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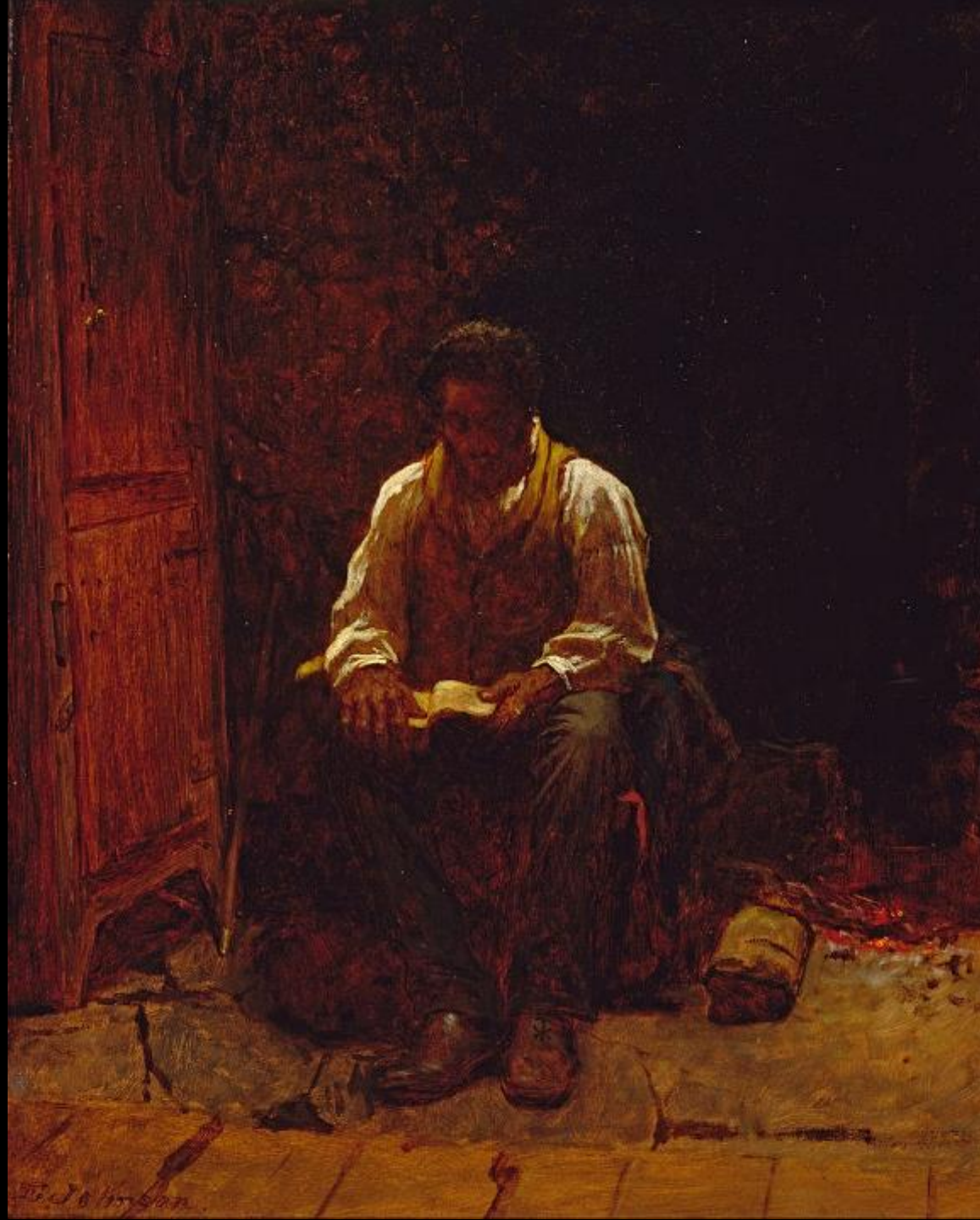
Acts 9:36-43 • Psalm 23 •
Revelation 7:9-17 • John 10:22-30

Even though I walk through the darkest valley, I fear no evil; for you are with me; your rod and your staff-- they comfort me.

