

More Than Hearing Worksheet

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Text: Matthew 9:35-10:8

35 Then Jesus **went about all the cities and villages, teaching** in their synagogues, and **proclaiming the good news** of the kingdom, and **curing every disease and every sickness**. 36 When he saw the crowds, **he had compassion for them**, because they were harassed and helpless, **like sheep without a shepherd**. 37 Then he said to his disciples, “The **harvest is plentiful**, but the laborers are few; 38 therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest.”

10:1 Then Jesus **summoned his twelve disciples and gave them authority** over unclean spirits, to cast them out, and to **cure every disease and every sickness**. 2 These are the names of the twelve apostles: first, Simon, also known as Peter, and his brother Andrew; James son of Zebedee, and his brother John; 3 Philip and Bartholomew; Thomas and Matthew the tax collector; James son of Alphaeus, and Thaddaeus; 4 Simon the Cananaean, and Judas Iscariot, the one who **betrayed** him.

5 These twelve Jesus sent out with the following instructions: “**Go nowhere among the Gentiles, and enter no town of the Samaritans**, 6 but go rather to the **lost sheep** of the house of Israel. 7 As you go, **proclaim the good news**, ‘The kingdom of heaven **has come near**.’ 8 **Cure the sick, raise the dead, cleanse the lepers**, cast out demons. **You received without payment; give without payment**.”

Eye - I , Math - I/S, Body - I/S, Nature - I

Smarts	Images in the text/ interesting exegesis	Illustrations	SFX
Word - Verbal/Linguistic			
Eye - Visual/Spatial MWD		Vss. 35-38 - Like a president touring a disaster area before going back to the capital to move federal assistance through government channels. Also this on the expectation of presidential attention. See also People <i>Visual inspection, travel over wide area</i> <i>Interaction, consoling</i>	

<p>Math - Logical/Mathematical</p> <p>D2</p>	<p>vs. 38 send out laborers</p>	<p>In one way this makes sense; you have a harvest, send out workers. But this is a metaphor for kingdom building so wouldn't you want experts at such work? nope</p> <p>Jesus calls us to pray for common laborers. While God can use talented people, most kingdom work is done by ordinary, nearly anonymous, behind-the-scenes disciples.</p> <p><i>Unexpected logic</i> <i>Regular folk connecting to help regular folk</i></p>	<p>Isn't there a statistic somewhere that suggests people come to church when someone they know invites them? Rather than an ad campaign, or a team knocking on doors, or a famous preacher/pastor?</p> <p>Apparently, yes. Item 2. Statistics</p>
<p>Body - Kinesthetic</p> <p>MWD</p>	<p>vs 36 - harassed and beaten down</p> <p>It was the disruption of their lives and loss of God's peace that seemed to move Jesus.</p> <p>Harried may be a good word to use here; we are all run by the clock or the calendar or the commute. We feel the effects of this binding in our bodies.</p>	<p>Several references to sickness and disease being healed (35, 2, 8). Here is the abstract to a study on the psychological, physical, and social impacts of chronic illness. Lots of factors, lots of impact. Here is another article on a similar topic, the emotional cost of surviving long term illness.</p> <p><i>Physical wellbeing related to inter- and intrapersonal wellbeing.</i></p> <p>How are we and the people around us lost sheep without a shepherd?</p> <p>Lack of sleep, poor nutrition, lack of exercise, stress; etc. These effects are not unnoticed by Jesus.</p> <p>Jesus does not remove the circumstances of the</p>	<p>Visualize the sensation of being alone and harried. Now, visualize a good friend with you in that experience. Someone who knows and loves you and is willing to share the burden may make the experience less onerous and even give you a sense of hope for not being isolated in it.</p> <p>See also Self, People, Eye Visualization <i>Self-reflection on hope, love Friendship</i></p>

		<p>stress, though. He sends instead personal trainers or life coaches - workers for the harvest - to come alongside and lead them to peace.</p>	
Musical			
Natural D2		<p>Lost lamb vid Lost lamb vid 2 Rescuing a trapped sheep Rescuing a trapped sheep 2</p> <p>What is the harvest Jesus sees? The sick, the oppressed, and the dead! Sounds a bit more like weeds - from a <i>human</i> point of view. Who are we looking for in our outreach ministries? What harvest do we have in our sights?</p> <p><i>Images of nature, various animals, animal sounds; harvest-fields of grain;</i></p>	
People - Interpersonal	The list of disciples	<p>“To find the former Roman hireling Matthew and the revolutionary Simon together among the disciples is quite striking. As John Meier states, “The startling juxtaposition of this former Rome-hater with Matthew, a former lackey of Rome, shows that the new community of Jesus has embraced and transcended the tensions in the old community of Israel” (Meier, Matthew, 105)</p> <p>And: “C.S. Lewis (The Four</p>	<p>Discuss: How does sharing space with someone with whom you would not ordinarily associate make your witness to Jesus different? Can your practice talking to and understanding that person in the sanctuary of Jesus’ presence make you more capable of witnessing outside the church walls? <i>Listening as learning, acknowledging differences without separating, exploring relationships while building relationships</i></p>

		Loves, p. 48): "Dogs and cats should always be brought up together -- it broadens their minds so."	
Self - Intrapersonal	vs 8b - cure, raise, cleanse, cast out...	<p>We are expected to resemble Jesus in word and deed. To be sent by Jesus is, in some sense, to be sent as Jesus.</p> <p>Master and apprentice - Jedi knights (and Sith, if we're honest), artisans and their students, professors and their students; we tend to be marked by those who teach us, hopefully positively</p> <p>⇒ How many "lines" or "tricks" do you use at work that you learned from a mentor?</p> <p><i>Self understanding mirroring a mentor in order to grow</i></p>	