Discussion Questions 16th August

Reviewing the story:

* *Boaz was a close relative. He was a kinsman. What did Naomi hope Boaz would do?* (take care of them, they were widows and poor, he was a relative, she hoped he’d take care of them)
* *What did God instruct his people to do when someone became so poor they were forced to sell their land?* (a family member should buy it to keep the land in the family, and protect the ones who had become poor)
* *What does the word redeemer mean?*
* Finish the sentence: *A redeemer is someone who .......* (rescues someone by paying the price needed to set them free)
* *Boaz was Ruth’s kinsman redeemer. What did Boaz do to redeem Ruth from her bad situation?* (bought Naomi’s land in order to marry Ruth)
* *Whom has God sent to redeem us?*(God sent Jesus to pay the price, his death, to set us free from being punished of our sin)
* *Why is Ruth’s story so important in the whole story of the Bible?* (even though she wasn’t an Israelite, she trusted in God. Because of her faith, God accepted her and made her Jesus’ great, great, great, great... grandmother, showing that all people who trust in the one true God are welcomed into God’s family)

Application (choose):

* -  *Have you, like Ruth, put your trust in the one true God?*
* -  *Do you enjoy God’s kindness?*
* -  *Have you asked Jesus to rescue you?*
* -  *Do you continue to say thank you to Jesus for paying with his*  *own life to rescue you?*
* -  *Do you want others to know of God’s amazing kindness and*  *the rescue plan he has for the world?*  Conclusion:
* -  *Boaz rescued Ruth.*
* -  *He paid the price of the land and married her.*
* -  *Ruth was now part of Boaz’ family.*
* -  *And she would never be poor or unprotected again.*
* -  *But it would be Ruth and Boaz’ great, great, great, great...*  *grandson who would rescue the whole world.*
* -  *Jesus would pay to rescue us by giving up his life.*
* -  *So we can be part of God’s family now and forever.*
* -  *Safe and secure in God’s love forever.*