

## **SMALL GROUP RESOURCE**

Big Idea: God's system works!

### **SCRIPTURE READINGS:**

Leviticus 19:9,10

Ruth 2:1-7

Ruth 2:8-13

Ruth 2:14-17

Ruth 2:18-23

Psalm 19

### **DISCUSSION QUESTIONS:**

What is the hardest work you have ever done?

How did Ruth respond to the desperate situation that she and Naomi were in?

What had God already done to provide for Ruth and Naomi?

Based on your observations from chapter 2, describe the characters of Ruth and Boaz.

How does their interaction compare to the relationship between rich and poor in your culture?

What is a kinsman-redeemer?

How does the interaction between Boaz and Ruth help us understand God's relationship to us?

What happens to Naomi's attitude toward God in this chapter? Has God changed?

What is God's desire for us regardless of our circumstances?

In what areas of your life do you need to be trusting God more?

### **PRAYER FOCUS:**

Praise God for His justice –  
His desire for all people to be treated fairly.

Agree with God about times  
when you've doubted His love.

Thank God for His past, present,  
and future provision.

Ask God for opportunities to share  
what He has provided with others.

## **FAMILY RESOURCE**

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### **READ LEVITICUS 19:9-10**

What was God's plan to take care of the poor?  
Give some canned food to the homeless.

### **READ RUTH 2:1-7**

Was Ruth a good worker?  
Take a bag with you on a walk and "glean" litter.

### **READ RUTH 2:8-16**

How did Boaz help Ruth?  
How did Ruth say "thank you"?  
Practice bowing.

### **READ RUTH 2:17-23**

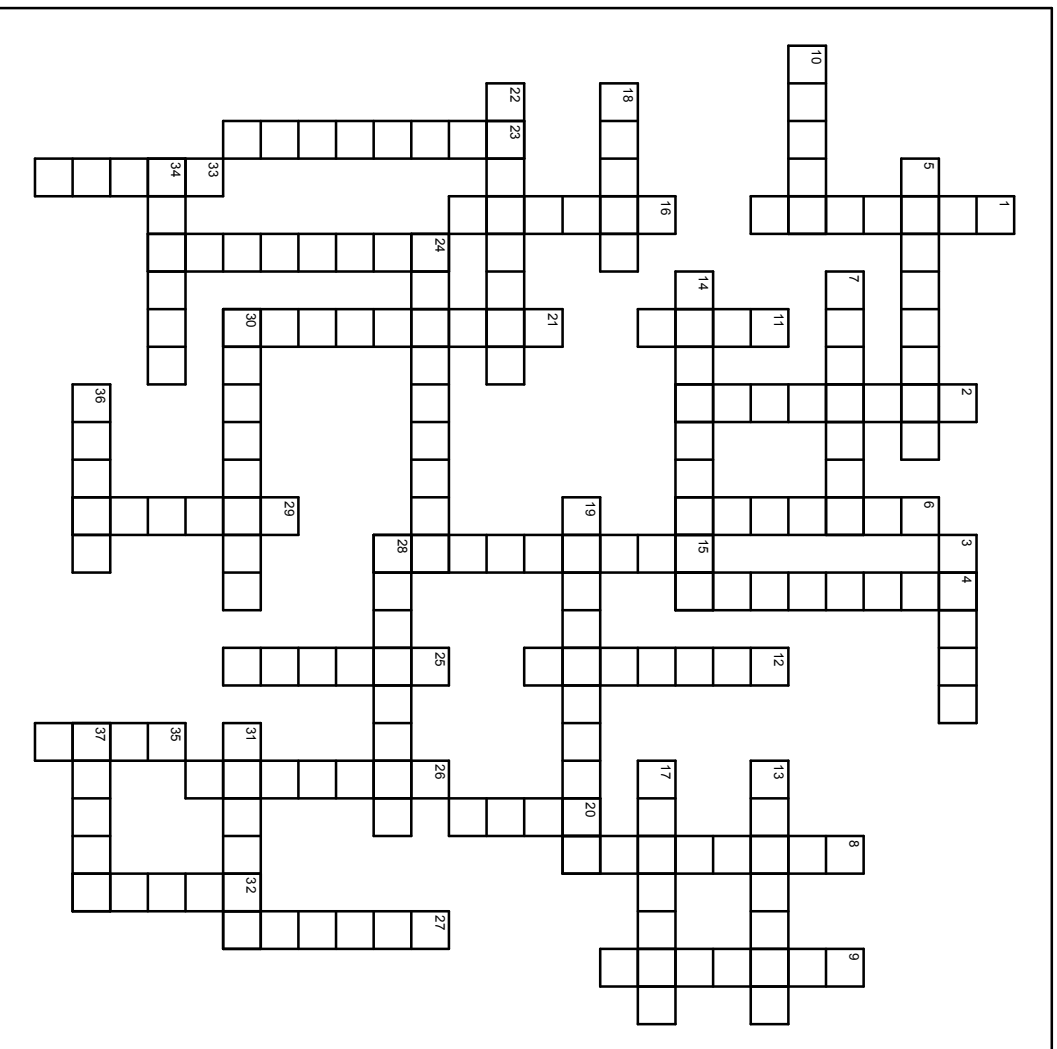
What did Naomi think of Boaz?  
Look up the word "redeem" in the dictionary.  
What is a redeemer? (Leviticus 25:25)

