

## Sermon Discussion Questions

### Getting Started:

What was most challenging, helpful, or troubling in the sermon?

### Digging Deeper:

1. Let's say that a non-Christian friend of yours is reading the book of Ruth and asks you to explain the meaning of the book. How would you explain the book in such a way that makes the gospel clear? In other words, where do you see Jesus in the book of Ruth?
2. How can you be tempted to evaluate the goodness of God toward you based on how comfortable your life is now? See Psalm 73:1-5.
  - a. What temporal comforts and blessings are you tempted to elevate to a status of proving to you that God is good or what hardships or things lacking in your life make it hard for you to believe that God is good and especially good to you?
3. What aspects of God's covenant love feel the most relevant for you right now?
4. If you consider the weight that God places on the covenant in the history of salvation, what relationships and responsibilities would take on more importance in your life?

### Empowered by the Holy Spirit:

5. Where do you need prayer for the Holy Spirit to continue working in your heart? Think in terms of where is obedience, repentance and trust needed, delayed or denied?