

# More Than Hearing Worksheet

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Text: Genesis 2:15-17; 3:1-7

15 The Lord God took the man and put him in the garden of Eden to till it and keep it. 16 And the Lord God commanded the man, "You may freely eat of every tree of the garden; 17 but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat of it you shall die."

## *The First Sin and Its Punishment*

3 Now the serpent was more crafty than any other wild animal that the Lord God had made. He said to the woman, "Did God say, 'You shall not eat from any tree in the garden'?" 2 The woman said to the serpent, "We may eat of the fruit of the trees in the garden; 3 but God said, 'You shall not eat of the fruit of the tree that is in the middle of the garden, nor shall you touch it, or you shall die.'" 4 But the serpent said to the woman, "You will not die; 5 for God knows that when you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil." 6 So when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was a delight to the eyes, and that the tree was to be desired to make one wise, she took of its fruit and ate; and she also gave some to her husband, who was with her, and he ate. 7 Then the eyes of both were opened, and they knew that they were naked; and they sewed fig leaves together and made loincloths for themselves.

Word - B, Eye - B, Body - B, Nature - I, People - S, Self - S

Smarts	Images in the text/ interesting exegesis	Illustrations	SFX
Word - Verbal/Linguistic  D2  <i>Strengths Characteristics Expression</i>		Vs. 3 & 4 - God said/snake said  In a way, this is an example of pernicious gossip. We gossip when we take what was said and present it at a different angle - skew information just enough to keep the kernel of truth but alter it enough to raise suspicions.  <i>This is also PEOPLE smart in that someone knows just how to push a button in someone else.....</i>	This could raise some hackles, but when you get to the serpent countering Eve's report of what God said, have it yell, "Fake news!" If ever there have been weaponized words, these are them.

<p>Eye - Visual/Spatial</p> <p>MWD</p> <p><i>Strengths</i> <i>Characteristics</i> <i>Expression</i></p>		<p>Vs 5/7 - <a href="#">My EYES!!</a></p> <p>Maybe not as comical as Phoebe finding out about Monica and Chandler's new relationship, but the serpent is assuring her that <i>when</i> Eve eats the fruit, she will see things in an entirely new way with a different understanding. She will discover that she will, in fact, die - just not right away.</p>	<p>We "see" things all the time that impact us both for good and for bad.</p> <p>Rather than traumatize anyone, encourage people to think of things they've seen that have "opened their eyes". This is a <b>SELF smart</b> exercise since you are asking people to tap into their inner world.</p>
<p>Math - Logical/Mathematical</p> <p><i>Strengths</i> <i>Characteristics</i> <i>Expression</i></p>			
<p>Body - Kinesthetic</p> <p>D2</p> <p><i>Strengths</i> <i>Characteristics</i> <i>Expression</i></p>		<p>Vs 16 - freely eat the food</p> <p>I've always thought the garden was like a very well stocked and abundantly varied salad bar! I suppose the two had to prepare the food a bit more than just filling a plate, though.</p>	<p>If you have fellowship time after worship, consider offering fruit and veggies and "other green plants". Maybe olives and dates? What to do with the apples?</p>
<p>Musical</p> <p><i>Strengths</i> <i>Characteristics</i> <i>Expression</i></p>			
<p>Natural</p> <p>MWD</p> <p><i>Strengths</i> <i>Characteristics</i> <i>Expression</i></p>	<p>The passage has a lot of Nature elements; keep the gardeners you know on speed dial for this one.</p>	<p>Vs. 7 – <a href="#">Here is a good description</a> of the leaf of the common edible fig. Of note, the leaves are large, "palmate" (resembling a hand), and covered with fine hairs or fibers, referred to as "pubescence," which can cause skin irritation!</p>	

<p>People - Interpersonal</p> <p>D2</p> <p><i>Strengths</i> <i>Characteristics</i> <i>Expression</i></p>			<p>Invite people to try an experiment this week to see if they can convince someone to try something unpleasant but not dangerous.</p> <p>Maybe have another group try to convince someone to try something beneficial but not necessarily pleasant.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>This idea needs development.</i></li> <li>• <i>For example, try to imagine supporting a candidate for office that you do not prefer.</i></li> <li>• <i>Try to get someone to eat kale.</i></li> <li>• <i>Try to get someone who drinks a lot of coffee to go without - or at least at 50% for a day.</i></li> <li>• <i>Like that you mean?</i></li> <li>• <i>Yes!</i></li> </ul>
<p>Self - Intrapersonal</p> <p>MWD</p> <p><i>Strengths</i> <i>Characteristics</i> <i>Expression</i></p>			<p>How easy is it for someone to convince you to change your position? The woman seems to have been easily swayed, and the man doesn't even ask any questions, apparently. What are the things on which you think you would stand firm to the bitter end?</p>