What do you have that needs to be redeemed?  
Put a price tag on your redeemable items.  
Make a plan for redeeming them.

### **MEMORY VERSE:**

For the \_\_\_\_\_ of God  
is \_\_\_\_\_ than man's \_\_\_\_\_,  
and the weakness of God  
is stronger than man's strength.  
1 Corinthians 1:25

# God's System Works



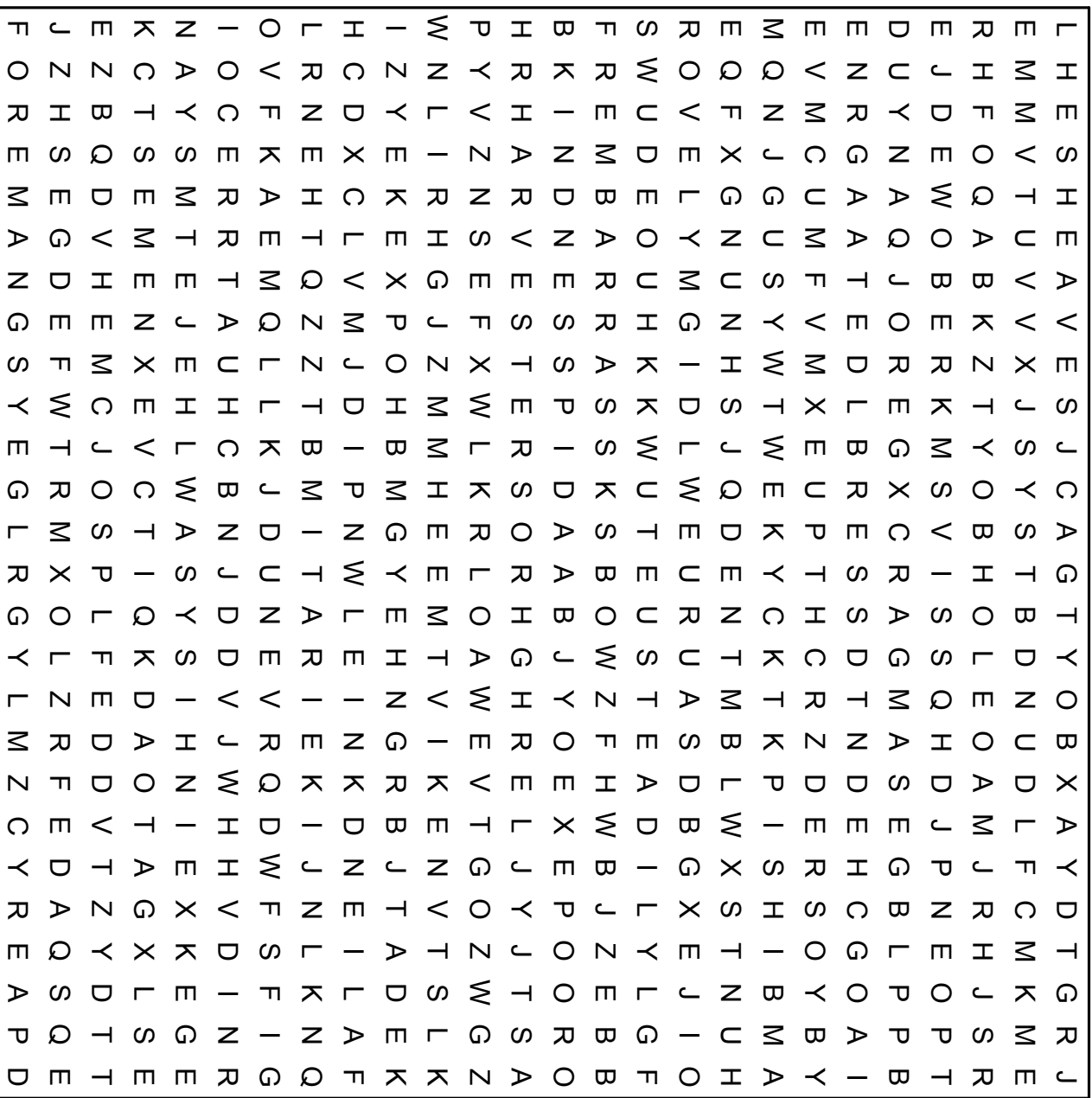
## Across

3. outside lines (Leviticus 19:9)
5. over and done with (Ruth 2:23)
7. a place for rest and shade (Ruth 2:7)
10. a kind of grain (Ruth 2:23)
13. family relative (Ruth 2:20)
14. person from another country (Ruth 2:10)
17. tied bundles of picked grain (Ruth 2:7)
18. return the cost (Ruth 2:12)
19. those who pick the grain (Ruth 2:3)
22. separated the grain from the chaff (Ruth 2:17)
24. grain dropped or missed during reaping (Leviticus 19:9)
28. continually (Ruth 2:7)
30. importance (Ruth 2:1)
31. protection (Ruth 2:12)
34. commands (Ruth 2:15)
36. nearby (Ruth 2:23)
37. someone from another country (Leviticus 19:10)

## Down

1. needing a drink (Ruth 2:9)
2. period for eating (Ruth 2:14)
4. Naomi called Ruth this (Ruth 2:2)
6. group leader (Ruth 2:5)
8. loving actions (Ruth 2:20)
9. cooked over fire (Ruth 2:14)
11. those who don't have much (Leviticus 19:10)
12. said "hello" (Ruth 2:4)
15. point out faults or errors (Ruth 2:15)
16. a type of grain (Ruth 2:17)
20. gather the grain (Leviticus 19:9)
21. those who pay other's debts (Ruth 2:20)
23. place of birth (Ruth 2:11)
24. gleaned and threshed (Ruth 2:18)
25. hurt (Ruth 2:22)
26. happy and rewarded (Ruth 2:19)
