

# More Than Hearing Worksheet

Episode: COrd6x2019

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## PEOPLE Smart

Diana Waring on Interpersonal Intelligence:

[*PEOPLE Smart folks are g*]ood with people, whether as a leader, an organizer, a counselor, or an encourager. This is the ability to understand and enjoy people. A person who is interpersonal learns best when other people are involved, whether through games, team work, or cooperative learning sessions. This person needs people.

**Text: Luke 6:17-26**

17 He **came down** with them and stood **on a level place**, with **a great crowd** of his disciples and **a great multitude of people** from **all Judea, Jerusalem, and the coast of Tyre and Sidon**.  
 18 They had come **to hear him** and **to be healed of their diseases**; and those who were **troubled with unclean spirits** were cured. 19 And **all in the crowd** were **trying to touch him**, for power came out from him and healed all of them. 20 Then **he looked up** at his disciples and said: "**Blessed** are you who are poor, for yours is the kingdom of God. 21 "**Blessed** are you who are **hungry** now, for you will be filled. "**Blessed** are you who weep now, for you will laugh. 22 "**Blessed** are you **when people hate you, and when they exclude you, revile you, and defame you on account of the Son of Man**. 23 **Rejoice** in that day and **leap for joy**, for surely your reward is great in heaven; for that is what their ancestors did to the prophets. 24 "But **woe to you** who are rich, for you have received your consolation. 25 "**Woe to you** who are full now, for you will be hungry. "**Woe to you** who are laughing now, for you will mourn and weep. 26 "**Woe to you** when all speak well of you, for that is what their ancestors did to the false prophets."

Smarts	Images in the text/ interesting exegesis	Illustrations	SFX
PEOPLE smart		Vss. 18-19 – <a href="#">Doctors Without Borders</a> is a group of medical professionals that go into all sorts of ravaged places to provide healthcare for free to people in dire circumstances.	Vss. 20-26 – Show pictures of different kinds of people in the different categories Jesus mentions. Use all sorts of ethnicities in both the blessings and woes, because all groups have both rich and poor, etc.

		<p><a href="#">Operation Smile</a> is a group that provides surgeries to correct cleft lip and cleft palate in children around the world, especially in developing nations, at no cost. These and other such organizations often draw big crowds when they come to town.</p>	<p><i>This might seem like an <b>EYE</b> smart SFX, but the pictures of people get people thinking about ... <b>people</b>, and their relationships with them. There is also opportunity to plug into some <b>SELF</b> smart as people reflect on where they connect with the pictures.</i></p> <p>Invite your folks to discuss the pictures with each other, like:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• which one was most moving?</li><li>• with which did you most closely associate?</li><li>• which was most uplifting?</li><li>• which was most upsetting?</li></ul>
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**Text: 1 Corinthians 15:12-20**

12 Now if Christ is proclaimed as raised from the dead, how can some of you say there is no resurrection of the dead? 13 If there is no resurrection of the dead, then Christ has not been raised; 14 and if Christ has not been raised, then our proclamation has been in vain and your faith has been in vain. 15 We are even found to be misrepresenting God, because we testified of God that he raised Christ--whom he did not raise if it is true that the dead are not raised. 16 For if the dead are not raised, then Christ has not been raised. 17 If Christ has not been raised, your faith is futile and you are still in your sins. 18 Then those also who have died in Christ have perished. 19 If for this life only we have hoped in Christ, [then] we are of all people most to be pitied. 20 But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have died.

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<p>PEOPLE smart</p>	<p>Paul is struggling to understand the Corinthians' motivation in claiming there is no resurrection, since it is what defines their existence as Christians and as a church, to say nothing of his own ministry and life.</p>	<p>← Consider the confusion you might have if someone made claims like:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Food has no nutritional value; there is no good reason to eat</li> <li>• There is no such thing as "air"</li> <li>• Love is an artificial construct perpetuated by the government to control the masses</li> </ul> <p>You might think, "That makes NO sense! What would make you say such a thing?"</p> <p>This is not very different from <a href="#">flat earthers</a> or <a href="#">antivaxxers</a>, really, if you want to go there.</p>	<p>← Invite folks to try out one or more of these lines on their friends or coworkers this week to see what sort of reaction they get. Use it as an opportunity to talk about the resurrection. You, the preacher, should offer some guidelines here, like after laying down the bogus line and getting a reaction, come clean that you were just kidding, but your preacher said lines like this were what Paul was talking about in this passage, etc....</p>

**Text: Psalm 1**

Happy are those who do not follow the advice of the wicked, or take the path that sinners tread, or sit in the seat of scoffers;

2 but their delight is in the law of the LORD, and on his law they meditate day and night.