Psalm 23:4

The Lord is My Shepherd

Eastman Johnson
Smithsonian Museum of
American Art
Washington, DC

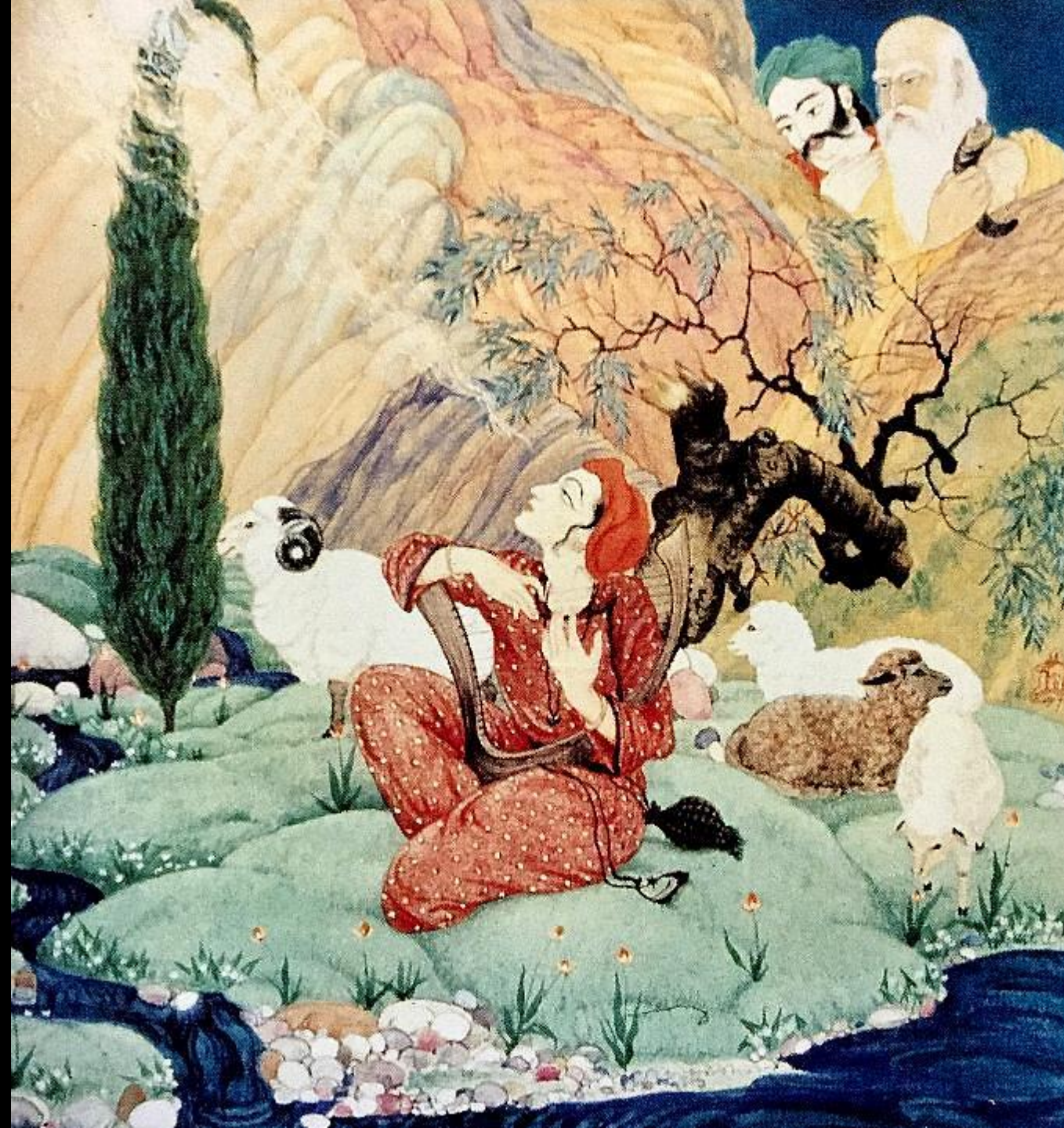


for the Lamb ... will be their shepherd,
and he will guide them to springs of
the water of life and God will wipe
away every tear from their eyes.

