

# STUDY GUIDE



## RUTH: REDEMPTION ROAD 08.15.21

### [set up]

What has been one of the messiest experiences in your life? Was it due to your poor choices, the poor choices of someone else, or just circumstances of living in a fallen and broken world?

When you think back on that moment/season what is one word that best captures how you felt at that time?

### [digging deeper]

Read Ruth 4:1-12.

What is your favorite moment or observation from the text and why?

What is the most confusing moment or observation and why?

Summarize the role of A Kinsman Redeemer. What verses in this passage give us insights on that?

How was Ruth's life a mess? How did Boaz help her as a kinsman redeemer?

What do these verses tell us about God (His character, nature, and work in humanity)?

What do these verses reveal about us?

It was said this last weekend that "God uses our messes for His message." What does that mean?

How have you found that to be true in your life, maybe even with the mess you mentioned earlier?

How do we better understand Jesus as our Kinsman Redeemer from this reading?

What has He redeemed humanity from?

What has He redeemed YOU from?

(over)

Read these passages for added insights:

Ephesians 1:7  
1 Peter 1:18-19

Hebrews 9:15  
Titus 2:14

When we lose sight of these truths, how can these verses help remind us to trust God in life's messy moments? Do you have other verses that help you in this way?

Ecclesiastes 3:11

Romans 8:28

1 Corinthians 13:12

## **[living it out]**

To keep the understanding of "God uses our messes for His message" and to keep that mindset forefront in heart and mind for future messes, have everyone in the group craft an "I will..." statement of what they will do moving forward. Ask each person to share that statement with the group.

Pair up for closing prayer. Ask each person to pray that God will enable their prayer partner to fulfill their "I will" statement. (Include praying for one another's "Who's Your One?" friend and praying that their friends will give God the messes in their lives and will trust Christ to redeem them and trust Him in their lives.)