

Scriptures for further study

1 Peter 1:18 | Leviticus 25:25-28 | Psalm 44:26

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

Ruth 3:7-18

- 1. What are the first three things you usually tell people about yourself? Of those things that you identify yourself with, which would be the hardest for you to sacrifice or give up, and why?
- 2. Getting Boaz to act as the family redeemer meant that Ruth had to first approach him. What risks did Ruth take as she followed Naomi's advice (vv. 5-9)? What was the significance of uncovering Boaz's feet (vv. 4,8)? On the other hand, what risks did Boaz take to reach out to Ruth and allow her into his life?
- 3. What does Boaz's response to Ruth's request (vv. 10-11) and his actions in verses 14-16 tell us about how he treated Ruth? What temptations likely existed for them both?
- 4. What would Boaz need to do before agreeing to be Naomi and Ruth's family redeemer? What is the lesson here for us? What kindness did Boaz recognize in Ruth's behavior? What kindness was evident in Boaz's behavior? What do these acts of kindness reveal about the loving kindness of God?
- 5. In what ways do you see grace-filled kindness in this passage? Mercy? Compassion? Love? Loyalty? Faithfulness? Which of those words best describe the kind of love God has demonstrated toward you?
- 6. In Ruth 3, we find that love is patient, love protects, love is pure, love provides and love has a price. Which of these qualities of love do you struggle the most to receive? To give? Why? What is a risk God wants you to take that would demonstrate your love for Him? What holds you back from taking risks for God?
- 7. When did you first receive the indescribable love of God? Who is someone you can take a risk on to share God's love this week?

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