

More Than Hearing Worksheet

Episode: AAdv3x2016

Text: James 5:7-10

7 **Be patient**, therefore, beloved, until the coming of the Lord. **The farmer waits for the precious crop from the earth, being patient with it until it receives the early and the late rains.** 8 You also must be patient. **Strengthen your hearts**, for the coming of the Lord is near. 9 **Beloved, do not grumble against one another**, so **that you may not be judged**. See, the Judge is standing at the doors! 10 **As an example of suffering and patience**, beloved, take the prophets who spoke in the name of the Lord.

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

Math - I, Body - I, Music - I, Nature - I/S, Self - I/S

Smarts	Images in the text/ interesting exegesis	Illustrations	SFX
Word - Verbal/Linguistic			
Eye - Visual/Spatial	Vs. 10 suffering prophets Job, Jeremiah, et al		
Math - Logical/Mathematical		See linked articles in Body and Self for suggestion of <i>inverse relationship</i> between patience and depression	
Body - Kinesthetic		Psychophysiological study of patience	
Musical		V. 9b Order in the court, ‘cuz Here comes the judge! Here comes the judge! Here comes the judge! Here comes the judge! History of "Here Comes the Judge"	
Natural	Vs. 7	Seeds need the proper	Bring some beans and

	Seeds do not grow by our worry	amounts of water, oxygen, and temperature in order to grow. We can provide these conditions in artificial settings, but the actual germinating is entirely out of our hands.	peas or other large seeds (pumpkin or squash) and hand them out to the congregation as you talk about how James encourages Christians to develop the patience of farmers.
People - Interpersonal	“ .. a move to patience depends on developing the faith that life does not stand and fall with my action” ~Wm. Loader	Patience is given by the Holy Spirit (one of the nine fruits in Galatians) and deeply rooted in faith. Imagine patience as a large shady tree with a deep tap root.	Get together in groups of three and discuss ways that our patience is tested. Then, brainstorm ways we can cultivate deeper wells of patience through prayer and study. Encourage groups to check back in with one another to see how the ideas worked.
Self - Intrapersonal		“Patience is an invitation to trust, but with eyes wide open and courage not to play the blaming games or to try to be god for our little world.” ~Wm. Loader Things that take patience: Raising children, training dogs or horses, gardening, astronomy, quilting, learning to play guitar, learning a new language, calling customer service, untangling Christmas lights, ... An Examination of Patience and Wellbeing	Hand out paper and pencils and ask your congregation to list all the people that “try their patience”. Then, encourage them to see these people sitting on a bench (or under a big shady tree) talking with Jesus. Imagine what that conversation might be about; listen carefully and then, when Jesus invites you, join in. Try this exercise with every name on the list.