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1. What does this story teach me about God or the gospel?
2. What does this story teach me about myself?
3. Are there any commands in this story to obey? How are they for God's glory and my good?
4. Are there any promises in this story to remember? How do they help me trust and love God?
5. How does this story help me to live on mission better?

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Unit 9 • Session 3

GOD PROVIDED FOR RUTH

Ruth

WHAT IS THE FAIR PAYMENT FOR SIN? THE FAIR PAYMENT FOR SIN IS DEATH.

Naomi lived in Judah with her husband and two sons. There was a famine, so Naomi and her family decided to go to Moab. There, Naomi's husband died. Naomi's sons married women from Moab: Orpah and Ruth. Then Naomi's sons died. Since the famine was over, Naomi decided to go home to Judah. Orpah returned home, but Ruth clung to Naomi. Ruth said, "Wherever you go, I will go. Your God will be my God." Naomi and Ruth returned to Judah.

Ruth went into the fields to gather fallen grain. Boaz saw Ruth in his field. He had heard how she had been kind to Naomi. Boaz made sure Ruth was safe and had enough food.

Ruth went back to Naomi and told her about Boaz. "He is one of our family redeemers," Naomi explained. Naomi gave Ruth special instructions. Ruth showed Boaz that she hoped he would marry her. Ruth explained, "You are a family redeemer."

So Boaz stood before the elders in the town and made an agreement. He promised to redeem and marry Ruth.

Ruth and Boaz had a son named Obed. When Obed grew up, he was the father of Jesse, who was the father of King David.

Christ Connection: Boaz was a family redeemer. He helped his close relatives who were in trouble. Boaz cared for Ruth and Naomi because their husbands had died. In a similar way, Jesus is our Redeemer. We need help because we sin. Jesus bought our salvation for us by taking our punishment when He died on the cross.

God Provided for Ruth

Ruth

Family Discussion Starters:

- Why did Ruth want to stay with Naomi?
- What are some ways God provided for Ruth?
- How has God provided for us?

Family Activity:

Buy whole stems of wheat from a specialty grocer or online. Allow your kids to handle it and taste it. Then, use a blender, grain mill, spice grinder, or mortar and pestle to grind the wheat into flour. Point out how much grain it takes to make even a small amount of flour. Review the Bible story, and discuss ways God provides for us.



Ruth's Redeemer

Help Ruth find the path to Boaz.

The Family's Own | Fill in the missing words. Then use the circle letters to spell a key word from the Bible story.

1. Naomi's sons married Orpah and .
2. There was a in the land, so Naomi and her family traveled to Moab.
3. Naomi's husband and sons .
4. Ruth told Naomi, "Wherever you go, I will go, and wherever you live, I will .
5. Ruth and Naomi needed , so Ruth went into the fields to gather grain.
6. Boaz saw Ruth in his and showed favor to her.
7. Naomi told Ruth to put on her best clothes and lay down by Boaz's .
8. Boaz redeemed Ruth and promised to her.

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