

The Book of Ruth Part 6: Finding God in the Ordinary

# The life of the godly is not a straight line to glory,...But all along this hazardous, twisted road that doesn't let you see very far ahead there are frequent signs that say, "<u>The best is yet to come</u>." The book of Ruth is one of those signs for you to read. - Pastor John Piper, Desiring God

So Boaz took Ruth into his home, and she became his wife. When he slept with her, the Lord enabled her to become pregnant, and she gave birth to a son. - Ruth 4:13 NLT

Now all glory to God, who is able, through his mighty power at work within us, to accomplish infinitely more than we might ask or think. - Ephesians 3:20 NLT

Then the women of the town said to Naomi, "Praise the Lord, who has now provided a redeemer for your family! May this child be famous in Israel. 15 May he restore your youth and care for you in your old age. For he is the son of your daughter-in-law who loves you and has been better to you than seven sons!" 16 Naomi took the baby and cuddled him to her breast. And she cared for him as if he were her own. 17 The neighbor women said, "Now at last Naomi has a son again!" And they named him Obed. He became the father of Jesse and the grandfather of David. - Ruth 4:14-17 NLT

This is the genealogical record of their ancestor Perez: Perez was the father of Hezron. 19 Hezron was the father of Ram. Ram was the father of Amminadab. 20 Amminadab was the father of Nahshon. Nahshon was the father of Salmon.[a] 21 Salmon was the father of Boaz. Boaz was the father of Obed. 22 Obed was the father of Jesse. Jesse was the father of David. - Ruth 4:18-22 NLT

Don't forget that you Gentiles used to be outsiders. You were called "uncircumcised heathens" by the Jews, who were proud of their circumcision, even though it affected only their bodies and not their hearts. 12 In those days you were living apart from Christ. You were excluded from citizenship among the people of Israel, and you did not know the covenant promises God had made to them. You lived in this world without God and without hope. 13 But now you have been united with Christ Jesus. Once you were far away from God, but now you have been brought near to him through the blood of Christ. - Ephesians 2:11-13 NLT

Jesse was the father of King David. David was the father of Solomon...Jacob was the father of Joseph, the husband of Mary. Mary gave birth to Jesus, who is called the Messiah. - Matthew 1:6,16 NLT

#### To experience God's best, we must turn to Him!

Naomi...got ready to leave Moab to return to her homeland...Ruth replied, "...Wherever you go, I will go...and your God will be my God." - Ruth 1:6,16 NLT

### TALK IT OVER

- Read Ephesians 3:20. How are you needing God to move in your life right now? What would it look like for Him to do "immeasurably more" than what you're hoping for?
- As you consider Ruth's story, do you think she knew she was living in the providence of God as it was happening, or do you think it was something she saw as she looked back on her life? What would it look like to see the providence of God in your life today?
- Share about a time in your life when you thought you had a specific plan, but you experienced God's plan instead. How was His plan better than what you could have expected?

### 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.
- **Pizza with Pastor** following the Sunday Service 10/22 11/12 for those who pre-registered.
- Family Movie Matinee November 4 @ 4 PM! See Sharee for more info.
- **Angel Tree** is a ministry to children of incarcerated parents. 11/26 Take an "angel;" 12/10 return wrapped gift; 12/17 Deliver gifts. See Shirley Lane if you are interested in participating.
- Christmas Play December 17. Interested in participating? Please register at <u>https://newlife-saugerties.churchcenter.com/registrations/events/1984095</u> or email <u>worshipdirector@newlife-saugerties.org</u> for more info.

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