



**Unlike Everyone Else: Ruth (Book of Ruth) – Like Everyone Else**  
Tim Howey - April 23/24

**One Story Resources** – Day 113

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Because narrow is the gate and difficult is the way which leads to life, and there are few who find it.  
**Matthew 7:14 NKJV**

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## Following Jesus makes you unlike everyone else

### Letting God guide where you live - (Ruth 1)

Now it came to pass, in the days when the judges ruled, that there was a famine in the land. And a certain man of Bethlehem, Judah, went to dwell in the country of Moab, he and his wife and his two sons. **Ruth 1:1 NKJV**

The name of the man was Elimelech, the name of his wife was Naomi, and the names of his two sons were Mahlon and Chilion—Ephrathites of Bethlehem, Judah. And they went to the country of Moab and remained there. **Ruth 1:2 NKJV**

And she said, “Look, your sister-in-law has gone back to her people and to her gods; return after your sister-in-law.” **Ruth 1:15 NKJV**

But Ruth said: “Entreat me not to leave you, Or to turn back from following after you; For wherever you go, I will go; And wherever you lodge, I will lodge; Your people shall be my people, And your God, my God. **Ruth 1:16 NKJV**

Where you die, I will die, And there will I be buried. The Lord do so to me, and more also, If anything but death parts you and me.” **Ruth 1:17 NKJV**

### Letting God guide what you do - (Ruth 2)

And you shall not glean your vineyard, nor shall you gather every grape of your vineyard; you shall leave them for the poor and the stranger: I *am* the Lord your God. **Leviticus 19:10 NKJV**

So Ruth the Moabitess said to Naomi, “Please let me go to the field, and glean heads of grain after him in whose sight I may find favor.” And she said to her, “Go, my daughter.” **Ruth 2:2 NKJV**

So the servant who was in charge of the reapers answered and said, “It is the young Moabite woman who came back with Naomi from the country of Moab. **Ruth 2:6 NKJV**

And she said, ‘Please let me glean and gather after the reapers among the sheaves.’ So she came and has continued from morning until now, though she rested a little in the house.” **Ruth 2:7 NKJV**

### Letting God guide who you marry - (Ruth 3)

If brothers dwell together, and one of them dies and has no son, the widow of the dead man shall not be married to a stranger outside the family; her husband's brother shall go in to her, take her as his wife, and perform the duty of a husband's brother to her. **Deuteronomy 25:5 NKJV**

And he said, "Who are you?" So she answered, "I am Ruth, your maidservant. Take your maidservant under your wing, for you are a close relative." **Ruth 3:9 NKJV**

Then he said, "Blessed are you of the Lord, my daughter! For you have shown more kindness at the end than at the beginning, in that you did not go after young men, whether poor or rich."  
**Ruth 3:10 NKJV**

And now, my daughter, do not fear. I will do for you all that you request, for all the people of my town know that you *are* a virtuous woman. **Ruth 3:11 NKJV**

### Leaving the results to God - (Ruth 4)

Now Boaz went up to the gate and sat down there; and behold, the close relative of whom Boaz had spoken came by. So Boaz said, "Come aside, friend, sit down here." **Ruth 4:1 NKJV**

And the close relative said, "I cannot redeem it for myself, lest I ruin my own inheritance. You redeem my right of redemption for yourself, for I cannot redeem it." **Ruth 4:6 NKJV**

So Boaz took Ruth and she became his wife; and when he went in to her, the Lord gave her conception, and she bore a son. **Ruth 4:13 NKJV**

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**This Week's [One Story Bible Readings](#):**

- 106. Ruth 3, Deuteronomy 25:5-10, Proverbs 31:10-31
- 107. Ruth 4, Matthew 22:23-33, Matthew 1:1-16
- 108. 1 Samuel 1, 1 Samuel 2:1-11, Philippians 4:6-7
- 109. 1 Samuel 2:12-21, 1 Samuel 3, Psalm 99:6-7
- 110. 1 Samuel 2:22-36, 1 Samuel 4, 1 Kings 2:26-27
- 111. 1 Samuel 5, 1 Samuel 6, Psalm 115:3-8
- 112. Reflection and Prayer

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NURSERY

# JESUS IS ALIVE

THE STORY OF EASTER



With Easter quickly approaching, we will start learning all about the real Easter story! We'll learn that Jesus came back from the grave and wants to be our friend forever!

**Memory Verse:** Jesus is Alive. Mark 16:6b (adapted for toddlers).

**Heart of the Lesson:** We Can Tell Others That Jesus Is Alive

**Parent Connect:** As we wrap up the Easter season, let's take a moment to review with the kids what we've been learning. Use today's coloring sheet to review with your toddler. We wrote the story out on the back of the sheet if you prefer to read it to your toddler instead.

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# GOD KEEPS HIS PROMISES

PART FOUR OF OUR WALK THROUGH THE BIBLE



In this series we will learn about several different ways that God takes care of us and keeps his promises to love us, protect us, and save us.

**Memory Verse:** The Lord is my shepherd; I have all that I need. Psalm 23:1 NLT

**Heart of the Lesson:** God Takes Care of Us - Ruth and Boaz - Ruth 1-4

**Parent Connect:** In today's story, we learned that Ruth "gleaned" the field. Ask your kid what it means to glean. Play a game as a family to see who the fastest cleaner in your family is. Spread small items around the room on the floor. Give everyone a small basket/bucket. Start at the same time and see who is the fastest at picking up the items. (Suggested items: pompom, legos, beads, candy, etc)

ELEMENTARY

# GPS

PART FIVE OF OUR WALK THROUGH THE BIBLE



In this three week series, we will be continuing through the One Story and discovering how Israel tried at times to be like everyone else, but God calls His people to be different from everyone else. We will be thinking about how a GPS helps you get to your destination and shows you the way to go and relate it to how God leads us.

**Memory Verse:** Don't copy the behavior and customs of this world, but let God transform you into a new person by changing the way you think. Then you will learn to know God's will for you, which is good and pleasing and perfect. Romans 12:2

**Heart of the Lesson:** Be faithful to where God leads you - Ruth's faithfulness - Ruth

**Parent Connect:** Q&A with your kids. What does faithful mean? How was Ruth faithful? How can we follow God where he leads?



In this series, we will be continuing through One Story and discovering how God showed the Israelites that He was Among Us but Israel tried at times to live like an Imposter. God calls His people to be different from the world. In what ways are you tempted, like Israel, to forget who you are?

**Memory Verse:** We serve God whether people honor us or despise us, whether they slander us or praise us. We are honest, but they call us impostors. 2 Corinthians 6:8

**Heart of the Lesson:** How was Ruth an Imposter in a good way? - Book of Ruth

**Parent Connect:** God loves foreigners and cares for the poor. Ruth was both, and Boaz took care of her. Do you love foreigners and care for the poor like Jesus does? Brainstorm a way to serve this week as a family, and then go do it!

## SPECIAL NEEDS ADULTS

# LIKE EVERYONE ELSE

Following Jesus Makes You Unlike Everyone Else



As we continue through the Bible, we see that God wanted His people to live differently than the world! Just like God wanted the Israelites to live differently than other nations, He wants us to live differently than the world too!

**Memory Verse:** Romans 12:2a (NIRV) "Don't live the way this world lives. Let your way of thinking be completely changed. Then you will be able to test what God wants for you"

**Heart of the Lesson:** Following Jesus makes you unlike everyone else (Ruth)

**Parent Connect:**

- Who was Ruth and what country was she from?
- Who made Ruth a part of his family?
- Who can make us a part of God's family?
- Who do you know that is not yet a part of God's family? How can you tell them about Jesus?