

Large Group

The Story Of Ruth

Bible Passage | Ruth

Memory Verse | Philippians 4:19

Story Point | God provided a family redeemer for Ruth.



Countdown Video (3 mins)

Memory Verse Song (4 mins)

Worship Leader connects the lesson to the memory verse, leads the memory verse song with hand motions, and closes in prayer.

Welcome (1 mins)

Large Group Leader tell kids what to expect to happen (1 minute)

- watch the lesson video
- retell the story.
- read the story from scripture

Watch the Lesson Video (4 mins)

Retell the Story (11 mins)

Lead the kids in a fun retelling of the story

Here are some resources to help you formulate this time.

Review what we learned:

Today's Bible story took place during the time of the judges. Last week, we learned about a judge named Samson whose strength came from God alone. We learned that, like Samson, we cannot please God on our own. We place our faith in Jesus and walk by the Holy Spirit to please God. Today, we will learn how God sees and cares for His creation. Let's get ready to hear how God cared for Ruth.

Today's Lesson

After her husband died, Ruth was in great need and unable to provide for herself. Naomi was not able to provide for herself as well. Instead of leaving Naomi, Ruth promised to go wherever Naomi went and said Naomi's God would also be her God. So, Ruth and Naomi went to Bethlehem. God heard and saw their need for help. How did God care for Ruth and provide for her? [Allow responses.] God showed that He cared for Ruth by providing a field for her to gather grain in. And **God provided a family redeemer for Ruth.**

What is a family redeemer? [Allow responses.] A family redeemer was a close relative who helped his family member when he or she was in need or in trouble. God did not leave Ruth alone in her sadness and need. God provided Ruth with Boaz, and he became her husband. Boaz bought back the field that once belonged to Naomi's husband, and he made a way for Ruth and Naomi to live in security. Boaz was willing to set aside his own interests for the well-being of Ruth and Naomi.

Even though the book of Ruth takes place hundreds of years before Jesus was born, Ruth's story points us to God's love for us in Jesus. God's plans for Ruth's life affected all future generations because our Redeemer, Jesus, came from the family of Ruth. Jesus was a descendant of King David, who was the great-grandson of Ruth. Through this story we are reminded of how Ruth was in great need and unable to provide for herself and how God was working through her life to send the Savior into the world. God provided Boaz as her redeemer. We are in great need and unable to save ourselves from our sin. God provided Jesus as our Redeemer.

Gospel Discussion | God cared for Ruth and had a plan for her life. God provided exactly what Ruth needed. God cares for us and had a plan to save us from sin. Jesus is our Redeemer who paid for our sin through His death on the cross. When we trust in Jesus, we are forgiven. Do you believe this?

Read from the Bible (4 mins)

Ruth 1:1–9, 16, 19; 2:2–8, 19–20; (chapters 3–4 Ruth asks Boaz to be her family redeemer. He agrees, redeems her family and marries Ruth); **4:14**

Remind Kids of Four Questions (1 min)

- What did you like about today's story?
- What did you find confusing?
- What did you learn about people?
- What did you learn about God?

Worship Song (4 mins)

Worship Leader briefly introduces self, welcomes kids, leads 1st worship song, and prays for the time.