

Eucatastrophe: good catastrophe

- ◆ Greek
 - ◆ *eu* (good)
 - ◆ *catastrophe* (destruction)
- ◆ More than a happy ending
- ◆ It is a sudden, joyous “turn” in the story (no true end to a fairy-story)
- ◆ It is a miraculous grace, never to be counted on to recur
- ◆ Does not deny the existence of sorrow and failure
- ◆ Does deny a universal final defeat, giving a fleeting glimpse of Joy