

Journal Page



- What does this story teach me about God or the gospel?
- What does this story teach me about myself?
- Are there any commands in this story to obey? How are they for God's glory and my good?
- Are there any promises in this story to remember? How do they help me trust and love God?
- How does this story help me to live on mission better?

FAMILY DISCUSSION STARTERS

- What did Jesus do to redeem sinners?
- Think of someone who might be lonely. How can you show God's love to him or her this week?
- Pray and thank God for the people who protect you and take care of you.

Ruth and Boaz

Ruth

STORY POINT: GOD PROVIDED A REDEEMER FOR RUTH.

Naomi lived in Judah with her husband and their two sons. There was a famine in the land, so Naomi and her family decided to go to Moab.

While they were in Moab, Naomi's husband died. Naomi's sons married women from Moab, Orpah and Ruth. Then Naomi's sons died. The famine was over, so Naomi decided to go home.

Orpah returned home, but Ruth clung to Naomi. So Naomi and Ruth returned to Bethlehem together.

Ruth went into the fields to gather fallen grain. She happened to go to the field of Boaz. Boaz told Ruth to stay in his field where she would be safe.

Ruth told Naomi about Boaz. "Boaz is one of our family redeemers," Naomi replied. A family redeemer was someone who would help his close relatives if they were in trouble.

Naomi gave Ruth special instructions. Ruth showed Boaz that she hoped he would marry her.

Boaz promised to redeem Ruth, which meant he would buy back the land that Naomi lost after her husband died, and he would marry Ruth.

Ruth and Boaz had a son named Obed. When Obed grew up, he was the father of Jesse, who was the father of King David.

Christ Connection: Boaz was a family redeemer. He helped his close relatives who were in trouble. Boaz cared for Ruth and Naomi because their husbands had died. In a similar way, Jesus is our Redeemer. We need help because we sin. Jesus bought our salvation for us by taking our punishment when He died on the cross.

