

RUTH



under God's wings



OLDER Squirt Workbook ~ 7-8 Year Olds
Manitoulin Youth Camp 2022

Dear Parents and Squirts,

We are excited that you are planning to join us for Manitoulin Youth Camp this year!

This is an optional workbook to give the squirts the opportunity to feel a part of the lessons that their “big brothers” or “big sisters” are working on for camp. If your child turns 7 or 8 by the end of 2022, then they would complete this “older” squirt workbook. (If they are 3, 4, 5, or 6 by the end of 2022, then they would complete the “younger” squirt workbook.)

The stories in this workbook are as follows:

1. Famine in Bethlehem
2. Return to Bethlehem
3. Gleaning in the Fields
4. A Close Relative
5. At the City Gates

You will notice that the stories do not follow the older children’s lesson plans exactly. Instead we have tried to include highlights that would be comprehensible and enjoyable for this level of squirts. We have also used the New King James Version for all of the included passages.

On the page following, we have included the memory verses for the week. The squirts are not required to memorize them, but they may enjoy learning them to participate with the older siblings during the week.

Do what you can and enjoy the workbook. We look forward to seeing you at Youth Camp, God willing!

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- Auntie Karly Styles

MEMORY VERSES

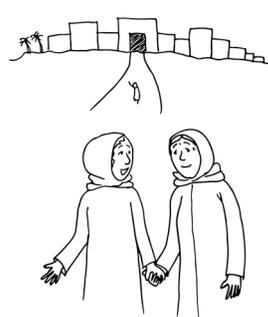
Monday — Judges 2:16

Nevertheless the *LORD* raised up judges, which delivered them out of the hand of those that spoiled them.



Tuesday — Ruth 1:16

And Ruth said, Intreat me not to leave thee, or to return from following after thee: for whither thou goest, I will go; and where thou lodgest, I will lodge: thy people shall be my people, and thy God my God.



Wednesday — Ruth 2:12

The *LORD* recompense thy work, and a full reward be given thee of the *LORD* God of Israel, under whose wings thou art come to trust.



Thursday — Ruth 3:10

And he said, Blessed be thou of the *LORD*, my daughter: for thou hast shewed more kindness in the latter end than at the beginning.



Friday — Ruth 4:14

And the women said unto Naomi, Blessed be the *LORD*, which hath not left thee this day without a kinsman, that his name may be famous in Israel.



SECTION ONE: FAMINE IN BETHLEHEM

The book of Ruth takes place during the time of the Judges. We do not know exactly where the book of Ruth fits into the time of the Judges, but we do know that there were a lot of ungodly things going on in Israel during this time. We are going to start our study of Ruth by looking at what it was like in Israel in the time of the Judges...



Read the Bible passage in the box and use the verses to answer the questions below.

Joshua Dies — Judges 2:7-9

⁷ So the people served the LORD all the days of Joshua, and all the days of the elders who outlived Joshua, who had seen all the great works of the LORD which He had done for Israel.

⁸ Now Joshua the son of Nun, the servant of the LORD, died when he was one hundred and ten years old.

⁹ And they buried him within the border of his inheritance at Timnath Heres, in the mountains of Ephraim, on the north side of Mount Gaash.

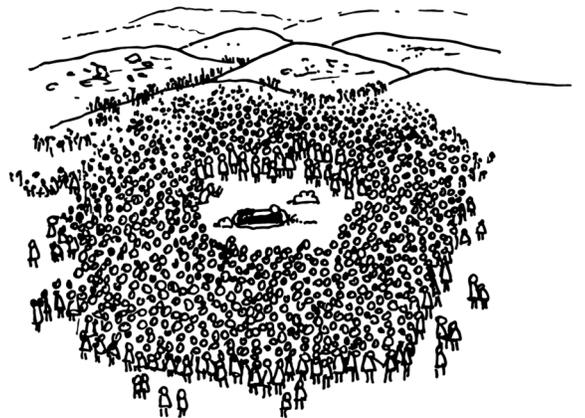
1. Vs. 7 Did the people serve the Lord during the time of Joshua and the time of the elders that outlived Joshua?

Circle: Yes or No

2. Vs. 8 How many years old was Joshua when he died?

3. Vs. 8 In the passage above, colour in blue whose servant Joshua was.

4. Vs. 9 Where was Joshua buried (fill in the blanks)? "...within the border of his inheritance at _____, in the mountains of _____, on the north side of Mount Gaash."





Read the Bible passage in the box and use the verses to answer the questions below.

The People Disobey, But God Sends Judges — Judges 2:10-16

***10** When all that generation had been gathered to their fathers, another generation arose after them who did not know the LORD nor the work which He had done for Israel.*

***11** Then the children of Israel did evil in the sight of the LORD, and served the Baals;*

***12** and they forsook the LORD God of their fathers, who had brought them out of the land of Egypt; and they followed other gods from among the gods of the people who were all around them, and they bowed down to them; and they provoked the LORD to anger.*

***13** They forsook the LORD and served Baal and the Ashtoreths.*

***14** And the anger of the LORD was hot against Israel. So He delivered them into the hands of plunderers who despoiled them; and He sold them into the hands of their enemies all around, so that they could no longer stand before their enemies.*

***15** Wherever they went out, the hand of the LORD was against them for calamity, as the LORD had said, and as the LORD had sworn to them. And they were greatly distressed.*

***16** Nevertheless, the LORD raised up judges who delivered them out of the hand of those who plundered them.*

1. Vs. 10 All the people who lived at the same time as Joshua had died, who did their children not know? _____

2. Vs. 11 Colour in red who the children of Israel served instead of the LORD.

3. Vs. 12 Colour in blue what God had done to take care of the children of Israel.

4. Vs. 12-13 Colour in red all the bad things the children of Israel did.

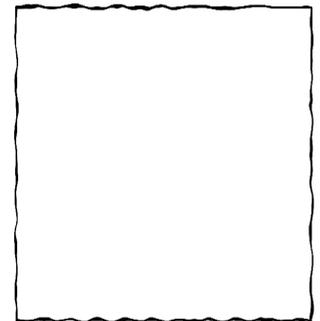
5. Vs. 12 In the box on the right, draw how God felt about the children of Israel doing evil.

6. Vs. 14 What did God do because of the behavior of the Israelites?

a) gave them gifts

b) delivered them into the hand of their enemies.

7. Vs. 16 Who did God send to deliver the children of Israel from their enemies? _____





Read the Bible passage in the box and use the verses to answer the questions below.

Elimelech and His Family Move to Moab — Ruth 1:1-5

¹Now it came to pass, in the days when the judges ruled, that there was a famine in the land. And a certain man of Bethlehem, Judah, went to dwell in the country of Moab, he and his wife and his two sons.

