

More Than Hearing Worksheet

Episode: C Ordinary 30x2016

Text: 2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18

6 As for me, I am already **being poured out** as a libation, and the time of my departure has come. 7 I have fought the good fight, I have **finished the race**, I have **kept the faith**. 8 From now on there is reserved for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will give me on that day, and not only to me but also to all who have longed for his appearing.

9 *Do your best to come to me soon, 10 for Demas, in love with this present world, has deserted me and gone to Thessalonica; Crescens has gone to Galatia, Titus to Dalmatia. 11 Only Luke is with me. Get Mark and bring him with you, for he is useful in my ministry. 12 I have sent Tychicus to Ephesus. 13 When you come, bring the cloak that I left with Carpus at Troas, also the books, and above all the parchments. 14 Alexander the coppersmith did me great harm; the Lord will pay him back for his deeds. 15 You also must beware of him, for he strongly opposed our message.*

16 At my first defense **no one came to my support**, but **all deserted me**. **May it not be counted against them!** 17 But the Lord stood by me and gave me strength, so that through me the **message might be fully proclaimed and all the Gentiles might hear it**. So I was rescued from the **lion's mouth**. 18 The Lord will rescue me from every evil attack and save me for his heavenly kingdom. To him be the glory forever and ever. Amen.

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

Eye - I/SFX , Math - I, Body - I, Music - I, Nature - I, People - I/SFX, Self - I/SFX

Smarts	Images in the text/ interesting exegesis	Illustrations	SFX
Word - Verbal/Linguistic	<i>Matt Skinner (WP):</i> Payback -- it's one of the dominant themes in art and narrative. Some actions deserve reward, while others bring retribution. Payback is part of how we comprehend justice, whether actual or poetic.	May it not be counted against them! = Bless your heart.	
Eye - Visual/Spatial	<i>Bill Loader:</i> There is a calm in the surrender to hope, not an unrealistic hope, but	Eye smart illustration - fountains, ocean tides, lava flows	Poured out as a libation: Get a cocktail shaker. Add some liquids, as if making a cocktail, and add ice.

	<p>one which dares to believe that ultimately there is God and one need not fear. While pouring out could be an image of resignation, it also suggests a flexibility, indeed, a flowing, where one does not feel one has to run out and pick up all the pieces. Let it flow.</p>	<p>the flow comes from God, so there will be no diminution of the flow; it will always come</p> <p>See also: Nature</p>	<p>Close it up and shake, shake, shake. Use the funky strainer thing and pour your libation out into a big martini glass.</p> <p>This is how Paul feels: strained over ice, with a twist.</p> <p>See also: Body, Self</p>
Math - Logical/Mathematical		<p>Paul's faith defies his circumstance. He is like infinity now. You can subtract one, ten, a hundred million, and it is not diminished. Paul has lost almost everything, yet he is still entirely full and satisfied in Christ.</p>	
Body - Kinesthetic		<p>American Ninja Warrior - this "old" guy is even first to finish the race.</p>	
Musical		<p>Paul sounding a bit like this? / this?</p>	
Natural	<p><i>Dirk Lange (WP):</i> God will always accomplish what God wants to accomplish, though God does God's work always through human beings, through creation. Faith is not faith in one's own abilities but God's faith planted within us that turns us, despite the upheavals and setbacks and failures of life, into faithful workers in the vineyard.</p>	<p>Nature illustration - God's will is like water flowing downhill; we can put all manner of sluices (working with it) and dams (trying to manage it) in its path, but it still flows downhill. (Like justice? Like a mighty stream?)</p>	
People - Interpersonal	<p>Vs. 7 As a contestant in the games, Paul has "kept the rules", he is a "faithful" contestant,</p>	<p>Imagine Paul as a contestant in an athletic competition or a game show.</p>	<p>In groups, consider your own journey of faith and ask what rules have you kept and how have you</p>

	<p>he has "remained true to his calling, his appointment as an apostle of Christ and a proclaimer of the gospel"</p>	<p>[American Ninja Warrior - but this guy doesn't quite finish the race.]</p>	<p>been a faithful contestant? Who set the rules?</p>
<p>Self - Intrapersonal</p>	<p><i>Dirk Lange:</i> Paul's certainty is lived in the midst of distress and disappointment; it is lived in prison, in deprivation and suffering, all of which would push any human being to despair.</p>	<p>Paul's certainty in God is like going into a Boss battle in a video game when you have really good armor, weapons, skills, and health. You know it will be tough, but you also know you have what it takes to get through it.</p>	<p>Vs. 18 - Rescued from all that evil can do.</p> <p>What can evil do? If you used the finger labyrinth for the Joel passage, allow for some reflection about what evil does as you journey through; evil separates, isolates, instigates, divides, tears down, renders hopeless, fills with despair, mostly through lies and deception. God rescues from all that and more. Imagine how....</p>