

TALK IT OVER

Read **Ruth 2:10-11**. Boaz noticed Ruth's character. What qualities do you think someone would see in you?

Review the four signs you might have a keeper. Talk about the sign that stood out to you the most. What made it noteworthy or important to you?

Is there anything you need to change in your friendships or relationships to honor God better? Share about this change and talk to your LifeGroup about ways they can support and encourage you.

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The Book of Ruth—3
4 Signs You Might Have a Keeper

You don't just attract what you want. You tend to attract what you are.

4 Signs You Might Have a Keeper

- **Seeking Character**
- **Exploring Connection**
- **Showing Consideration**
- **Receiving Confirmation**

At this, she bowed down with her face to the ground. She asked him, "Why have I found such favor in your eyes that you notice me—a foreigner?" Ruth 2:10 NIV

Seeking Character

Boaz replied, "I've been told all about what you have done for your mother-in-law since the death of your husband—how you left your father and mother and your homeland and came to live with a people you did not know before." Ruth 2:11 NIV

You don't build a life of righteousness on a foundation of sin.

When a person shows you who they really are, believe them.

Exploring Connection

At mealtime Boaz said to her, "Come over here. Have some bread and dip it in the wine vinegar." When she sat down with the harvesters, he offered her some roasted grain. She ate all she wanted and had some left over. Ruth 2:14 NIV

Showing Consideration

As she got up to glean, Boaz gave orders to his men, "Let her gather among the sheaves and don't reprimand her. ¹⁶Even pull out some stalks for her from the bundles and leave them for her to pick up, and don't rebuke her." Ruth 2:15-16 NIV

So Ruth gleaned in the field until evening. Then she threshed the barley she had gathered, and it amounted to about an ephah.

Ruth 2:17 NIV

Receiving Confirmation

Her mother-in-law asked her, "Where did you glean today? Where did you work? Blessed be the man who took notice of you!" ...

Ruth 2:19 NIV

It's always a good sign when those who love you the most like who you like.

"... he is one of our guardian-redeemers." Ruth 2:20 NIV