

# SAILING, SPEAKING & SLEEPING IN CHURCH

The Acts of the Apostles - Part 45

Acts 20:1-12

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*“After I have been there, I must also see Rome.”*

Acts 19:21 (NASB)

*“And after the uproar had ceased, Paul sent for the disciples and when he had exhorted them and taken his leave of them, he departed to go to Macedonia. And when he had gone through those districts and had given them much exhortation, he came to Greece.”*

Acts 20:1-2 (NASB)

*Encouragement is really the gift of \_\_\_\_\_.*

*“And there he spent three months, and when a plot was formed against him by the Jews as he was about to set sail for Syria, he determined to return through Macedonia.”*

Acts 20:3 (NASB)

*“And he was accompanied by Sopater of Berea, the son of Pyrrus; and by Aristarchus and Secundus of the Thessalonians; and Gaius of Derbe, and Timothy; and Tychicus and Trophimus of Asia. But these had gone on ahead and were waiting for us at Troas.”*

Acts 20:4-5 (NASB)

*“I, Tertius, who write this letter, greet you in the Lord. Gaius, host to me and to the whole church, greets you. Erastus, the city treasurer greets you, and Quartus, the brother.”*

Romans 16:22-23 (NASB)

## 1. \_\_\_\_\_ about the early church.

*“And on the first day of the week, when we were gathered together to break bread, Paul began talking to them, intending to depart the next day, and he prolonged his message until midnight.” Acts 20:7 (NASB)*

- They \_\_\_\_\_ on the \_\_\_\_\_ of the week.
- The ministry was for the \_\_\_\_\_.
- The \_\_\_\_\_.
- The \_\_\_\_\_ of the \_\_\_\_\_ was \_\_\_\_\_.

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## 2. A young man \_\_\_\_\_.

“And there were many lamps in the upper room where we were gathered together. And there was a certain young man named Eutychus sitting on the window sill, sinking into a deep sleep; and as Paul kept on talking, he was overcome by sleep and fell down from the third floor, and was picked up dead.”

Acts 20:8-9 (NASB)

“We are in an upstairs room, with the gentle light and shadows cast by several lamps. Paul is carrying on an extended dialogue with the believers, taking advantage of every moment since we plan to leave at first light. The conversation stretches on until midnight. A young fellow named Eutychus, seeking some fresh air, moves to an open window. Paul keeps on talking. Eutychus perches in the open window itself. Paul keeps talking. Eutychus drifts off to sleep. Paul continues talking until Eutychus, now overcome by deep sleep, drops out of the window and falls three stories to the ground, where he is found dead.” (The Voice)

### Three reasons to feel sorry for Eutychus:

- He went to \_\_\_\_\_ on Paul.
- He \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.
- Luke \_\_\_\_\_ it for all \_\_\_\_\_.

### Why people sleep in church:

- It's \_\_\_\_\_.
- There are \_\_\_\_\_ factors.
- \_\_\_\_\_ or \_\_\_\_\_.
- It's \_\_\_\_\_.
- It is a \_\_\_\_\_ preacher.

### 3. Three words to take with us.

1. \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_

“And when he had gone back up, and had broken bread and eaten, he talked with them a long while, until daybreak, and so departed.” Acts 20:11 (NASB)

“Then Paul goes back upstairs, celebrates the breaking of bread, and—just as you might guess—keeps on conversing until first light. Then he leaves.” (The Voice)