3 They are like trees planted by streams of water, which yield their fruit in its season, and their leaves do not wither. In all that they do, they prosper.

4 The wicked are not so, but are like chaff that the wind drives away.

5 Therefore the wicked will not stand in the judgment, nor sinners in the congregation of the righteous;

6 for the LORD watches over the way of the righteous, but the way of the wicked will perish.

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<p>PEOPLE smart</p>		<p>Vs. 1, etc. – <a href="#">Here are some stories</a> about some sinners, scoffers, and otherwise unwise persons who died as a result of their poor choices.            You can find other unwise and lethal choices at <a href="#">The Darwin Awards</a>.            Again, not all these folks are necessarily wicked, but they didn't stand in the judgment, so you know.            (Here is a nice <a href="#">infographic</a> with some more Darwins. The guy that cut his own head off to impress his friends is of particular note.)            So don't follow their advice or take their path!  <i>PEOPLE for understanding motivations, influence</i></p>	<p>← Invite folks to discuss in small groups a time when someone gave them bad advice. Did they take it or leave it? Did they know it was bad? How did they know?  <i>PEOPLE for relational sharing with others, listening to other's experience and thought processes</i></p>

**Text: Jeremiah 17:5-10**

Thus says the LORD: Cursed are those who trust in mere mortals and make mere flesh their strength, whose hearts turn away from the LORD. 6 They shall be like a shrub in the desert, and shall not see when relief comes. They shall live in the parched places of the wilderness, in an uninhabited salt land. 7 Blessed are those who trust in the LORD, whose trust is the LORD. 8 They shall be like a tree planted by water, sending out its roots by the stream. It shall not fear when heat comes, and its leaves shall stay green; in the year of drought it is not anxious, and it does not cease to bear fruit. 9 The heart is devious above all else; it is perverse-- who can understand it? 10 I the LORD test the mind and search the heart, to give to all according to their ways, according to the fruit of their doings.

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<p>PEOPLE smart</p>		<p>The passage is a bit like a comparison commercial. Their product (Not the Lord) is terrible and leaves you tired and frustrated. Our product (The Lord) leaves you feeling refreshed and ready for action!</p> <p>Choose any "as seen on TV" type commercial, like <a href="#">this one for the Perfect Slicer</a>.</p> <p><a href="#">Here's a commercial</a> wherein people put their trust in the wrong place. Apparently, our culture is not alone in being short sighted.</p> <p><a href="#">Here's another commercial</a> wherein the featured characters prefer a slow internet connection to a fast one. The point being that they are putting their trust in the wrong thing, see. I think there are a lot of commercials like this, but I am having a hard time</p>	<p>Perform the text like a cheesy commercial. If you have time and talent, actually film it as a commercial you show in the service.</p> <p>"Does trusting in mere mortals leave you feeling cursed? Then turn your heart to the Lord! The strength of mere flesh can leave you feeling like a shrub in the desert - parched and dry - Ouch! But when you trust in the Lord, you'll be like a tree planted by water! No need to worry about drought or heat there. And just look at all that tasty, healthy fruit! Hearts can be devious and downright sick, but the soul that trusts in the Lord will stand in the judgment in the congregation of the righteous. So act now! Operators are standing by."</p> <p>Sure, include some of</p>

		<p>finding them or thinking of them even. Perhaps you will have better luck. I mean, you could go the other way, too, where someone is doing it wrong and they are shown the shiny new thing and switch, and that's like repenting and putting your trust in the Lord, right?</p> <p><i>These are PEOPLE because of the motivation behind making questionable choices. Also for the change/manipulation that commercials seek to produce.</i></p>	<p>Psalm 1. It's practically the same thing any way. Heck, through in a few beatitudes while you're at it!</p> <p><i>PEOPLE smart for drama, which helps one identify with other characters.</i></p>
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