

More Than Hearing Worksheet

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Text: 1 Corinthians 2: 1-12, (13-16)

When I came to you, brothers and sisters, I did not come **proclaiming** the mystery of God to you in **lofty words** or wisdom. 2 **For I decided to know nothing among you except Jesus Christ, and him crucified.** 3 And I came to you **in weakness** and **in fear** and in much trembling. 4 **My speech and my proclamation were not with plausible words of wisdom,** but with a **demonstration of the Spirit** and of power, 5 so that your faith might rest not on **human wisdom** but on the power of God.

6 Yet among the mature **we do speak wisdom,** though it is not a wisdom of this age or of the rulers of this age, who are doomed to perish. 7 But we speak God’s wisdom, secret and hidden, which God decreed before the ages for our glory. 8 **None of the rulers of this age understood this;** for if they had, they would not have crucified the Lord of glory. 9 But, as it is written, “**What no eye has seen,** nor **ear heard,** nor **the human heart conceived,** what God has prepared for those who love him”— 10 **these things God has revealed to us through the Spirit;** for the Spirit searches everything, even the depths of God. 11 **For what human being knows what is truly human except the human spirit that is within?** So also no one comprehends what is truly God’s except the Spirit of God. 12 **Now we have received not the spirit of the world, but the Spirit that is from God, so that we may understand the gifts bestowed on us by God.**

*13 And we speak of these things in words not taught by **human wisdom** but taught by the Spirit, interpreting spiritual things to those who are spiritual. 14 Those who are unspiritual do not receive the gifts of God’s Spirit, for **they are foolishness to them,** and **they are unable to understand them** because they are **spiritually discerned.** 15 Those who are spiritual discern all things, and **they are themselves subject to no one else’s scrutiny.** 16 “For who has known the mind of the Lord so as to instruct him?” But we have the mind of Christ.*

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

Smarts	Images in the text/ interesting exegesis	Illustrations	SFX
Word - Verbal/Linguistic	Vs. 4-5 Paul relied on God’s abiding presence with him and the Corinthians to bridge the gap of familiarity.	The Spirit acts like an interpreter for Paul in this (and likely many other) circumstances. I once worked in a small rural congregation in Southwest Ohio and one of the elders told me that	Bring in a lexicon or a travel guide with important phrases. (Where is the restroom, for example. <i>Muy importante.</i>) OR invite someone who is fluent in another

		<p>a member of the congregation had the gift of tongues. I was surprised; I had never heard her speak in another language. She explained that this woman could speak to the people living in the neighborhood in a way that she and I could not.</p>	<p>language to interpret what you read as you read it.</p>
<p>Eye - Visual/Spatial</p>			<p>This is a passage about perception beyond usual limits. Direct people's attention to increasingly large spaces: first to focus on personal space - several inches around them; then on the entirety of their pew; then on whole of the sanctuary; then include the several buildings around the church; then the whole town or city in which you meet; etc. out as far as you want, perhaps to include the earth or solar system or galaxy.</p> <p>To be spiritual is, at least in part, to perceive interactions that are not usually in view of our five senses, and to act on them as easily as we act on information from our senses.</p>
<p>Math - Logical/Mathematical</p>		<p>Who really understands calculus? Only those who have studied it and understand the symbols and terminology.</p> <p>Who can comprehend programming? Those who have studied it and know what all that code means.</p>	<p>$E=mc^2$</p> <p>$a^2 + b^2 = c^2$</p> <p>Examples of integral calculus</p> <p>Examples of C++ coding</p>

		Who can understand what the Spirit shows us? Those who spend time in prayer and discernment.	
Body - Kinesthetic			
Musical			
Natural		<p>The common situation of humans pushing into new natural territory to utilize the resources or clear the land, only to find a particular / peculiar previously unknown species in a unique habitat.</p> <p>Those who have a heart for other species will want to act to protect the new species and abandon the human project.</p> <p>Those who do not have that heart will want to press on with the plan, even if it means destroying the species.</p> <p>Had they understood the mystery of God they would not have killed the Lord of glory.</p>	
People - Interpersonal			
Self - Intrapersonal	<p>Vs. 2 No assumptions about who the Corinthians were; no preconceived image of them based on others' reports - <i>tabula rasa</i></p> <p>Vs. 10-11 The Spirit gave Paul insight to the Corinthians.</p>	<p>I remember standing outside 5/3 Field in Dayton, OH, waiting on my husband and children after a Dragons game one summer night and watching people as they streamed past. I remember really LOOKING at them and seeing each of them as someone Jesus loved enough to sacrifice his life and dignity for. I was amazed at how lovely they all were and how</p>	<p>How might our interactions with others change if we were to go into every meeting, dinner party, subway train, interstate highway system, airport, shopping mall, grocery store - any place FULL of God's people - and look only for Jesus among them? <i>See also People</i></p>

		peaceful I felt. I must have looked like an idiot standing there with a smile on my face, but I will never forget that experience.	
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