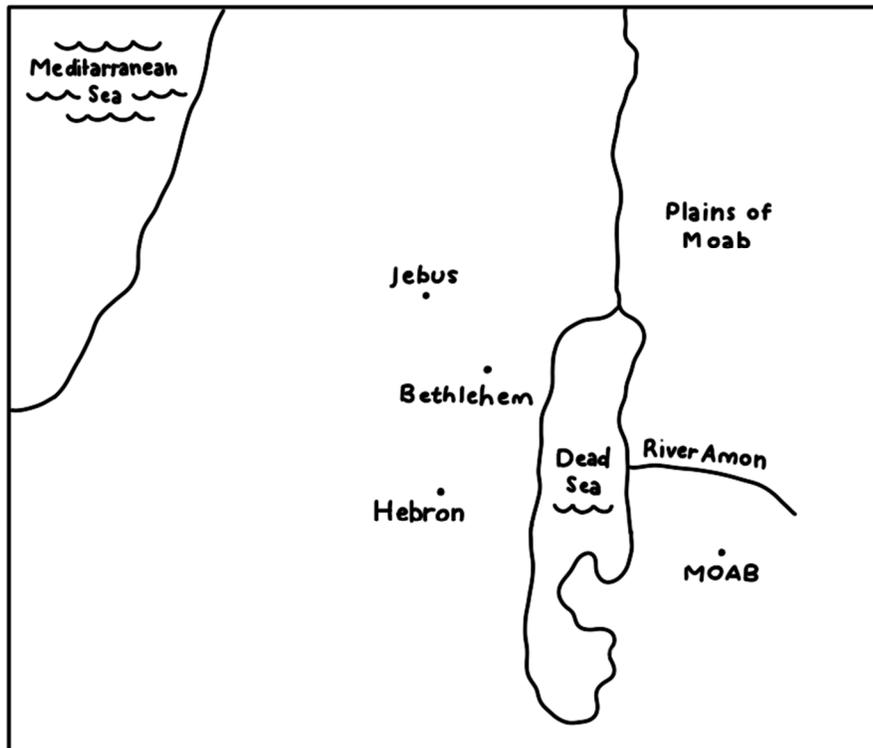
²The name of the man was Elimelech, the name of his wife was Naomi, and the names of his two sons were Mahlon and Chilion—Ephrathites of Bethlehem, Judah. And they went to the country of Moab and remained there.

³Then Elimelech, Naomi's husband, died; and she was left, and her two sons.

⁴Now they took wives of the women of Moab: the name of the one was Orpah, and the name of the other Ruth. And they dwelt there about ten years.

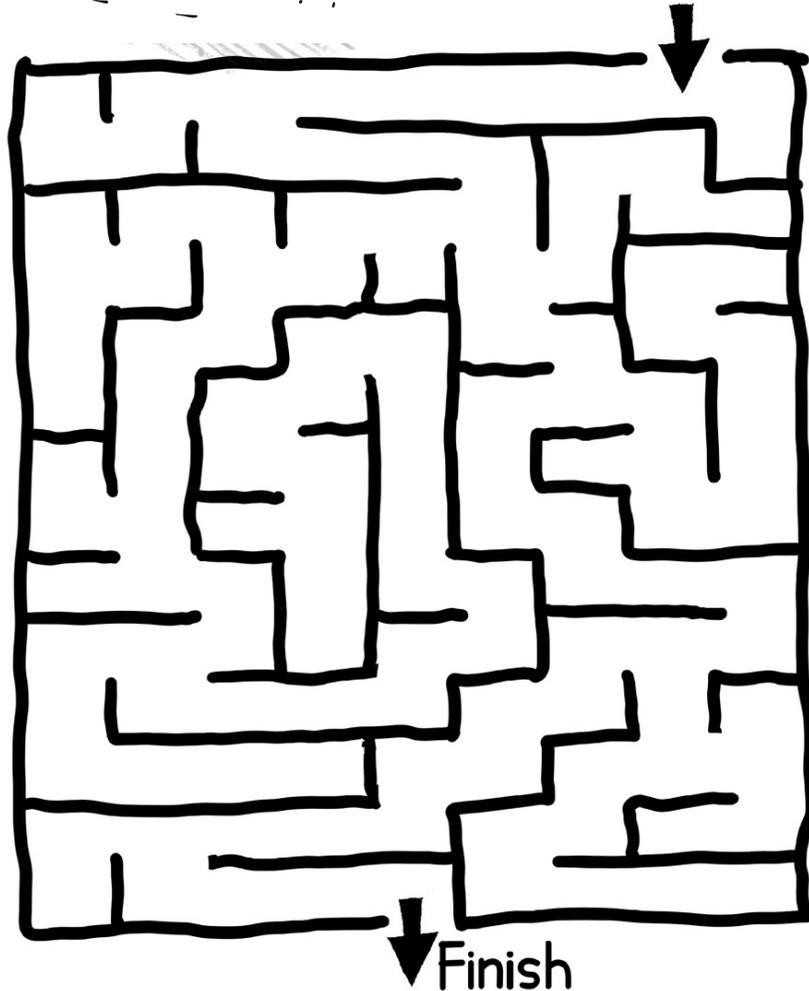
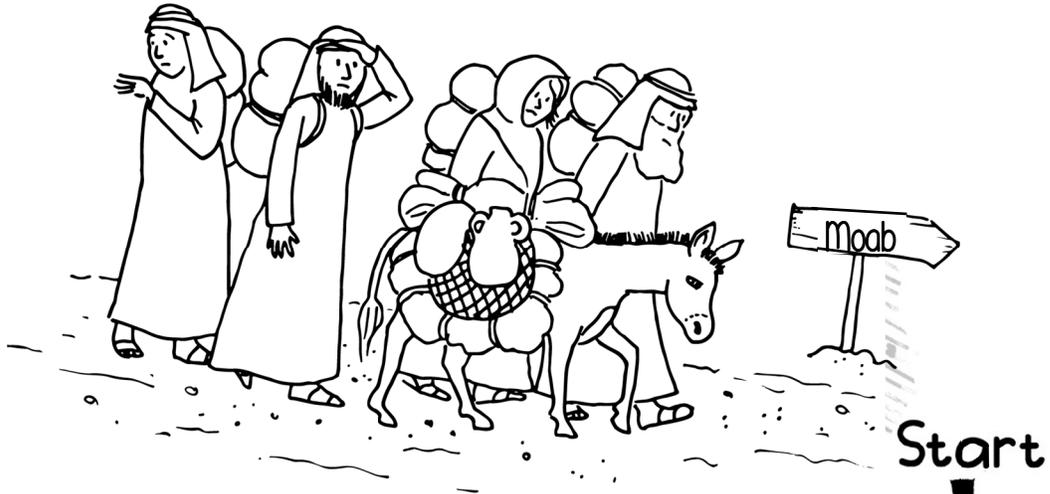
⁵Then both Mahlon and Chilion also died; so the woman survived her two sons and her husband.

1. Vs. 1 Colour in green where the certain man lived with his wife and two sons BEFORE they left for Moab.
2. Vs. 1 1) find Bethlehem and Moab on the map and color both of them GREEN. 2) Draw arrows going from Bethlehem around the top of the Dead Sea and down to Moab to show the journey of Elimelech and his family. 3) Draw Elimelech, Naomi, Mahlon and Chilion traveling from Bethlehem to Moab on the map.



