

Women's Bible Study
Discussion Questions

Ruth 3

1. Consider Naomi's behavior (described in vs. 1-4) in light of her own losses and the bitterness she expresses in 1:20-21. In what ways is Naomi here (and in previous chapters) demonstrating her faith in God and her love for Ruth? Is there anything in particular that encourages you or challenges you about Naomi's attitude?
2. After reading Leviticus 25:23-55, list the responsibilities of a "kinsman redeemer". What does this demonstrate to you about God's character?
3. Deuteronomy 25:5-10 describes the *Leviterate Law* (concerning the marriage of a childless widow to her brother-in-law). What do you learn about God's desire for His people and the consequences of disobedience?
4. In 2:22, Naomi mentions the danger of a vulnerable woman being assaulted while she works in another's field. Yet in 3:2-4, Naomi advises Ruth to go to the threshing floor alone at night to approach Boaz. What might be the risks here to Ruth's well-being and reputation?
5. How do both Ruth and Boaz demonstrate their integrity during their encounter on the threshing floor and in the hours afterwards? (See vs. 6-17)
6. Boaz is a biblical figure who foreshadows Christ. In what ways does Boaz's response and relationship with Ruth (so far) remind you of Christ's redemption and love for you and for His Church? Consider sharing your thoughts with the rest of your group.