of the documents of the Pentateuch, as the critics divide them, use the name JHWH far more than they use the name Elohim. The fact that this name was not unknown to the E document or to the P document is readily seen if one will simply read the portions of the book of Numbers which belong to either of these documents, or will read the Book of Leviticus which is entirely allotted to the P document, and which contains the name JHWH semment times and does not contain the name Elohim used absolutely at all.

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