



LIFELINE Discussion Guide

Week of May 25, 2026

1. Do you remember the news story, or did you watch the live event of stuntman Nik Wallenda walking across Niagara Falls on a wire in June 2012? If not, what is the most dangerous or daring thing that you have ever seen attempted in person? Where was it, and what was being attempted? Share your story with your Life Group.
2. Read **Ruth 3:1-18** as a group, with each person reading one verse each until the chapter is complete.
3. In Ruth 3:1-5, Naomi encourages Ruth to take a bold and risky step toward Boaz. What does this reveal about Naomi's faith, wisdom, and understanding of God's provision? What was a "Kinsman-Redeemer"? (see also Deuteronomy 25:5-6). When have you ever decided to obey God without knowing how things would turn out?
4. Ruth's visit to the threshing floor might feel unusual or uncomfortable to modern readers. After studying the cultural and biblical context, what do you think Ruth's actions communicated to Boaz? Why are we certain that this wasn't a sexual advance? What does this scene teach us about humility, trust, and dependence?
5. Boaz responds to Ruth with kindness, protection, and grace instead of rejection. How does Boaz serve as a picture of God's heart toward needy and broken people? How should God's acceptance of us through Christ shape the way we treat others?
6. Read Ruth 3:9 carefully. Ruth asks Boaz to "*spread your wings over your servant.*" Earlier in Ruth 2:12, Boaz had prayed that Ruth would find refuge under God's wings. What connection do you see between those two passages? How does God often answer prayers through the actions of His people?
7. Naomi's counsel in Ruth 3:18 is essentially: "*Wait patiently.*" Why is waiting on God often one of the hardest parts of faith? How can we distinguish between godly patience and passive inaction?

What do these verses communicate about waiting patiently? Psalm 46:10; 37:7; 27:14; 40:1-2.

8. Pastor Ryan said, "*When you dare great things for God, fearful steps can become faith-filled stories.*" Looking back over your life, can you identify a moment when God used a risky act of obedience, a difficult wait, or a courageous decision to shape your story? What might be your next "daring act of faith"?

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