

In-Home Discipleship Guide

Below is a guide to help prepare you (and your small group or family) for Sunday worship. We encourage you to take advantage of this as you are able, and let us know if there are other ways we can serve you at this time.

THEME: THE REDEEMER GIVES WISDOM AND HOPE!

MEMORY VERSE: “Know that wisdom is such (sweet) to your soul; if you find it, there will be a future and your hope will not be cut off.” Proverbs 24:14

BIG IDEA: God has a plan of Redemption for everyone.

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TEACHING PASSAGE: Ruth 3:1-18

*See the **next page** for any additional resources, including any activities that can be done with young children.*

Discussion Questions:

1. Naomi has a plan to help Ruth, so that she will no longer need to glean the fields and be without someone to support her, what are some important parts of this plan? (verses 2-4)
2. Read Deuteronomy 25:5-10, how does this law help with Naomi’s plan for Ruth?
3. How do the actions of Boaz show him to be an honorable, just man? (verses 10-15)
4. Boaz is whom Naomi thinks will be the kinsman redeemer, how do we know he is not, (verse 12) but what is Boaz willing to do? (verse 13)
5. In these last 2 chapters we have seen a change in Naomi, how has she become a mentor (Titus 2: 3-5) to Ruth? (Verses 2:20,22; 3:1-4,18) Do you have a mentor that can instruct you in the way of the Lord? (For men read Titus 2:6-8)

Additional Resources

Teaching Passage: Ruth 3:1-18

Then Naomi her mother-in-law said to her, “My daughter, should I not seek rest for you, that it may be well with you? ²Is not Boaz our relative, with whose young women you were? See, he is winnowing barley tonight at the threshing floor. ³Wash therefore and anoint yourself, and put on your cloak and go down to the threshing floor, but do not make yourself known to the man until he has finished eating and drinking. ⁴But when he lies down, observe the place where he lies. Then go and uncover his feet and lie down, and he will tell you what to do.” ⁵And she replied, “All that you say I will do.”

⁶So she went down to the threshing floor and did just as her mother-in-law had commanded her. ⁷And when Boaz had eaten and drunk, and his heart was merry, he went to lie down at the end of the heap of grain. Then she came softly and uncovered his feet and lay down. ⁸At midnight the man was startled and turned over, and behold, a woman lay at his feet! ⁹He said, “Who are you?” And she answered, “I am Ruth, your servant. Spread your wings over your servant, for you are a redeemer.” ¹⁰And he said, “May you be blessed by the LORD, my daughter. You have made this last kindness greater than the first in that you have not gone after young men, whether poor or rich. ¹¹And now, my daughter, do not fear. I will do for you all that you ask, for all my fellow townsmen know that you are a worthy woman. ¹²And now it is true that I am a redeemer. Yet there is a redeemer nearer than I. ¹³Remain tonight, and in the morning, if he will redeem you, good; let him do it. But if he is not willing to redeem you, then, as the LORD lives, I will redeem you. Lie down until the morning.”

¹⁴So she lay at his feet until the morning, but arose before one could recognize another. And he said, “Let it not be known that the woman came to the threshing floor.” ¹⁵And he said, “Bring the garment you are wearing and hold it out.” So she held it, and he measured out six measures of barley and put it on her. Then she went into the city. ¹⁶And when she came to her mother-in-law, she said, “How did you fare, my daughter?” Then she told her all that the man had done for her, ¹⁷saying, “These six measures of barley he gave to me, for he said to me, ‘You must not go back empty-handed to your mother-in-law.’” ¹⁸She replied, “Wait, my daughter, until you learn how the matter turns out, for the man will not rest but will settle the matter today.”

Say: Naomi and Ruth have a close and trusting relationship. Naomi understands the culture and so instructs Ruth what to do to be safe. Ruth is brave and humble and follows Naomi’s instruction.

Ask: Can you describe a time you had to be brave to follow a trusted loved one’s instruction?

Say: The kinsman-redeemer is a male relative who had the privilege or responsibility to act on behalf of a relative who was in trouble, danger, or need. The Hebrew term (go el) for kinsman-redeemer designates one who delivers.

Ask: The Old Testament points to Jesus over and over. How does Boaz as kinsman-redeemer point to Jesus?

Say: Naomi urged Ruth to go to Boaz and ask him to be her kinsman redeemer since Boaz was qualified to do so. Like Ruth, we need a redeemer. Only Jesus is qualified to redeem our sins and make us right with God. So, like Ruth went to Boaz, we need to go to Jesus.

Activity:

Take time to share about when you went to Jesus to ask him to redeem you, deliver you out of sin and into the family of God. If your child has not taken this step yet, take this time to gently encourage and talk about our need for a savior.

