More Than Hearing Worksheet

Episode: COrdinary2x2019

Texts: Isaiah 62:1-5; Psalm 36:5-10; 1 Corinthians 12:1-11; John 2:1-11

morethanhearing.org/year-c-ordinary-2-2016

SELF Smart

Diana Waring: Self aware, understands strengths, pioneer, entrepreneur, risk taker

This is the ability to enjoy being alone, working independently, and relying on self-motivation. This person needs solitary time in order to think. They are the most independent of the learners.

Text: John 2:1-11

On the third day there was a wedding in Cana of Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. 2 Jesus and his disciples had also been invited to the wedding. 3 When the wine gave out, the mother of Jesus said to him, "They have no wine." 4 And Jesus said to her, "Woman, what concern is that to you and to me? My hour has not yet come." 5 His mother said to the servants, "Do whatever he tells you." 6 Now standing there were six stone water jars for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons. 7 Jesus said to them, "Fill the jars with water." And they filled them up to the brim. 8 He said to them, "Now draw some out, and take it to the chief steward." So they took it. 9 When the steward tasted the water that had become wine, and did not know where it came from (though the servants who had drawn the water knew), the steward called the bridegroom 10 and said to him, "Everyone serves the good wine first, and then the inferior wine after the guests have become drunk. But you have kept the good wine until now." 11 Jesus did this, the first of his signs, in Cana of Galilee, and revealed his glory; and his disciples believed in him.

Smarts	Images in the text/ interesting exegesis	Illustrations	SFX
SELF smart	<u>Commentary</u> by Scott Hoezee <u>Commentary</u> by Mark Davis, especially this: The subjunctive mood signifies the possible, not the definite.	 vs. 11 - Friend of ⇐ Scott's who's a chef; doesn't seek glory for his meals, he simply stands in the doorway to the kitchen and watches people enjoy his food! also vs. 11 - "A 	1) Encourage your congregation to think about a time when they revealed something about themselves to another person. How did they do it? Was is large and grand or was it much more subtle? Was it accidental?

Jesus' mother pushes him to act in a way that he does not think he is ready to do yet. However, his mother doesn't listen and proceeds. Jesus goes along with her but in a way that is muted; he reveals his glory only to his disciples and some servants. He doesn't make any grand gestures, but the abundant wine is a sign to those who know what he did that this is worth paying attention to.	Beautiful Mind" - the scene with the marriage proposal. How do we define "glory"? 3) vs 4 - Jesus is aware of <i>time</i> in a kairos fashion; a fulfillment or an arrival, like puberty or menopause; there's a time range rather than a timeline. Going with Davis' commentary, Mary has pushed him to act but doesn't know what he'll do. Jesus goes along but on his terms.	 2) When have you (or ask this of your congregation) had to rearrange your timeline for something because others were on a different schedule? For example, did you ever have a teacher or coach insist you were ready when you thought you weren't? DId you ever think you <i>were</i> ready and someone else held you back? 3) Also verse 4: commentary suggests the idiomatic phrase Jesus uses to respond to his mother is essentially, "So? This is not our business." Think of a time when you were dragged into a situation and things turned out.
---	--	--

Now concerning spiritual gifts, brothers and sisters, I do not want you to be uninformed. 2 You know that when you were pagans, you were enticed and led astray to idols that could not speak. 3 Therefore I want you to understand that no one speaking by the Spirit of God ever says "Let Jesus be cursed!" and no one can say "Jesus is Lord" except by the Holy Spirit.

4 Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; 5 and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord; 6 and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. 7 To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. 8 To one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom, and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, 9 to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, 10 to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another the discernment of spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. 11 All these are activated by one and the same Spirit, who allots to each one individually just as the Spirit chooses.

Smarts	Images in the text/ interesting exegesis	Illustrations	SFX
SELF smart		Vs 11 - allots to each one individually = think of it in terms of a suit of clothes that has been designed to fit your body, your fashion sense, your lifestyle, your budget, your sense of self. Bring in a favorite sweater or jacket or skirt or pair of pants. Talk about why you like them so much and what makes them "you". Encourage others to think about items in their own closets that are similar.	 If your congregation has done a spiritual gifts inventory in the past, encourage people to focus on their gift as they go about their coming week. Make a point to consider: How their gift can assist brothers and sister in the faith to build up the Body. How their gift can be used for others to glorify Jesus in the world. How their gift can strengthen their own relationship with Jesus. (You can find a spiritual gifts inventory and have it available for use after the service or at home if you have not done one. This <u>site has a link</u> to a test for personal use.)

