

Your Redemption Story

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· The Picture of Redemption

- o Ruth, like us – she is foreign and needy
- o Boaz, like Christ – he is able and willing
- o Their marriage, like our salvation – a new family and a new legacy

· The Choice of Redemption

- o God's choice to provide
- o Your choice to receive

· Following a Redemptive God

- o A God of new beginnings
- o A God with a greater purpose

GROUP DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. What stood out to you most from the message?
2. Overall, what are one or two “takeaways” you have from our months in Judges and Ruth?
3. In general, what Christlike qualities have you observed in Boaz and Ruth that you would like to emulate?
4. Read Ephesians 1:7 and Colossians 1:13-14. In your own words, explain what redemption means biblically.
5. What is an example of a character in a movie or story who has a “redemption arc”? How does this character's experience illustrate our redemption in Christ?
6. Read 1 Peter 2:9-10. What are some ways God describes your past in these verses? How does God describe your present identity and situation in Christ? How might you summarize your “redemption story” in just a few words, filling in these blanks: Once, I was not _____, but now I am _____.”
7. Read Psalm 19:14 and Psalm 78:35. Share one or two specific ways you have found God to be a “redemptive God.”
8. Read Titus 2:11-14. According to this passage, what God redeem us from? Redeem us to?
9. Read Ruth 4:13-22 together along with Matthew 1:1-6. What does it mean to you that Ruth is included in the genealogy of David and Jesus?
10. In what ways do you need God's redemptive power in your life today? A way you need to ask Him to forgive your sin? A way you need to trust in His purpose in your suffering?

FOR FURTHER REFLECTION

Meditate on Psalm 19:14, Ephesians 1:7-10, Colossians 1:13-14, Titus 2:11-14
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