

# RUTH

THREADS OF REDEMPTION



## Promised Plan

June 2, 2024 | Ruth 4:13-22

### Questions for Study and Group Discussion

*\*\* Before you begin, please read Ruth 4:13-22*

1. Briefly recap what has happened in the story of Ruth so far (chapters 1-4:12). What biblical themes do you see in this story?
2. How did God redeem Ruth's past? What about Ruth makes her a surprising recipient of God's grace?
3. How did God redeem Naomi's pain? (Compare the women and Naomi's responses to the birth of Obed in vs. 14-17 with Naomi's reaction to the death of her husband and sons in Ruth 1:15, 20-21.)
4. Read Psalm 127:3-5. Why was the birth of Obed such a precious gift? How did his birth demonstrate God's grace?
5. Why do you think the story of Ruth concludes with a genealogy of David?
6. Read Matthew 1:5-6. Ruth was one of only five women Matthew named in Jesus' genealogy. Why is this significant?
7. Where have you seen God faithfully at work in your life in the past? How is your story like Ruth's story of destiny?
8. Where do you need to trust God's faithfulness right now?
9. Faithfulness might not come with ease, but it does come with promises. What are some practical ways to remember God's promises when persevering in faith is difficult?
10. What is your biggest take-away from the book of Ruth? What practical steps will you take to apply what you've seen in this book?
11. Who do you know that needs to be reminded that God is in control and has a purpose for their lives? How might you encourage them to trust Christ in the midst of their difficulties this week?
12. **Challenge:** Memorize Ruth 4:14: "The women said to Naomi: "Praise be to the LORD, who this day has not left you without a guardian-redeemer. May he become famous throughout Israel!" (NIV)