

More Than Hearing Worksheet

Episode: C Ordinary 25x2016

Text: 1 Timothy 2:1-7

First of all, then, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for everyone, 2 for kings and all who are in high positions, so that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and dignity. 3 This is right and is acceptable in the sight of God our Savior, 4 who desires everyone to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth. 5 For

there is one God;
 there is also one mediator between God and humankind,
 Christ Jesus, himself human,
 6 who gave himself a ransom for all

—this was attested at the right time. 7 For this I was appointed a herald and an apostle (I am telling the truth, I am not lying), a teacher of the Gentiles in faith and truth.

Primary Expressed Intelligence - {MWD} People {D2} Self

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

Smarts	Images in the text/ interesting exegesis	Illustrations	SFX
Word - Verbal/Linguistic	<p>Vs. 2 “for kings and all who.....”</p> <p>For the context of 1st century, this is pretty radical. The Emperor was considered divine, after all and people ought to be praying “TO” kings et al.</p> <p>The Emperor Cult gradually developed in the whole Roman Empire as a unifying and politically stabilizing force.</p> <p>Christian Eberhart WP</p>	<p>(borrowing from Jimmy Jack Roberts a bit here)</p> <p>Take the words of the doxology and substitute the name of a king or president or pop star for God. Hear how jarring that is. This would not be unusual for people living under Roman rule in that era - Caesar was to be praised.</p>	
Eye - Visual/Spatial		V. 5 - Jesus as a	

		<p>bottleneck or single point of entry/access, but in a good way</p> <p>V. 2 - Prayer as creating a kind of domed city of protection for the Xian community.</p> <p>V.2 - <i>This Present Darkness</i> by Frank Peretti: One of the themes/motifs/whatever he used was people praying, which gave the protecting angels power. Like a power source. +1!</p>	
Math - Logical/Mathematical			
Body - Kinesthetic	<p>AKM Adam at Working Preacher</p> <p>“While our allegiance to God alone requires that we stick clearly to the gospel’s priorities, we owe our neighbors the respect not capriciously to flout their way of life.”</p> <p>And:</p> <p>“Once again, bystanders who may never crack the spine of a Bible will read off a version of the church’s teachings from disciples’ conduct among them.”</p>	<p>Living our lives as disciples = walking on a balance beam or a high wire vis. Other cultures, languages, backgrounds</p> <p>Others are also walking the same balance. When we encounter brothers and sisters from other cultures, we need to be aware of placing our own expectations and experiences on their shoulders as well as receiving the same back from them.</p>	<p>Lay a strip of masking tape along the floor and ask for a volunteer to come up and walk along it. Try some challenges; walking heel to toe, walking with head up (not looking down), walking with eyes closed. Ask about the difficulty of these options.</p> <p>THEN, put a yoke with buckets hanging from each end on the volunteer’s back and place an amount of water or sand in one of the buckets and say as you are doing it that this is the weight of someone else’s expectation of how you are to walk the line. Ask them to walk the line. Then place more weight in the same bucket. Keep the buckets unbalanced.</p> <p>Intriguing questions: At</p>

			<p>what point may or should one stop compensating for the perceptions of others? How far would Jesus go to keep the yoke in balance? What are the criteria for when to quit?</p>
Musical			
Natural		Vss. 1-2 prayer like a privacy hedge?	
People - Interpersonal			<p>How do you react to the thought of praying for your political adversaries? What sort of prayers do you think the author of this passage would encourage? What sort of prayers does the HS want to pray through you for them?</p>
Self - Intrapersonal			<p>[USA] Commit to pray for the president, congress, and the presidential candidates at least through the election. Pray for their wellbeing as well as that of the nation and your own.</p> <p>Pray about living a peaceable and godly life.</p>