



Zoom Community Group Lesson – August 21, 2022

I am Christ's – Main Point

I am Christ's. He is with me and for me. I am not alone when I am Christ's.

Scripture

- Ruth 4:14
 - *"Then the women said to Naomi, 'Praise the LORD, who has not left you without a family redeemer today'."*

Prayer Time

- Spend a couple of minutes in praise and prayer to God.

Praise and Worship

- Chris Tomlin – Good, Good Father
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CqybalesbuA>
- Francesca Battistelli – He Knows My Name
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZtIDVleJBtA>

Memory Verse

- Psalm 139:14
 - *"I praise you because I am fearfully and wonderfully made; your works are wonderful, I know that full well."*

Review of Last Week

- Last week we talked about how we are chosen by God. God has a purpose for us just like He had with David when He chose him to be King of Israel. God chose David as a young boy and prepared him to become the future king. David chose God by trusting God. We can choose God by asking Him to be our forever friend and Saviour.
- This past week, we were going to show God how happy we were that He chose each of us by choosing Him, following Him and loving Him with all of our hearts. We were going to do something to show how much we love God and wanted to thank Him for choosing us. What did you do? Did you sing worship songs? Did you read your Bible? Did you encourage someone? Did you tell someone how much you appreciate them? Did you do something else? Make sure you tell Pastor Corinne.

Lesson

- Did you know that in the Bible there are only two books named after women? Can anyone name which two they are? Take a look in your table of contents if you can't remember! Yes, they are the book of Ruth and the book of Esther.

- We are going to look at the book of Ruth for our lesson today. It's in the Old Testament; so we know it took place before Jesus came to be born on the earth.
- The story begins in the land of Bethlehem with, Naomi, and her husband, Elimelech. Bethlehem was in the middle of a famine. Does anybody know what a famine is? A famine is when the land is SO dry that they are unable to grow any food! Naomi, and her husband didn't know what to do, so they left the land of Bethlehem and moved to the land of Moab. Naomi, had two sons, and it was in the land of Moab that her sons found wives.
- But something horrible happened, Naomi's, husband and two sons died. Naomi, all alone, felt very small and very unimportant. Do you ever feel small or unimportant?
- Then Naomi heard that the Lord had helped his people by providing food for them, she decided that she would go back to the land of Bethlehem. Naomi said to her daughter's-in-laws, "return to your own mother's house."
- One of her daughters-in-laws left, but the other clung to her and said, "Where you go, I go, your people will be my people, and your God will be my God." Can you guess the name of her daughter-in-law? Yes. Her name was Ruth.
- Naomi and Ruth set out for the land of Bethlehem, and although they didn't know it, God was taking care of them. God knew that their hearts were sad with the death of their husbands, and God knew that life was going to be hard for them, and so He prepared a way for them.
- In Bethlehem, Ruth needed to collect food for herself and Naomi. She went to a field and picked up the left-over barley grains that had fallen to the ground. In those days, farmers were not supposed to pick up every bit of grain when they harvested crops. That way, widows or people who needed help could come and sift out the extra pieces of grain so that they could have food.
- As it turned out, the field that Ruth went to work in belonged to someone who was related to Naomi's late husband. His name was Boaz.
- Boaz had heard from the workers that Ruth had come back with Naomi from the land of Moab and that she was a kind woman who cared for her mother-in-law. Boaz was kind to Ruth, and he told the workers to make sure that there was something left over for Ruth to pick up. Without the left-over barley, Ruth and Naomi may have starved.
- Boaz even invited Ruth to join him and his workers for lunch.
- Boaz then sent Ruth home with grain for Naomi. When Naomi saw the grain she was amazed and when she found out that Ruth had been working in Boaz's field, and that he had been kind to her, she was grateful. "May he be blessed by the LORD," Naomi, said.
- God knew that Boaz would show kindness to Ruth and Naomi. In fact, Boaz married Ruth and bought back the land that had once belonged to Naomi's husband.

