

“It’s a Wonderful Redemption” Group Guide

Series: Hope in the Darkness

Passage: Ruth 4

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ICEBREAKER:

What is your favorite Christmas movie and why?



Learning His Way

Every week in these studies, we will ask questions about the Scriptures that try to help us Discover the unique Way of Jesus found in the text.

1. Consider starting your time together listening to [Great Is](#) by Elevation Worship
2. Read Ruth chapter 4 silently. Then as a group, share what stood out.
3. Read Deuteronomy 25:7; Amos 5:15; Mark 8:34-35. How do they relate to Ruth 4?



Forming His Heart

This is the part of the study where we work on our hearts. “How does my character need to grow and change because of this passage?”

4. Are you more prone to sacrifice or self-preservation?
5. Read Ephesians 4:29 & James 3:10. Consider your words over the last week. In what relationships/situations is it hardest to use your words in a way that honors God.
6. What are you partially obeying versus fully surrendering to the Lord?



Joining His Mission

This is the part of the study that we ask, “What would God want us to do because of this passage?”

7. Draw names from a hat/bowl of those present. Now speak three words of blessing over them. (Example: John you are thoughtful, attentive, and generous.)

8. Take a few minutes of prayerful silence and ask God for “the next right step”. If you’re comfortable, share with the group what action you plan to take.
9. Where do you have influence? How might you steward your influence for the good of others?