



# Introducing Naomi, Ruth & Boaz

## SMALL GROUP DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

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## GETTING STARTED

Naomi and her family moved to the land of Moab to escape a famine in Bethlehem. When her husband and both her sons died she moved back to her homeland where the drought was over. Her daughter in law Ruth made the decision to go with Naomi.

Ruth left her home and extended family, her culture and religion, and all the comfort of the things that were familiar.

God rewarded Ruth's faithfulness and obedience and incorporated her into the family line of King David and ultimately Jesus.

**What are your initial thoughts about the story of Ruth?**

**Spend some time in prayer asking God to show you what he is saying to the church at large and to you individually from the story of Ruth.**

# INTO THE WORD

## **Ruth 1:16-17**

*<sup>16</sup> But Ruth replied, “Don’t try to make me leave you and go back. Where you go I’ll go. Where you stay I’ll stay. Your people will be my people. Your God will be my God. <sup>17</sup> Where you die I’ll die. And there my body will be buried. I won’t let even death separate you from me. If I do, may the Lord punish me greatly.”*

Commitment to God, family and friends, and the body of Christ.

**What would it mean for you to make the commitment Ruth made?**

Key Thought

The book of Ruth shows us that God wants you to be part of His story and can use anyone, no matter who you are or where you are from.

# GOING DEEPER

## **Read the four chapters of Ruth.**

As you read, look for the things that would be different to your experience, the things that you might not understand. If you find yourself thinking “why did Naomi tell Ruth to lay at Boaz’ feet?” Or “What is a family redeemer?” Or “What are gleaners in a grain field?”

Do some personal research to find out what is behind the text that you might not understand.

## **Reflection:**

Have we determined to be part of God’s family?  
Are we prepared to be done with our old lives as we follow God?

## **Living it out:**

Just like Naomi when her husband and sons died, we might feel that our lives are empty and there is no hope, but if we remain faithful and obedient, He can still use our situation and bless us in it.

Can we be as obedient and committed as Ruth, Naomi and Boaz?

## **Memory Verse:**

“Therefore, my dear friends, as you have always obeyed—not only in my presence, but now much more in my absence—continue to work out your salvation with fear and trembling, for it is God who works in you to will and to act in order to fulfil his good purpose.”

Philippians 2:12-13 NIV