

Eutychus Falls from the Window

During Paul's lengthy sermon at Troas, a young man named Eutychus falls asleep and tumbles from a third-story window to his death, but Paul raises him back to life through God's power.

Acts 20:7-12

CHARACTERS: Paul, Eutychus, Disciples at Troas

THEMES: Resurrection Power, Preaching, Fellowship, Divine Miracles, Perseverance

UPON THE FIRST day of the week, when the disciples came together to break bread, Paul preached unto them, ready to depart on the morrow. The congregation gathered in an upper chamber on the third loft of a house in Troas, and many lights were burning. Paul, knowing this would be his last opportunity to minister to them, continued his speech until midnight.

There sat in a window a young man named Eutychus, who was listening to Paul's discourse. As Paul prolonged his speech, Eutychus was overcome with sleep. As he sank down with sleep, he fell from the third loft down to the ground below. Those present rushed down and took him up dead.

Paul went down and fell on him, and embracing him said, 'Trouble not yourselves; for his life is in him.' The power of God that raised Jesus from the dead was present to restore life to this young man.

When Paul had come up again into the upper chamber and had broken bread and eaten, he talked a long while, even till break of day, and so departed. The miracle had not shortened his message. And they brought the young man alive, and were not a little comforted.

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