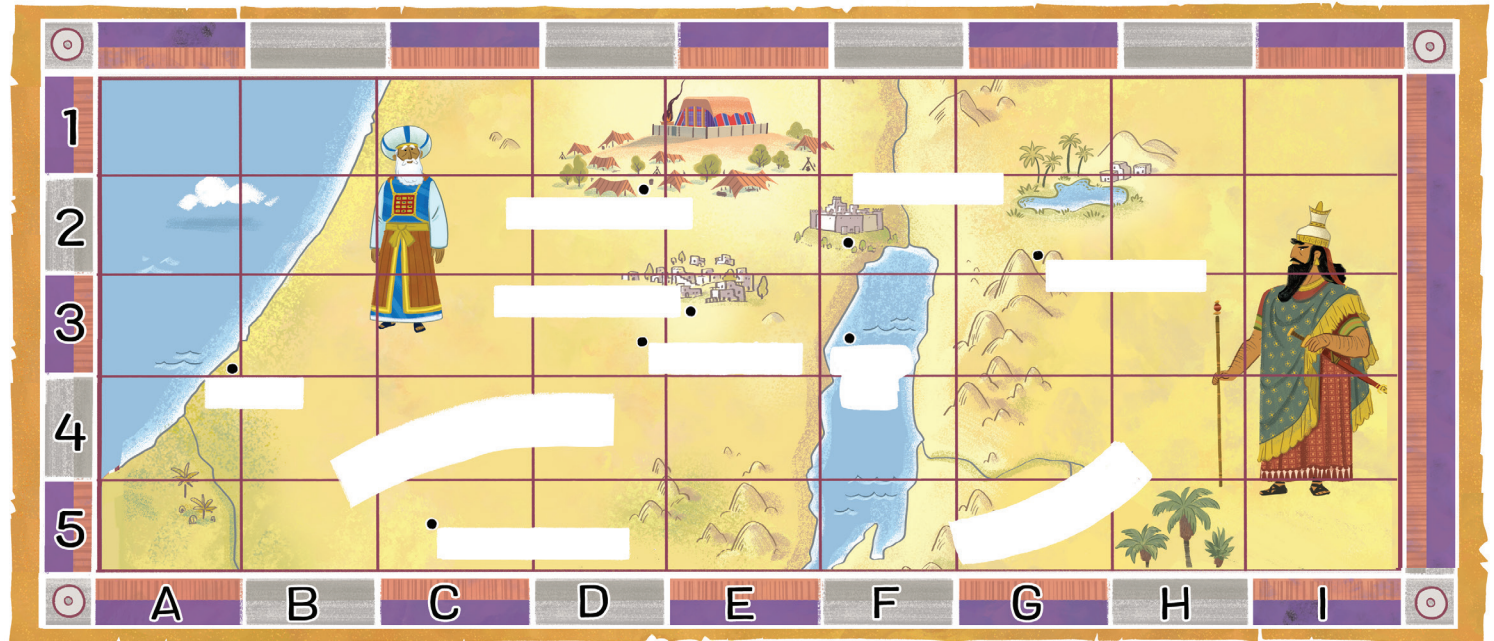


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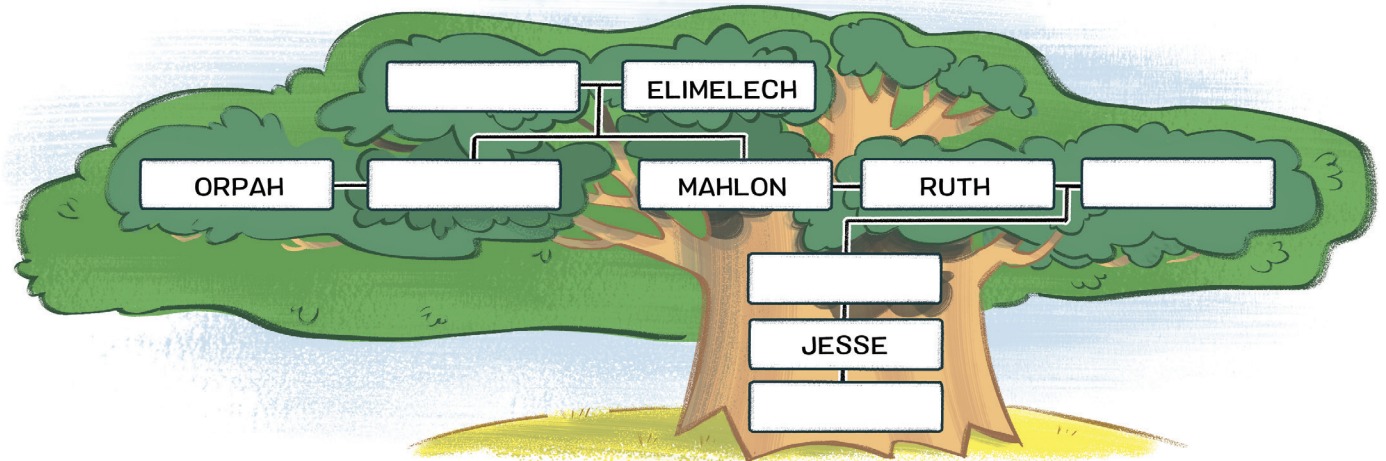
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- Judah (C4)
- Beer-sheba (C5)
- Jerusalem (D2)
- Bethlehem (E3)
- Hebron (D3)
- Dead Sea (F3)
- Jericho (F2)
- Moab (G5)
- Heshbon (G2)



Family Lineage

Read Ruth 1:2-5; 4:9-10,16-17.

Then fill in the blanks on the family tree.



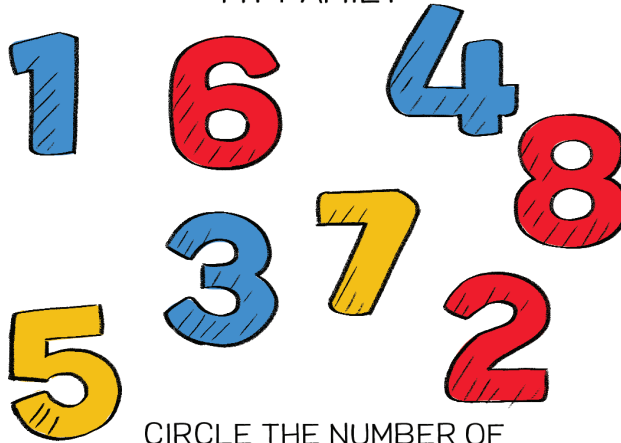
God Provides

INSTRUCTIONS: Follow the instructions for each section.

MY HOME

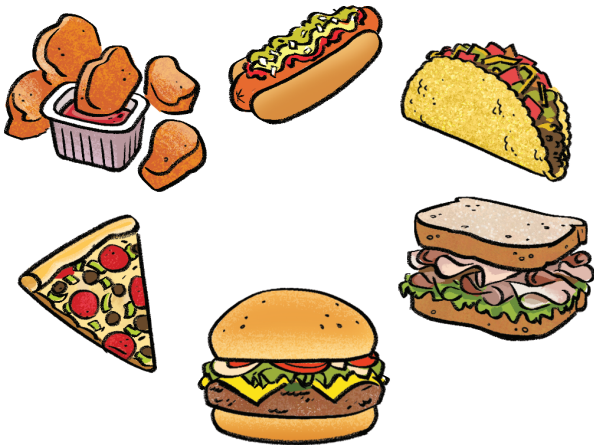
DRAW YOUR HOME.

MY FAMILY



CIRCLE THE NUMBER OF PEOPLE IN YOUR FAMILY.

MY FAVORITE FOODS



CIRCLE YOUR FAVORITE FOOD



CONNECT THE DOTS TO DRAW SOMETHING THAT TELLS ABOUT JESUS.

BIBLE STORY:

- Naomi and Ruth moved to Naomi's home, Bethlehem.
- Ruth gathered grain in Boaz's field.
- God provided for Ruth and Naomi.
- Boaz married Ruth and bought back what Naomi's family lost.

KEY PASSAGE: 1 John 1:9a

BIG PICTURE QUESTION:

- What is repentance? Repentance is turning away from sin and turning to Jesus.

FAMILY DISCUSSION STARTERS:

- Why do you think Ruth decided to stay with Naomi?
- Name ways God provides for us.
- Who is our Redeemer who bought our salvation?

FAMILY ACTIVITY:

- Read Matthew 1 as a family. Find Ruth in Jesus' genealogy.
- Plan a family get-together with extended relatives. Share the story of Ruth at the gathering. Be sure to tell about our ultimate Redeemer.



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