Revelation 7:17

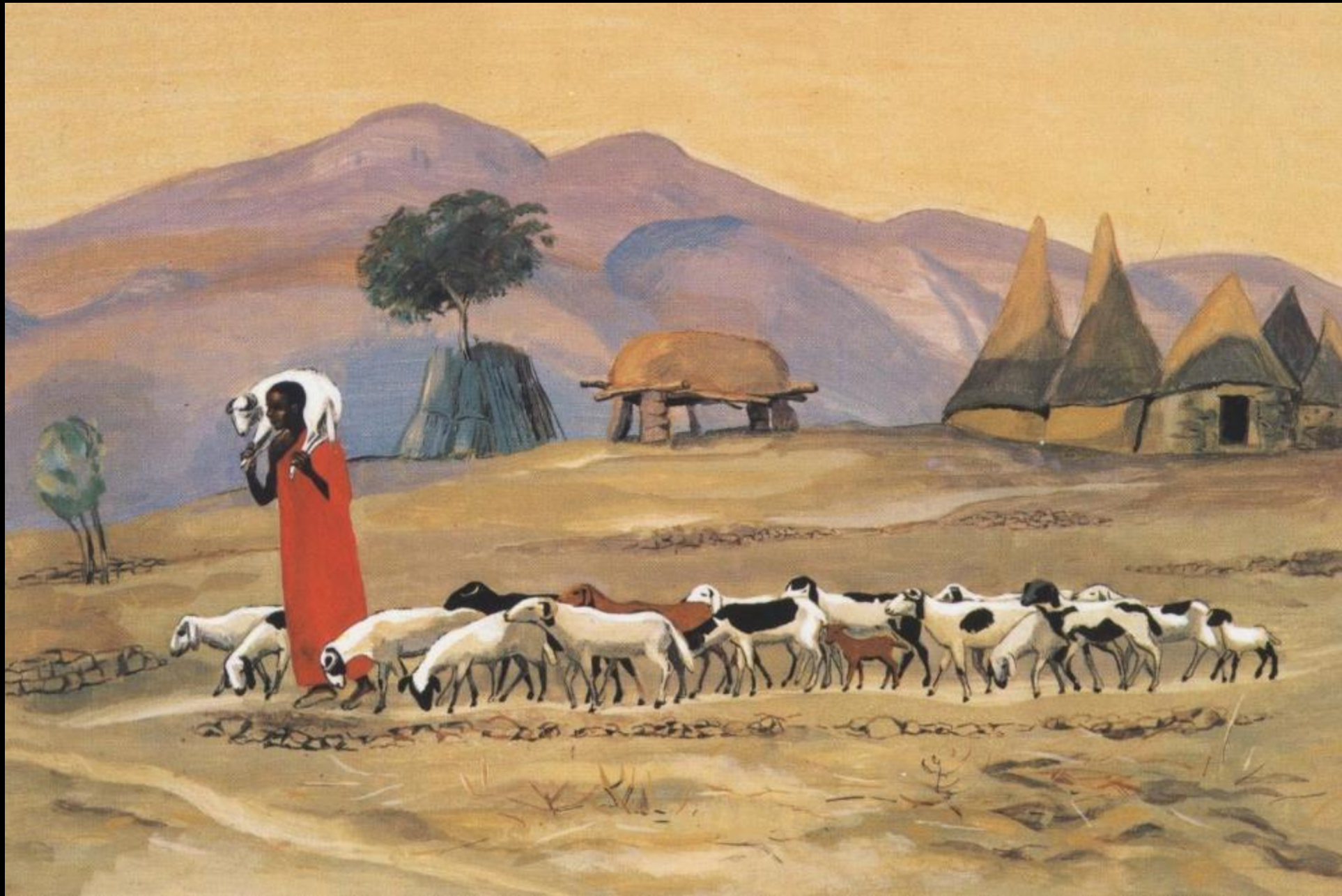
Twenty-Third
Psalm

Frank Wesley



My sheep hear my voice. I know them ... No one will snatch them out of my hand.

John 10:27a, 28b



The Good Shepherd -- JESUS MAFA, Cameroon

Now in Joppa there was a disciple
whose name was Tabitha, which in
Greek is Dorcas.

