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Ruth and Boaz

Bible Passage: Ruth

Main Point: God provided a redeemer for Ruth.

NEW Key Passages:

Elementary: “If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness.” 1 John 1:9

Preschool: “Where you go I’ll go. Your God will be my God.” Ruth 1:16

NEW Big Picture Question:

What is repentance? Repentance is turning away from sin and turning to Jesus

Christ Connection: Boaz was a family redeemer. He helped his close relatives who were in trouble. Boaz cared for Ruth and Naomi because their husbands had died. In a similar way, Jesus is our Redeemer. We need help because we sin. Jesus bought our salvation for us by taking our punishment when He died on the cross.

Before watching the Live Stream service with your family:

Welcome time

Preschool: Talk with kids about families. Who is in your family? What makes up a family? What does our family do to help each other?

Say • It is fun to hear all you know about families and talk about our family together. Today the Bible story is going to be about Ruth and her family. God took care of Ruth.

Elementary: Ask kids to talk about times they saved up their money to buy something expensive. What did they buy? Do they still have that thing?

Say • If we want to buy something that we don't have the money for right away, we can save up until we can afford it. Today we will learn about something very valuable that was lost and eventually bought back. To buy back something is to *redeem* that thing. Today's story is about a redeemer.

Lead your family to worship and watch the Live Stream service together. Use the following activities to follow up with your kids after the service or through-out your week to continue conversations.

Follow up family activities:

Supplies: Find a place to record your prayers; write out the Key Passage verse, cards/paper stripes

Preschool and Elementary together:

Prayer time:

Ask kids what was their favorite part of the lesson today. Ask what is something new they learned or something God reminded them about. Then ask kids for prayer requests and pray together.

Preschool Key Passage Review:

Where you go I'll go. Your God will be my God." Ruth 1:16

Where you go: point to someone else **I'll go:** point to yourself

Your God will be: point to the ceiling **My God:** point to yourself

Ruth 1: hold up 1 finger **16:** hold up 10 fingers and then 6 fingers

Do this a few times with the children. Make it fun for them to do the motions and say the words.

Elementary Key Passage Review:

Invite kids to say the key passage. Help kids by providing words if they get stuck. Praise each kid's efforts and encourage kids to continue working to memorize the key passage. Then, invite them to play a gathering game.

	<p>Write each word of the key passage on a separate card. Scatter the cards around the room and ask the kids to gather them. Then, challenge them to work together to put the cards in the right order to form the key passage.</p> <p>Say • When we first repent of our sins and ask God to forgive us through His Son, God declares us righteous. But after that, our sinful choices still damage our ability to relate to God and other people. Thankfully, God tells us through His Word that we can confess our sins and trust Him to cleanse us.</p>
<p>Supplies: paper, coloring crayons, markers</p>	<p>Preschool: Have preschool kids color a picture of your family. As they color talk about great things about your family. Talk about Ruth and her family. Ask how your family is like Ruth’s family and how your family is different.</p> <p>Say Our family is a lot like Ruth’s family and a bit different too. And God cares for both families!</p>
<p>Supplies: Family members</p>	<p>Elementary: Compassion Activity: What is poverty and how can we help? Say the different phrases and how many steps they should take forward if it is true of them. Example: “Take 3 small steps forward if you have clean water.” Live in a home Have a parent/an adult that cares for you Have clean water Go to school Have food to eat All kids should reach the other side of the room together. Sit together and chat: What can we do to help kids in poverty? (Prayer being the main thing they can do, so end the time together letting the kids pray for kids in poverty and then you close the time together.)</p>
<p>Supplies: family members</p>	<p>Preschool and Elementary: Follow the Leader Invite the kids to play follow-the-leader. Select one kid to be the leader. He/She will move about the room and the rest of the kids will follow and mimic the ways he/she moves. Every few minutes of play, assign a new kid to be the leader.</p> <p>Say • Great job following those leaders. In our story today we learned about a woman named Ruth who chose to follow another woman, named Naomi. Ruth had the option to stop following, but chose to stick with Naomi and even to worship the one true God with Naomi!</p>