

The questions below are designed to be used by Saylorville Church Cell Groups as they meet during the week following the Sunday morning message at Saylorville. The intent is not for groups to answer every question, but for leaders to use the questions as a guide as they tailor the discussion to the unique needs of their group. The Sunday message and these questions can be found each week at www.saylorvillechurch.com/sermons.

CONNECT WITH YOUR GROUP (10-15 MINUTES)

- Sunday was Mothers' Day. Who are some women who have been spiritual "mothers" to you over the years? What are some ways those women have pointed you to Jesus?

APPLY THE BIBLE (45-60 MINUTES)

- **Remember** what you talked about last time you met. Anything you need to follow up on as a group?
- **Review** the notes you took on Sunday. What is **one thing** that sticks out to you about what you heard?
- **Read** this week's passage together. In his message, **Pastor Pat uncovered four questions that we need to ask ourselves from the text.**

Ruth Chapter Two Context:

Vs. 1-3: In ancient cultures, farmers left 20% of their crops unharvested for the poor. How has God shown generosity to you recently? How can you intentionally be generous to others with what God has given you?

Vs. 4-7: Boaz turned an ordinary field into a holy place. Think about the "ordinary" places you go everyday - have you ever thought about those places as being "holy"? What could you do to surrender the moments in those places as moments of worship?

Vs. 8-13: Boaz offered his pure protection to Ruth and she responded with joy. Would you consider yourself a "joyful" person? Would those closest to you think of you as joyful? Why or why not?

Four Questions From The Story:**1. Have You Seen Yourself As Poor?**

- Read Matthew 5:3 - Respond to Pastor's quote, "If you want to be rich in faith, you must first be poor in spirit."

2. Is The Joy Of The Lord Your Strength?

- What are some "joy-thieves" in your life? How can God's strength help you practically see joy through some of the most discouraging moments in life?

3. Are You Aware Of God's Providence?

- Rehearse your last few days in your mind. What are some little, everyday moments in which God was showing His love and care, but you didn't notice? How can you be more aware this week?

4. Have You Been Covered In God's Righteousness?

- God wants you to come under His protection in salvation. Have you given your life to Jesus? If so, have you thanked God for that salvation today? Pause and do that right now as a group.

PRAY TOGETHER (5-15 MINUTES)

- Praise God for your salvation, and pray for the salvation of those who are still far from God.

