

More Than Hearing Worksheet

Episode: AOrdinary4x2020

Text: Micah 6:1-8

God Challenges Israel

1 Hear what the Lord says:

Rise, plead your case before the mountains,
and let the hills hear your voice.

2 Hear, you mountains, the controversy of the Lord,
and you enduring foundations of the earth;
for the Lord has a controversy with his people,
and he will contend with Israel.

3 “O my people, what have I done to you?

In what have I wearied you? Answer me!

4 For I brought you up from the land of Egypt,
and redeemed you from the house of slavery;
and I sent before you Moses,
Aaron, and Miriam.

5 O my people, remember now what King Balak of Moab devised,
what Balaam son of Beor answered him,
and what happened from Shittim to Gilgal,
that you may know the saving acts of the Lord.”

What God Requires

6 “With what shall I come before the Lord,
and bow myself before God on high?

Shall I come before him with burnt offerings,
with calves a year old?

7 Will the Lord be pleased with thousands of rams,
with ten thousands of rivers of oil?

Shall I give my firstborn for my transgression,
the fruit of my body for the sin of my soul?”

8 He has told you, O mortal, what is good;
and what does the Lord require of you
but to do justice, and to love kindness,
and to walk humbly with your God?

Body - S, Music - I, People - B, Self - I

Smarts	Images in the text/ interesting exegesis	Illustrations	SFX
Word - Verbal/Linguistic			

<i>Strengths</i> <i>Characteristics</i> <i>Expression</i>			
Eye - Visual/Spatial <i>Strengths</i> <i>Characteristics</i> <i>Expression</i>			
Math - Logical/Mathematical <i>Strengths</i> <i>Characteristics</i> <i>Expression</i>			
Body - Kinesthetic MWD <i>Strengths</i> <i>Characteristics</i> <i>Expression</i>			Invite people to model what “walking humbly” might look like. Does it involve looking down at the ground? Or does it involve looking directly at other people? Is it a servile position or one that acknowledges one’s place in the world as God’s own? (There’s some <i>SELF</i> smart here, too)
Musical D2 <i>Strengths</i> <i>Characteristics</i> <i>Expression</i>		<u><i>What Does the Lord Require of You?</i></u> Jim Strathdee <u><i>Every Step of the Way,</i></u> Christopher Grundy <u><i>Let Justice Roll Like a River,</i></u> Marty Haugen <u><i>Sizohamba Naye</i></u> (We Will Walk with God)	
Natural <i>Strengths</i> <i>Characteristics</i> <i>Expression</i>			

<p>People - Interpersonal MWD</p> <p><i>Strengths Characteristics Expression</i></p>	<p>If you subscribe to <i>The Christian Century's</i> "Sunday's Coming Premium", you will have access to an essay by Kat Banakis titled "Everyday Kindness".</p> <p>An excerpt: "Each of these women blessed me with their words when I was in need. I think of Paul's letter to the Corinthians—a mixed crew of humanity, not many of them "wise by human standards, not many were powerful, not many were of noble birth." Some were, but most were not. Most were everyday saints living out the best of humanity in kindness and hope completely outside their official job descriptions."</p>	<p>A sermon by Paul Nuechterlein based on this passage using <i>Groundhog Day</i> as an illustration for living the way God calls through Micah.</p> <p>← Another illustration is this essay. In it, Ms. Banakis writes about the struggle she endured with fertility treatments and the way that nurses, an insurance representative, and an Uber driver (who happened to be a minister) were kind to her as one more treatment failed to result in a pregnancy. Each of them listened to HER and gave her a kindness that she needed.</p>	<p>Break into groups and discuss:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. In what ways have you been shown mercy and kindness by others? 2. In what ways have you extended mercy and kindness? 3. Why does "walking humbly with God" make a difference?
<p>Self - Intrapersonal D2</p> <p><i>Strengths Characteristics Expression</i></p>		<p>Vss. 6ff – When you come to worship, do you actively consider what you will bring as an offering to the Lord? How often do you consider sacrificial giving like in vs. 7? What would be your equivalent offer?</p> <p>Can you think of a time when you needed to appease someone you love for having done wrong? What did you consider? What did you finally bring as an offering? How did it turn</p>	

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