More Than Hearing Worksheet

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Text: Isaiah 62:1-5 (NRSV)

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. 2 The 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. 3 You shall be a crown of beauty in the hand of the Lord, and a royal diadem in the hand of your God. 4 You 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	Illustrations	SFX
Word - Verbal/Linguistic	I will not keep silent called by a new name "My Delight Is in Her" "Married"	"I will not keep silent" - Isaiah is filling the role of advocate - standing up for, speaking on behalf of God's people "called by a new name" - anyone who has legally changed a name knows how one's identity shifts as well. Marriage, witness protection, stage name, writer's	"not keep silent" - http://www.advocacynet.org/ The Advocacy Project was established in 1998 to help marginalized communities and their advocates take action against injustice. Are you aware of any prophets you can highlight?

		pseudonym - a new person.	
Eye - Visual/Spatial	shines out like the dawn like a burning torch see your vindication	This new relationship is NOT a secret. This new relationship is bright and bold and unable to be missed. Royal wedding? Charles and Diana or Will and Kate… other larger than life demonstrations of relationship? Kimye	
Math - Logical/Mathematical			
Body - Kinesthetic	in the hand of your God	protection "You're in good hands" [Allstate or other beneficent caretakers]	"He's Got the Whole World in His Hands"
Musical			^ He's formed Zion as a crown… in His hands.
Natural	Forsaken vs. My Delight is in her Desolate vs. Married	God changes Zion and Israel's "polarity" Through God's actions, Forsaken and Desolate are swapped out for My Delight is in Her and Married	Use bar magnets to demonstrate vindication: the one called Forsaken and Desolate is repulsive to others -- try to connect similar poles of the magnets. When God redeems and vindicates her, she

			becomes inherently attractive to others -- connect opposite poles of the magnets
People - Interpersonal	the Lord delights in you….	imagery of God as a bridegroom - new relationship, new life, going forward into the future with a partner "Love is the non-possessive delight in the particularities of the other." - James E. Loder http://www.amazon.com/Transforming-Moment-James-E-Loder/dp/0939443171/	Encourage the congregation to visualize the scene what are the qualities of the "bride"? Why does God claim this bride? She has been unfaithful and has spent time away but God wants her back. Discuss what this reveals about the character of God.
	v. 4	Snow White, Cinderella, etc. -- the outcast, downcast woman is redeemed and lifted up by a royal suitor *note: marriage is defined much more as a partnership today as opposed to the uneven and unequal relationship of the past. I don't think this needs to be a huge hermeneutic hurdle, but should be	

		acknowledged somehow	
Self - Intrapersonal		When have you felt vindicated? How did that work? Was it your own doing or someone else's? If someone else, what was your feeling toward that person? When have you felt forsaken? desolate? When have you felt someone's delight over you?	

see also: *Jesus the Bridegroom: The Greatest Love Story Ever Told* by Brant Pitre