

More Than Hearing Worksheet

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Text: 2 Peter 1:16-21

16 For we did not follow **cleverly devised myths** when we made known to you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but **we had been eyewitnesses of his majesty**. 17 For he received **honor and glory** from God the Father **when that voice was conveyed** to him by the Majestic Glory, saying, “This is my Son, **my Beloved, with whom I am well pleased.**” 18 We ourselves **heard this voice** come from heaven, while we were with him on the **holy mountain**.

19 So we have the **prophetic message** more fully confirmed. **You will do well to be attentive to this** as to **a lamp shining in a dark place**, until the **day dawns and the morning star rises** in your hearts. 20 First of all you must understand this, that **no prophecy of scripture is a matter of one’s own interpretation**, 21 because no prophecy ever came by human will, but **men and women moved by the Holy Spirit spoke from God**.

Eye - I/S, Math - I, Nature - I, People - S

Smarts	Images in the text/ interesting exegesis	Illustrations	SFX
Word - Verbal/Linguistic	Cleverly devised myths <i>Brian Peterson, WP:</i> “Opponents of the author may have been claiming that the apostles made up the story of Jesus’ return to instill fear and thus control behavior. This was a common critique made by Greek and Roman philosophers about the ancient myths regarding the gods.”	Myths about •George Washington and the cherry tree •Paul Bunyon and Babe •Johnny Appleseed •John Henry All stories told about figures who by their living taught values. Was the author of 2Peter attempting to teach values? Probably. Was he making this up? He sounds sincere. <i>Peterson:</i> “The author of 2 Peter directs the readers to Jesus’ identity as the one who rules in God’s name.”	If you have had an encounter in a “thin place” like Sinai or Mt. Tabor/Carmel, how would you tell the story? What element would be the most important? How much detail would you include? What would you hope to accomplish by telling it? To entertain or educate or enlighten? Or simply just to tell it so it has somewhere to go?
Eye - Visual/Spatial	Lamp shining in a dark place	Lights in caves Nightlights Streetlights Car head lights	<u>Descending</u> a wall <u>Two lights</u> in a cave <u>Three lamps</u> in a cave A <u>collection</u> of nightlights

		Flashlights Candles Lanterns campfires Stars Mr. Tumnus' lamp post	- some of these would keep me up.... A collection of street lights
Math - Logical/Mathematical		V. 16ff. - w.r.t. eyewitness testimony	
Body - Kinesthetic			
Musical			
Natural		<p>V. 19 “Have you ever seen the dawn? Not a dawn groggy with lack of sleep or hectic with mindless obligations and you about to rush off on an early adventure or business, but full of deep silence and absolute clarity of perception? A dawning which you truly observe, degree by degree. It is the most amazing moment of birth. And more than anything it can spur you to action. Have a burning day.” — Vera Nazarian, The Perpetual Calendar of Inspiration</p> <p>“Dawn is the time when nothing breathes, the hour of silence. Everything is transfixed, only the light moves.” — Leonora Carrington</p> <p>“Veil after veil of thin dusky gauze is lifted, and by degrees the forms and colours of things are restored to them, and we watch the dawn remaking the world in its antique pattern.” — Oscar Wilde, The Picture of Dorian Gray</p>	<p>Dawn is the time foraging animals come out and - well, forage.</p> <p>Birds become quite active just before the sky gets light. Is it because the sun emits UV rays they can see before we do?</p>

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People - Interpersonal			Invite members of the congregation to talk with each other about a time when they were eyewitnesses to something or when they, like Peter, called on their eyewitness experience to strengthen an argument with someone. How did it turn out?
Self - Intrapersonal		V. 19 - Have you ever pulled an all-nighter? Different kinds - party/social, study/project, or watch. The watch is probably the hardest. Party is fun, study is intent, goal-oriented, and sometimes frantic; but a night watch is focused on what isn't happening but might, looking for change.	