Discussion Questions for Ruth 3

- 1. Do you think that Ruth was asking for a marriage proposal or something else? Consider the role of kinsman redeemers as found in Leviticus 25:25 and Genesis 38:8.
- 2. Have you ever been in a situation where you have had to ask for something significant? How did you ask and how did the other person respond?
- 3. Try to place yourself in cultural context and imagine Ruth's thoughts as Naomi presents this plan. How do you think Ruth felt? How would you respond if you were placed in a similar situation? Would you have the courage to approach a man in this way?
- 4. How does Ruth ask for this very big favor?
- 5. When you are asking for a favor, how do you try to create a good impression?
- 6. Consider Psalm 119:105, Proverbs 4:26-27, and other Bible verses dealing with using your feet to stay on the correct path. How are you using your feet to follow Jesus and stay true to his teachings? As Ruth lies at Boaz's feet, how might she be trying to show him that she is trying to follow the correct path?
- 7. Consider John 13:14-15, Luke 10:39, and other Bible verses dealing with feet as a symbol of humbleness. How and in which situations do you express humbleness?
- 8. How does Boaz respond to Ruth's request?
- 9. Has anyone ever asked you for a very large favor? How did you respond?
- 10. How does Ruth respond to being asked to wait for an answer?
- 11. Have you ever asked for a big favor only to be told that you needed to wait for an answer? How did you respond?