

Purity of Boaz

(Ruth 3:1-12)

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Growth Group Discussion Questions

Children

1. In the story, Naomi encouraged Ruth to go to the threshing floor. What do you picture that place to look like? Why did Ruth go to Boaz?
2. Ruth and Boaz followed God's rules, even if they didn't like them. Is it better to trust in God or demand your own way? Why?
3. God always knows what's best for us! How can you trust in God this week? This school year? Forever?

Youth

1. Ruth took a bold step to go lay at the feet of Boaz. Do you have her type of faith? Why/Why Not?
2. Our society struggles with sexual sins. Why do you think it is so hard to talk about as a church/family?
3. Why do think Paul address sexual immorality so much in his epistles?
4. Phil 4:8 states, "whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence, if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things." Why do you think it we struggle to keep our minds on worthy things rather than unworthy things?

Adults

1. What stood out to you from the sermon?
2. In today's passage, we saw Naomi, Ruth, and Boaz takes steps of faith as they let God lead them. How do we balance waiting in faith and stepping out in faith?
3. Why have we as Christians moved further and further away from the ability to talk about sexual struggles and holding each other accountable to God's standard?
 - a) What is the difference between guilt/shame versus conviction/accountability?
 - b) Read Ephesians 5:3, Psalm 101:3, and Philipians 4:8. What are some ways we can hold each other accountable to God's standard? What are some ways we can help teach our kids?
4. Pastor Jason mentioned the highest ideal of American culture (always be true to your heart) and the highest ideal of the Bible (trust that God is faithful and that His way is right).
 - a) Can these two ideals coexist?
 - b) Read Isaiah 55:8-9. What practices will help us remember that God's ways are so much better than our culture, our passions, our ways?