MAZE

Help Elimelech and his family on their journey from Bethlehem to Moab.



3. Vs. 2,4 Fill in the names on the family tree below:



n _____ and E _____



R _____



m _____



C _____



O _____

4. Vs. 3 Colour in red what happened to Elimelech.
5. Vs. 4 Did Mahlon and Chilion marry Israelitish wives?
6. Vs. 5 Colour in red what happened to Mahlon and Chilion.



PRACTICAL CHALLENGE



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Challenge #1

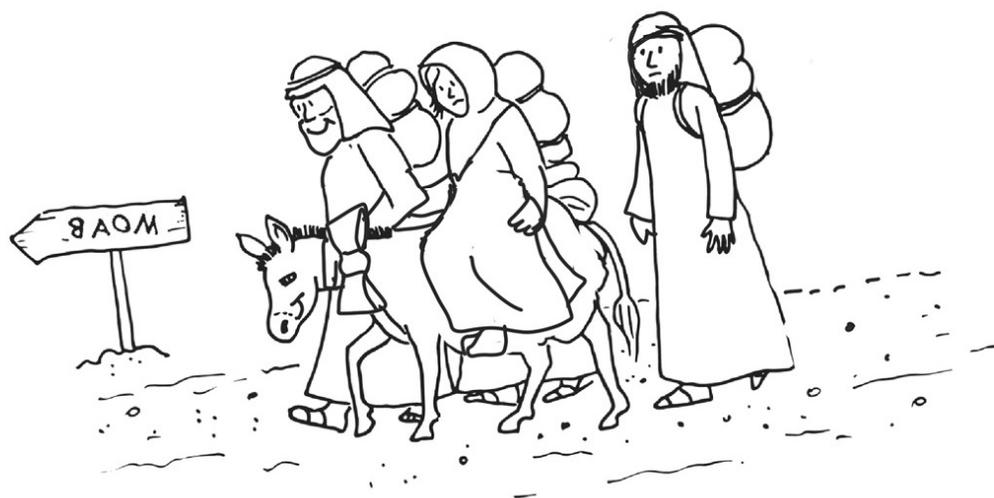
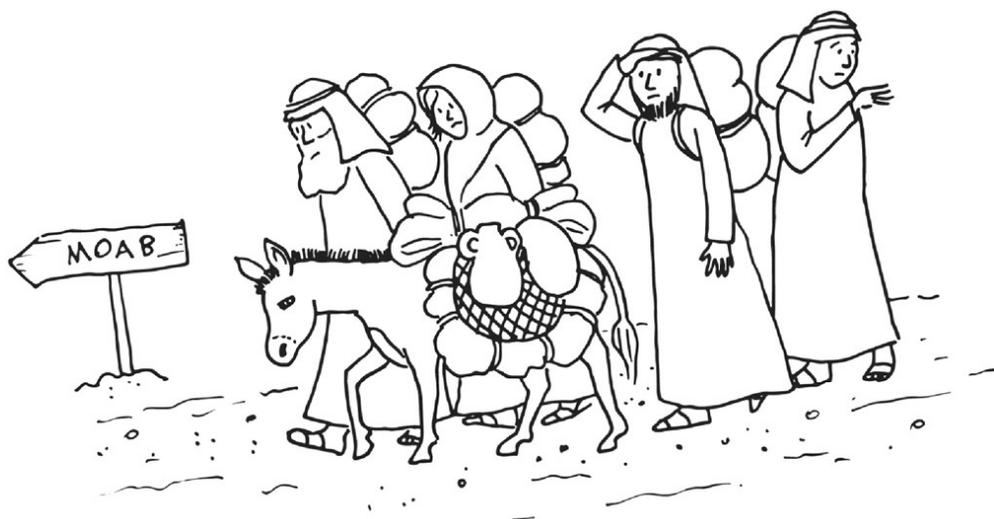
After Joshua died, the children of Israel did evil in the sight of the LORD and forsook Him—even though He had delivered them from Egypt and taken care of them all through their journeys in the wilderness! They forgot about the way that God had saved them and provided for them.

It's important for us to always remember God's works and how He provides for us and be thankful to Him and serve Him. List some of the ways God has provided for you that you are thankful to Him for:



SPOT THE DIFFERENCE

Spot 7 differences between the pictures below.



SECTION TWO: RETURN TO BETHLEHEM



Read the Bible passage in the box and use the verses to answer the questions below.

Naomi Decides to Leave Moab — Ruth 1:6-13

⁶ Then she arose with her daughters-in-law that she might return from the country of Moab, for she had heard in the country of Moab that the LORD had visited His people by giving them bread.

⁷ Therefore she went out from the place where she was, and her two daughters-in-law with her; and they went on the way to return to the land of Judah.

⁸ And Naomi said to her two daughters-in-law, "Go, return each to her mother's house. The LORD deal kindly with you, as you have dealt with the dead and with me.

⁹ The LORD grant that you may find rest, each in the house of her husband."

So she kissed them, and they lifted up their voices and wept.

¹⁰ And they said to her, "Surely we will return with you to your people."

¹¹ But Naomi said, "Turn back, my daughters; why will you go with me? Are there still sons in my womb, that they may be your husbands?"

¹² Turn back, my daughters, go—for I am too old to have a husband. If I should say I have hope, if I should have a husband tonight and should also bear sons,

¹³ would you wait for them till they were grown? Would you restrain yourselves from having husbands? No, my daughters; for it grieves me very much for your sakes that the hand of the LORD has gone out against me!"

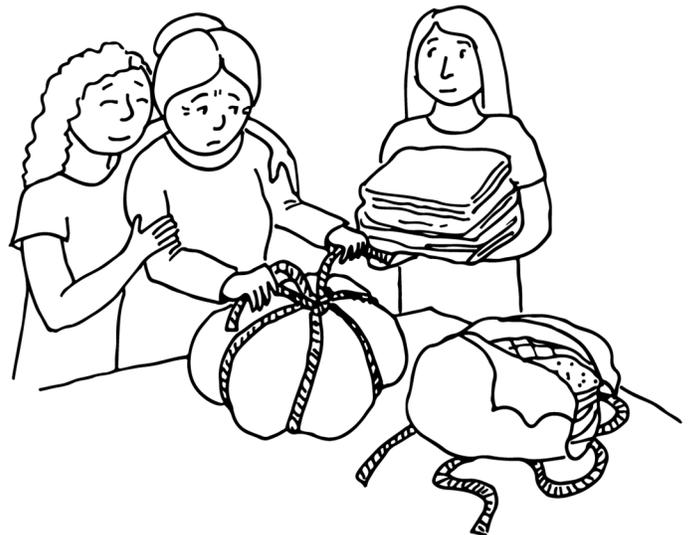
1. Vs. 6 Naomi wants to leave Moab and return to Bethlehem. Colour in blue what she had heard that the LORD had given His people back home in Bethlehem.