27. correct (Ruth 2:16)
29. place where grain is grown (Ruth 2:2)
32. pick up leftover grain (Ruth 2:3)
33. bent over in honor (Ruth 2:10)
35. Naomi's relative (Ruth 2:1)

# God's System Works



Boaz	standing	fields	daughter	glean	harvesters
greeted	foreman	sheaves	steadily	shelter	thirsty
bowed	foreigner	homeland	repay	refuge	mealtime
roasted	orders	embarrass	rebuke	threshed	barley
gathered	blessed	kindness	kinsman	redemmers	harmed
close	wheat	finished	reap	edges	gleanings
poor	alien				

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| 1. LEAYBR      | ----- | 20. HEAWT     | ----- |
| 2. NROAFME     | ----- | 21. EREKBU    | ----- |
| 3. TAERDGHE    | ----- | 22. SYETADIL  | ----- |
| 4. HSAESEV     | ----- | 23. ROPO      | ----- |
| 5. SESDEBL     | ----- | 24. PREYA     | ----- |
| 6. MEESREDER   | ----- | 25. ARESMARBS | ----- |
| 7. NKESNSDI    | ----- | 26. EGDSE     | ----- |
| 8. IANKNSM     | ----- | 27. FREEUG    | ----- |
| 9. WEOBD       | ----- | 28. STYTIHR   | ----- |
| 10. NIELA      | ----- | 29. INDAGTSN  | ----- |
| 11. TDREGEE    | ----- | 30. AROTSED   | ----- |
| 12. AGNEL      | ----- | 31. EELTHSR   | ----- |
| 13. TRAHVRESES | ----- | 32. RSDORE    | ----- |
| 14. LFSDIE     | ----- | 33. EGRNIFREO | ----- |
| 15. ERHTEDSH   | ----- | 34. OELHANMID | ----- |
| 16. COLES      | ----- | 35. IDSNIEHF  | ----- |
| 17. LGIANENGS  | ----- | 36. RAUHETGD  | ----- |
| 18. AHRDEM     | ----- | 37. AERP      | ----- |
| 19. ABOZ       | ----- | 38. ELTAMEMI  | ----- |