

Gods created humans to be in relationship together. As followers of Jesus, we make room in our lives to cultivate meaningful relationships in ways that encourage the spiritual fruit of faith.

a life of discipleship that grows in faith must include a \_\_\_\_\_

- \_\_\_\_\_ Goes against \_\_\_\_\_ to show kindness to \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_ goes against \_\_\_\_\_ to show kindness to \_\_\_\_\_

Why are relationships such a mission-critical part of discipleship?

- broken society is \_\_\_\_\_

I \_\_\_\_\_ make room for relationships by \_\_\_\_\_ other people

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Hebrew *qarah* “as it turns out” carries nuance of \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ makes room for relationship with \_\_\_\_\_

I am a more complete \_\_\_\_\_ when I make room in my life to \_\_\_\_\_ relationships

## Make Room in Your Life

*Ruth 2:1-13; James 2:8*

<sup>2:1</sup> Now Naomi had a relative on her husband’s side, a man of standing from the clan of Elimelek, whose name was Boaz.

<sup>2</sup> And Ruth the Moabite said to Naomi, “Let me go to the fields and pick up the leftover grain behind anyone in whose eyes I find favor.”

Naomi said to her, “Go ahead, my daughter.” <sup>3</sup> So she went out, entered a field and began to glean behind the harvesters. As it turned out, she was working in a field belonging to Boaz, who was from the clan of Elimelek.

<sup>4</sup> Just then Boaz arrived from Bethlehem and greeted the harvesters, “The LORD be with you!”

“The LORD bless you!” they answered.

<sup>5</sup> Boaz asked the overseer of his harvesters, “Who does that young woman belong to?”

<sup>6</sup> The overseer replied, “She is the Moabite who came back from Moab with Naomi. <sup>7</sup> She said, ‘Please let me glean and gather among the sheaves behind the harvesters.’ She came into the field and has remained here from morning till now, except for a short rest in the shelter.”

<sup>8</sup> So Boaz said to Ruth, “My daughter, listen to me. Don’t go and glean in another field and don’t go away from here. Stay here with the women who work for me. <sup>9</sup> Watch the field where the men are harvesting, and follow along after the women. I have told the men not to lay a hand on you. And whenever you are thirsty, go and get a drink from the water jars the men have filled.”

<sup>10</sup> At this, she bowed down with her face to the ground. She asked him, “Why have I found such favor in your eyes that you notice me—a foreigner?”

<sup>11</sup> Boaz replied, “I’ve been told all about what you have done for your mother-in-law since the death of your husband—how you left your father and mother and your homeland and came to live with a people you did not know before. <sup>12</sup> May the LORD repay you for what you have done. May you be richly rewarded by the LORD, the God of Israel, under whose wings you have come to take refuge.”

<sup>13</sup> “May I continue to find favor in your eyes, my lord,” she said. “You have put me at ease by speaking kindly to your servant—though I do not have the standing of one of your servants.”



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Understanding the Bible:  
What is the problem being  
expressed in this Bible passage?

How does God show up in this Bible Passage?

What are all the ways that Boaz helps Ruth in today's  
Bible passage?

My favorite song today:

Things I will pray for this week:

### Today's Bible Passage: Ruth 2:1-13

(Can you find the highlighted words?)

V D R U T H U S B A N D  
D K M S T A N D I N G D  
O A S V F R K E T O L D  
N E U O A V R K F G E Z  
E G L G F E K C D I A T  
C A Y I H S B E L O N G  
E V I K M T S P B A B D  
F N C A M E E F V S N D  
G A A E Y R L R I K T C  
I O V E R S E E R E L D  
U M O O T S A O K D L I  
G I F I R B W I L O R D  
M O A B I T E C D G Y K

Now **Naomi** had a relative on her husband's side, a man of **standing** from the clan of **Elimelek**, whose name was **Boaz**. And **Ruth** the **Moabite** said to **Naomi**, "Let me go to the fields and pick up the leftover grain behind anyone in whose **eyes** I **find favor**." **Naomi** said to her, "Go ahead, my **daughter**." So she went out, entered a **field** and began to **glean** behind the **harvesters**. As it turned out, she was working in a **field** belonging to **Boaz**, who was from the **clan** of **Elimelek**. Just then **Boaz**

arrived from Bethlehem and greeted the **harvesters**, "The **LORD** be with you!" "The **LORD** bless you!" they answered. **Boaz** asked the **overseer** of his **harvesters**, "Who does that young woman **belong** to?" The **overseer** replied, "She is the **Moabite** who **came** back from Moab with **Naomi**. She **said**, 'Please let me **glean** and gather among the sheaves behind the **harvesters**.' She **came** into the **field** and has remained **here** from morning till now, except for a short rest in the shelter." So **Boaz** said to **Ruth**, "My **daughter**, listen to me. Don't go and **glean** in another **field** and don't go away from **here**. Stay **here** with the women who **work** for me. Watch the **field** where the men are harvesting, and follow along after the women. I have **told** the men not to lay a hand on you. And whenever you are thirsty, go and get a drink from the water jars the men have filled." At this, she bowed down with her face to the ground. She **asked** him, "Why have I found such **favor** in your **eyes** that you notice me—a foreigner?" **Boaz** replied, "I've been **told** all about what you have **done** for your mother-in-law since the death of your **husband**—how you left your father and mother and your homeland and **came** to live with a people you did not know before. May the **LORD** repay you for what you have **done**. May you be richly rewarded by the **LORD**, the God of Israel, under whose wings you have come to take refuge." "May I continue to **find favor** in your **eyes**, my **lord**," she **said**. "You have put me at ease by speaking kindly to your **servant**—though I do not have the **standing** of one of your servants."