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Suggested Questions for Individual Study or Group Discussion*



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- *Read Ruth 2:1-23.* What challenges face Naomi and Ruth as they settle in Bethlehem?
- As the new character of Boaz is introduced into the story, what can we deduce about him from how he is described and how he acts?
- What specifically does Boaz do to provide for Ruth? How does Boaz show Ruth kindness? What does this mean for Ruth and Naomi too?
- How does Naomi's attitude or mood change when she hears Ruth's report of her day (cf. Ruth 1:20-21)?
- Where do you see evidence of God being at work in this part of the story in the Book of Ruth? How has the LORD continued showing kindness (2:20)?
- What lessons does this chapter of Ruth offer for contemporary issues such as hunger, harassment in the workplace, and the treatment of immigrants?
- When have you experienced an unexpected and unmerited act of kindness and loyalty from someone? How did it impact you or change your life in some way?
- Of the aspects of compassion and commitment demonstrated by Ruth and Boaz in the story thus far, which might God be calling you to exhibit more? Is there a particular person to whom God is prompting you to extend kindness?
- How can your small group or others pray for you this week?

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