

More Than Hearing Worksheet

Episode: AOrd18x2017

Text: Romans 9:1-5

I am speaking the truth in Christ—I am not lying; **my conscience confirms** it by the Holy Spirit— 2 **I have great sorrow and unceasing anguish in my heart.** 3 For I could wish that I myself were accursed and cut off from Christ **for the sake of my own people**, my kindred according to the flesh. 4 They are Israelites, and to them belong the **adoption**, the **glory**, the **covenants**, the **giving of the law**, the **worship**, and the **promises**; 5 to them belong the patriarchs, and from them, according to the flesh, comes the Messiah, who is over all, God blessed forever. Amen.

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

Smarts	Images in the text/ interesting exegesis	Illustrations	SFX
Word - Verbal/Linguistic	"Don't even think for a moment that God's word of grace has malfunctioned!", 9:6a		
Eye - Visual/Spatial			
Math - Logical/Mathematical MWD	<p>"The church of the Gentiles is an extension of the promises of God to Israel and not Israel's displacement." J. Christiaan Beker, Paul the Apostle, pg 332</p> <p>"Paul did not write Romans 9-11 as a "Christian" passing judgment on "Judaism," as much as he wrote as a Jew trying, like the</p>	<p>Roy Scheider: "You're gonna need a bigger boat." (some lore behind the quote - funny!)</p> <p>exponential equations</p> <p>that old shampoo commercial where someone tells two friends and they tell two friends and so on and so on...</p> <p>having a second child or a third one or a fourth or fifth one - the parent's bank accounts, hairlines, energy may all recede but the love never does</p>	

	<p>prophets of old, to make theological sense of the dynamics of disobedience and restoration among Abraham's descendants.” Matt Skinner - WP</p>	<p>Vs. 4-5 - The difference that leaving out one ingredient makes in baking a cake, just as the Jews had all the ingredients except faith in Jesus as Messiah. (<i>Science!</i>)</p>	
<p>Body - Kinesthetic</p>			
<p>Musical D2</p>	<p>God is constant, but that God's way of being salvifically present in the world is so radically intertwined with human receptivity that it appears in differing modes over time. The song has changed but the words remain the same.</p>	<p>Vs. 3 - Prince: “I Would Die 4 U”</p>	<p>Vss. 4-5 - While you read the list of things the Israelites have in their favor, play (or have your musician play) a note ascending the scale for each one. C - the adoption, D - the glory, E - the covenants, F - the giving of the law, G - the worship, A - the promises; B - the patriarchs And stop! The Messiah is the last note hanging, waiting, unresolved.</p>
<p>Natural MWD</p>	<p>The church shares the root of Israel's heritage</p>	<p>Aspen - all one root system Forsythia - sucker branches The squash growing in our back yard reaching way beyond what I thought it would in order to produce fruit</p>	
<p>People - Interpersonal</p>		<p>Paul's words in 9:3 echo Moses' plea to God in Exodus 32:30-32, where Moses asks that he might be blotted from the book of life if only his fellow Jews might be forgiven.</p>	

		<p>In 9:4-5 he focuses on their identity by listing all their blessings.</p> <p>The question is “what is God doing?” and not “what is wrong with these people for not believing?”</p>	
<p>Self - Intrapersonal D2</p>		<p>Vs. 3 - ST:TNG episode “The Empath” is about an alien experiment in compassion and self sacrifice (an experiment most decent humans would dub unethical at best). Various characters offer to give up their lives for the sake of others, while others are tested to see if they will do the same. It’s a pretty brutal ep.</p> <p><i>Self Smart</i> because of the internal choices one would work through to offer such self-sacrifice. Could be <i>People Smart</i> for the inherent relationship.</p> <p>Similarly, “Heroic Sacrifice” trope</p> <p>This news item about James McCloughan who just received the Medal of Honor for bravery as medic in Viet Nam.</p>	