So What is the solution

I wish someone would have written it down

Upgrading Dovecot Debian Wheezy to Jessie

The automatic upgrade is pretty straight forward and you probably need only to check the configs for changes and merge them. For me dovecot came up after the restart and was doing its work. However I received the following errors in /var/log/mail.err

dovecot: master: Error: systemd listens on port 143, but it's not configured in Dovecot. Closing. dovecot: master: Error: systemd listens on port 993, but it's not configured in Dovecot. Closing. dovecot: master: Error: systemd listens on port 993, but it's not configured in Dovecot. Closing.

Looking for this in the net, I could only find a maintainer discussion about socket vs. service configuration and what happens if both is set? What config should have precedence (the config actually).

That pointed me to the socket configuration within Systemd. Indeed within the update the socket unit file was activated (in /etc/systemd/system/sockets.target.wants).

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To get rid of the error, just deactivate the dovecot.socket via systemctl disable dovecot.socket

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