2. Vs. 7 Who left Moab with Naomi?

a) Ruth

b) Ruth and Orpah

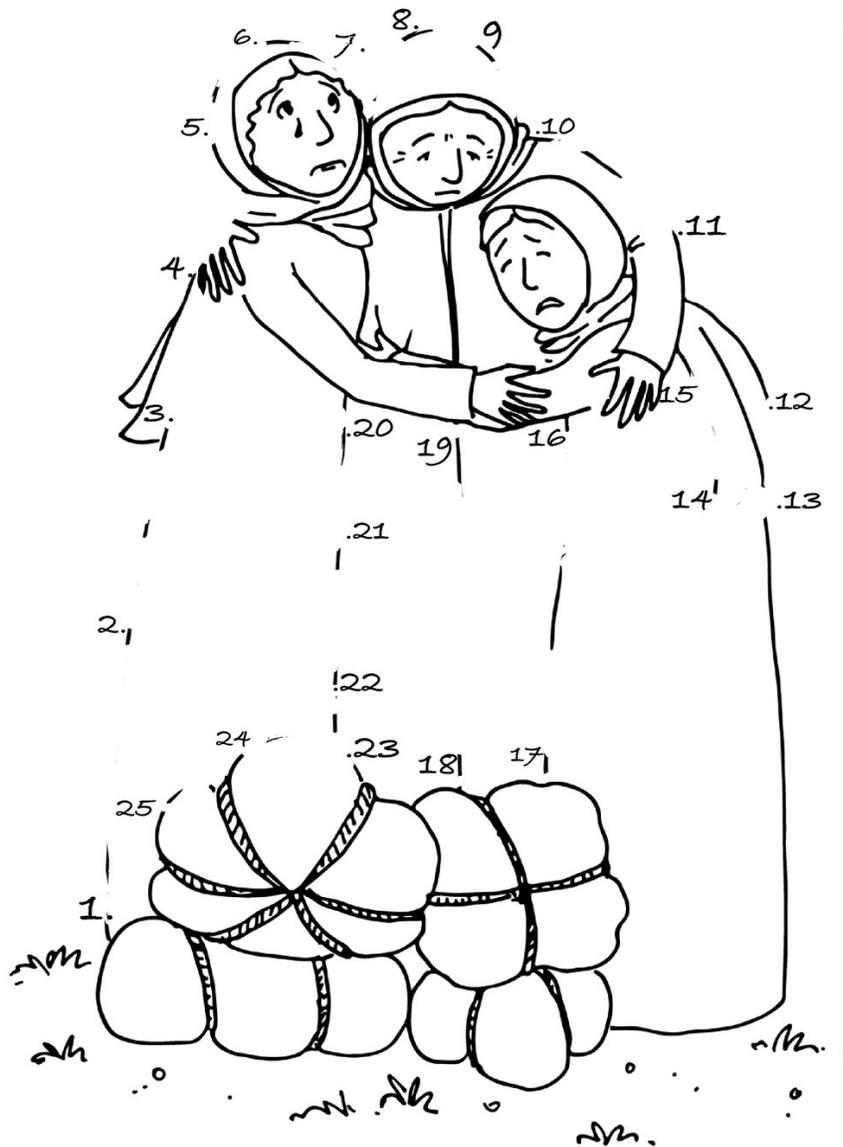
3. Vs. 8 True or False: Naomi told Ruth and Orpah to go back home to Moab. _____



4. Vs. 10 Both Ruth and Orpah tell Naomi, "Surely, we will _____ with you."
 5. Vs. 11-13 But Naomi continues to insist. What does she tell Ruth and Orpah that she cannot provide for them?
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CONNECT THE DOTS

Connect the dots and then color the picture!





Read the Bible passage in the box and use the verses to answer the questions below.

Orpah Goes Home and Ruth Stays with Naomi —Ruth 1:14-18

14 Then they lifted up their voices and wept again; and Orpah kissed her mother-in-law, but Ruth clung to her.

15 And she said, "Look, your sister-in-law has gone back to her people and to her gods; return after your sister-in-law."

16 But Ruth said: "Entreat me not to leave you, Or to turn back from following after you; For wherever you go, I will go; And wherever you lodge, I will lodge; Your people shall be my people, And your God, my God.

17 Where you die, I will die, And there will I be buried.

The LORD do so to me, and more also, If anything but death parts you and me."

18 When she saw that she was determined to go with her, she stopped speaking to her.

1. Vs. 14-15 After Naomi, Orpah and Ruth wept, what did Orpah do?

- a) go back to Egypt
- b) go back to Moab
- c) go to Bethlehem with Naomi.

2. Vs. 15 Underline in red the two things that Orpah went back to.

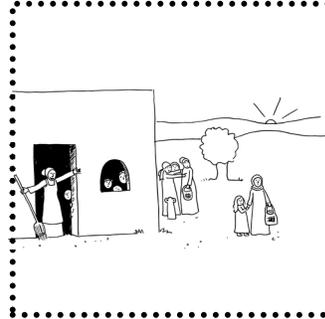
3. Vs. 16 Fill in the blanks. "But _____ said: "Entreat me not to _____ you, Or to turn _____ from following after you; For wherever you _____, I will _____; And wherever you _____, I will _____; Your _____ shall be my _____, And your _____, my _____."

4. Vs. 18 Fill in the names for this verse, "When N _____ saw that R _____ was determined to go with N _____, N _____ stopped speaking to R _____" about going back to Moab.



PUT THE PICTURES IN ORDER

Draw a line matching the picture with the correct description to put the pictures in order.



1. Naomi, Ruth and Orpah pack up to leave Moab.

2. Naomi and Ruth leave Moab.

3. Naomi and Ruth arrive in Bethlehem.

4. The townspeople greet Naomi and Ruth.



Read the Bible passage in the box and use the verses to answer the questions below.

Naomi and Ruth Arrive in Bethlehem — Ruth 1:19-22

19 Now the two of them went until they came to Bethlehem. And it happened, when they had come to Bethlehem, that all the city was excited because of them; and the women said, "Is this Naomi?"

20 But she said to them, "Do not call me Naomi; call me Mara, for the Almighty has dealt very bitterly with me.

21 I went out full, and the LORD has brought me home again empty. Why do you call me Naomi, since the LORD has testified against me, and the Almighty has afflicted me?"

22 So Naomi returned, and Ruth the Moabitess her daughter-in-law with her, who returned from the country of Moab. Now they came to Bethlehem at the beginning of barley harvest.

1. Vs. 19 Colour in green the place that Naomi and Ruth came to.
2. Vs. 20-21 Colour in red why Naomi asks the women of Bethlehem to call her Mara instead of Naomi.
3. Vs. 20 Naomi means "pleasantness," but she feels that God has dealt bitterly with her. What do you think "Mara" might mean?
 - a) "happy" b) "blessed" c) "bitter"
4. Vs. 22 It was springtime when Naomi and Ruth returned. Springtime was the beginning of harvesting _____.

