

More Than Hearing Worksheet

Episode: ABaptismx2020

Text: Isaiah 42:1-9

Here is my servant, **whom I uphold, my chosen, in whom my soul delights**; I have put my spirit upon him; he will bring forth justice to the nations. 2 **He will not cry or lift up his voice**, or make it heard in the street; 3 a **bruised reed** he will not break, and a dimly burning wick he will not quench; he will faithfully bring forth justice. 4 **He will not grow faint** or be crushed until he has established justice in the earth; and the coastlands wait for his teaching.

5 Thus says God, the Lord, **who created the heavens and stretched them out**, who spread out **the earth and what comes from it**, who **gives breath** to the people upon it and spirit to those who walk in it: 6 I am the Lord, **I have called you in righteousness, I have taken you by the hand** and kept you; I have given you as a covenant to the people, **a light to the nations**, 7 to **open the eyes that are blind**, to **bring out the prisoners from the dungeon**, from the prison those who sit in darkness. 8 **I am the Lord, that is my name; my glory I give to no other**, nor my praise to idols. 9 See, the former things have come to pass, and new things I now declare; **before they spring forth**, I tell you of them.

Word - I, Eye - S, Body - S*, Music - I, Nature - B, People - B

Smarts	Images in the text/ interesting exegesis	Illustrations	SFX
<p>Word - Verbal/Linguistic</p> <p>MWD</p>	<p>Louis Stulman and Hyun Chul Paul Kim describe prophetic literature as “meaning-making literature for communities under siege.”¹</p> <p>Juliana Claassens, <i>Working Preacher</i></p> <p>1 Louis Stulman and Hyun Chul Paul Kim, <i>You Are My People</i> (Nashville: Abingdon, 2010), 22.</p>	<p>⇐ “The servant offers a profound example of power in the midst of vulnerability.”</p> <p>Samwise Gamgee is the best example I can think of here! His utter devotion to Frodo got the One Ring delivered back to Mount Doom and his support made certain Frodo was able to get to the edge if not actually throw the thing away. Gollum helped there but his devotion was to the ring, which ultimately destroyed them both.</p>	

<p>Eye - Visual/Spatial</p> <p>D2</p>	<p>Amy Oden - <i>Working Preacher</i></p> <p>“As Isaiah speaks, it’s as though we see the camera lens zooming slowly out from a close-up shot to a wide-angle view, a cosmic view. By reminding Israel of who God is, how God works, and what God is doing by sending a servant, Isaiah expands the frame of reference, re-locating and re-purposing Israel’s particularity within God’s cosmic frame.”</p>		<p>Make or acquire a large picture frame. As you talk about how God has refocused attention through this servant, hold the frame up for people to look through, then move it so that what is in the frame holds more information.</p> <p>+</p> <p>Get a long, wide strip of white paper and make a mural that includes different elements from the reading - stars of heaven, earth, living things, the Servant, bruised reed, smouldering wick, scales of justice, the nations, the blind, and those in dungeons. It doesn’t have to be a masterpiece, just good enough that people can figure it out. Use the picture frame to isolate the different bits, bringing people’s attention to each one. Maybe put an image of the Servant on the edge of the frame.</p> <p>Or get one of those toys sold at museum gift shops that starts as a smaller colorful ball and then expands to multiple times its size. It’s called a Hoberman Sphere! Huh, learned something today...</p>
<p>Math - Logical/Mathematical</p>			
<p>Body - Kinesthetic</p> <p>MWD</p>			<p>Verse five invites time to breathe!</p> <p>See PEOPLE smart sfx below....</p>
<p>Musical</p>		<p>Leonard Cohen, Anthem</p>	

MWD		“Forget your perfect offering, there is a crack in everything, but that is where the light gets in.”	
Natural D2		<p>Vs 9 - “before they spring forth”</p> <p>When driving along the county roads we travel in late winter or early spring, I can tell trees and bushes along the side of the road are close to budding out because there is a faint hint of color in the ends of the branches. According to The Old Farmer’s Almanac, paying attention to nature’s changes is called phenology, a practice that uses the cues of nature to signal planting times.</p>	<p>Meteorologically speaking, we are in winter (northern hemisphere) and will not see signs of spring for another two months. However, it may not be too early to start sprouting some seeds indoors. Break out the Chia pet again, or sprout some beans or peas in glass jars in a warm place in the building.</p>
People - Interpersonal MWD		<p>Through the example of the suffering servant, we are guided how to live in difficult times. If we are all “suffering servants” we share a common bond which allows us to strengthen one another - and strengthen the Body.</p>	<p>At the end of each of David’s Sunday morning services, he encourages people to join hands or place a hand on a shoulder or in some other way make physical contact with the people around them when he gives the benediction. If you don’t do this, consider it for this Sunday if you use this passage.</p> <p><i>(This includes some BODY smart elements in that people feel in their bodies the physical support of the people around them.)</i></p>
Self - Intrapersonal			