



Is there more to my story?

The Book of Ruth
May 2022



Home Group study: week beginning 22nd May 2022

THEME: DOES MY STORY HAVE A HAPPY EVER AFTER?

PASSAGE: RUTH 4

LAUNCH

When was the last time you witnessed or were involved in a transaction that was not above board? What were the perceived benefits and what were the risks?

DISCOVERY & UNDERSTANDING

What are the key elements of the first few verses that show that Boaz was determined to be completely open and transparent in his dealings?

In what areas of life can we be tempted to be slightly shady or untransparent in our dealings?

What were the substantial benefits of Boaz's open transparency and what were the risks?

The first in line kinsman redeemer seemed keen on the land but less keen on Ruth. What are some of the possible reasons for him rejecting Ruth? (Some legitimate and possibly some less so)

Prejudice may have been one reason (I don't want someone from Moab contaminating my family line). What prejudices can we hold that prevent us from caring for those in need?

Boaz acting as kinsman redeemer for Ruth and Naomi is a picture of Jesus acting as kinsman redeemer for us. What are the parallels between the two?

APPLICATION

Spend time thanking God for sending Jesus to redeem us

Pray that we will be like Boaz in terms of integrity, fair conduct, generosity and refusal of prejudice