



# SERMON DISCUSSION GUIDE

*"High Risk, High Reward"*

*Ruth 3*

Record your insights & observations from this week's sermon.

**SERMON NOTES**

## GROUP DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

- 1) Ruth means "friend". Read **Ruth 1:16-18**. Ruth was a true friend to her mother-in-law, Naomi. Read **Ruth 3:1-5**. Naomi was a true friend to Ruth. She wanted Ruth to be taken care. How does Naomi try to take care of Ruth?
- 2) Boaz was a kinsman-redeemer, a relative to Naomi. Read **Leviticus 25:47-49; Deuteronomy 25:5-10; Ruth 4:3-6**. How would these case laws help Ruth and Naomi?
- 3) How was Naomi's plan risky for Ruth (See **Ruth 3:1-5**)?
- 4) Read **Ruth 3:6-15**. Ruth was a woman of noble character (*v. 11*). She was trying to win Boaz's affection and commitment. Read **Ezekiel 16:8**. What was the symbol of spreading the corner of a garment over someone?
- 5) How did Boaz show poise and integrity when Ruth approached him for marriage? How did he honor Ruth's body and reputation? Men, what can we learn from Boaz as to how to treat women?
- 6) Read **Ruth 3:16-18**. After hearing Ruth's report from her encounter with Boaz, Naomi told her to wait until she learned how the matter turned out. How hard is it for you to wait for something big? How have you tried to speed things up with God lately? How has God been working in you as you wait for this virus to end?
- 7) Just as Boaz was in a position to redeem Ruth, Jesus is the only one in a position to redeem us. Just as Ruth cast herself at the feet of Boaz, so we must cast ourselves at the feet of Jesus. How are you relying on Jesus during these times?

### FOR YOUR FAMILY

- 1) Memorize **Ruth 2:12** – *"The LORD repay you for what you have done, and a full reward be given you by the LORD, the God of Israel, under whose wings you have come to take refuge!"*
- 2) Read **Ruth 1:16-18; 3:1-5; Leviticus 25:47-49; Deuteronomy 5:5-6**. Explain to your children how marriages used to work in these days and why property and family were so important.
- 3) Read **Ruth 3:6-18**. If you have a son, talk to him about how to properly treat a woman. If you have a daughter, talk to them about how to properly treat a man and what to look for in a man.
- 4) Explain to your children that just as Boaz was the redeemer for Ruth, so Jesus is our redeemer. Be sure to point them to Jesus as you read through Ruth and explain to them how He fits into the narrative.