



Sermon Series: "Story"

Series Description: As we set out to examine the theme of 'story' over these twelve weeks, we'll be zooming in on twelve well-known Old Testament characters. In these real life, historical stories, we will see the way God takes lives filled with small successes and great failures and, as a master craftsman, turns them into a grand masterpiece of divine origin. We will also see that all of our stories and all the stories that make up our city are no less a part of God's story than any other.

Series of 12 Weeks: Names from Book 1-4

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

Sermon Summary: The story of Ruth is one of desperation and loss that turns into a revelation of God's grace and kindness. We, like Ruth, also experience hardship and pain in our lives. But in those moments of despair are opportunities for God's provision and covenant love to be displayed. The story of Ruth is telling a bigger story. It's the story of God's great love for you. And all our brokenness and all our need only serves to magnify how great God's redemption is. Ruth put everything on the line when she came to Boaz, Jesus on the cross has put everything on the line for you. The question for us is, will you now put everything on the line for him. God's eyes are on the broken, the outsider, the desperate, and his provision is greater than our need.

- 1) What were some of the 'aha' moments for you in the sermon?
- 2) Share an experience in which something happened in your life that seemed to be either random chance and/or painful... but later you saw it was God working behind the scenes.
- 3) What are some of the things in which we place our trust *instead of* the grace of God? What are some of those things in *your life*?
- 4) How might your life be different if you saw yourself the way Boaz saw Ruth; the way God sees you?

Announcements

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A way to share how God has worked in supernatural ways to redeem your story is through our online story page! You can submit a written or recorded story. You can even interact with our virtual story wall. It's at resonatemovement.org/story