

More Than Hearing Worksheet

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Text: Matthew 21:23-32

23 When **he entered the temple**, the chief priests and the elders of the people **came to him as he was teaching**, and said, “**By what authority are you doing these things**, and who gave you this authority?” 24 Jesus said to them, “I will also ask you one question; **if you tell me the answer, then** I will also tell you by what authority I do these things. 25 Did the baptism of John come from heaven, or was it of human origin?” And **they argued with one another**, “If we say, ‘From heaven,’ he will say to us, ‘**Why then did you not believe him?**’ 26 But if we say, ‘Of human origin,’ **we are afraid of the crowd**; for all regard John as a prophet.” 27 So they answered Jesus, “We do not know.” And he said to them, “Neither will I tell you by what authority I am doing these things.

28 “**What do you think?** A man had two sons; he went to the first and said, ‘Son, go and work in the vineyard today.’ 29 He answered, ‘I will not’; but later **he changed his mind** and went. 30 The father went to the second and said the same; and he answered, ‘I go, sir’; but he did not go. 31 Which of the two did the will of his father?” They said, “The first.” Jesus said to them, “Truly I tell you, the tax collectors and the prostitutes are going into the kingdom of God ahead of you. 32 For John came to you in the way of righteousness and **you did not believe him**, but the tax collectors and the prostitutes **believed him**; and even **after you saw it, you did not change your minds and believe him**.

Word - B, Eye - B, Music - I, People - B, Self - S

Smarts	Images in the text/ interesting exegesis	Illustrations	SFX
<p>Word - Verbal/Linguistic</p> <p>MWD</p>	<p>Vs. 23. Context - this is a trap; Jesus sets up the chief priests and elders</p>  <p><i>LOL exactly!! - Molly</i></p>	<p>Is this a trick question?</p> <p>Questions about who has power, what is its source, will anyone listen, who benefits most from it, and who gets hurt by its misapplication is all through Scripture and human history.</p>	<p>Share the definition of the word “authority” and ask the congregation to pay attention to which definition Merriam-Webster suggests that might be at play in this encounter.</p>

	A person wearing a black top hat, a monocle, and a white coat. A speech bubble next to them says "It's an elaborate ruse!".		
Eye - Visual/Spatial D2		<p>scene from Jesus of Nazareth</p> <p>scene from Visual Bible</p> <p>Vss. 28-31 - Scene from Evan Almighty where Evan, who has resisted God's direction about building an ark, but having eventually done it, gets a well-done from God.</p>	<p>An artist's rendering of the temple. It's a big complex.</p> <p>A 3D model at a museum in Jerusalem</p> <p>A wider angle of the model</p> <p>Englishman Alec Garrard has made a model, as well.</p> <p>James Tissot, The Pharisees Question Jesus</p>
Math - Logical/Mathematical			
Body - Kinesthetic			
Musical MWD		Song - " Do What I Told You " by JAS. It's a Christian song, but I haven't found the lyrics.	
Natural			
People - Interpersonal D2		<p>Vs. 23 - I wonder if Jesus knew these techniques for handling classroom interruptions</p> <p>Stacy Swain at the Christian Century has a great story about communion and our usual way of doing things vs. God's way of providing other teaching moments. ("Harriet" and "Brenda")</p>	<p>In the parable, the tax collectors and prostitutes are the obedient ones.</p> <p>Gather in groups and discuss people you know who have exhibited obedience. Why did they do it? Were they people who just did as they were told or did they do as they were told because they trusted the people who gave them the duty?</p>
Self - Intrapersonal			Vs. 29 Have you ever had the

MWD			<p>experience of not wanting to do something but doing it anyway and finding that the experience was a big positive?</p> <p>What is most likely to prompt you to change your mind about something?</p>
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