

Dorcas as outcast?

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Greene, Carlton — 28 Sep 1999, 14:34

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Kuhlmann, Kurt — 28 Sep 1999, 13:09 · follows Greene, Carlton

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-----Original Message-----

From: Greene, Carlton [mailto:CGreene2 at hunton.com]

Sent: Tuesday, September 28, 1999 12:34 PM

To: urth at lists.best.com

Subject: (urth) Dorcas as outcast?

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and other works

Ron Hale-Evans — 28 Sep 1999, 12:28 · follows Kuhlmann, Kurt

At 01:09 PM 9/28/99 -0600, you wrote:

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Or perhaps it was a brand name, or a maker's mark.

Greetings, all -- new to the list.

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