

BIG IDEA

Jesus left Heaven in love for you. And the love that Jesus has for you is greater than the love Boaz displayed for Ruth. For Jesus didn't redeem you with silver or gold but with his life. And in doing so, he's been given the name above all names. And history has shown that Jesus' name will never be forgotten.

THOUGHTS FROM THE SERMON

- 1. What stood out to you in this week's sermon? What were your biggest takeaways?
 - Read: Ruth 1:1-21, 4:1-17, Proverbs 31:10-13
- 2. What are some essential facts about the book of Ruth? Why do many think it originally came after the book of Proverbs in the Hebrew Bible?
- 3. Why is Ruth's commitment to Naomi so powerful? How do we see Ruth's commitment demonstrated when they arrive in Bethlehem? How might you have responded to Naomi's comment? Why?
- 4. Why does Ruth's work effort catch the eye of Boaz? What is Boaz's response to Ruth? How do we see his character shine through?
- 5. What wisdom was behind placing the book of the Song of Solomon directly after the book of Ruth in the Hebrew Bible? What hurdles did this love story face?
- 6. Who did we learn was the other potential family member? Why must we be careful not to judge "Mr. So and So"?
- 7. How can you share the message of Boaz's trust in God and his faithfulness, no matter the personal cost?
- Read: Exodus 15:11-13, 2 Samuel 7:16, Ephesians 4:30, Romans 8:18-24a, Matthew 1:21, Luke 19:10
- 8. How do we find Jesus in the book of Ruth? Define the word redemption. What does this word mean to you personally in your rescue story?
- 9. Share personal insights, commitments, or action items inspired by the sermon and the discussion. In other words, how will you respond to the message this week?

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PERSONAL REFLECTION AND APPLICATION

- 1. What has God shown you as you studied his word this week?
- 2. Why is there such value in reading and understanding the scriptures we looked at this week?
- 3. What points in the message encouraged you and gave you hope?
- 4. How will you personally apply what you learned from the sermon to your life?

DEEPER

Pray: Thank God for being our Redeemer. Pray for others to know Jesus as their Redeemer this week.

Read: Ruth 1:1-21, 4:1-17, Proverbs 31:10-13, Exodus 15:11-13, 2 Samuel 7:16, Ephesians 4:30, Romans 8:18-24a, Matthew 1:21, Luke 19:10. Take time to reflect on these passages and write down your thoughts.

Write: Take time to write down your thoughts and insights from the sermon this week. Keeping a journal is just one more tool that you can use to track what God is showing you in your walk with him. Consider writing in questions for the podcast on the Gateway Church app.

Sing: Listen to the worship songs from Sunday throughout the week. Look up the lyrics to each song and spend some time reading them as well.

Memorize: As a Life Group, memorize a verse from the sermon passage that will help you remember that Jesus is our Redeemer.

Love: Share Jesus as our Redeemer with friends and family this week.

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