

INTRODUCTION

For the last month, we've walked through the book of Ruth. We don't know who wrote it, 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 previous chapters, we realized just because you know how the story ends doesn't make it easy to live through the story now. In chapter 4, we hear this message loud and clear: no matter what, God is writing His story.

DISCUSSION

Read Ruth 4 together and then discuss the following questions.

- 1. What stuck out to you in Ruth chapters 1-3?
- 2. What caught your attention in chapter 4?
- 3. What might God be up to in the everyday moments of your life?
- 4. What gets in the way of you "living in the moment with God"?
- 5. What is one simple step that would help you notice what God is up to in the everyday moments of your life?
- 6. What's one moment from your past when you can clearly see God's handwriting?
- 7. Do you have any hints of how God might be writing His big story in your little life?

ACTION STEPS

- 1. Purposefully eliminate at least one thing that gets in the way of you "living in the moment with God."
- 2. Is there a Next Step you should take that would help you notice what God is up to?
 PLC's five Next Steps are Attend Regularly, Serve Purposefully, Connect Relationally, Give Generously and Invite Boldly.
- 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 BibleProject
The Ruthless Elimination of Hurry by John Marc Comer