GOD IS OUR REDEEMER

DAY 7 — GOD CAN TURN THE STORY AROUND

RUTH 4

Week 15

DEVOTIONAL

RUTH'S STORY STARTS WITH FAMINE. THEN DEATH. THEN GRIEF. THEN UNCERTAINTY. BUT IT DOESN'T END THERE. GOD BRINGS RUTH AND BOAZ TOGETHER, GIVES NAOMI A NEW BEGINNING, AND PLACES RUTH IN THE FAMILY LINE THAT LEADS TO DAVID—AND EVENTUALLY TO JESUS. WHAT LOOKED LIKE THE END WAS ACTUALLY THE BEGINNING OF SOMETHING NEW. MAYBE THAT'S WHAT SOMEONE NEEDS TO HEAR TODAY. YOUR CURRENT SITUATION IS NOT NECESSARILY YOUR FINAL CHAPTER. GOD IS A REDEEMER. HE CAN TAKE BROKEN PIECES AND BRING PURPOSE FROM THEM. HE CAN TAKE ORDINARY OBEDIENCE AND USE IT FOR EXTRAORDINARY THINGS. HE CAN TAKE A STORY YOU THOUGHT WAS FINISHED AND WRITE ANOTHER CHAPTER. YOU DON'T HAVE TO KNOW HOW. YOU JUST HAVE TO TRUST HIM. THE REDEEMER IS STILL WRITING.

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

- WHAT PART OF RUTH'S STORY ENCOURAGES YOU THE MOST?
- WHERE DO YOU NEED TO BELIEVE THAT GOD ISN'T FINISHED YET?
- WHAT DOES GOD'S FAITHFULNESS IN RUTH TEACH YOU ABOUT HIS CHARACTER?

PRAYER

LORD, THANK YOU FOR BEING MY REDEEMER. WHEN I CAN'T SEE THE FUTURE, HELP ME TRUST YOUR FAITHFULNESS. WHEN MY STORY FEELS UNFINISHED, REMIND ME THAT YOU ARE STILL WRITING. GIVE ME FAITH TO FOLLOW YOU ONE DAY AT A TIME. AMEN