

Judges:

Ruth

Text: Ruth 1:1-5; Ruth 2:1-10; Ruth 3:9-14; Ruth 4:1-14

Purpose: The book of Ruth takes place during the time of Othniel and Ehud, the first two judges. In the book of Ruth we learn that God works and moves through the ordinary events of our lives to accomplish His purposes for us.

Opening Question: Describe your morning routine.

Read and Discuss: Ruth 1:1-5; Ruth 2:1-10; Ruth 3:9-14; Ruth 4:1-4

- 1. Why was Elimelek's move to Moab a poor choice? What would have happened if he had waited?*
- 2. What are the difficulties of having to wait on God for something we need? When was a time you waited for God for something you needed? What did you learn?*
- 3. Explain how God's providence was a work in Ruth 2:1-10? What does it look like for God to work in our lives through ordinary circumstances?*
- 4. Is it difficult for you to recognize God working in your life? Why?*
- 5. When was the last time you can remember God working in your life through everyday events?*
- 6. Why can't Boaz marry Ruth in Ruth 3? What speaks to you about Boaz and Ruth waiting to see about another relative in legal standing to provide for Ruth?*
- 7. Boaz has the opportunity to redeem the land and Ruth, as the guardian redeemer rejects the deal. How does this story relate to your redemption story with Jesus?*