

More Than Hearing Worksheet

Episode: C Ordinary 33x2016

Text: Luke 21:5-19

5 When some were speaking about **the temple, how it was adorned with beautiful stones and gifts dedicated to God**, he said, 6 “As for these things that you see, the days will come when **not one stone will be left upon another; all will be thrown down.**” 7 They asked him, “Teacher, when will this be, and what will be the sign that this is about to take place?” 8 And he said, “**Beware** that you are **not led astray**; for many will come in my name and say, ‘I am he!’ and, ‘The time is near!’ Do not go after them. 9 “When you hear of **wars and insurrections, do not be terrified**; for these things must take place first, but the end will not follow immediately.” 10 Then he said to them, “**Nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom**; 11 there will be **great earthquakes**, and in various places **famines and plagues**; and there will be dreadful portents and great **signs from heaven**. 12 “But before all this occurs, **they will arrest you and persecute you**; they will hand you over to synagogues and prisons, and you will be brought before kings and governors because of my name. 13 This will give you **an opportunity to testify**. 14 So make up your minds not to prepare your defense in advance; 15 for **I will give you words and a wisdom that none of your opponents will be able to withstand or contradict**. 16 **You will be betrayed** even by parents and brothers, by relatives and friends; and they will put some of you to death. 17 **You will be hated by all** because of my name. 18 But **not a hair of your head will perish**. 19 **By your endurance you will gain your souls.**

Primary Expressed Intelligence {MWD} Self {D2} Self

Word I/Sfx, Eye I, Math I, Body I, Music I, Nature I/Sfx, People I/Sfx, Self I/Sfx

| Smarts | Images in the text/ interesting exegesis | Illustrations | SFX |
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| Word - Verbal/Linguistic | v.9 <i>polemous</i> - polemics (wars) <i>akatastasias</i> - disorder (uprisings) <i>ptoew</i> - terrified, cf 24:37 | polemics = strong attack, controversial debate or dispute We don't have to look too far for any of that, do we? Panicked, beyond reason, out of your mind fear Poem - Fire and Ice “Some think the world | Find rhetoric in our political sphere that has been used as a weapon. “Whipped up panic is highly volatile and has the potential to ignite and explode into irrationalities, religious and otherwise.” ~Bill Loader |

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| | | will end in fire....” | |
| Eye - Visual/Spatial | vs.12-17 persecutions foretold | How much of the world needs to undergo upheaval before it is considered the end of the world as we know it? Or is upheaval the world as we know it? | Make a poster of Jesus a la Uncle Sam (I want you) Use the words arrest, pursue, betrayed, hated, put to death, gain your soul underneath it. |
| Math - Logical/Mathematical | opponents cannot withstand or contradict | Relying on Jesus’ defense is like showing up to a debate unprepared and winning. | |
| Body - Kinesthetic | v.12 diwxw - rather than persecute, pursue. Make to run or flee | Running, but not for fun, exercise, or endurance. Running to escape, to get to safety. | |
| Musical | testify | “This Little Light of Mine” | |
| Natural | v.10 substitute “on” for “against” and you have a sense of nations and kingdoms building on top of one another | Layering of silt in river deltas; layering of lava at the mouth of a flow; snow falling on snow, layering up to one heck of a chore shoveling off your driveway. | Bring in a hunk of shale; show how it is layered stone and breaks off in slices. Flint also does this but is MUCH SHARPER, so be cautious if you use it. |
| People - Interpersonal | v.8 not led astray - you need to be on a path to be led off of it vs. 15 Live by me, and not by fear. ~John Petty, <i>Progressive Involvement</i> | Ascending Mount Everest; there is a route that must be followed. If you go otherwise, you and everyone else is in danger. How to deal with suffering - live by Jesus. Our fascination with destruction and the end of the world, esp. in movies. Aliens, zombies, vampires, ghosts, giant monsters, disease, nuclear war, floods, | How does “living by Jesus” make a difference to times of upheaval? Is there a controversy or issue your congregation is facing that needs Jesus’ guidance? Was there a time in the past where following Jesus’ path made a difference coming through a trial? What human qualities are likely to move us toward the end of the world? What human qualities are likely to help us survive? |

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| | | <p>climate change, comet/asteroid impacts, blight, sun going out, earth's core shutting down, sharknado, etc. This we do for our entertainment, but we do all we can to separate ourselves from those who are actually experiencing the end of their world.</p> | |
| <p>Self - Intrapersonal</p> | <p>v.14 do not prepare a defense - disarm because Jesus will be present in that moment</p> <p>v.19 - "By sticking to the convictions of faith in the midst of opposition, you acquire your true selves - children of God who have been promised a resurrected life." ~Brian Stoffregen, <i>CrossMarks</i></p> | <p>Going to trial with the best defense lawyer ever - total trust</p> <p>The Spirit is the center of your life; stay in touch with its depths and trust that it advocates what Jesus was about. ~Loader</p> | <p>As you go through the coming week, whenever you feel a need to defend yourself, mentally step back and ask yourself how Jesus would defend you. Remember, his first piece of evidence is his love for you.</p> |