

More Than Hearing Worksheet

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Text Mark 12:28-34

28 One of the scribes came near and heard them disputing with one another, and seeing that he answered them well, he asked him, “Which commandment is the first of all?” 29 Jesus answered, “The first is, ‘Hear, O Israel: the Lord our God, the Lord is one; 30 you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind, and with all your strength.’ 31 The second is this, ‘You shall love your neighbor as yourself.’ There is no other commandment greater than these.” 32 Then the scribe said to him, “You are right, Teacher; you have truly said that ‘he is one, and besides him there is no other’; 33 and ‘to love him with all the heart, and with all the understanding, and with all the strength,’ and ‘to love one’s neighbor as oneself,’—this is much more important than all whole burnt offerings and sacrifices.” 34 When Jesus saw that he answered wisely, he said to him, “You are not far from the kingdom of God.” After that no one dared to ask him any question.

Math - S, Body - B, Music - S, People - B

Smarts	Images in the text/ interesting exegesis	Illustrations	SFX
Word - Verbal/Linguistic			
Eye - Visual/Spatial			
Math - Logical/Mathematical D2			A scribe’s job was to maintain the records, as it were, of God’s instructions and to teach them to the people. They weren’t generally interpreters, as I understand it, but keepers. In Jesus’ day they would have been keeping track of over 600 laws and commandments in the Hebrew scriptures! Draw a Venn diagram with various subcategories of these commandments, such as the Decalogue, sacrifices, feasts and holidays, ritual purity, family relations,

			<p>neighborly relations, international relations, etc. Arrange them in such a way as to clump them around loving God and loving neighbor, so as you make the turn from what the scribes tracked to Jesus' answer you can draw a line around the "Love God" bunch and one around the "Love neighbor" bunch. <i>See below.</i></p>
<p>Body - Kinesthetic MWD</p>		<p>Heart and soul we can get behind, but how do people love God with their physical strength? How with their mind?</p>	<p>Invite people to get in touch physically with the parts listed for loving the Lord: put your hand over your heart, on your head (mind), and on wherever you think your soul lives, and on your muscles or guts (for strength). Shift your awareness to that body part, and imagine it working for you. Then imagine it full of love for God! <i>See also SELF</i></p> <p>Here's a line dance on vs. 30 for the song "Love the Lord." <i>See also MUSIC</i></p>
<p>Musical D2</p>			<p>Paraphrase the great commandments to fit the tune "Heart and Soul." (Just for fun, here it is from <i>BIG</i>.) <i>See below!</i></p> <p>Here's another song on vs. 30.</p>
<p>Natural</p>			
<p>People - Interpersonal MWD</p>		<p>As I have heard the story, in a suburb of Dayton, OH, a small United</p>	<p>Explore in dramatic reading the different tones of the conversation. Jill</p>

		<p>Methodist Church called Ginghamsburg decided to try taking seriously the second great commandment at Christmas time. Members were encouraged to buy equivalent gifts for a needy family as they bought for their own. New bike for you kid? Buy a new one for a needy neighbor's kid! Jewelry for your wife? Jewelry for someone else's wife. New sweater or phone or car for one of you ? New sweater, phone, car for your neighbor.</p> <p>This shift transformed the way the congregation thought about and interacted with the surrounding community and the world. The congregation began to grow from 90 members to several thousand members on four campuses.</p>	<p>Duffield, for example, reads it that the scribe is grading Jesus' answer and has an epiphany in hearing it, while I have always read it that the scribe agrees with Jesus because he already thought what Jesus said, and they find that they have this "core value" in common. So how would the conversation be different for these different understandings of the dynamics? Are there other ways to read it?</p>
Self - Intrapersonal			

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To the tune for "Heart and Soul" by Hoagy Carmichael*

Heart and soul!
 Love the Lord with all your heart and soul,
 And all your mind and strength.
 No--thi--ng is more important than this,
 than this, than this, than this.

Like yourself,
 Love your neighbor just like yourself!
 These are the greatest commandments!
 Nothing is greater than this!

Draw the smaller ovals first, then surround them as two sets.