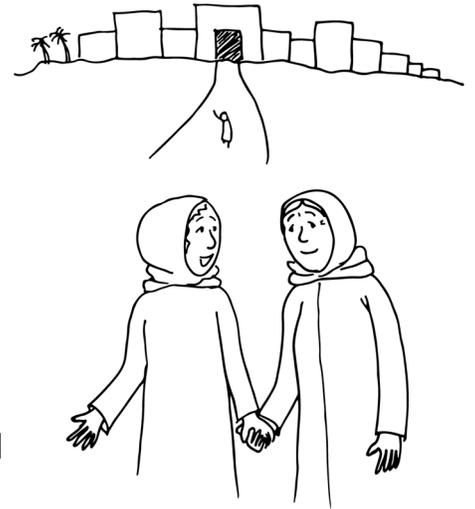
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Challenge #2

Although Orpah decided to return home to Moab—to her family and the Moabite gods (idols), Ruth chose to stick to Naomi. She told Naomi that she would never leave her as long as she lived and that she wanted Naomi's God to be her own God. Ruth could see that Naomi wanted to go back to Bethlehem— not just because it was Naomi's home- but also to serve God there. Ruth wanted to follow Naomi's example. Can you think of three people in your life who are a good example for you to follow in serving God, like Naomi was to Ruth? Write down the three people and something that they do that is a good example that you want to follow



1. Name _____

Example I want to follow _____

2. _____

Example I want to follow _____

3. _____

Example I want to follow _____

SPOT THE LETTER

Can you find the letter R hiding in 6 places in this picture of Naomi and Ruth?



SECTION THREE: GLEANING IN THE FIELDS



Read the Bible passage in the box and use the verses to answer the questions below.

Ruth Goes to Glean — Ruth 2:1-3

¹ *There was a relative of Naomi's husband, a man of great wealth, of the family of Elimelech. His name was Boaz.*

² *So Ruth the Moabitess said to Naomi, "Please let me go to the field, and glean heads of grain after him in whose sight I may find favor."*

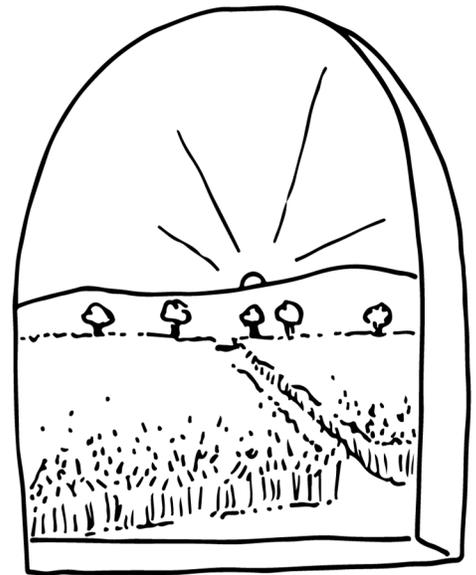
And she said to her, "Go, my daughter."

³ *Then she left, and went and gleaned in the field after the reapers. And she happened to come to the part of the field belonging to Boaz, who was of the family of Elimelech.*

- Vs. 1 Whose family did this relative belong to?

a) Naomi's husband's family b) Naomi's family c) Ruth's family
- Vs. 1 Was this relative rich or poor? _____
- Vs. 1 Colour the name of this relative of Naomi's husband in yellow.
- Vs. 2 What did Ruth want to do?

a) work for Boaz b) glean in the field c) do chores for Naomi
- Vs. 3 Colour in green the field that Ruth "happened" to glean in.
- God's law gave instructions for Israelites who had fields of grain. God wanted His people to leave grain behind so that they could share the leftover grain with others! Read the passage below and colour in yellow the three groups of people who could reap or gather sheaves of grain that were left in the fields.



God's Law about Leftover Grain — Deuteronomy 24:19

When you reap your harvest in your field, and forget a sheaf in the field, you shall not go back to get it; it shall be for the stranger, the fatherless, and the widow, that the LORD your God may bless you in all the work of your hands.



Read the Bible passage in the box and use the verses to answer the questions below.

Ruth Meets Boaz — Ruth 2:4-9

4 Now behold, Boaz came from Bethlehem, and said to the reapers, "The LORD be with you!" And they answered him, "The LORD bless you!"

5 Then Boaz said to his servant who was in charge of the reapers, "Whose young woman is this?"

6 So the servant who was in charge of the reapers answered and said, "It is the young Moabite woman who came back with Naomi from the country of Moab.

7 And she said, 'Please let me glean and gather after the reapers among the sheaves.' So she came and has continued from morning until now, though she rested a little in the house."

8 Then Boaz said to Ruth, "You will listen, my daughter, will you not? Do not go to glean in another field, nor go from here, but stay close by my young women.

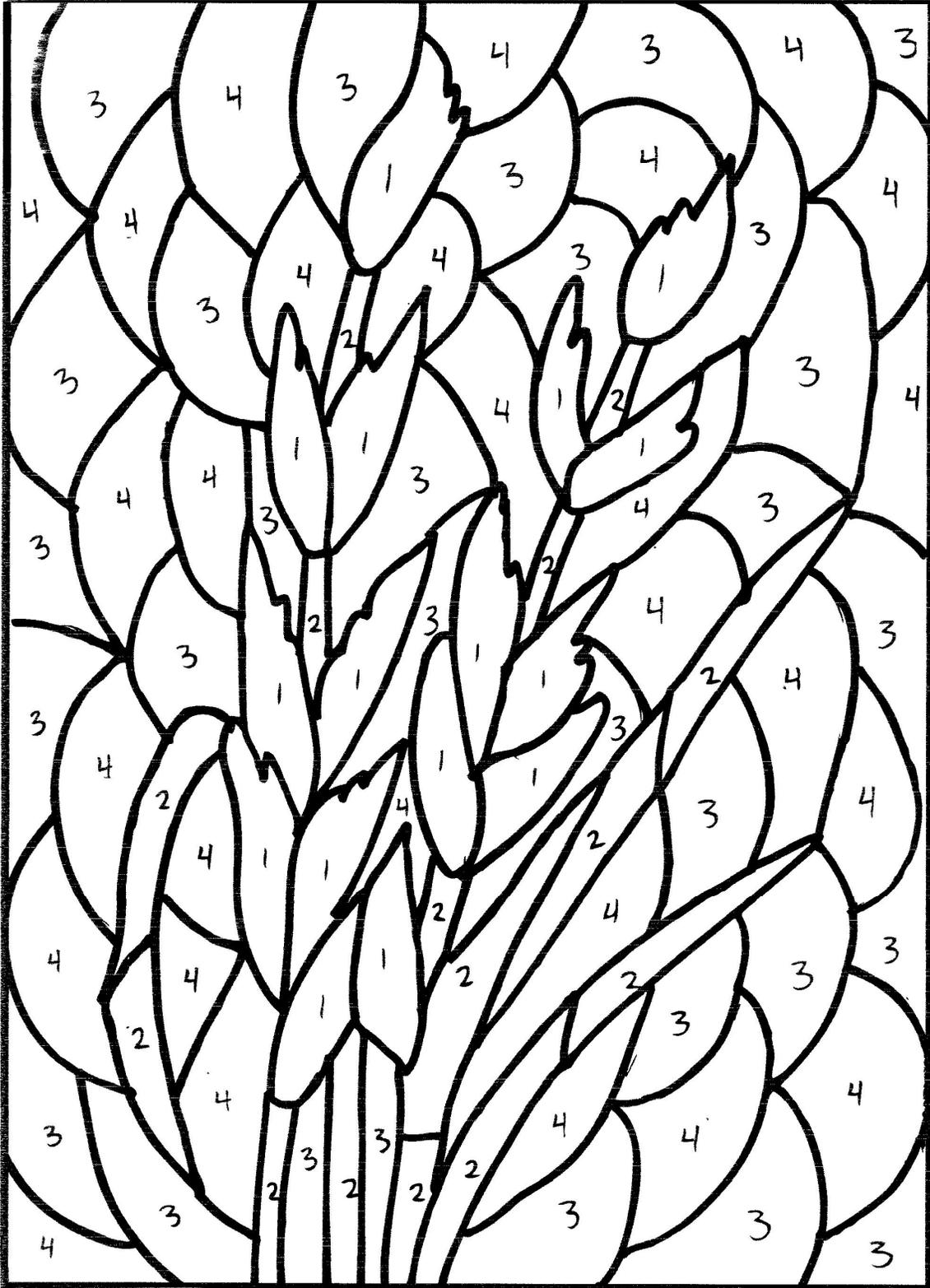
9 Let your eyes be on the field which they reap, and go after them. Have I not commanded the young men not to touch you? And when you are thirsty, go to the vessels and drink from what the young men have drawn."

