



THIS WEEK

GRACE COMMUNITY CHURCH, KAILUA KONA, HAWAII

events

Welcome! We are glad you are here. If you have a prayer request, comment, or question, please fill out a connection card on the back table.

Our **Young Parent's Grace Group** is restarting in-person and online. Please contact Dylan and Lisa Mabuni for more information.

Are you interested in joining a **Grace Group**? Please contact Paul and Paula Kreitzer for more information.

Members, please join us for our **Spring Business Meeting** after the service on **May 23**.

Nursery and Kids' Church:
Sunday mornings - sign-in each child at the back table.

Middle School Students:
Wednesdays 4:30-6pm

High School Students:
Saturdays 5-7pm

Ways to Give:

- Online on our website or app
- Giving box on Sundays
- Mail a check to the church



SERMON NOTES

Paul Kreitzer, Elder - Ruth 3

Big Idea: God's blessings are often realized through audacious acts of love that inspire others to similar behavior.

•**Ruth's second encounter with Boaz**

•**What do we learn about God from Ruth 3?**

GRACE GROUP Discussion Questions

What does it say?

1. Why did Naomi suggest her plan at that time, and what were its possible risks and rewards? What do verses 1-4 show about the relationships shared by Naomi and Ruth and by Ruth and Boaz?
2. What truths about Ruth's response to Naomi and her actions in verses 5-9 help you evaluate your own joyful obedience?
3. The harvest provided food to give strength, joy, and security, but "the times of the judges" (1:1) meant the men must guard their grain overnight against thieves. What emotions and thoughts arise from the scene described at the threshing floor that night?
4. How does Ruth's marriage proposal relate to qualities she knew about God and Boaz, her family's guardian-redeemer? Which of these qualities most encourages you to entrust yourself to another?
5. Was Boaz's response to Ruth in verses 10-12 what you expected? Why or why not?
6. How did Boaz work in verses 14-18 to protect Ruth and offer promise to Naomi?
7. How does Naomi's response to Ruth illustrate the truth found in Proverbs 16:9? How do these truths help you?

And how does it apply to our lives today?

1. How is faith in others related to whether or not you heed their advice or take risks with them? What other factors matter?
2. As you think through verse 12, how has God tested your faith with a surprising obstacle to one of your plans for doing good?
3. What godly characteristics does Boaz show in this passage, and which ones will you ask God to further develop in you?
4. When have you recently had to wait on a matter to be settled? Why is it hard to wait with contentment about the unknown?
5. What would you like to see God do in your life this week, and how will others know if He answers this prayer?
6. How did this week's text and discussion encourage you to take risks to pursue greater good through faith?

Spend some time sharing and praying together.