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The relation of the 1361 Koan earthquake to the damage of Ise Grand Shrine Geku

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The existence of Tonankai earthquake paired with the 1361(the first year of Koan) Nankai earthquake has not made clear so far. We have investigated the occurrence pattern of 1361 Tonankai and Nankai earthquake from historical materials of Ise Grand Shrine.

Jingu Monjo included the letter dated of August 3, 1361 from Tadatou Otugi who was the head of Mibu family showed that a certain earthquake in June 1361 had damaged to Ontsukabashira of Ise Grand Shrine Geku. And the other request letter on Tasukegi from Tadanao who was the chief priest of Ise Grand Shrine indicated that there had been such a serious damage that the pillar and the wall of Geku had been destroyed by the earthquake in the same month when Nankai earthquake had occurred.

The last studies considered, the damage of Ise Grand Shrine Geku was caused by Tonankai earthquake, and there was the possibility that occurred in a few days before Nankai earthquake or simultaneously.

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