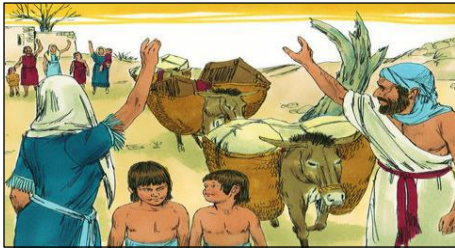


Lesson 2

Boaz, A Man of Faith meets Ruth, A Woman of Worth

Lesson Text: The Book of Ruth



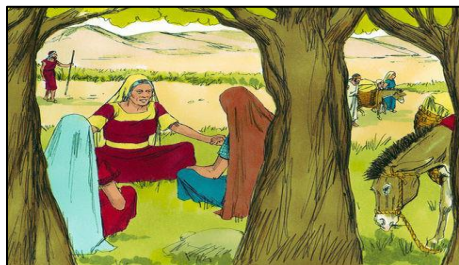
The Book of Ruth starts off by telling us about a famine in the land of Bethlehemjudah that caused a man named Elimelech to take his two sons, Mahlon and Chilion, and his wife, Naomi to the land of Moab.

Elimelech dies and his two sons marry women of the land of Moab, Orpah and Ruth.



Ten years later, both sons die, leaving Naomi and her daughters-in-law. This is when Naomi decides to return home to Judah.

She had heard that the Lord had visited His people, giving them bread. Naomi starts traveling and both daughters-in-law are with her.



Along the way, she tells her daughters-in-law to return to their families. She wishes them both well and for the Lord to deal kindly with them. She kissed them and they all wept.

Orpah leaves to go home, but Ruth is determined to stay with and care for Naomi.



In Chapter 1:16-18, Ruth commits to staying with Naomi and to serving the one true God. This shows Ruth to be a person of strong faith. She had been married to Naomi's son and she was more than likely taught about God by them.

We are shown her character in how loving and kind she was towards Naomi.

Naomi and Ruth arrive at Bethlehem at the beginning of the barley harvest.



Ruth was allowed to glean among the grain in fields owned by a wealthy man named Boaz, a near kinsman to Naomi. She would go behind the workers and pick up what they dropped.

The Law stated that landowners were not to harvest the corners of their lots and they were to leave grains that had fallen for the poor.



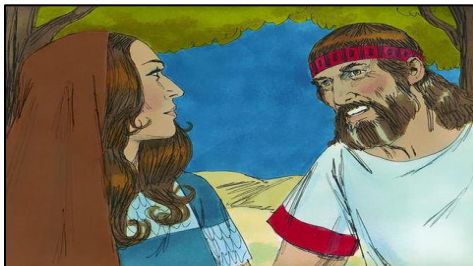
Boaz notices Ruth and asks who she is. This shows that Boaz wanted to know more about her. When he finds out she is Naomi's daughter-in-law, he makes sure no one harms her. He also makes sure that his workers leave plenty of grain for her to glean. He is making sure she and Naomi don't go hungry! Boaz shows himself to be a man who cared for others.



Boaz tells Ruth she is to stay with his maidens gleaning in his field. He lets her know that he has told his men not to touch her and that she is welcome there. He is telling her he has made sure she will be safe and protected.

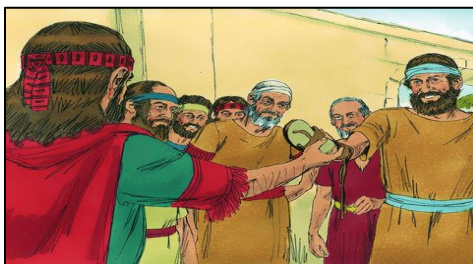


Ruth humbles herself before Boaz and asks him why he would be so nice to someone like her. Boaz tells her that he has heard all about her leaving her family to come to an unknown land with Naomi.



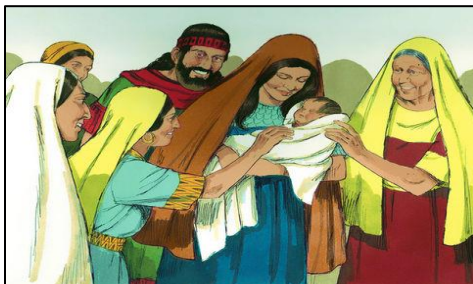
He is letting her know that he respects her actions. That she has shown herself to be kind, caring, hardworking, and humble.

Ruth returns to Naomi with around 20 pounds of grain. This is when Naomi finds out that Ruth is gleaning in the fields of Boaz and she praises God for His providential care.



Naomi asks Ruth to go to Boaz and ask him to marry her since he was a near kinsman to them and he could purchase Naomi's late husband's land and take Ruth as his wife.

Boaz agrees and makes sure the other closer kinsman of Naomi's does not want to purchase the land and marry Ruth.



Boaz purchases the land and redeems Ruth as his wife. Even though he was not bound to do this, he had an option to do so.

The elders and the people present at the gate serve as witnesses for the sale of the land and the redeeming of Ruth as his wife.

Boaz and Ruth marry and have a son. Naomi is thrilled to be their son, Obed's nurse.

Obed was the father of Jesse, who was the father of King David. These men are named in the lineage of Jesus Christ.

The providence of God allowed Boaz and Ruth to meet and marry.

Both Boaz and Ruth showed kindness and love toward others. What great examples for us today!

Thought Questions

We see the examples of both Ruth and Boaz as they show kindness to others. Ruth put her mother-in-law first and Boaz showed kindness to a woman he did not know.

1. Which people should I show kindness to?
2. What are some things I can do to be kind?
3. How often should I be kind to others?
4. Should I be kind if I don't feel well and are not in a good mood?
5. How should I react if someone is not kind to me?
6. What are some things that can help me remember to be kind?
7. Is there anyone who has a right to be mean to others?

Multiple Choice

1. Naomi was the _____ of Ruth.
a. servant b. sister c. cousin d. mother-in-law
2. Naomi decides to return home to _____ after her sons die.
a. Egypt b. Jonesboro c. Bethlehem d. Nod
3. Ruth decides to _____.
a. Stay behind in Moab b. move to Sodom c. go with Naomi

True/False

1. Ruth gleans in the field that belonged to Elimelech. _____
2. The Law stated that landowners were not to harvest the corners of their lots and they were to leave grains that had fallen for the poor. _____
3. Ruth and Boaz marry and have a son named Obed. _____
4. Obed was King David's Uncle. _____
5. Naomi was unhappy that Ruth and Boaz had a child. _____

Cryptogram: Ruth 1:17

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