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⁷On the first day of the week, when we were gathered together to break bread, Paul talked with them, intending to depart on the next day, and he prolonged his speech until midnight.
⁸There were many lamps in the upper room where we were gathered.

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⁹And a young man named Eutychus, sitting at the window, sank into a deep sleep as Paul talked still longer. And being overcome by sleep, he fell down from the third story and was taken up dead.
¹⁰But Paul went down and bent over him, and taking him in his arms, said, "Do not be alarmed, for his life is in him."

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¹¹And when Paul had gone up and had broken bread and eaten, he conversed with them a long while, until daybreak, and so departed. ¹²And they took the youth away alive, and were not a little comforted. —Acts 20:7-12 ESV

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"The art of preaching is talking in other people's sleep."

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The Priority of Weekly Worship

Acts 20:7

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Matthew 28:1 | Acts 20:7
1 Corinthians 16:2

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“I don’t believe in ‘Churchianity,’
but neither do I believe in Christianity
without the church gathered.”

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²⁴And let us consider how to
stir up one another to love and
good works, ²⁵not neglecting to
meet together, as is the habit of
some, but encouraging one
another, and all the more as
you see the Day drawing near.

—Hebrews 10:24-25 ESV

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The Problem of Weary Worshippers

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Three Key Questions for Biblical Interpretation

What does it say?

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What does it mean?

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What does it mean to me personally?

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Matthew 26:40-41

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The Peril of a Fatal Fall

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—Acts 20:9 ESV

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⁶⁹Now Peter was sitting outside in the courtyard. And a servant girl came up to him and said, “You also were with Jesus the Galilean.” ⁷⁰But he denied it before them all, saying, “I do not know what you mean.” ⁷¹And when he went out to the entrance, another servant girl saw him, and she said to the bystanders,

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“This man was with Jesus of Nazareth.” ⁷²And again he denied it with an oath: “I do not know the Man.” ⁷³After a little while the bystanders came up and said to Peter, “Certainly you too are one of them, for your accent betrays you.”

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⁷⁴Then he began to invoke a curse on himself and to swear, “I do not know the Man.” And immediately the rooster crowed. ⁷⁵And Peter remembered the saying of Jesus, “Before the rooster crows, you will deny Me three times.” And he went out and wept bitterly.

—Matthew 26:69-75 ESV

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The Power of
Spiritual Awakening

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conversed = homily
Luke 24:14-15 (Emmaus)

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“Paul’s life was so linked with the purpose of God that he became a channel for the power of God to work in the lives of others.”
—Brian Harbour

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¹¹Besides this you know the time, that the hour has come for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we first believed. ¹²The night is far gone; the day is at hand. So then let us cast off the works of darkness and put on the armor of light.

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¹³Let us walk properly as in the daytime, not in orgies and drunkenness, not in sexual immorality and sensuality, not in quarreling and jealousy. ¹⁴But put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires. —Romans 13:11-14 ESV

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