

More Than Hearing Worksheet

Episode: CLent1x2019

Texts: [Deuteronomy 26:1-11](#) • [Psalm 91:1-2, 9-16](#) • [Romans 10:8b-13](#) • [Luke 4:1-13](#)

NATURE Smart

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[Naturalist Intelligent people are...]

Good with the outdoors and/or animals, whether rocks, rivers, plants, clouds, animals

This is the ability to observe, investigate, experiment, and discover the natural world, including weather, animals, plants, and geologic structures. This person needs to go outside!

Text: Luke 4:1-13

Jesus, full of the Holy Spirit, returned from the Jordan and was led by the Spirit in the wilderness, 2 where for forty days he was tempted by the devil. He ate nothing at all during those days, and when they were over, he was famished. 3 The devil said to him, "If you are the Son of God, command this stone to become a loaf of bread." 4 Jesus answered him, "It is written, 'One does not live by bread alone.'"

5 Then the devil led him up and showed him in an instant all the kingdoms of the world. 6 And the devil said to him, "To you I will give their glory and all this authority; for it has been given over to me, and I give it to anyone I please. 7 If you, then, will worship me, it will all be yours."

8 Jesus answered him, "It is written,

'Worship the Lord your God,
and serve only him.'"

9 Then the devil took him to Jerusalem, and placed him on the pinnacle of the temple, saying to him, "If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down from here, 10 for it is written,

'He will command his angels concerning you,
to protect you,'

11 and

'On their hands they will bear you up,
so that you will not dash your foot against a stone.'"

12 Jesus answered him, "It is said, 'Do not put the Lord your God to the test.'" 13 When the devil had finished every test, he departed from him until an opportune time.

Smarts	Images in the text/ interesting exegesis	Illustrations	SFX
NATURAL		They say most skiing accidents happen on the	← Show some videos from FailArmy like this

		<p>last run of the day (when people have decided to make one last run, not just because they have an accident). The thinking is that people go out when they are tired and they make mistakes and get hurt. Similarly, people engaging in other risky outdoor activities (climbing, mountain biking, kayaking, skydiving, etc.) can find themselves in trouble when they push themselves beyond the limits of their strength or skill. Some pushing is fine to grow better and stronger, but there are actual physical limits beyond which failure is assured. The temptation for those people is to cross that line, thinking they can handle it. Jesus was certainly pushing the limits but knew where, when, and how to stop from crossing the line.</p> <p><i>NATURE for the environment of the activity, but also BODY and SELF</i></p>	<p><i>one</i> or similar of people trying extreme tricks and crushing it, and some people trying extreme tricks and getting crushed.</p> <p><i>A bit of EYE and BODY here.</i></p>
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Text: Romans 10:8b-13

8 But what does it say?

“The word is near you,
on your lips and in your heart”

(that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); 9 because if you confess with your lips that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. 10 For one believes with the heart and so is justified, and one confesses with the mouth and so is saved. 11 The scripture says, “No one who believes in him will be put to shame.” 12 For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all and is generous to all who call on him. 13 For, “Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.”

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NATURAL	Getting saved...	<p>Consider an endangered species being hard pressed by ... oh, let's say, humans encroaching on their habitat. I know, it's a stretch, but it could happen. How might these creatures be saved from extinction? As we have seen, someone has to take up their cause and raise up a voice for them, making a case on their behalf. It takes a lot of passion and dedication on the part of the advocates to make a difference for that species. The advocates must be firm in their convictions and prolific in their pronouncements to turn the hearts of those who might otherwise be indifferent. Consider efforts whales, elephants, tigers, gorillas, and polar bears. How much more shall we be saved if we cry out to God who is <i>not</i> indifferent but also working for our salvation!</p>	

Text: Psalm 91:1-2, 9-16

1 You who **live in the shelter** of the Most High,
who **abide in the shadow** of the Almighty,
2 will say to the Lord, "My refuge and my fortress;
my God, **in whom I trust.**"

3 For he will deliver you from the snare of the fowler
and from the deadly pestilence;

4 he will cover you with his pinions,
and under his wings you will find refuge;
his faithfulness is a shield and buckler.

