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*Insiders +
Outsiders*

**We relate
hospitably when
we remember who
brought us in.**

■ SERIES SUMMARY

- The apostles returned again and again to the idea that our faith in Jesus should shape every relationship in our lives—family, church, work, and community.
- In this series, we'll explore relational wisdom that is repeated again and again in our New Testaments. In groups, we'll pair these lessons with overviews of various books of the Bible.
- May our everyday interactions become opportunities to reflect God's love to the people all around us. May we allow the gospel to transform how we treat others!

■ ICEBREAKER

- Tell about either the fanciest or worst hotel experience you've had.

■ SCRIPTURE

- **Ruth 2**
- Reading included in this week's teaching video.



LEARNING FROM HIS STORY

1. What can we learn from Boaz's example of how to show hospitality?
2. What can we learn from Ruth's example of how to receive hospitality?
3. Ruth ends up being an ancestor of David (and therefore Jesus). What are some reasons God might want her story told in Scripture?

EXAMINING OUR OWN STORY

4. When have you felt like an outsider, and how much of that do you think Ruth may have experienced?
5. When do you most often feel hesitancy to move toward people different than you?
6. REFLECT: Who in your life right now might feel overlooked on the outside?

WRITING A NEW STORY

7. Who do you know that's exceptional at showing hospitality, and what can we learn from their example?
8. What can we do to become more aware of people around us who may feel unseen or excluded?
9. Could we name some "outsiders" that our group could invite/reinvite in this week?

TAKING TIME TO PRAY

Lord, thank You for welcoming us when we were outsiders. Help us extend that same grace and hospitality to others this week. Amen.

