

GODLY CHARACTER

Ruth 3

Key Verse: 9

Discussion questions:

- Why are godly characteristics foundational for Christian households?
- How does hope in God inspire godly actions?

Inductive Study Questions:

1. What came to Naomi's mind? (1) What task did she give Ruth? What is a threshing floor? Why did Naomi develop this kind of strategy? What had happened to Naomi to think this way? (2:20) When should Ruth approach Boaz? What is the meaning of "uncovering his feet"?
2. What does Ruth's response show about her? (5-6) Why was Boaz surprised? (8) What was the meaning of her request? (9; ref. Lev 25:25-55; Ez 16:8) How was Ruth taking a risk? How were Ruth's actions intimate but pure and godly?
3. What things impressed Boaz about Ruth's character? (10-11; Pr 31:10) How was he protective of her? What complication/obstacle might occur pertaining to her request? (11-13) What did he promise?
4. How did Boaz protect Ruth's reputation and show his concern for Naomi? (14-15) How did Naomi encourage Ruth? (16-18)