

More Than Hearing Worksheet

Episode: AOrd11x2017

Text: Romans 5:1-8

Therefore, since we are **justified by faith**, we have **peace with God** through our Lord Jesus Christ, 2 through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand; and **we boast** in our **hope** of **sharing** the **glory of God**. 3 And not only that, but **we also boast** in **our sufferings**, knowing that **suffering** produces **endurance**, 4 and endurance produces **character**, and character produces **hope**, 5 and **hope does not disappoint us**, because God’s love has been **poured into our hearts** through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us.

6 For while **we were still weak**, at the right time Christ **died for the ungodly**. 7 Indeed, **rarely will anyone die for a righteous person—though perhaps for a good person someone might actually dare to die**. 8 But **God proves** his love for us in that **while we still were sinners Christ died for us**.

See previous episodes: ALent3x2017, CTrinityx2016

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

Smarts	Images in the text/ interesting exegesis	Illustrations	SFX
Word - Verbal/Linguistic	vs. 2,3 “Boasting here is anticipatory -- it does not brag about an achievement in the past, but is an expression of hope.” ~Cynthia Briggs Kittredge, WP No false modesty here! No denying self to aggrandize self.	Similar to a child announcing to peers excitement about an upcoming trip to a fun place, or a gift that is coming, or a party that is going to take place. “Self denial is abandonment of our constructed selves and returning to our true selves as people loved and valued.” William Loader	
Eye - Visual/Spatial	Vs 3 - “knowing that suffering produces endurance, 4 and endurance produces character, and character	Vss. 3-5 - Okay, this is ridiculous, but I’m thinking of the evolution of the various digimon from one form to another.	

	<p>produces hope”</p>	<p>This only makes any sense at all if you are familiar with magical transformations in anime, but these characters change(digivolve in this case) from a lower state of being into a more powerful one, generally in time of crisis and in order to fight the bad guys.</p> <p>stair steps; layer cake; building blocks; going up a ladder</p>	<p>bring in blocks and build each piece on top of the other;</p> <p>OR bring in small cake layers and put them on top of each and frost them as you go. Say that this (pointing to cake) does not disappoint us!</p> <p>It is not a lie.</p>
<p>Math - Logical/Mathematical</p> <p>D2</p>	<p>“...the life of the justified is a mix of peace, hope, suffering, and love.” ~Mary Hinkle Shore, WP</p> <p>Grace is the access code to God. paraphrasing David Bartlett at WP</p>	<p>Like a stew or a cocktail or batter for a cake....</p> <p>each element is needed for the whole to be complete</p> <p>Justified is being set back to the starting point with God. Not necessarily to punish for misdeeds (or landing on SORRY) but in order to give it another go today.</p> <p>Access code: modern, electronic keys to important places. We are supposed to have strong passwords and different passwords and keep them in a safe place and hope we don't lose them.</p>	<p>Mix up some pancake batter and cook some pancakes as you preach. Share them!</p> <p>Mix up ingredients for a stew or some chili and have that on hand to eat.</p> <p>Bring in SORRY or Trouble or Parcheesi or any other game that may send you back to the starting point if you land on a certain place and use it as a visual aid. See EYE smart</p> <p>How would any situation in which we find ourselves be transformed if we thought all answers or keys were “grace”?</p>

<p>Body - Kinesthetic</p> <p>MWD</p>	<p>access (prosagogen) like being ushered into the presence of a dignitary or monarch</p> <p>suffering producing endurance</p>	<p>Ever been an usher? We don't have much ushering happening in our culture anymore (except awkwardly at weddings) but there is a stateliness to it that changes how you walk to your seat. You become much more aware of your presence in space as someone offers you an arm or precedes you into the room.</p> <p><i>(Downton Abbey, having the butler announce guests)</i></p> <p>Athletes training for athleting, dancers training to dance, singers training to sing, etc.</p>	<p>I remember having ushers in church when I was a kid; these men were responsible for seeing you to your seat, handing out bulletins, and generally acknowledging your presence in worship. Does your congregation have ushers? Is this something you might want to try for a month to live out this idea of being given access to God?</p> <p>Invite a volunteer to show the difference in carrying oneself when being ushered and when finding one's own seat.</p> <p><i>Sort of a People smart element here</i></p>
<p>Musical</p>			
<p>Natural</p>	<p>v. 5 God's love has been poured into our hearts</p>	<p>Waterfalls running over cliffs; mountain rivers rushing downstream; spill off (spill channels?) on dams; downpours or torrential rain; big waves coming into shore</p>	<p>As this part of the passage is read, pour water into the baptismal font!</p>
<p>People - Interpersonal</p>	<p>vs. 5 - the love being poured out is a sign that the turn of the ages was happening. Joel 2:28-29</p>	<p>The Age of Aquarius, maybe?</p> <p>Is Jesus acting as a Friend In Need Trope?</p>	
<p>Self - Intrapersonal</p> <p>D2</p>	<p>vs 1 - justified = being put right by Jesus' death on the cross</p>	<p>"If we were dependent on constant renegotiation, like a continuing quality</p>	<p>In the next week, when you feel yourself falling into negotiations with</p>

	<p>We receive peace and no longer must throw ourselves into the mad rush of justifying ourselves</p>	<p>appraisal exercise to keep the same level of funding, we would be far from peace.” ~William Loader</p> <p>also: “It is the grace and compassion which addresses our true self - so it is not only forgiving and comforting, but also encouraging and challenging.”</p>	<p>your sense of self, remember that you are already made right with God.</p> <p>See if this:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• changes the nature of your self assessment, and• gives you freedom to honestly tackle places that need spiffing up
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