

“Ruth 2”



OPEN IT

- Who is someone whose simple act of kindness has had a lasting impact on your life? What made it so meaningful?
- When it's difficult to be kind, what usually gets in the way—busyness, fear, pride, exhaustion, or something else?

Read It:

- Ruth 2:1-23
- Leviticus 19:9-10
- Leviticus 25:47-49

EXPLORE IT

- **Read Ruth 2:1-3.** What does Ruth's willingness to work for Naomi reveal about her character and her understanding of kindness?
- The message defined kindness as "going first and putting yourself third." Where do you see that definition demonstrated in Ruth's actions?
- **Read Ruth 2:8-13.** What specific ways does Boaz go beyond what was legally required in showing kindness to Ruth?
- Ruth repeatedly refers to herself as a foreigner. Why is Boaz's treatment of her so significant in light of her background?
- **Read Ruth 2:14-17.** How does Boaz's generosity move beyond simply meeting Ruth's needs to demonstrating abundant grace?
- Naomi describes Boaz as continuing God's kindness "to the living and the dead" (Ruth 2:20). What do you think she means by that?

- **Read Leviticus 19:9-10.** How does this law reveal God's heart for the poor, the vulnerable, and foreigners? What does that teach us about God's character?
- **Read Leviticus 25:47-49.** How does Boaz begin to fulfill the role of a guardian-redeemer? Why is this an important theme that points forward in the story of Ruth?
- Throughout this chapter, God never speaks directly, yet His hand is evident everywhere. Where do you see God's quiet providence at work in the events of Ruth 2?
- The message concluded that "kindness comes from the heart of God." How should understanding God's kindness toward us shape the way we treat other people?

DO IT:

- **Initiate kindness this week.** Don't wait for someone else to make the first move. Reach out, encourage someone, or serve a need before you're asked.
- **Go above and beyond.** Like Boaz, look for an opportunity to offer more than what's expected—whether through generosity, hospitality, encouragement, or forgiveness.
- **Reflect God's heart toward vulnerable people.** Pray for God to help you notice someone who feels overlooked, lonely, struggling, or "outside" your normal circle, and intentionally care for them.
- **Become the "I" in KIND.** Choose one relationship this week where you will intentionally replace impatience, criticism, or indifference with compassion and kindness.
- **Thank God for His kindness.** Spend time reflecting on ways God has provided for, protected, and shown grace to you, then ask Him to make His kindness visible through your life to someone else.