More Than Hearing Worksheet

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Texts: Job 19:23-27a • Psalm 17:1-9 • 2 Thessalonians 2:1-5, 13-17 • Luke 20:27-38

EYE Smart - MWD

Text: Job 19:23-27a

23 "O that my words were written down!
O that they were inscribed in a book!
24 O that with an iron pen and with lead
they were engraved on a rock forever!
25 For I know that my Redeemer lives,
and that at the last he will stand upon the earth;
26 and after my skin has been thus destroyed,
then in my flesh I shall see God,
27 whom I shall see on my side,
and my eyes shall behold, and not another.

Smarts	Images in the text/ interesting exegesis	Illustrations	SFX
EYE	Vs 24 - צוּר tsur 1. a. rocky wall, cliff ⇒	Stone Mountain, GA Mt. Rushmore, SD Crazy Horse Monument, SD Register Rock, ID Three Rivers Petroglyph,	
	Vs. 25-27 From commentary by Brian Jones at WP: "David Clines' translation is preferable to the NRSV: "But I know that my champion lives and that he will	MM ← The experience of waiting for someone to show up. Looking down the rail tracks, looking down the road, looking	

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rise last to speak for me on earth, even after my skin has thus been stripped from me. Yet, to behold Eloah [God] while still in my flesh—that is my desire, to see him for myself, to see him with my own eyes, not as a stranger."	down the jetway, etc.	
Kathryn Schifferdecker "Clinging to the God whom he also at the same time accuses this is the paradoxical stance of faith that Job takes. [] Job exemplifies that posture of lament"		Borrowing heavily from BODY smart, encourage your congregation to find a way to "stand in lament". How would it look to be an emblem of someone wounded who still demands justice and deliverance?

Text: Psalm 17:1-9

Prayer for Deliverance from Persecutors A Prayer of David.

- 1 Hear a just cause, O Lord; attend to my cry; give ear to my prayer from lips free of deceit.
- 2 From you let my vindication come; let your eyes see the right.
- 3 If you try my heart, if you visit me by night, if you test me, you will find no wickedness in me; my mouth does not transgress.
- 4 As for what others do, by the word of your lips I have avoided the ways of the violent.
- 5 My steps have held fast to your paths; my feet have not slipped.
- 6 I call upon you, for you will answer me, O God; incline your ear to me, hear my words.
- 7 Wondrously show your steadfast love, O savior of those who seek refuge from their adversaries at your right hand.
- 8 Guard me as the apple of the eye; hide me in the shadow of your wings, 9 from the wicked who despoil me, my deadly enemies who surround me.

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EYE	Verse 8: ⇒ Commentary by Karla Suomala WP "Psalm 17 is infused with the same sense of intimacy, confidence, boldness, purpose, and urgency that Jesus models for his disciples in the Lord's Prayer."	The "apple" of the eye is אָישׁוּ ishon which is pupil. How the English translation got around to apple is not entirely clear, but either one suggests what is central to one's vision - a place of biology, privilege, and endearment. The psalmist is asking God for the attention God would give to something in the center of God's vision. "You always see me, you won't	← If the psalmist is asking to be placed in God's center vision, then he is making a bold claim. It's like getting in someone's path and not moving out of it, regardless of how much they try to avoid you. To demonstrate, ask two volunteers to come up front and designate one of them the eyeball and one of them the "apple". Ask the eyeball to move around and ask the apple

forget me" kind of thing. Like those floaters we get as we age. We ALWAYS see them; the brain allows for us to "forget" them but they are there.	to stay in the center. When you've done this for a while, ask the participants what it was like to do this. What was it like to be the eyeball; did you finally just stop and focus on the apple? What was it like to be the apple? How much energy did you expend to "stay in the center"? This sfx leans heavily on
	PEOPLE and SELF and BODY smart.

Text: 2 Thessalonians 2:1-5, 13-17

The Man of Lawlessness

2 As to the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ and our being gathered together to him, we beg you, brothers and sisters, 2 not to be quickly shaken in mind or alarmed, either by spirit or by word or by letter, as though from us, to the effect that the day of the Lord is already here. 3 Let no one deceive you in any way; for that day will not come unless the rebellion comes first and the lawless one is revealed, the one destined for destruction. 4 He opposes and exalts himself above every so-called god or object of worship, so that he takes his seat in the temple of God, declaring himself to be God. 5 Do you not remember that I told you these things when I was still with you?

Chosen for Salvation

13 But we must always give thanks to God for you, brothers and sisters beloved by the Lord, because God chose you as the first fruits for salvation through sanctification by the Spirit and through belief in the truth. 14 For this purpose he called you through our proclamation of the good news, so that you may obtain the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ. 15 So then, brothers and sisters, stand firm and hold fast to the traditions that you were taught by us, either by word of mouth or by our letter.

16 Now may our Lord Jesus Christ himself and God our Father, who loved us and through grace gave us eternal comfort and good hope, 17 comfort your hearts and strengthen them in every good work and word.

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EYE	Commentary by Mariam Kamell WP "Rather than becoming distracted by detailed maps of the end times and time frames for the rapture, this frame technique allows us to see Paul's purpose in the chapter, stated in verses 2 and 15: encouragement that they "not become easily unsettled or alarmed," but instead that they "stand firm and hold fast to the teachings" he gave them in person."	This "frame" is like a tent. To successfully erect a tent, you need to balance the structure.	

Text: Luke 20:27-38

The Question about the Resurrection

27 Some Sadducees, those who say there is no resurrection, came to him 28 and asked him a question, "Teacher, Moses wrote for us that if a man's brother dies, leaving a wife but no children, the man shall marry the widow and raise up children for his brother. 29 Now there were seven brothers; the first married, and died childless; 30 then the second 31 and the third married her, and so in the same way all seven died childless. 32 Finally the woman also died. 33 In the resurrection, therefore, whose wife will the woman be? For the seven had married her."

34 Jesus said to them, "Those who belong to this age marry and are given in marriage; 35 but those who are considered worthy of a place in that age and in the resurrection from the dead neither marry nor are given in marriage. 36 Indeed they cannot die anymore, because they are like angels and are children of God, being children of the resurrection. 37 And the fact that the dead are raised Moses himself showed, in the story about the bush, where he speaks of the Lord as the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob. 38 Now he is God not of the dead, but of the living; for to him all of them are alive."

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EYE	Living in Greek is ζωή "zoë" - quality of life not just biology. The Sadducees are seriously poking fun at both Jesus and the idea of Resurrection.		Set up spots that designated "the living" and "the dead". As the passage is read, you have Jesus, the Sadducees, and the woman and her husbands in the "living" spot. As the husbands die, they will travel over to the "dead" where there are already a few people huddled. Eventually only Jesus and the Sadducees will remain in the "living" spot. Then, as Jesus talks about Moses, move to the "dead" and help Moses to his feet and have him travel to the boundary of "living". At the end, when Jesus says that God is not God of the dead, but the living for in him all are alive" take down the boundary around the spots and have all the

	people move in around Jesus. Be sure to include the Sadducees.
	PEOPLE smart and SELF smart and BODY smart, too.