

Home Groups - Discussion Questions

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1. How has the providence of God been so evident in the events of Ruth **so far**? Why is providence so often best appreciated when we are looking back on an event?
2. Consider how things are beginning to look good for Ruth. What are the good things that have happened to her in Bethlehem so far? Yet how are her deepest needs still not met?
3. What does that say to people who are content in merely church-going to get them to heaven? Those who are content to be within reach of the redeemer?
4. What do you most admire about Boaz in this passage?
5. At the mention of the name Boaz, Naomi remembers that he is a close relative, a "kinsman-redeemer". What is a kinsman redeemer and how does this point us to Christ?
6. In verses 15-16 we find Boaz instructing his workers to drop grain on purpose for Ruth to gather up.
 - a. How different this was to Moab. What does this say about the plentiful provision available for us?
 - b. What are we reminded of concerning our Redeemer's timely and deliberate provision for us?
7. (Not covered in the sermon) - How should we understand verses 21-22? The emphasis is on the people Ruth is to stay close to. Ruth misquotes Boaz (refer to what he said in verse 8). Naomi corrects Ruth in verse 22. What do you think this means?
8. (If time), what has been the most striking thing to you from this study?

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