



*The Book of Ruth (Lesson 3)*  
**Facing Responsibility**  
 by Craig

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### LESSON OBJECTIVE

After completing this lesson, children will learn what it means to be responsible, and how being responsible honors our Lord.

#### Topics:

Responsibility, Ruth

### AS KIDS ARRIVE ( 20 minutes )

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**OPENING PRAYER AND PRAISES ( 5 minutes )** Further info? [Click Here](#)

### MEMORY WORK ( 12 minutes )

**"Dear children, do not let anyone lead you astray. He who does what is right is righteous, just as he is righteous." 1 John 3:7 NIV**

Have the kids find this verse in their Bibles, and read it several times out loud. Have them close their eyes and try to say the verse again. Discuss the meaning of this verse with the children.

### SCRIPTURE READING AND DISCUSSION ( 15 minutes )

#### Introduction:

Because of the generosity of Boaz, Ruth was able to gather plenty of grain for her and her mother-in-law to eat quite well. But Naomi was still concerned. Ruth was young and deserved more than just food. She needed a husband, a home, and a family of her own. So she urged Ruth to go once again to Boaz, but not to gather wheat as before. This time Ruth was to go with a very special request.

**Ruth 3: 1-18** (Boaz agrees to marry Ruth)

Read this passage to the kids with feeling. If possible, use slightly different voices for the characters.

#### Discussion Questions:

1. How did Ruth prepare herself to meet with Boaz? (She washed, put on perfume and her best clothing)
2. What did Ruth do to let Boaz know she was there? (Uncovered his feet in the middle of the night)
3. What did Ruth ask Boaz to do because he was a kinsman redeemer? (Cover her with a corner of his garment)
4. Why was Boaz please with Ruth? (she didn't run after young men.)
5. Boaz said he would do what Ruth asked. What did she want? (for Boaz to redeem or marry her)
6. How did Boaz show that he was a responsible man? (He treated Ruth with respect and agreed to take care of her as a husband.)

**CLASS EXERCISES (10 minutes)**

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**ALTERNATE CLASS EXERCISE (5 minutes)**

**The Game (Story)** [Click Here](#)

**APPLICATION ( 4 minutes)**

Responsibility is not something we are born with. It must be learned and practiced throughout our life. Being responsible affects our feelings, thoughts and actions. Responsible people do what is right, even when no one is noticing. Boaz gave us a great example of someone who acted responsible. Boaz was a relative of Ruth, but not the closest relative. He did not have to agree to marry Ruth. But he know it was the right thing to do. Not only was he fond of Ruth, but he also wanted to give her the security she deserved for being faithful to God. Boaz did the right thing by showing respect and compassion towards Ruth, and self respect for himself by acting in a righteous way. In fact, in God's eyes, Ruth and Boaz were perfect for each other.

**NEXT WEEK**

Come back next week to see how a wonderful thing done by Boaz was very much like a wonderful thing done by our Lord and Savior.

**CLOSING PRAYER ( 2 minutes)** Further info? [Click Here](#)

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