



## Family Discipleship Resource

### Key Point: God is wise. He knows what is best.

This fall in Northway Kids we are learning about the attributes of God. This week we learned that God is wise. He knows what is best. We saw God's wisdom all throughout the life of Ruth.

**Capture discipleship moments:** After dinner one evening, talk through the questions below. Anytime we open the Bible and talk about God, we need to pray and ask Him to help us because only God can teach our hearts. Pray with your family for God to give understanding and belief.

1. What does it mean for God to be wise? **God knows what is best.**
2. Who was our story about today? **Ruth.**
3. Where do we find the book of Ruth? **In the Old Testament.**
4. Was Ruth a part of the family of God in the beginning? If not, where was she from?  
**No, Ruth was from Moab. The people who lived there didn't know or love God.**
5. **Open to and read Ruth 1:16-17.** What was so important about the fact that Ruth chose to follow her Mother-In-Law, Naomi, back to Bethlehem after her husband died?  
**She was also choosing to follow Naomi's God, the One True God. She longed to be a part of God's family.**
6. How did God provide for Ruth and Naomi when they were back in Bethlehem?  
**God showed her favor through Boaz by allowing her to gather food in Boaz's field. In addition, Boaz fed her a beautiful feast and sent food home to Naomi.**
7. What does the whole Bible show is the best thing for every person?  
**The best thing is for every person to be in relationship with God; to know and be near Him by being in His family.**
8. How can we know this relationship is what is best?  
**Because God is wise, He knows what is best. God created Adam and Eve to be in perfect relationship with Him and ever since the fall, He has been working to make that relationship right.**
9. What is our greatest need? **To be saved from our sin, so we can be in relationship with God.**
10. Could Ruth become a part of God's family on her own?  
**No. Ruth was a sinner and needed to be redeemed or saved in order to join God's family. She needed a redeemer, or Savior.**
11. What is a family (kinsmen)-redeemer?  
**A male relative who had the responsibility or right to act on behalf of a family member who was in trouble, danger, or need. They would rescue, deliver, or redeem their relative's family or property.**
12. Who was Ruth's family redeemer? **Boaz.**
13. How did God make his relationship right with Ruth?  
**He had Boaz redeem her, or save her, from a life apart from God (as a Moabite) and graft her into the family of God, because of her faith in the One True God.**
14. Who is our family-redeemer? **Jesus.**

15. How did God use Jesus in His ultimate plan to bring humanity back into relationship with him? **Jesus came and lived a perfect life, died for the sins of sinners, rose again to defeat death, and ascended to heaven to intercede for (talk to God on behalf of) sinners. This was the only way God's children could be saved from the punishment for their sin and join God's family.**

Open to and read **2 Samuel 7:16**. Tell your kids this is God talking to King David.

**"Your house and your kingdom shall endure before Me forever; your throne shall be established forever."**

16. God tells David that someone from His family will reign on the throne forever! Who is God talking about? **Jesus Christ.**
17. Why is it important that God grafted Ruth into His family?  
**Because God used Ruth and Boaz to continue the family line that leads to King David, which ultimately leads to King Jesus! Jesus came from the family of Ruth!**
18. God's wisdom doesn't stop short with knowledge, but moves Him to act on behalf of his children. How does knowing that change the way you relate to God?  
**EX: It helps us trust Him because he knows what does what is best. We can have confidence in our obedience. We can go where He leads, do what He commands, and love those He loves.**

**\*\*\*Additional passages for study:** Proverbs 1:7; 3:5-6; 16:16; Psalm 111:10.

1. What attributes of God do you see in these verses? **God's wisdom.**
2. What do these verses say about your wisdom?
3. What do they say about God's wisdom?
4. Can we trust God's wisdom? **Yes.**
5. What causes you to doubt that God is wise?
6. What can you do when you doubt God?  
**Pray and ask for understanding and trust from God.**

**Create discipleship time:** Recap by asking your kids what they learned, as they **color their Wise Attribute Sign** for your Attribute Wall at home.

1. What is one thing you learned about God today?  
**God is wise. He knows and does what is best.**
2. What is one thing you learned about yourself today?  
**I can trust that everything God does will be what is best.**

**Pray together as a family. Praise** God because He is wise. He knows what is best. **Thank** God that He does what is best, because He knows what is best. **Confess** to God times you don't trust His wisdom because you can't see how it is best in the moment. **Ask God** to help you trust that He is wise and does what He knows is best for you.

**MVOTM.** *When the righteous cry for help, the LORD hears and delivers them out of all their troubles. The LORD is near to the brokenhearted and saves the crushed in spirit.* **Psalm 34:17-18**