1. Vs. 4 Do you think Boaz faithfully worships the true God or idols? _____ Colour in blue the words in this verse that shows who he worships.
2. Vs. 6 What did the servant who was in charge of the reapers know about Ruth? Fill in the blanks: "It is the young _____ woman who came back with _____"
3. Vs. 7 How long had Ruth been working?
a) 1 hour b) 4 hours c) since morning
4. Vs. 8 Colour in green where Boaz told Ruth she should glean.
5. Vs. 9 What did Boaz tell Ruth to do when she was thirsty?
a) go home for a drink
b) drink from the nearby brook
c) go to the vessels and drink



COLOUR BY NUMBER

Colour in the image by colouring: 1. Yellow 2. Orange 3. Purple 4. Blue





Read the Bible passage in the box and use the verses to answer the questions below.

Ruth Finds Favor with Boaz — Ruth 2:10-16

¹⁰ So she fell on her face, bowed down to the ground, and said to him, "Why have I found favor in your eyes, that you should take notice of me, since I am a foreigner?"

¹¹ And Boaz answered and said to her, "It has been fully reported to me, all that you have done for your mother-in-law since the death of your husband, and how you have left your father and your mother and the land of your birth, and have come to a people whom you did not know before.

¹² The LORD repay your work, and a full reward be given you by the LORD God of Israel, under whose wings you have come for refuge."

¹³ Then she said, "Let me find favor in your sight, my lord; for you have comforted me, and have spoken kindly to your maidservant, though I am not like one of your maidservants."

¹⁴ Now Boaz said to her at mealtime, "Come here, and eat of the bread, and dip your piece of bread in the vinegar." So she sat beside the reapers, and he passed parched grain to her; and she ate and was satisfied, and kept some back.

¹⁵ And when she rose up to glean, Boaz commanded his young men, saying, "Let her glean even among the sheaves, and do not reproach her.

¹⁶ Also let grain from the bundles fall purposely for her; leave it that she may glean, and do not rebuke her."

1. Vs. 10 Colour in yellow what Ruth asks Boaz.
2. Vs. 11 It had been fully reported to Boaz 1) all that Ruth had done for _____ 2) how she left the land where she was b_____ 3) how she came to a people that she did not _____ before.
3. Vs. 12 Colour in blue who Boaz says will repay and reward the work she has done.
4. Vs. 12 Who had Ruth come to take refuge and trust in? _____
5. Vs. 14 What did Boaz tell Ruth to do at mealtime?
 - a) go home to Naomi for dinner
 - b) eat with the reapers and Boaz
 - c) eat at a near by restaurant
6. Vs. 15-16 What did Boaz tell the young men to let fall on purpose for Ruth? _____





Read the Bible passage in the box and use the verses to answer the questions below.

Ruth Returns to Naomi with Grain — Ruth 2:17-23

17 So she gleaned in the field until evening, and beat out what she had gleaned, and it was about an ephah of barley.

18 Then she took it up and went into the city, and her mother-in-law saw what she had gleaned. So she brought out and gave to her what she had kept back after she had been satisfied.

19 And her mother-in-law said to her, "Where have you gleaned today? And where did you work? Blessed be the one who took notice of you." So she told her mother-in-law with whom she had worked, and said, "The man's name with whom I worked today is Boaz."

20 Then Naomi said to her daughter-in-law, "Blessed be he of the LORD, who has not forsaken His kindness to the living and the dead!" And Naomi said to her, "This man is a relation of ours, one of our close relatives."

21 Ruth the Moabite said, "He also said to me, 'You shall stay close by my young men until they have finished all my harvest.' "

22 And Naomi said to Ruth her daughter-in-law, "It is good, my daughter, that you go out with his young women, and that people do not meet you in any other field."

23 So she stayed close by the young women of Boaz, to glean until the end of barley harvest and wheat harvest; and she dwelt with her mother-in-law.

1. Vs. 17 Colour in yellow how much grain Ruth collected by working until evening. Note: an ephah would be about 10 days worth of food for one person.
2. Vs. 17 What grain was Ruth gleaning?
 - a) corn b) barley c) wheat
3. Vs. 20 Who did Naomi give credit to for the kindness they received?
 - a) Boaz b) the reapers c) the LORD
4. Vs. 22 Did Naomi think that Ruth should keep going back to Boaz's field? _____
5. Vs. 23 Who did Ruth continue to live with?



PRACTICAL CHALLENGE



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Challenge #3

In this chapter, Ruth shows kindness to Naomi by going out to gather food to share with her. Boaz shows kindness to Ruth by making sure some grain is left in the field on purpose and inviting her to come eat with his maidens. Who can you show kindness to and how? Write this on the space below.



FINISH THE PICTURE



SECTION FOUR: A CLOSE RELATIVE



Read the Bible passage in the box and use the verses to answer the questions below.

Naomi's Plan — Ruth 3:1-6

¹Then Naomi her mother-in-law said to her, "My daughter, shall I not seek security for you, that it may be well with you?"

