

# Seth's Window

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Seth pushed and weaved his way through the crowd up the 38 steps to the upstairs room.



It was packed with people, hot, sweaty and squashy, “There must be three hundred of us in here,” he thought.



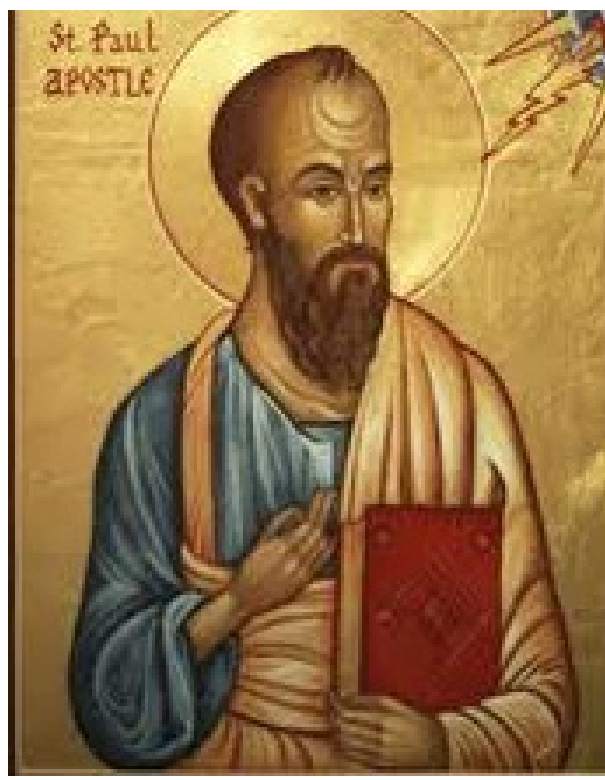
There were more men than women, five times more he reckoned. He was excited and wanted to see a miracle.



As he was shorter than most people in the room he climbed up onto a window ledge.



Now he was above the head height of the adults. He thought to himself, "I am five heads high, and it would take three more heads stacked on top of mine to reach the roof. The adults are seven heads high."



Paul was in the front telling stories and healing people. They were crying with joy. It was very exciting. Paul was talking about things but Seth could not understand a lot of

it. So he looked out the window and in the darkness he saw people on the ground who could not get inside.





He worked out that the courtyard was about ten metres wide and twenty metres long. In each square metre you could fit four Roman soldiers standing close together.

Thirty-five people were downstairs trying to listen.



His last game was to guess how many hands joined together would measure a warhorse, and how many horses would reach from the ground to his window ledge.



Seth began to feel sleepy and his counting games no longer kept him awake.

Seth awoke with a start. He was lying down and many faces were looking down at him.

The faces were dark, as the light of the torches was above them.

Paul was putting his  
arms around him,  
lifting him up!



All the people shouted  
and clapped and

prayed....It was  
confusing to be the  
centre of all of this and  
not to understand.



Paul led Seth upstairs  
and sat him at the front  
of the hall. He said that  
God healed him from  
his fall out the window.

Seth had not just seen a miracle; he was a walking talking one!



Paul told the crowd that common sense would tell us that 'Seth is dead', but that God's numbers is special. One person can have two lives.



Jesus turned two fish  
and five slices of bread  
into thousands of  
portions of fish and  
bread.



Seth decided then and there to study more about the numbers of heaven.



The original historical account that is the basis of this story can be read in the Bible, book of Acts Chapter 20: 7-12. The name of the boy was Eutychus, which is more difficult to read and pronounce than the “Seth” of this story.

The story opens up many possibilities for building from the narrative into mathematical discussions and calculations.