## Ruth 3

## A Love that is Pure

A Risky Plan (vv. 1-6)

A Ridiculous Proposal (vv. 7-15)

A Rocky Position (vv. 16-18)

## **Application of Ruth 3**

- 1. In 1:8-9 Naomi (in her own way) attempted to help Ruth find rest (i.e. security, provision). In ch 3 we see her working out God's plan for Ruth to find rest. In what ways may you be trying to work out things for yourself and/or working out God's plan for you?
- 2. Naomi demonstrates in her attempt to help Ruth that she isn't just thinking about herself anymore, but genuinely concerned for Ruth's wellbeing. Has self-focus rather than others-focused been a problem for you? If so, ask the Lord to forgive and help you and think of some people you can practically show care for
- 3. Boaz was committed to marrying Ruth but submitted his desires to the proper moral, social, cultural and OT godly practices of the day. Are you or people in your life facing decisions they need to submit to the Lord, rather than follow your/their own desires e.g. business deal, relationship with the opposite gender? Apply in your own life or encourage those you know to make sure they put God ahead of personal desires
- 4. What godly characteristics do you see in Boaz and Ruth? How does these relate to biblical manhood and womanhood? In what ways can you grow to be like Boaz and Ruth
- 5. Whether it's finding a marriage partner or many other issues in life, the world and our own selfish lusts can be enticing. Ruth did not chase after 'better catches' than Boaz, she acted out of love toward Naomi and put family ahead of herself. Are there decisions you're facing that include tempting but unwise and unloving options? Ask the Lord to help you be wise and discerning and glorify Him, not follow ungodly desires

<u>Reading this week:</u> Read chapter 3 of Ruth each day this week and the whole book of Ruth in one sitting at least once this week.

## **Sermon Notes for Children (or Children at Heart)**

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Book	Sermon Main Points				Other Bible References:		
	A Risky		(vv. 1)				
Chapter							
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	A Ridiculo	ous	(vv	-15)			
Verses							
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Words you be	ard during the	sermon (tally	each time)				
God/Lord	Boaz	Love	Man or Woman	Pure	Naomi	Ruth	
			Woman				
What is the m	essage about?						
How can you	do this?						
What/who car	n you pray for?						
Draw a pictur	e related to the	message:					
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