WEEK 4 | ONE HEART

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Verses: Ruth 4



SERIES INSIGHT

In this new series, *One Heart*, we are looking at the Book of Ruth and the rhythms and the challenges of the heart. About seasons of promise and let down, worry and grief, uncertainty and commitment, blessing and encouragement.

ICEBREAKER

I scream, you scream, we all love ice cream! What's your favorite topping and why?

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

- 1. **Review the Message**. Looking back at your notes and upon reflecting on this weekend's message, what was your one takeaway from Sunday?
- 2. Boaz takes the legal steps to redeem Ruth, while the nearer kinsman refuses due to the cost (Ruth 4:1-6). What does this passage teach us about taking responsibility even when it requires personal sacrifice?
- 3. Are there situations in your life where God is calling you to step up and take responsibility, even if it's inconvenient?
- 4. Boaz follows the legal customs to redeem Ruth, showing integrity and faithfulness (**Ruth 4:7-10**). How do we see God's hand at work in Boaz's actions?
- 5. How can we make choices that align with God's will, even when we don't see immediate results?
- 6. The elders and people bless Boaz and Ruth, connecting them to God's greater plan (**Ruth 4:11-12**). Why is community affirmation and blessing important in our spiritual walk?
- 7. How can we be intentional about encouraging and blessing others in our faith community?
- 8. Ruth and Boaz's son, Obed, becomes part of the lineage of David and ultimately Jesus (**Ruth 4:13-22**). How does this passage show that God's plan is greater than our immediate circumstances?
- 9. How can we trust God when we don't see the full picture of His plan for our lives?

PRAYER

Share requests and celebrate praise reports. Take time for your group to pray for however long is needed.

PRAYER FOR THE YEAR

King Jesus,

We pray for an outpouring for the presence of God in: our heart, our home, our church, our city. That may result in an awakening that leads to transformation of: our heart, our home, our church, our city.

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