²Now Boaz, whose young women you were with, is he not our relative? In fact, he is winnowing barley tonight at the threshing floor.

³Therefore wash yourself and anoint yourself, put on your best garment and go down to the threshing floor; but do not make yourself known to the man until he has finished eating and drinking.

⁴Then it shall be, when he lies down, that you shall notice the place where he lies; and you shall go in, uncover his feet, and lie down; and he will tell you what you should do."

⁵And she said to her, "All that you say to me I will do."

⁶So she went down to the threshing floor and did according to all that her mother-in-law instructed her.

1. Vs. 2 Naomi wanted Ruth to be provided for. What did she tell Ruth that Boaz was going to do that night?
a) win b) winnow the barley c) weep
2. Vs. 3-4 Colour in yellow the six things that Naomi told Ruth to do.
3. Vs. 5-6 Does Ruth do what Naomi told her? _____



WINNOWING

Winnowing was usually left for a moonlit night because in Palestine at about sunset there is a brisk breeze from the sea. The breeze is needed to separate the chaff from the grain. The mixture of grain and chaff was thrown up into the air straight into the wind. The lighter chaff was caught by the breeze and blown away, but the heavier barley kernels fell straight to the ground.



Read the Bible passage in the box and use the verses to answer the questions below.

Boaz Wakes Up — Ruth 3:7-13

7 And after Boaz had eaten and drunk, and his heart was cheerful, he went to lie down at the end of the heap of grain; and she came softly, uncovered his feet, and lay down.

8 Now it happened at midnight that the man was startled, and turned himself; and there, a woman was lying at his feet.

9 And he said, "Who are you?" So she answered, "I am Ruth, your maidservant. Take your maidservant under your wing, for you are a close relative."

10 Then he said, "Blessed are you of the LORD, my daughter! For you have shown more kindness at the end than at the beginning, in that you did not go after young men, whether poor or rich.

11 And now, my daughter, do not fear. I will do for you all that you request, for all the people of my town know that you are a virtuous woman.

12 Now it is true that I am a close relative; however, there is a relative closer than I.

13 Stay this night, and in the morning it shall be that if he will perform the duty of a close relative for you—good; let him do it. But if he does not want to perform the duty for you, then I will perform the duty for you, as the LORD lives! Lie down until morning."

1. Vs. 7 Colour in **GREEN** where Boaz lay down after he had eaten and drunk.

2. Vs. 7 The verse tells us Ruth came in softly. Do you think that means: a) loudly b) quietly

3. Vs. 8 What time did Boaz wake up?

4. Vs. 8 Colour in **YELLOW** the word that shows that Boaz was surprised to see Ruth.

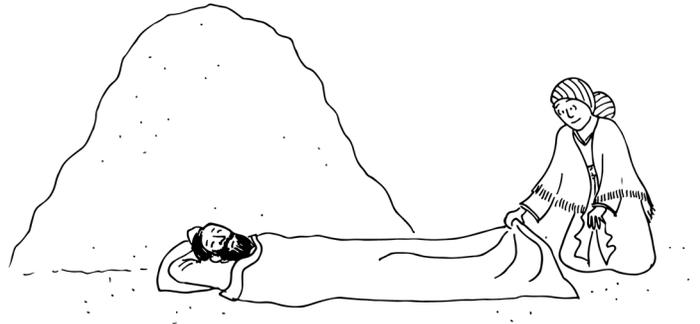
5. Vs. 9 What did Ruth ask Boaz to do? "----- your maidservant ----- your -----" (This means Ruth asked Boaz to redeem - protect & care for - her).

6. Vs. 11 Was Boaz willing to help Ruth? -----

7. Vs. 11 What did all of the city know about Ruth?

a) that she was a Moabite b) that she was a virtuous woman c) that she was funny

8. Vs. 12 Under the law, God said that the nearest relative could redeem a widow to protect and provide for her. Boaz tells Ruth that he cannot redeem her, because there is someone else that is a closer relative than Boaz. BUT if that relative does not want to redeem Ruth, who does Boaz say would? -----





Read the Bible passage in the box and use the verses to answer the questions below.

Ruth Returns to Naomi — Ruth 3:14-18

14 So she lay at his feet until morning, and she arose before one could recognize another. Then he said, "Do not let it be known that the woman came to the threshing floor."

15 Also he said, "Bring the shawl that is on you and hold it." And when she held it, he measured six ephahs of barley, and laid it on her. Then she went into the city.

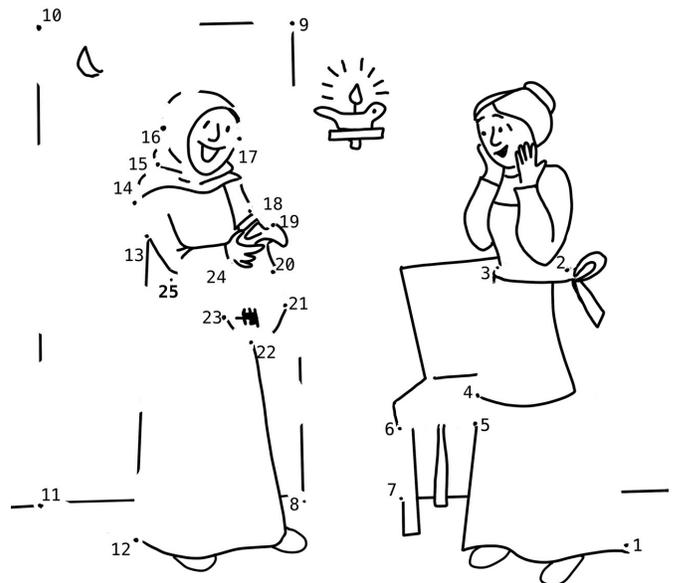
16 When she came to her mother-in-law, she said, "Is that you, my daughter?" Then she told her all that the man had done for her.

17 And she said, "These six ephahs of barley he gave me; for he said to me, 'Do not go empty-handed to your mother-in-law.'"

18 Then she said, "Sit still, my daughter, until you know how the matter will turn out; for the man will not rest until he has concluded the matter this day."

1. Vs. 14 Colour in **YELLOW** when Ruth got up.
2. Vs 15 Boaz told Ruth to bring her shawl. What did he put in it?
 - a) 6 measures of wheat
 - b) 6 measures of barley
 - c) 6 measures of fruit
3. Vs. 16 Where did Ruth go? _____
4. Vs. 18 Colour in **YELLOW** the words in this verse that show that Naomi thought Boaz would be quick about finding and talking to the nearest relative.
5. Ruth asked Boaz if he would be her near-relative redeemer to provide and protect her. Who is our Redeemer that we look to who we can trust in to provide for us and protect us?

CONNECT THE DOTS



PRACTICAL CHALLENGE



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Challenge #4

Naomi wanted to make sure Ruth was provided for and she gave Ruth instructions. Ruth did everything just as Naomi had told her to do. You also have parents and aunts and uncles who want to make sure that you are taken care of. God wants children to obey their parents and follow their instructions just like Ruth followed Naomi's instructions. Can you think of a time your daddy or mommy gave you instructions that might have been challenging to do, but you did it just as they said anyway? Write this story down and know that God is pleased when you honour your parents!



