



The Book of Ruth Part 4: Finding God in the Ordinary

One day Ruth's mother-in-law Naomi said to her, "My daughter, I must find a home for you, where you will be well provided for. 2Now Boaz ... is a relative of ours. Tonight he will be winnowing barley on the threshing floor." - Ruth 3:1-2 NIV

"Wash, put on perfume, and get dressed in your best clothes. Then go down to the threshing floor, but don't let him know you are there until he has finished eating and drinking." - Ruth 3:3 NIV

"When he lies down, note the place where he is lying. Then go and uncover his feet and lie down. He will tell you what to do." 5 "I will do whatever you say," Ruth answered. 6So she went down to the threshing floor and did everything her mother-in-law told her to do. - Ruth 3:4-6 NIV

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When Boaz had finished eating and drinking and was in good spirits, he went over to lie down at the far end of the grain pile. Ruth approached quietly, uncovered his feet and lay down. 8In the middle of the night something startled the man; he turned—and there was a woman lying at his feet! 9"Who are you?" he asked. "I am your servant Ruth," she said. "Spread the corner of your garment over me, since you are a guardian-redeemer of our family." - Ruth 3:7-9 NIV

Guardian-Redeemer: a relative who had the responsibility and privilege to provide for a family member in time of need

Promise me, O women of Jerusalem, not to awaken love until the time is right. - Song of Songs 8:4 NLT

"And now, my daughter, don't be afraid. I will do for you all you ask. All the people of my town know that you are a woman of noble character." - Ruth 3:11 NIV

"Although it is true that I am a guardian-redeemer of our family, there is another who is more closely related than I. 13 Stay here for the night, and in the morning if he wants to do his duty as your guardian-redeemer, good; let him redeem you. But if he is not willing, as surely as the LORDlives I will do it...." - Ruth 3:12-13 NIV

Lessons We're Learning

- It's often wise to put yourself in the right place to increase the odds of meeting the right person.
- Don't overlook those who are right in front of you.
- Sometimes you may have to go after what you want.
- Even if you don't get it right, God can still make it right.
- If you want a marriage that honors God in the future, live a life that honors God today.

TALK IT OVER

- Read Ruth 3:1-9. What stands out to you in this passage? What do you think empowered Ruth to take this kind of initiative?
- As we navigate different seasons of life, we won't always get it right. Share about a time when you
 didn't make the best choice, but God still made it right. What did you learn about Him through that
 experience?
- Sometimes God wants us to go after what we want. Is He calling you to take a step of faith and go after something? Talk about that with your LifeGroup.

Suggested Reading Plan: Reset Your Life: Wisdom From the Book of Ruth

Announcements:

- Sunday Service @ 10 AM. Nursery for children up to age 4 on weeks 2,3 & 4; KidZone for ages 5-11.
 - CandyPalooza! In KidZone on 10/29!!!
- Girl's Ministry for grades K-6 on Wednesdays @ 5:30 PM!
- Finish Line Youth for ages 12-12th grade Wednesdays @ 7 PM!
 - Bake sale fundraiser 10/22 after Sunday service!
- Women's Bible Study Abide: A Study of 1,2, & 3 John, Thursdays from 6:30-8 PM.
- **Missions:** Offerings for the Benecasas, our AG Missionaries to Italy, will be received from 9/24-10/8. Visit <u>newlife-saugerties.org/give</u> for giving options. Be sure to indicate that your gift is for "missions."
- Pizza with Pastor New to New Life, or interested in becoming a member? Join this 4-week small group (10/22, 29, 11/5, 12 after the service) and learn about New Life's DNA over lunch! For more info or to register, visit newlife-saugerties.churchcenter.com/registrations or email pastortim@newlife-saugerties.org by October 18th.
- Family Movie Matinee November 4 @ 4 PM! See Sharee for more info.

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