- Thus, loyal Ruth was provided with an excellent husband, and they had a son. Their son actually was provided by God to keep Naomi's late husband's name alive, and to provide Naomi with a grandson to support her in her old age.
- Their son's name was Obed and he became the grandfather of King David.

Application and Group Discussion

- Have any of you traveled to a foreign country? What things were different there and would you like to live there? What might it feel like for Ruth? (*scared, alone, home sick*)
- Why do people say Ruth was loyal? (*She chose to leave everything she had to not only follow Naomi, but to follow Naomi's God*)
- How was Boaz the family redeemer for Naomi and her late husband? (*Boaz paid the price to buy back land that once belonged to Naomi's late husband and for Ruth to be his wife*)
- How is Boaz different from our Redeemer, Jesus? (*Jesus paid the price that was necessary to buy us back. He laid down His sinless life for us and took our place dying for sinfulness*)
- Can you think of a way that shows that you are chosen by God, a child of God? (*God sent Jesus to die for our sins, I have accepted Jesus as my forever friend and Saviour, I am part of a community/church, the Bible tells us, God blesses me by ...*)
- In what ways are we reminded that we are not alone? How do we see God around us? (*creation, friends, family, through the Bible, through worship*)

Live it Out

- **This week:** Remember that we are not alone. We are Christ's. He is always with us, even when we don't feel it. When you feel alone this week, I want you to call out, "I am Christ's! I am a child of God! I am part of His family!"



**BROTHERS AND SISTERS
IN CHRIST**

Additional Learning

- This is the time where people can work on the crossword puzzle or color the picture.

Zoom in (Ctrl+Plus)

The Story of Ruth

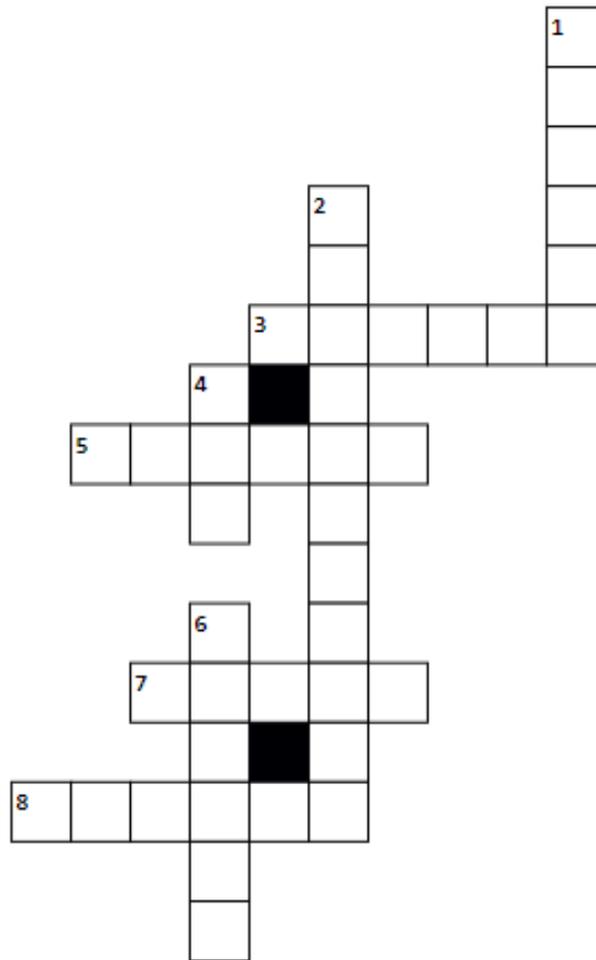
“I will go where you go, I will live where you live;
your people will be my people, your God will be my God.”

Ruth 1:16




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I Am Christ's Crossword Puzzle



Across

3. I am one of a kind (First week's theme)
5. I am ___ by God, just like David (Second week's theme)
7. I am a ___ of God
8. I am a part of the huge ___ of God

Down

1. We do this when we worship God
2. We are fearfully and ___ made
4. My Heavenly Father
6. I am ___'s (This week's theme)

Puzzle words

Child, Christ, Chose, Family, God,
Praise, Unique, Wonderfully