

# More Than Hearing Worksheet

Episode: C Ordinary 16x2016

Text: Colossians 1:15-28

15 He is the **image of the invisible God**, the firstborn of all **creation**; 16 for in him **all things in heaven and on earth were created**, **things visible and invisible**, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or powers—all things have been created through him and for him. 17 He himself is before all things, and **in him all things hold together**. 18 **He is the head of the body, the church**; he is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything.

19 For **in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell**, 20 **and through him God was pleased to reconcile to himself all things**, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross. 21 **And you who were once estranged and hostile in mind**, doing evil deeds, 22 he has now reconciled **in his fleshly body through death**, so as to present you holy and blameless and irreproachable before him— 23 provided that you continue **securely established and steadfast in the faith, without shifting** from the hope promised by the gospel that you heard, which has been **proclaimed to every creature under heaven**. I, Paul, became a servant of this gospel.

24 I am now rejoicing in **my sufferings for your sake, and in my flesh** I am completing what is lacking in Christ's afflictions for the sake of his body, that is, the church. 25 I became its servant according to God's commission that was given to me for you, **to make the word of God fully known**, 26 the **mystery that has been hidden throughout the ages and generations** but has now been revealed to his saints. 27 To them God chose to make known how great among the Gentiles are the riches of the glory of this **mystery, which is Christ in you, the hope of glory**. 28 **It is he whom we proclaim, warning everyone and teaching everyone in all wisdom**, so that we may present everyone mature in Christ.

Primary Expressed Intelligence - D2: **Word** MWD: **Self**

Word - I , Eye - I, Math - I/S, Body - S, Nature - I, Self - I/S

Smarts	Images in the text	Illustrations	SFX
Word - Verbal/Linguistic			
Eye - Visual/Spatial	Hold together.... <u>or not</u>	Yeats, <u>The Second Coming</u> See also <b>Word</b> .	
Math - Logical/Mathematical	In him all things hold together	A <u>center hold</u> technique in land navigation.	

		<p>Kind of a stretch, but Jesus is the Way!! (ha!)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Paul talks about the revelation of Christ as a mystery. We think of mysteries as puzzles to be solved, but here it means something you can't understand until it is shown to you.</li> </ul>	<p>Bring a word puzzle or math problem; or the <a href="#">summary of a mystery novel</a> to present. Contrast it with what Paul means.</p>
Body - Kinesthetic		Emmanuel!! We believe God is incarnate in Jesus.	Interpretive movement? Yes!
Musical			
Natural		<p>The passage is full of sweeping verbal vistas like the <a href="#">Great Plains</a> or monuments like <a href="#">Arches</a> national park or the view from <a href="#">Pikes Peak</a> or <a href="#">Mt. Hood</a>. Broad and beautiful expanses that stretch one's usual sense of space. See also <a href="#">Eye</a>.</p>	
People - Interpersonal			
Self - Intrapersonal		<p><a href="#">Hope</a>. This may be particularly helpful in a time when it seems that the transformation of everything under heaven that Paul talks about is so in contrast to the reality of what we see under heaven. Our hope may sustain us, and God may surpass our hopes!</p>	<p>This could be done as the benediction: Ask your congregants to imagine their hope as an object or idea. As they form it, help them visualize giving that hope to Jesus. Imagine Jesus receives it and blessed it and the giver. Go out into the world knowing that what you hope for is in a very safe place. How does this change your day/week?</p>