

²¹ When these things were fulfilled, Paul, through the Breath, was set on going through the provinces of Macedonia and Achaia and finally into Jerusalem, saying,

“After I have been there, it is then necessary for me to also see Rome.”

²² After sending two of those who were serving him, Timothy and Erastus, into the province of Macedonia, Paul continued to pause for a time in the province of Asia.

²³ During that season, a considerable agitation about the Way happened. ²⁴ Someone named Demetrius, a silversmith making silver sanctuaries of Artemis, was providing considerable work to the technicians. ²⁵ After gathering all those of the same work together, Demetrius said,

“Men! You are aware that our good journey in life is because of this work! ²⁶ See and listen! Not only Ephesus, but almost all the province of Asia, has been persuaded by this Paul, who has removed an adequate crowd, saying,

‘The gods made with hands do not exist!’

²⁷ Not only is this in danger of being exposed for us, but also the temple-complex of the great goddess Artemis will be accounted as nothing! Her magnificence, which all the province of Asia and civilization are revering, is about to be taken down!”

²⁸ Listening and becoming full of passion, they began shouting, saying,

“Artemis of the Ephesians is great!”

²⁹ When the city had been stirred up, they communally charged into the theater, apprehending the Macedonians, Gaius and Aristarchus, who were outsiders travelling with Paul. ³⁰ Though Paul was desiring to go into the midst of the public, the apprentices were not allowing him. ³¹ Even some of the leaders of the province of Asia, who were being friendly to Paul, were exhorting him so he would not give himself to the theater. ³² Those in the theater began shouting at one another, for the community was being stirred up. Many of them did not see the cause for coming together, ³³ but some from the crowd concluded it was Alexander, who the Judeans were throwing forward. Shaking a hand, Alexander began wanting to explain himself before the public. ³⁴ Recognizing that he was Judean, they shouted with one voice for about two hours,

“Artemis of the Ephesians is great!”

³⁵ After quieting the crowd, the city’s writer enlightened,

“Men of Ephesus! Who among humanity does not know that the city of Ephesus is the sanctuary-keeper of the great Artemis and of the things which fell from Zeus? ³⁶ Because these things are indisputable, it is necessary for you to possess quietness and to do nothing that will cause you to fall on your face. ³⁷ For you brought forward these men, who are not temple-robbers and who are not slandering our god. ³⁸ If Demetrius and those technicians with him have a word against someone, then let them be called in to others—to the places of trade and to the provincial governors. ³⁹ If you are seeking after something, it

will have to be settled in the legal community. ⁴⁰ For we are in danger of being called in for a standoff today, possessing no able reason for this conspiracy.”

⁴¹ After saying these things, he released the community. ^{20.1} When the disturbance stopped, Paul summoned the apprentices and was exhorting them. Embracing them, Paul left Ephesus to go into the province of Macedonia.

² After coming through the province of Macedonia and exhorting them through many words about the Lord, Paul came into Greece. ³ After three months, the Judeans made a plot against him, while he was about to go up into the province of Syria. When it became known, Paul turned back through the province of Macedonia. ⁴ Sopater of Pyrrhus from Berea, Aristarchus and Secundus from Thessalonica, Gaius from Derbe, Tychicus and Trophimus from the province of Asia, and also Timothy began going with him. ⁵ After going on ahead, they remained in Troas, waiting for us. ⁶ After the days of Unyeasted Bread, we boated out from Philippi and, within five days, we came to those in Troas, where we stayed seven days.

⁷ On the first of the Sabbaths, when we had gathered to break bread, Paul began addressing those in Troas, since he was about to leave on the next day. He extended the word out till midnight, ⁸ since there were adequate lamps in the highest room where we had been gathering. ⁹ Sitting in the window, a young man named Eutychus was falling into a deep slumber, while Paul was addressing many things. After he fell into the slumber, Eutychus fell down from the third story and was picked up dead. ¹⁰ Going down, Paul fell upon Eutychus and, taking him, said,

“Do not be disturbed! His life is still within him.”

¹¹ Then, after going back up, breaking bread, partaking of it, and talking for an adequate time till first light, Paul left. ¹² They brought the servant home alive and they were exceedingly comforted because of it.