Acts 9:36a

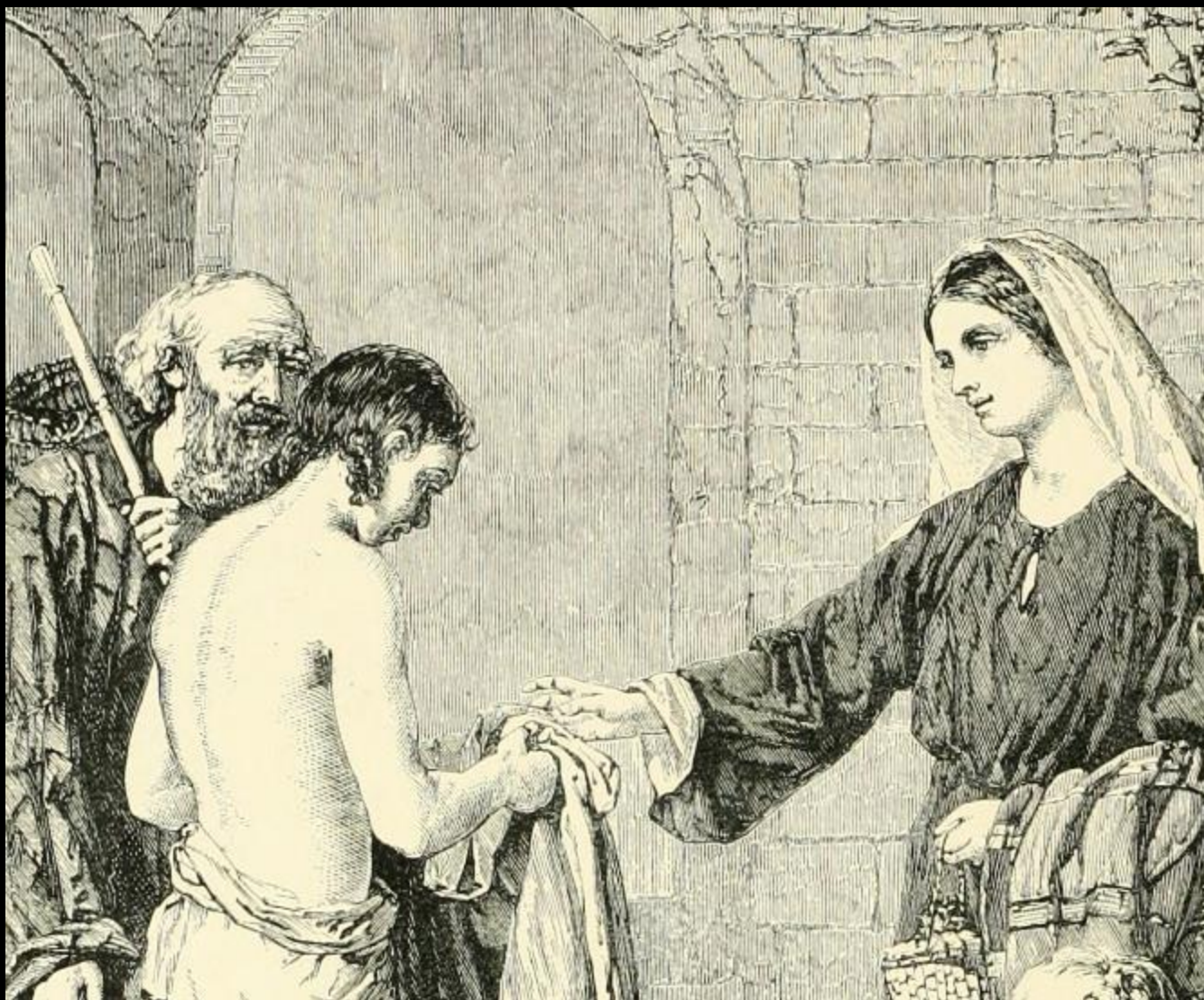


Dorcas

St. Twrog's Church
Maentwrog, Wales

She was devoted to good works
and acts of charity.

Acts 9:36b



The Charity of Dorcas -- William Dobson, from *British Painters*, 1881

At that time she became ill and died. When they had washed her, they laid her in a room upstairs.

Acts 9:37

Peter ... went with them; and
when he arrived, they took him
to the room upstairs.

