

<u>Naomi – Discipling in Brokenness (Ruth) - Growing Together</u> <u>August 18, 2024</u>

Who are you growing together with, spiritually?

- Jesus
- Aquila & Priscilla
- Naomi
- John Mark

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7 Major Changes

- Famine
- Move
- Husband Died
- Daughter-in-Law
- Daughter-in-Law
- Son Died
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And Naomi said to her two daughters-in-law, "Go, return each to her mother's house. The LORD deal kindly with you, as you have dealt with the dead and with me. **Ruth 1:8 NKJV**

The LORD grant that you may find rest, each in the house of her husband." So she kissed them, and they lifted up their voices and wept. **Ruth 1:9 NKJV**

But Ruth said: "Entreat me not to leave you, Or to turn back from following after you; For wherever you go, I will go; And wherever you lodge, I will lodge; Your people shall be my people, And your God, my God. **Ruth 1:16 NKJV**

Where you die, I will die, And there will I be buried. The LORD do so to me, and more also, If anything but death parts you and me." **Ruth 1:17 NKJV**

But she said to them, "Do not call me Naomi; call me Mara, for the Almighty has dealt very bitterly with me. **Ruth 1:20 NKJV**

I went out full, and the LORD has brought me home again empty. Why do you call me Naomi, since the LORD has testified against me, and the Almighty has afflicted me?" **Ruth 1:21 NKJV**

And her mother-in-law said to her, "Where have you gleaned today? And where did you work? Blessed be the one who took notice of you." So she told her mother-in-law with whom she had worked, and said, "The man's name with whom I worked today is Boaz." **Ruth 2:19 NKJV**

Then Naomi said to her daughter-in-law, "Blessed be he of the LORD, who has not forsaken His kindness to the living and the dead!" And Naomi said to her, "This man is a relation of ours, one of our close relatives." **Ruth 2:20 NKJV**

Kinsman Redeemer
Deuteronomy 25:5-10
Matthew 22:23-33

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The book of the genealogy of Jesus Christ... Boaz begot Obed by Ruth... Matthew 1:1, 5 NKJV

God drew Ruth to Himself through Naomi's brokenness

Naomi kept talking about God in her brokenness

God helped Naomi see Ruth's needs in her brokenness

Naomi helped Ruth follow God in their brokenness

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This week's **OWNit365 Whole Bible Plan**:

August 19 - Isa 2-4 & John 8

August 20 - Isa 5-6 & John 9

August 21 - Isa 7-8 & John 10

August 22 - Isa 9-10 & John 11

August 23 - Isa 11-12 & John 12

August 24 - Isa 13-14 & John 13

August 25 - Reflection & Prayer

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In this series, we learn about how Samuel heard from God when he was just a boy, and how Samuel answered God!

Memory Verse: "Pray about Everything" Philippians 4:6a (adapted for toddlers)

Heart of the Lesson: I am thankful that we can talk to God

Parent Connect: Read the story of Samuel on the back of today's coloring sheet to your toddler. Remind your toddler that we can talk to God anytime and anywhere. be extra intentional this week about praying with your toddler.



In this series we will learn about Moses from birth, to parting The Red Sea, and all the trials that he and the Israelites went through as God led them to the Promised Land.

Memory Verse: "This is my command - be strong and courageous! Do not be afraid or discouraged. For the Lord your God is with you wherever you go." Joshua 1:9

Heart of the Lesson: Two Spies and Rahab | Joshua 2

Parent Connect: Today we learned how Joshua sent two spies into Jericho. A woman name Rahab helped them by hiding them from the King's men. Play a game of 'Hide-and-Seek' with your kid!



Jesus wants to be our best friend, but He also wants us to have friendships on earth too. In this series we want to show our kids how to be a good friend, find a good friend and examples of different kinds of friendships in the Bible.

Memory Verse: "Two people are better off than one, for they can help each other succeed. If one person falls, the other can reach out and help. But someone who falls alone is in real trouble." Ecclesiastes 4:9-10

Heart of the Lesson: Friends do life together - Luke 6:12-13, John 15:12-13

Parent Connect: Jesus spent a lot of time with his friends/disciples. Jesus was God and a real person. He walked the Earth and laughed, smiled, ate food, and did all the things we do – with his friends. Where did you meet your friends? What are the things you like doing with them?

On promotion Sunday we talked about how we shouldn't let people look down on us because of our youth as we looked 1 Timothy 4:12. In this series, we will explore that idea further and dive into what discipleship looks like as a 5th or 6th grader. This month in G56 we are learning about what it means to be a disciple, Jesus' example of discipleship, and two examples of discipleship from the Bible.

Memory Verse: "Therefore, go and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit. Teach these new disciples to obey all the commands I have given you. And be sure of this: I am with you always, even to the end of the age." Matthew 28:19-20

Heart of the Lesson: Naomi and Ruth – Jesus uses others to disciple us in brokenness – Ruth 1:1-9, 16-18

Parent Connect: Consider sharing as a family at dinner a time where your family experienced brokenness or walked alongside another friend or family that was experiencing brokenness. Talk about how that has led you and your family closer to God.

SPECIAL NEEDS ADULTS

GROWING TOGETHER



When we are followers of Jesus, we aren't meant to grow in our relationship with Jesus alone! We can honor God by letting other people help us grow in our faith, and responding by helping others grow in their faith too. This is called DISCIPLESHIP. This series, we're going to look at people in the Bible that can teach us about what discipleship can look like!

Memory Verse: You have heard me teach in front of many witnesses. Pass on to people you can trust the things you've heard me say. Then they will be able to teach others also. (2 TIMOTHY 2:2 NIRV)

Heart of the Lesson: God wants to use our hardest moments to grow us together (Ruth)

Parents/Caregivers:

- o What painful things happened to Naomi?
- o How did Naomi respond to God in her sadness?
- How can you respond to God when painful and sad things happen in your life?
- Who do you know that you can teach about God's goodness even in life's painful moments?