Three men from Kayseri went to Istanbul, and while they were there they ran out of money. On their last day there they did not even have enough money to buy a meal, but they went into a restaurant anyway and ordered dinners. They did not sit together in the restaurant, but separately, at different tables, as if they were strangers to one another.

When they had finished their meal, the first Kayseri man started to leave the restaurant. The waiter rushed up to him and reminded him that he had not yet paid for his meal. "I paid for it before," he said. When the waiter started to argue with the man, the second Kayseri man went up to him and said, "The man is right. When you were bringing me back my change, I saw this man at the cashier's desk paying for his meal."

Just then they heard a loud crying, and they saw that the third Kayseri man was weeping. "What's the matter?" asked the confused waiter.

"I'm afraid that you will try to charge me twice for my meal too," he said.

The waiter assured him that he would not do such a thing, and so the three men from Kayseri left the restaurant with dirty looks at the poor waiter.