

LifeGroup Study Sheet**May 11th, 2025 – Ruth 2 – What Legacy Are You Leaving?**

This guide is designed to give helpful hints in preparing for your group discussion.

Quick Review

Look back from your sermon notes – Was there anything that particularly challenged you from this sermon? Anything you didn't understand, agree with or connect with?

Introduction

Has there ever been something that you've been "known" for? Maybe it's the person that is always well dressed, or smells nice, or always the life of the party. Has there ever been a time where there were things you were known for that you wanted to change?

Digging In

Question 1: Read Ruth 1:16-17, 2:2. We see in this story of Ruth how she becomes a woman who takes the opportunity to show incredible courage. Back in the first chapter, we see Ruth stay with her mother-in-law Naomi, and decide to move with her to her native country of Israel. We also see Ruth take up the responsibility to go gather grain from the fields for her and Naomi. It was incredibly dangerous to do. Both decisions were denying herself. How does this help you redefine your idea of what bravery or courage is? How do you practice courage like this?

How does this relate to what Jesus says in **Matthew 16:24**?

Question 2: Read Ruth 2:5-11. Pastor Jeff asked the question, what kind of legacy do you want to leave behind? In the story of Ruth, we see her character was one that trusted the Lord. In these verses we see that her reputation was known throughout the community! She left her home country to take care of her mother-in-law! How has your character been tested through hardship? What came out of you in hardship – was it good or bad? How did God use the hardship to refine your character? How has God used situations to humble you?

Question 3: Ruth 2:12. The last point Pastor Jeff talked about was becoming a person of confidence. In this verse we see that Ruth has been commended for taking refuge under the "wings of the God of Israel." How can God give you confidence to face this life when you decide to trust Him? How have you seen the provision of God's protection over the course of your life?

Praise / Prayer Requests

Pray for your group with these things in mind:

Adoration – How can I praise God for what this teaches me?

Confession – What sin can I confess because of what this teaches me?

Thanksgiving – How can I thank God for what Jesus has done?

Supplication – What do I need to ask of God in order to grow in light of this?