FEARLESS FAITH Ruth

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What do you know about your Great Grandparents?

In the days when the judges ruled there was a famine in the land, and a man of Bethlehem in Judah went to sojourn in the country of Moab, he and his wife and his two sons. 2 The name of the man was Elimelech and the name of his wife Naomi, and the names of his two sons were Mahlon and Chilion. They were Ephrathites from Bethlehem in Judah. They went into the country of Moab and remained there.

Ruth 1:1-2 ESV

RUTH FINDS FAITH

But Ruth replied, "Don't urge me to leave you or to turn back from you. Where you go I will go, and where you stay I will stay. Your people will be my people and your God my God. Where you die I will die, and there I will be buried. May the Lord deal with me, be it ever so severely, if anything but death separates you and me."

Ruth 1:16-17 NIV

Why do some people find faith and others do not?

The Spirit gives life; the flesh counts for nothing. The words I have spoken to you are spirit and they are life. John 6:63 NIV

This is good, and pleases God our Savior, who wants all men to be saved and to come to a knowledge of the truth.

1 Timothy 2:3-4 NIV

RUTH FINDS FAVOR

2 And Ruth the Moabite said to Naomi, "Let me go to the field and glean among the ears of grain after him in whose sight I shall find favor." And she said to her, "Go, my daughter." Ruth 2:2 ESV

Ruth also knew of a field that a relative of Naomi's owned and she was seeking his favor and protection.

GOD LEADS RUTH TO A FIELD

So Ruth went out to gather grain behind the harvesters. And as it happened, she found herself working in a field that belonged to Boaz, the relative of her father-in-law, Elimelech. Ruth 2:3 NLT

Ruth was led by God to a portion of the field where a relative of Naomi's owned it. Coincidence? God is faithful.

RUTH STEPS OUT IN FAITH AND ASKS BOAZ TO REDEEM HER

"Who are you?" he asked. "I am your servant Ruth," she said. "Spread the corner of your garment over me, since you are a kinsman-redeemer." Ruth 3:9 NIV

Boaz was honored by Ruth's request. He took it upon himself to negotiate with the one relative that was closer to Naomi then he was.

Salmon the father of Boaz, whose mother was Rahab, Boaz the father of Obed, whose mother was Ruth, Obed the father of Jesse, 6 and Jesse the father of King David. Matthew 1:5-6a NIV

Do you think God cannot use you because of your background?

What is God asking you to trust Him with?