

RUTH

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BIG IDEA

God is active, even in the seemingly ordinary, and even when he seems absent.

KEY SCRIPTURE

Ruth 2

ADDITIONAL SCRIPTURES

Leviticus 19:9-10, Deuteronomy 24:19-21, Matthew 25:35-40, Romans 8:28

RESOURCES

[*The Bible Project Guide / Book of Ruth*](#)

SEEN

1. Prior to meeting, individually spend time meeting God in the key scripture.
2. Read the passage of scripture two times slowly and reflectively. The goal is to allow the text to sink in and resonate personally. Look for words and phrases that stand out to you and write them down.
3. Read the passage slowly one more time, pay extra attention to the parts that stood out to you the first time. Consider how these words or phrases might apply to your life right now. What might the Lord be inviting you to?
4. Respond to God in prayer, express your thoughts, feelings, and desires in relation to the scripture. Rest now in God's presence, allow for silence and stillness. Listen for God's voice and experience a deeper connection with him.

SHAPED

Thinking about the Sunday sermon what stuck out for you in what was said?

In your time reflecting on the key scripture what stood out to you?

Ruth "happened" to end up in Boaz's field (2:3). Where have you seen what seemed like coincidence later reveal God's quiet direction in your life?

Ruth simply goes out to glean simply in order for her and Naomi to survive. How does this chapter challenge the idea that we need dramatic moments to experience God's will? How does God's providential love influence how we live our everyday, seemingly "ordinary," lives?

Boaz becomes the means of provision and protection. Who has God used in your life as an instrument of His care? How might God want to use you for someone else?

Naomi interprets Boaz's kindness as God's faithfulness (2:20). Why is it sometimes hard to recognize God's providence in the moment? What helps you see it more clearly?

At this point in the story, Ruth and Naomi still don't know the outcome. How can you trust God's providence when you don't yet see how things will turn out?

SENT

Just as we are blessed to be a blessing, in being seen by God, he invites us to truly see others. This week be mindful, is God nudging you to notice someone in your community? Reach out to that person.

Teresa of Avila wrote "Christ has no body now on earth but yours." How can you be the hands and feet of Jesus this week, as you go about your every day life? Pray together for

opportunities to share tangible acts of God's love to others.