

More Than Hearing Worksheet

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Text: Deuteronomy 18:15-20

15 The Lord your God will raise up for you **a prophet like me from among your own people**; you shall heed such a prophet. 16 This is what you requested of the Lord your God at Horeb on the day of the assembly when you said: **“If I hear the voice of the Lord my God** any more, or ever again **see this great fire**, I will die.” 17 Then the Lord replied to me: **“They are right in what they have said.** 18 I will raise up for them **a prophet like you from among their own people**; I will put **my words in the mouth of the prophet, who shall speak to them everything that I command.** 19 **Anyone who does not heed the words that the prophet shall speak in my name, I myself will hold accountable.** 20 But any prophet **who speaks in the name of other gods, or who presumes to speak in my name a word that I have not commanded** the prophet to speak—that prophet shall die.”

Word - B, Math - B, Music - I, Nature - B

| Smarts | Images in the text/ interesting exegesis | Illustrations | SFX |
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| <p>Word - Verbal/Linguistic</p> <p>MWD</p> | | <p>Vs. 18b - I will put my words...</p> <p>Like the mouthpiece for an instrument which is needed to make music and not just noise. Or silence.</p> | <p>Bring in some mouthpieces for trumpets tubas, clarinets, saxophones and play them. They will make sound but not a very good one - especially the reeds! Then, place the mouthpiece in its instrument and blow away!! (Or have someone who plays do so, if you don't)</p> <p>See also MUSIC</p> |
| <p>Eye - Visual/Spatial</p> | | | <p>A cute poster</p> |
| <p>Math - Logical/Mathematical</p> <p>D2</p> | <p>This passage could be used apologetically to address those who want direct evidence of God. To wit, people said they couldn't handle God's presence (direct evidence), so God obliged, opting for</p> | <p>The prophet is acting as a conduit - like wire through which the current (God's word) runs to a switch that turns on a light (the people). If the wiring is bad, things don't work or blow up and catch fire.</p> | <p>⇨ Make a primitive tin-can phone with cans and string.</p> |

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| | indirect evidence. | | |
| Body - Kinesthetic | | The word of the Lord can be hard to bear. Bring in some weights and add them to a pile as the reading goes on. | What pose might you assume before an overwhelming presence that you perceive as a threat to your wellbeing? [TRIGGER WARNING?] <i>You might acknowledge that some in your congregation know it too well.</i> |
| Musical MWD | | God will raise up a prophet like me To bring the Word to you Since you were too chicken to hear God's voice For fear of what it would do. So God will speak through a prophet instead, And all who heed, God will save. But any who bring a fake message from God Will find an early grave. --D2-- | |
| Natural D2 | | The difference between a prophet and a heretic is time. Like cultures in Petri dishes. Only time will tell if a bacteria is present and grows - or what kind it is. | Vs. 16 - Dogs who can't stand the withering judgment of their master See also EYE (video) and SELF (emotion) |
| People - Interpersonal | | Vs. 15 - Truth speakers are home grown! Think of modern prophets whose words/writings have been effective; they speak to times, places, people, and issues that are familiar to those listening. They know the situations and the people and can make the connection between God and the people so that situations can be altered and God's people | Prophecy (or the word of God) is "...a word that is consistent with the word that has come to the community of faith before." ~Howard Wallace Break into groups and discuss this quote: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What word has come to you in the past that you knew was from God? |

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| | | flourish. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What happened? Did anything change? • Have you heard a word from God lately that sounds like the past word? |
| Self - Intrapersonal | <p>The true prophet does not seek to be a prophet. From Moses' long protest against God's call in Exodus 3 to Jeremiah's objection that he is "only a boy" (Jeremiah 1:6), no prophet in the Bible wants to be a prophet. It is something, instead, that they do because they cannot avoid God's call. When Jeremiah tries to keep silent, he cannot (Jeremiah 20). Even when Elijah runs away, he cannot escape God's presence (1 Kings 19).</p> <p>~Kathryn Schifferdecker, WP</p> | | <p>When have you known you needed to say something to someone? How did you know? Was what you said inspired by or supported by the Spirit?</p> <p>Did you have that conversation? How did it go?</p> |

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