

May 27, 2018 The Fields of Hope Ruth Chapter 2

**For the Facilitator** - During the week before the meeting, review the story and the questions. Do an internet search on any issues you might anticipate. Even if you are not telling the story, know it well enough to share. Make sure you are maintaining your own walk with the Lord. Make personal contact with at least one person in your group this week.

### **Open in Prayer and Welcome/Introductions**

**Remind the group of DiscipleGroup Guidelines (Confidentiality, Don't Rescue Don't Fix, No Crosstalk, Use Humor Responsibly, Give Everyone a Chance to Share, Use "I" Statements.)**

### **DISCIPLEMAKER QUESTIONS**

- Last week we heard the story of Ruth and Naomi's return to Bethlehem from Moab. Are there any more thoughts on that story?
- How are your relational investments going?

### **Ask a "hook question" to get the group going.**

- Share a time you felt like an outsider. How did you handle the situation?

### **Share background for the story.**

If you asked the teller for Ruth chapter 1 to repeat the story this week, then ask them to retell that chapter now. Otherwise, briefly review what happened in chapter 1.

### **Tell the story with your Bible open on your lap – Ruth 2.**

### **Group members rebuild the story one piece at a time.**

### **Read Ruth 2 out loud. Were there any important details left out of the telling or retelling of the story?**

### **Discuss these questions:**

1. What do you learn about God in this story?
2. What do you learn about the characters in the story?
3. How do you see God's sovereignty and human responsibility going hand in hand in this passage?
4. Share about a time when you felt God was working or had worked for you in your situation.  
How does this encourage you?

### **Ask someone to retell the story.**

### **Assign next week's passage. Ruth 3.**

### **Close in Prayer.**