Transgression speaks to the wicked deep in their hearts;

there is no fear of God

before their eyes.

2 For they flatter themselves in their own eyes that their iniquity cannot be found out and hated.

- 3 The words of their mouths are mischief and deceit; they have ceased to act wisely and do good.
- 4 They plot mischief while on their beds; they are set on a way that is not good; they do not reject evil.
- 5 Your steadfast love, O Lord, extends to the heavens, your faithfulness to the clouds.
- 6 Your righteousness is like the mighty mountains, your judgments are like the great deep; you save humans and animals alike, O Lord.
- 7 How precious is your steadfast love, O God! All people may take refuge in the shadow of your wings.
- 8 They feast on the abundance of your house, and you give them drink from the river of your delights.
- 9 For with you is the fountain of life; in your light we see light.

10 O continue your steadfast love to those who know you, and your salvation to the upright of heart!

11 Do not let the foot of the arrogant tread on me, or the hand of the wicked drive me away.12 There the evildoers lie prostrate; they are thrust down, unable to rise.

Smarts	Images in the text/ interesting exegesis	Illustrations	SFX
SELF smart	Rather than be squeamish about the wicked, use the excised verses to make the contrast between what the wicked and the faithful can expect from God. If one is faithful, God's bounty is something to celebrate.	Watch <u>this video</u> by Marva Dawn on Keeping the Sabbath. From her book, <i>Keeping</i> <i>the Sabbath Wholly:</i> "Our society has forgotten how to celebrate. It has	The images in verses 5-9 reveal God's abundant love is all we need. As each verse is read, allow time for people to travel to mighty mountains and the deep in their inner beings.

If one is only for	associated celebration	
oneself, they'll miss out	with dissipation. It has	
on it.	turned the festival of the	
	birth of Christ into a	
	gluttonous spending	
	spree and the festival of	
	the resurrection into a	
	spring egg-roll and	
	candy-hunt. These	
	occasions now nurture in	
	children not a sense of	
	the holy God, but a	
	selfish desire to possess.	
	Such acquisitiveness can	
	never lead to true	
	celebration. for the latter	
	is inherently turned	
	outward. We cannot	
	celebrate ourselves, we	
	can only celebrate	
	others." p. 196	
	AND	
	"One of the ways that	
	Sabbath contributes to	
	wholeness is that it frees	
	us to enjoy all the	
	dimensions of our being.	
	As we enjoy art or music	
	and appreciate beauty, as	
	we experience the	
	healing and rediscovery	
	of our emotions, as we	
	celebrate our true	
	masculinity and	
	femininity, these things	
	bring greater balance to	
	our lives. Moreover, in	
	the integration that	
	thorough ceasing,	
	resting, embracing, and	
	feasting produce, we	
	know our real identity	
	and that leads to the	
	genuine humility and	
	confidence of truth." p.	
	138	

For Zion's sake I will not keep silent, and for Jerusalem's sake I will not rest, until her vindication shines out like the dawn, and her salvation like a burning torch. 2The nations shall see your vindication, and all the kings your glory; and you shall be called by a new name that the mouth of the Lord will give. 3You shall be a crown of beauty in the hand of the Lord, and a royal diadem in the hand of your God. 4You shall no more be termed Forsaken, and your land shall no more be termed Desolate; but you shall be called My Delight Is in Her, and your land Married; for the Lord delights in you, and your land shall be married. 5 For as a young man marries a young woman, so shall your builder marry you, and as the bridegroom rejoices over the bride, so shall your God rejoice over you.

Smarts	Images in the text/ interesting exegesis	Illustrations	SFX
SELF smart	The reason the prophet cannot keep silent or rest is that God is redeeming Israel. God is bringing her out of the ashes of destruction and making her ready to be received as a dearly loved person (bride or queen). There is a deep abiding hope in this passage.	 1- Too bad I'm not doing MUSIC smart because the hymn <u>How Can I Keep</u> <u>from Singing?</u> Would be perfect for verse one! 2- Think of a time when you had received fantastic news and couldn't wait to share it with someone! You were totes excited! 3- Recall a time when your life was desolate. Now, imagine God calling you by name, calling you beloved, helping you out of the rubble, and cleaning you up. THEN, dressing you in warm, protective clothing and throwing a huge party because you'd been found. 	Be creative with this idea: give everyone a crown. Use pins, stickers, pipe cleaners, paper crowns from a fast food restaurant. Tell them that this is God's intention for them as an individual - to be part of the royal family of God. OR Take some time in the sermon or in the prayers and allow everyone to sit quietly having been named My Delight is in You.