

WOMEN OF FAITH

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SERIES OVERVIEW:

The God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob is also the God of Sarah, Rahab, Ruth, Hannah and Esther. God has left us their stories as examples for how He works in the lives of those devoted to Him. Join us for this 5-week series as we study these Women of Faith. Week 3 Pastor Matt walked us through the story of Ruth and Naomi to see a God who redeems the most unexpected and restores the most bitter hearts for His purposes and His glory. The invitation to sit at his feet is for those who have never come and for those who have forgotten what it means to live as a Child of God.

MESSAGE TAKEAWAYS:

**IN THE IMPERFECTION OF MY PRESENT STATE,
THE PERFECTION OF MY PRESENT SAVIOR IS ENOUGH.**

CONVERSATION QUESTIONS:

- Setting the context for the book of Ruth, reading from Judges, Pastor Matt talked about the idea of how easy it was for God's people to forget what God had done in the past. Even when God shows His faithfulness over and over again, why is it so easy for us today to forget about what God has done?
- Pastor Matt pointed us to the idea that ***"In the imperfection of my present state, the perfection of my present Savior is enough."*** "In our weakness Jesus is good. You can't mess up His plan." How do those thoughts sit with you? Does it encourage your soul to know you can't mess up His plan?
- ***"Sometimes God is less concerned with how much you know, and more concerned with your willingness to go."*** Is there a place you need to "go" as God is leading you?

- Pastor Matt points out that Boaz earnestly marries Ruth and brings her into redemption. This is a beautiful picture of a more beautiful reality for those who are in Christ. Romans 5:8, "but God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us." How does this picture of Ruth's story help us to remember the redemptive work of Jesus in our own lives? Have we lost sight of this?
- Take some time to read through Luke 3:23-38. This is the genealogy of Jesus. In light of the story of Ruth (Ruth 2:20), how does this genealogy shout the faithfulness of God? (Hint: verse 32)
- *Time of Reflection: What has kept or keeps you from laying at the feet of Jesus? Would you commit to doing that today?*

FINAL THOUGHTS:

As we continue on this journey, we would love to help you in any way we can. If you are wondering what next steps are right for you, please reach out, and we'd love to have a conversation with you or your group about the season you are in and the places Jesus has entrusted to you as you seek to be formed by His Word.

Meet with a Pastor: <https://ncchapel.churchcenter.com/people/forms/551596>