Acts 9:38b, 39a

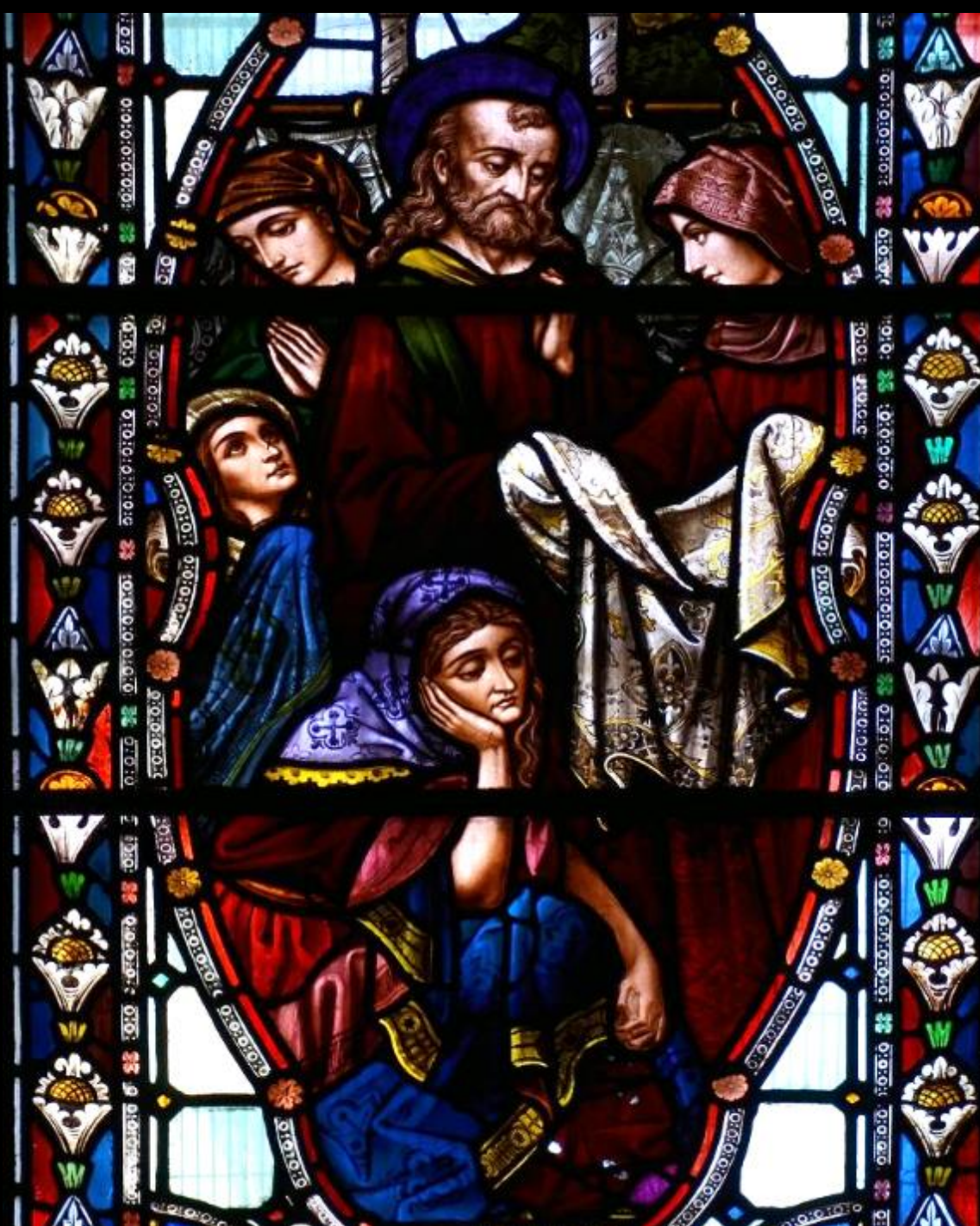


Raising of Tabitha -- Guercino, Hermitage, St. Petersburg, Russia

All the widows stood beside him,
weeping and showing tunics and
other clothing that Dorcas had
made while she was with them.

Acts 9:39b

Mourning Tabitha
Southwark Cathedral
London, England



Peter put all of them outside, and then he knelt down and prayed. He turned to the body and said, "Tabitha, get up."

Acts 9:40a

Then she opened her eyes,
and seeing Peter, she sat up.

Acts 9:40b



Raising of Tabitha

Cathedral of St. Front
Perigueux, France

He gave her his hand and helped her up. Then calling the saints and widows, he showed her to be alive.

Acts 9:41

Raising of Tabitha
Fabrizio Santafede
Pio Monte della Misericordia
Naples, Italy



This became known throughout
Joppa, and many believed in the Lord.

Acts 9:42



Dorcas (Tabitha)

Church of St. Nicholas
Iford, England

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