5 You will not fear the terror of the night,
or the arrow that flies by day,

6 or the pestilence that stalks in darkness,
or the destruction that wastes at noonday.

7 A thousand may fall at your side,
ten thousand at your right hand,
but it will not come near you.

8 You will only look with your eyes
and see the punishment of the wicked.

9 Because you have made the Lord your refuge,
the Most High your dwelling place,
10 no evil shall befall you,
no scourge come near your tent.

11 For **he will command his angels concerning you**
to guard you in all your ways.

12 **On their hands they will bear you up,**
so that **you will not dash your foot** against a stone.

13 **You will tread** on **the lion and the adder,**
the young lion and the serpent you will **trample under foot.**

14 **Those who love me, I will deliver;**
I will protect those who know my name.

15 **When they call to me, I will answer them;**
I will be with them in trouble,
I will rescue them and **honor them.**

16 With long life I will satisfy them,
and **show them my salvation.**

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NATURAL		Vss. 1-2/9-10 – Here's an	Vs. 13 – If you have a

		<p>article showing 15 different shelters you can build in the wilderness, ranging from lean-tos to tipis to tarp hammocks, for hot deserts, wet woods, or deep snow conditions.</p> <p>Vs. 13 – This isn't quite trampling on lions and adders, but it's an abstract of a study about human foot traffic affecting soil fauna in Antarctica. As usual, humans kill things just by being there. Any way, it gives a sense of scale that we can with our ordinary walking mess up nematodes and such, but God's promise is that you can mess up the alpha predators as well. Not environmentally sound policy, perhaps, but the point is that you can walk fearlessly in God's protection.</p>	<p>stuffed lion you could dramatize the reversal depicted here. Talk about how lions were a serious threat to the ancient Israelites (Here's a great map and pretty extensive article about historic and present lion populations). Imagine walking from Jerusalem down to, say, Jericho and WHAM! GETTING ATTACKED BY A LION!! ROOOAAARR!!! (as the stuffed lion attacks your neck). Well, what if you had so much awesomeness and protection that when the lions attacked YOU COULD STOMP ON THEM INSTEAD!!! BOOT!! (as you punt the stuffed lion across the room). Now the point here is not necessarily that you can actually punt lions and snakes. It may be metaphorical for God's protection from strong and/or crafty humans.</p>
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Text: Deuteronomy 26:1-11

When you have come into **the land** that the Lord your God is giving you as an inheritance to possess, and you possess it, and settle in it, 2 you shall take some of the first of all the **fruit of the ground, which you harvest from the land** that the Lord your God is giving you, and you shall put it in a basket and go to **the place that the Lord your God will choose as a dwelling for his name**. 3 You shall go to the priest who is in office at that time, and say to him, "Today I declare to the Lord your God that I have come into the land that the Lord swore to our ancestors to give us." 4 When the priest takes the basket from your hand and sets it down before the altar of the Lord your God, 5 you shall make this response before the Lord your God: "**A wandering Aramean was my ancestor**; he **went down into Egypt** and lived there as an alien, **few in number**, and there he became a great nation, mighty and populous. 6 When the Egyptians **treated us harshly and afflicted us**, by imposing hard labor on us, 7 we cried to the Lord, the God of our ancestors; the Lord **heard our voice** and **saw our affliction, our toil, and our oppression**. 8 The Lord brought us out of Egypt **with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm**, with a terrifying display of power, and with signs and wonders; 9 and he brought us into this place and gave us **this land, a land flowing with milk and honey**. 10 So now I bring the first of the **fruit of the ground** that you, O Lord, have given me." You shall set it down before the Lord your God and **bow down** before the Lord your God. 11 Then you, together with the Levites and the aliens who reside among you, shall **celebrate with all the bounty** that the Lord your God has given to you and to your house.

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NATURAL		Think about what it would be like if you did this when you went to the grocery store. Would it give you a greater sense of (1) the land where your food was produced (2) the providence of God? Try it.	Bring in a couple baskets of fruits, vegetables, and grains, and maybe a few of canned and dry goods. Have some people offer them at the front with an adaptation of the passage's liturgy at the offering. If practical, use the food for fellowship time after the service, that all may celebrate the bounty of the Lord, or give it to a food pantry or other local food ministry.