

R U T H

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INTRODUCTION

This month, we're walking through the book of Ruth. We don't know who wrote this book of the Bible, but many scholars believe it was a woman. It was written when Judges ruled Israel, a dangerous time when everyone did as they saw fit. In Chapter 2, we realize just because you know how the story ends, doesn't make it easy to live through the story now. Tragedy doesn't hurt less, the loss doesn't feel lighter, yet we still have to decide to follow God as our story unfolds.

DISCUSSION

Read Ruth 2 together and then discuss the below questions:

1. What caught your attention in this chapter?
2. What sort of hurt have you been living through lately?
3. If you're willing, share some of the frustrations, doubts or curiosities you've experienced during your times of hurt, pain or grief.
4. How has following God required you to act with courage?
5. How has following God required you to bless others? Is there any form of "blessing" you're convicted to act on this week?
6. Are there any ways you've been lacking faith to see what God is up to in your life? What can you do to see differently?

ACTION STEPS

1. Spend time in prayer asking God to give you courage to act, conviction to bless and faith to see. Report back to your group how God is answering this prayer.
2. Every Prairie Lakes Church campus has plenty of opportunities to bless others both inside and outside the walls of PLC. Check out our [Serve Purposefully](#) and/or [Local Missions](#) pages to see what's available at your campus and choose to *act*.
3. If you are stuck emotionally or spiritually, consider reaching out for help. Call a pastor, counselor, friend or mentor.

RESOURCES

The following videos can be found on [RightNow Media](#):

The Book of Ruth by Bianca Olthoff

How to Read Ruth by The Bible Project