

# WELCOME TO EAGLE CHRISTIAN CHURCH



We are glad you have joined us today to worship. We want you to know that we have prayerfully planned this time together and that we do "church" on purpose.

Our mission is to **reach** people with the gospel message of Jesus Christ, **teach** people to become devoted disciples of His, **equip** people for acts of service, and **send** them into ministry.

As you join us today, we ask that you, also be intentional in your worship of God and purposefully focus on your relationship with Him.  
God Bless you as we follow Him together.

**Dr. Steven A. Crane**

## GROUP QUESTIONS

### Hope Takes Form – Ruth 3

Read Ruth 3

1. What instructions does Naomi give to Ruth? What is their goal? (Verses 1-5; cf. 1:9, 12)
2. How do each of the characters show loving-kindness: Naomi? Ruth? Boaz?
3. Read Leviticus 25:23-43 and Deuteronomy 25:5-10. What are God's views on property, poverty, and posterity? Given Naomi's situation, how would these laws protect her?
4. What is Ruth asking from Boaz? What is his response? (Verses 9-13)

### Hope Realized – Ruth 4

Read Ruth 4

1. Why does the first kinsman-redeemer refuse to redeem? Why does Boaz agree to redeem? What does it cost him?
2. What do the women say about the birth of Obed? About Ruth?
3. How did God bless Ruth? Naomi? All people?
4. The story of Ruth is really the story of us and how God has redeemed us through the work of Jesus Christ. Compare Boaz, Ruth's kinsman redeemer to Jesus, our kinsman redeemer.  
What did our redemption cost Jesus? (2 Corinthians 8:9; Philippians 2:5-8; Romans 3:23-25)
5. What did his redemption accomplish for us? (Ephesians 2:11-22)

**Challenge:** God's plan for redeeming Ruth and continuing the lineage of Christ is accomplished when Boaz shows undeserved favor, kindness and love to a foreigner. Pray that God would give you a heart like Boaz, so that people can know and experience the redemption of Christ in their lives.

## SERMON NOTES