

More Than Hearing Worksheet

Episode: CEaster2x2019

Texts: [Acts 5:27-32](#) • [Psalm 150](#) • [Revelation 1:4-8](#) • [Luke 24:13-35](#)

NATURE Smart

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 24:13-35

The Walk to Emmaus

13 Now on that same day two of them were [going to a village](#) called Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem, 14 and talking with each other about all these things that had happened. 15 While they were talking and discussing, Jesus himself came near and went with them, 16 but their eyes were kept from recognizing him. 17 And he said to them, "What are you discussing with each other [while you walk along](#)?" They stood still, looking sad. 18 Then one of them, whose name was Cleopas, answered him, "Are you the only stranger in Jerusalem who does not know the things that have taken place there in these days?" 19 He asked them, "What things?" They replied, "The things about Jesus of Nazareth, who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, 20 and how our chief priests and leaders handed him over to be condemned to death and crucified him. 21 But we had hoped that he was the one to redeem Israel. Yes, and besides all this, it is now the third day since these things took place. 22 Moreover, some women of our group astounded us. They were at the tomb early this morning, 23 and when they did not find his body there, they came back and told us that they had indeed seen a vision of angels who said that he was alive. 24 Some of those who were with us went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said; but they did not see him." 25 Then he said to them, "Oh, how foolish you are, and how slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have declared! 26 Was it not necessary that the Messiah should suffer these things and then enter into his glory?" 27 Then beginning with Moses and all the prophets, he interpreted to them the things about himself in all the scriptures.

28 As they came near the village to which they were going, [he walked ahead](#) as if he were going on. 29 But they urged him strongly, saying, "[Stay with us, because it is almost evening and the day is now nearly over.](#)" So he went in to stay with them. 30 When he was at the table with them, he took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them. 31 Then their eyes were opened, and they recognized him; and he vanished from their sight. 32 They said to each other, "Were not our hearts burning within us while he was talking to us on the road, while he was opening the scriptures to us?" 33 That same hour they got up and returned to Jerusalem; and they found the eleven and their companions gathered together. 34 They were saying, "The Lord has risen indeed, and he has appeared to Simon!" 35 Then they told what had

happened on the road, and how he had been made known to them in the breaking of the bread.

Smarts	Images in the text/ interesting exegesis	Illustrations	SFX
	<p>Vs 13 - travelling to Emmaus</p> <p>Vs 29 - it's getting dark, don't go on</p> <p>Verse 17</p>	<p>1) Have you ever been out for a walk or a hike (or simply been outside) and met someone memorable? There are etiquette rules for hikers, but this encounter is different. Although, rule #4 may have been in play when the two disciples struck up a conversation with the stranger going their way and then urged him to stay with them since it was getting dark.</p> <p>2) Think about the way you talk with people as you are on a walk or a hike. If you are with friends or family, you are probably talking about anything while you exercise your bodies and your relationships. If you are with colleagues, you are likely discussing issues around your business or work.</p>	<p>1) Bring in some hiking paraphernalia! Boots, packs, poles, hats, sunscreen, etc.</p> <p>2) While there is some question as to where Emmaus actually was, the topography of Israel in those possible areas suggest the walk would have been through an arid climate.</p>

Text: Revelation 1:4-8

The revelation of Jesus Christ, which God gave him to show his servants what must soon take place; he made it known by sending his angel to his servant John, 2 who testified to the word of God and to the testimony of Jesus Christ, even to all that he saw.

3 Blessed is the one who reads aloud the words of the prophecy, and blessed are those who hear and who keep what is written in it; for the time is near.

4 John to the seven churches that are in Asia:

Grace to you and peace from him who is and who was and who is to come, and from the seven spirits who are before his throne, 5 and from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth.

To him who loves us and freed us from our sins by his blood, 6 and made us to be a kingdom, priests serving his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen.

7 Look! He is [coming with the clouds](#);
every eye will see him,
even those who pierced him;
and on his account all the tribes of the earth will wail.

So it is to be. Amen.

8 "I am the Alpha and the Omega," says the Lord God, who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty.

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	Are the clouds symbolic or literal? Only just now saw these on Amazon!	Clouds are easy to see; we just look up. Because they are above us, their presence is not obscured by other things. Clouds can signal an approaching storm or a storm clearing away. They can be clouds of smoke or steam or dust. They may signal to us which way to travel (if it's smoke or steam) or where to retreat from (if it's a funnel cloud).	If the reference to clouds is literal, then show a diagram of the different types of clouds. Or make use of projection equipment and show some pictures .

Text: Psalm 150

- 1 Praise the Lord!
Praise God in his sanctuary;
praise him in his **mighty firmament!**
- 2 Praise him for his mighty deeds;
praise him according to his surpassing greatness!
- 3 Praise him with trumpet sound;
praise him with lute and harp!
- 4 Praise him with tambourine and dance;
praise him with strings and pipe!
- 5 Praise him with clanging cymbals;
praise him with loud clashing cymbals!
- 6 Let **everything that breathes** praise the Lord!
Praise the Lord!

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		<p>“His mighty firmament” is essentially the world. Google has plenty diagrams of what this may have been. This is one of them. Think of the “firmament” in terms of a domed stadium - especially when a home team is winning an important game!</p>	<p>1) Find a recording of animal calls and play them for verse 6, particularly. You could also substitute certain birds for the different instruments!</p> <p>2) If it is possible, find a variety of globes and place them around the sanctuary or project pictures of the different biomes as you read this psalm.</p>

Text: Acts 5:27-41

27 When they had brought them, they had them stand before the council. The high priest questioned them, 28 saying, "We gave you strict orders not to teach in this name, yet here you have **filled Jerusalem** with your teaching and you are determined to bring this man's blood on us." 29 But Peter and the apostles answered, "We must obey God rather than any human authority. 30 The God of our ancestors raised up Jesus, whom you had killed by hanging him on a tree. 31 God exalted him at his right hand as Leader and Savior that he might give repentance to Israel and forgiveness of sins. 32 And we are witnesses to these things, and so is the Holy Spirit whom God has given to those who obey him."

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		This passage seems to be about resisting a powerful urge to maintain the status quo. In terms of NATURE, there is a parallel to people who are trying to lobby reluctant or recalcitrant members of Congress about climate change.	Calculate the area of Jerusalem and how long it would take to "fill" it. Of course, the high priest is speaking of proclaiming the word about Jesus, of course. Plant a garden based on your own area. Blow up an aerial picture, place it on teh bottom of a clear box and plant seeds in it.