UNDER HIS WINGS

GOD'S GRACE IN THE LIFE OF RUTH



Lesson 1

God's Providential Care

A Famine Struck Israel

Elimelech Moved His Family to Moab

Elimelech, Mahlon, and Chilion Die

Ruth Goes with Naomi

They Returned at the Beginning of Harvest

Ruth Chose Boaz's Field

Boaz Was Kind to Ruth

The Other Kinsman-Redeemer Refused to Marry Ruth

Boaz and Ruth Married

What can we learn about the character of God through His providential actions in the story of Ruth?

What qualities does he show by His provision for Ruth, a girl from Moab?

What else did God accomplish—through David? the kings of Judah? the line of Christ?



Lesson 2

Courage Rewarded

What Did Ruth Risk?

- She Risked Rejection
- She Risked Security

Share a story of when your family moved to another area.

What changes did they have to cope with?

What did they worry about in their new environment?

How did God work things out?

What would it be like to move to an entirely different country, or even an enemy nation?

What Did Ruth Risk?

- She Risked Rejection
- She Risked Security
- She Risked Loneliness

Ruth's Decision

What Did Ruth Gain?

- She Gained a People
- She Gained a Family
- She Gained a Home
- She Gained the True God



Lesson 3

A Woman of Virtue

She Took Initiative

How proactive are you when something needs to be done?

Do you anticipate the needs of others and try to meet them?

Are you also willing to be patient when God is working in relationships?

When is it appropriate to act, and when is it best to wait?

What can we do while waiting?

She Remained Cheerful

What's the importance of your attitude when you do a job?

Does your attitude—or the attitude of those you work with—make a job harder or easier?

What do you think of people who complain a lot?

What does complaining do to the testimony of Christ?

How can we reflect His grace by our work?

She Was Humble

Are you too proud to do the work that you've been given?

Do you avoid a task because you think it beneath you?

Are you willing to work with others—even those you don't like—for a good cause?

How often do you show kindness to those that aren't on your "level"?

She Worked Hard

How do you act at the end of a work day?

How can you demonstrate a solid work ethic when others begin to slack off?

How is God glorified by hard work?

What examples of service did Christ provide?

She Feared the Lord

What does the fear of God mean?

How do we show our fear of Him through our actions?

What can we do to inspire and maintain a reverence for Him?

She Dressed Appropriately

Why do you think some girls dress to gain the attention of others?

How do some guys encourage this?

How does culture influence our attitudes about clothing and appearance?

What does the Bible say about modesty and appropriate dress?

She Was Moral

Why do some girls try to pursue unhealthy relationships?

How do some guys take advantage?

How can guys and girls demonstrate a trust in God by the way they interact with the opposite sex? How can they guard against immorality?

How can they wait for something good to come in God's timing?



Lesson 4

A Man of Character

The Godly Man Provides

What does it say about a guy when he mistreats or looks down on girls?

What are ways that guys can serve girls?

How can a guy demonstrate godly servant leadership?

The Godly Man Honors Women

In what ways do some guys dishonor girls?

How are friendships between guys and girls different than those between guys?

How can guys encourage girls without being demeaning or disrespectful?

A Godly Man Is Morally Pure

What do girls desire in a relationship?

What kind of sacrifices should a husband make for his wife?

How does a single guy demonstrate his willingness to sacrifice?

How can a couple considering marriage respect God's will for their lives?

A Godly Man Has Integrity

How can guys pursue a good thing in a wrong way?

How do some guys shirk responsibility?

What does society expect of teen guys?

How can guys exceed those expectations?



Lesson 5

Facets of Love

It Was a Passionate Love

How did Christ express His love for people through emotion?

How can we display our love and emotions in a way that glorifies God?

How do some people display emotion in a way that distracts from the message of Christ?

Where do we find a balance?

It Was a Verbal Love

It Was a Spiritual Love

It Was a Sacrificial Love

How have people sacrificed to love you?

How did Christ sacrifice for us—in even more ways than His death?

Did we deserve any of it?

How can we demonstrate sacrificial love for others?

It Was an Active Love

It Was a Determined Love

