

Oct 26, 2025

8:30am & 11:15am THE STORY OF RUTH

RUTH

CHRIST CONNECTION:

Ruth was in great need, and God provided Boaz as her family redeemer. We are in great need and unable to save ourselves from our sin. God provided Jesus as our Redeemer

BIG PICTURE QUESTION:

How does God care for His creation? God loves and rules over all He made.

KEY PASSAGE PHRASE:

Philippians 4:19

STORY POINT:

God took care of Ruth.

LEARN

GATHER ON THE RUG FOR THE LESSON.

1. INTRODUCE THE BIBLE STORY

a. Invite the children to join you on the rug for group time.

SAY

Today's Bible story is about Naomi and Ruth. They lived during a famine, which was a time when the ground was dry, food did not grow, and people were hungry. Naomi's family had to move so they would have enough food to eat.

2. PLAY THE BIBLE STORY VIDEO ON THE TV.

Volunteers with 3s in room 125: You will need to combine with room 124 for bible story time.

<u>How?</u> Turn on the TV and Apple TV, Open the Plex App, and play the video with today's date (If needed, the Plex Pin is 1234)

If you have issues with the video, there is a teaching outline at the end of this guide.



3. REVIEW THE BIBLE STORY (OPTIONAL)

Ask the following review questions:

- a. What did you like about the Bible story? (Answers will vary.)
- b. What were some things in the Bible story that made Ruth happy or sad? (Answers will vary.)
- c. Why did Naomi's family move from Judah to Moab? (They did not have enough food to eat because there was a famine in the land.)
- d. Why did Ruth stay with Naomi instead of going back to her family? (She did not want to leave Naomi.)
- e. How did God take care of Ruth? (He gave her a family, food to eat, and a family redeemer.)
- f. How does God care for His creation? God loves and rules over all He made.

SAY

Naomi's family left Judah and moved to Moab. While in Moab, Naomi's husband died, and her sons got married. Their wives' names were Ruth and Orpah. Then, Naomi's sons died too. Ruth and Naomi. decided to go back to Judah. While in Judah, Ruth went out into the field to gather grain and met a man named Boaz, who was a close relative. **God took care of Ruth.** Boaz married Ruth, and they had a baby named Obed.

4. LEARN THE BIG PICTURE QUESTION AND ANSWER

SAY

Our big picture question asks, How does God care for His creation? God loves and rules over all He made. The book of Ruth tells the story of how God took care of Ruth and her mother-in-law Naomi. They trusted God to take care of their needs, and God took care of them.

5. PRACTICE THE KEY PASSAGE PHRASE

Place the Key Passage Marker at Philippians 4:19. Invite a child to open your Bible to the key passage. Read the key passage aloud. Chant small parts of the key passage and encourage the preschoolers to repeat after you. Repeat several times in different voices.

SAY

Our God is amazing! He wants the best for us and provides us with what we need. Naomi's family needed food. God provided grain for her to gather so she could m

6. PRAY

SAY

God, You love us so much. Thank You for always taking care of us. Please help and bless (Say each child's name)'s family this week. Amen

Amen.



ACTIVITIES

PLEASE COMPLETE BOTH BELOW

1. WORK THE FIELD

Scatter some wheat around and tell the children they need to gather the grain like Ruth. Have them stick their wheat in a pot and decorate it. (please send this home with parents)

SAY

Farmers work hard to grow our food, and then we purchase it at the store or farmer's market. In Bible times, people usually only ate what they could grow on their land. Naomi and her family had to leave their home because they could not grow any food. Many years later, Naomi returned to her home and brought Ruth with her. Ruth gathered grain for them to eat from a field. **God took care of Ruth** by giving her and Naomi food to eat and a family redeemer.

2.	COLOR THE ACTIVITY PAGE (please send this home with parents)	

DISMISS PRESCHOOLERS

- Release preschoolers to parents. Check diapers and release children by matching up the number on the child's sticker with the guardian receipt.
- Give parents today's activity page to reinforce today's Bible story and Christ connection throughout the week
- Tell parents something that their child enjoyed doing or did well during the session.



TEACHING OUTLINE

ALTERNATIVE TO VIDEO

1. GREET PRESCHOOLERS WITH A SMILE

As preschoolers arrive, sing a song with motions to engage and welcome them. Lead motions enthusiastically and encourage preschoolers to join you. Help the preschoolers think through what it means to worship God.

2. TELL THE BIBLE STORY

THE STORY OF RUTH

Naomi's family members were Israelites. There was not enough food in the land. They decided to leave Judah and go to Moab (MOH ab) where they could find food.

Naomi's husband died in Moab, and her sons got married. Their wives' names were Orpah and Ruth. Then Naomi's sons also died. Now Naomi, Orpah, and Ruth were all alone. Naomi wanted to go back home to Judah because God's people had food now. Naomi told Orpah and Ruth to go back to their families.

The women were very sad to leave each other. Orpah went home, but **Ruth would not leave Naomi.** Ruth said, "Wherever you go, I will go, and wherever you live, I will live; your people will be my people, and **your God will be my God.**" So Naomi and Ruth went back to Judah.

Ruth and Naomi needed food, so Ruth went to a field to gather leftover grain. The field was owned by a man named Boaz. Boaz saw Ruth working. He had heard how kind Ruth was to Naomi. **Boaz made sure Ruth was safe and had food.**

Ruth took grain home to Naomi and told her about Boaz. "Boaz is a close relative," Naomi said. "He is one of our family redeemers." A family redeemer was someone who helped his relatives.

Naomi knew Boaz would be a good husband for Ruth, so she gave Ruth special instructions. Ruth put on her best clothes and did everything Naomi told her to do. Ruth told Boaz, "You are a family redeemer."

Boaz promised to redeem Ruth, which meant he would buy back the land Naomi lost after her husband died and he would marry Ruth.

Boaz married Ruth, and they had a baby boy named Obed. When Obed grew up, he was the father of Jesse, who was the father of King David.

3. TELL THEM THE CHRIST CONNECTION

Ruth was in great need, and God provided Boaz as her family redeemer. We are in great need and unable to save ourselves from our sin. God provided Jesus as our Redeemer