SPOT THE LETTER

Can you find the letter R hiding in 11 places in this picture of Boaz and Ruth?



SECTION FIVE: AT THE CITY GATES



Read the Bible passage in the box and use the verses to answer the questions below.

Boaz goes to the City Gates — Ruth 4:1-6

¹Now Boaz went up to the gate and sat down there; and behold, the close relative of whom Boaz had spoken came by. So Boaz said, "Come aside, friend, sit down here." So he came aside and sat down.

²And he took ten men of the elders of the city, and said, "Sit down here." So they sat down.

³Then he said to the close relative, "Naomi, who has come back from the country of Moab, sold the piece of land which belonged to our brother Elimelech.

⁴And I thought to inform you, saying, 'Buy it back in the presence of the inhabitants and the elders of my people. If you will redeem it, redeem it; but if you will not redeem it, then tell me, that I may know; for there is no one but you to redeem it, and I am next after you.' " And he said, "I will redeem it."

⁵Then Boaz said, "On the day you buy the field from the hand of Naomi, you must also buy it from Ruth the Moabitess, the wife of the dead, to perpetuate the name of the dead through his inheritance."

⁶And the close relative said, "I cannot redeem it for myself, lest I ruin my own inheritance. You redeem my right of redemption for yourself, for I cannot redeem it."

1. Vs. 1 Colour in **GREEN** where Boaz went.
2. Vs. 1 Who came by? "The _____ of whom Boaz had spoken."
3. Vs. 2 How many elders of the city did Boaz call on to witness? _____
4. Vs. 3-4 Who did Boaz say was next to redeem Naomi's land, if the close relative did not want to redeem it?

5. Vs. 4 Did the kinsman want to redeem Naomi's land? _____
6. Vs. 5 Who did Boaz say must also be redeemed with Naomi's land?
 - a) Naomi b) Ruth, the Moabitiess c) the servants
7. Vs. 6 Did the kinsman want to redeem Naomi's land now?





Read the Bible passage in the box and use the verses to answer the questions below.

The Close Relative's Shoe — Ruth 4:7-12

⁷ Now this was the custom in former times in Israel concerning redeeming and exchanging, to confirm anything: one man took off his sandal and gave it to the other, and this was a confirmation in Israel.

⁸ Therefore the close relative said to Boaz, "Buy it for yourself." So he took off his sandal.

⁹ And Boaz said to the elders and all the people, "You are witnesses this day that I have bought all that was Elimelech's, and all that was Chilion's and Mahlon's, from the hand of Naomi.

¹⁰ Moreover, Ruth the Moabitess, the widow of Mahlon, I have acquired as my wife, to perpetuate the name of the dead through his inheritance, that the name of the dead may not be cut off from among his brethren and from his position at the gate. You are witnesses this day."

¹¹ And all the people who were at the gate, and the elders, said, "We are witnesses. The LORD make the woman who is coming to your house like Rachel and Leah, the two who built the house of Israel; and may you prosper in Ephrathah and be famous in Bethlehem.

¹² May your house be like the house of Perez, whom Tamar bore to Judah, because of the offspring which the LORD will give you from this young woman."

1. Vs. 7 Colour in **YELLOW** what the custom in Israel was at that time to confirm the redeeming or exchanging of something.
2. Vs. 8 What did the close relative say to Boaz?
 - a) I will redeem the land and Ruth b) buy it for yourself c) let's sell the land
3. Vs. 9 Colour in **YELLOW** whose possessions it was that Boaz purchased.

CRACK THE CODE

Use the numbers to figure out the letters in the code and answer the question (1=A, 2=B, 3=C etc).

What two women did the townspeople want Ruth to be like?

18	1	3	8	5	12		1	14	4		12	5	1	8



Read the Bible passage in the box and use the verses to answer the questions below.

A Baby for Boaz and Ruth — Ruth 4:13-17

13 So Boaz took Ruth and she became his wife; and when he went in to her, the LORD gave her conception, and she bore a son.

14 Then the women said to Naomi, "Blessed be the LORD, who has not left you this day without a close relative; and may his name be famous in Israel!

15 And may he be to you a restorer of life and a nourisher of your old age; for your daughter-in-law, who loves you, who is better to you than seven sons, has borne him."

16 Then Naomi took the child and laid him on her bosom, and became a nurse to him.

17 Also the neighbor women gave him a name, saying, "There is a son born to Naomi." And they called his name Obed. He is the father of Jesse, the father of David.

1. Vs. 13 Boaz and Ruth got married. What happened next?
 a) they went on a vacation b) they went home c) they had a son

2. Vs. 14-15 What did the women say to Naomi? (fill in the blanks)

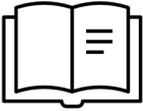
"Blessed be the LORD, who has not left you this day without a _____, and may his name be _____ in Israel! And may he be to you a _____ of life, and a _____ of your old age: for your daughter in law, who loves you, who is better to you than _____ sons, has borne him."

3. Vs. 17 What was the name of Boaz and Ruth's baby? _____

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Challenge #5

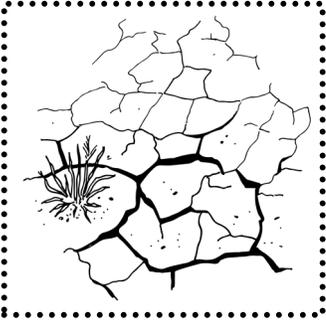
Ruth trusted in God's protective care even when she didn't know what was ahead and HOW God would provide for her and Naomi. Because of her faith, God not only provided for her and Naomi through Boaz, but she became the great-grandmother of faithful King David... and much, much later an ancestor of God's own Son!

Can you think of a time when God provided for you too? Write it down below.



FINISH THE STORY

Draw in the missing pictures to tell the story of Ruth



1. There is a famine in Bethlehem.



2. Elimelech, Naomi and their sons move to Moab.



3. Mahlon and Chilion marry Ruth and Orpah.



4. Mahlon and Chilion die.



5. Ruth and Naomi travel back to Bethlehem



6. Ruth goes to glean in Boaz' field.



7. Boaz is kind to Ruth.



8. Ruth asks Boaz to redeem her



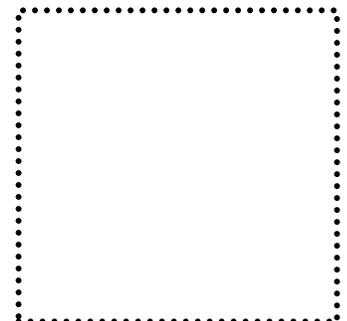
9. The close relative gives Boaz his shoe



10. Boaz marries Ruth.



11. Boaz and Ruth have a son named Obed.



12. Obed is the grandfather of King David.