

SMALL GROUP Q'S

The Loving Weaver

June 24, 2018

Ruth

- 1.) Read through the whole story (book) of Ruth together in one sitting. What other evidences of God's faithful love do you notice? What aspects of the story are particularly prominent to you?
- 2.) Share about a time in your life when you remember experiencing deep pain or grief, perhaps even wondering or thinking God was against you. What emotions did you feel? What made false realities about God and his character easier to believe?
- 3.) How has God given you glimpses of his faithful love in difficult seasons of life? What types of encouragement can we help each other see more easily?
- 4.) Contrast Naomi's friends with Job's friends. What is so valuable in their interaction with her, especially in Chapter 4? How can you be such a friend, a reflection of God's faithful love to someone in your life? Pray together for specific "someones."
- 5.) What does the tapestry illustration remind us about our lives? Why are we so often tempted to want to see the front side rather than the Weaver?
- 6.) Will said, "Naomi couldn't possibly see what God was up to, where he was taking her; in fact, she never knows in this life the full outworking of his gracious, glorious purposes. ... God works to meet our needs even beyond what we realize we need!" How was this evident in Naomi's family after her? How does that help you hope?



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