

Ruth 2

April 30th, 2021

Discussion Questions

Before You Begin: Pray asking God to help you see and hear His word rightly and ask Him to reveal himself to you as you read through the designated chapters this week. Then, read through Ruth 2 and consider the discussion questions as you reflect upon what you read.

1. It was “the beginning of the barley harvest” (1:22). Ruth volunteered to glean in the fields in order to love, serve, and provide for Naomi.
(For more on gleaning see **Leviticus 19:9-10** and **Deuteronomy 24:19-21**.)
 - a) Who’s plot of land did Ruth find to glean in (**verse 3**)? What do we know about him (**verse 1**)?
 - b) How did she end up gleaning in this particular plot of land? (**verse 3**)
 - c) How does this development underscore the grace of God in this story?
2. What more do we learn about Ruth’s character in **verse 7**? What kind of worker was she?
3. Look at **verses 8 and 9**. What did Boaz invite Ruth to do and how did Boaz provide protection for her?

4. Describe how Ruth may have felt about being treated so kindly and generously, even though she was an outsider?

5. Ruth asked Boaz why all of this was happening to her; why she had found favor in his eyes? According to **verse 11**, how did Boaz respond to her question?

6. In **verse 12**, Boaz continues to show kindness to Ruth and he speaks a prayer over her. What does he ask the Lord for specifically? What imagery is used to describe Ruth and her relationship with the God of Israel?

7. After seeing the large amount of grain Ruth had gleaned, Naomi learned that Ruth gleaned in the fields of Boaz. In **verse 20**, what change do you see in Naomi's heart and attitude?

8. Read **Leviticus 25:23-28; 47-49**. According to these verses in Leviticus, what could Boaz do? Why were men in his position called kinsmen-redeemers?

Now all glory to God, who is able, through his mighty power at work within us, to accomplish infinitely more than we might ask or think.

Ephesians 3:20