

## BE A CHANGEMAKER: BE SELFLESS

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## WORSHIP

My Worth Is Not in What I Own, Great Things, We Praise You, Yes and Amen, Way Maker

## WELCOME

What three words will you use to describe a mother's value or significance to their children, their families and the world?

## WEEKLY PRAYER POINTS

## I. Thanksgiving

- Worship God for who He is, what He has done, and what He will do in our lives.

## II. Country and the World

- Upright and moral governance of public servants; repentance and salvation for government leaders and citizens for a Christ-centered Philippines.
- God's help and comfort for the Sudanese people caught in violence and conflict.
- War in Ukraine to end, loss of lives prevented; tension in East Asian and Middle East countries to stop.

## III. Church

- That CCF Members would honor and love God and make disciples.
- Elders, pastors, deacons, and families (holy, humble, harmonious, happy, heart-working).
- Ministries and churches expansion worldwide.

## IV. CCF Facilities

- Worship and Training Center
- Prayer Mountain

## V. Personal Concerns

- Deeper intimate relationship with God.
- Righteous living.
- Salvation of family and friends.

## WORD

## READ IT!

## RUTH 1:6-22

(READ CHAPTERS 1-4 FOR CONTEXT)

<sup>6</sup> When Naomi heard in Moab that the Lord had come to the aid of his people by providing food for them, she and her daughters-in-law prepared to return home from there. <sup>7</sup> With her two daughters-in-law she left the place where she had been living and set out on the road that would take them back to the land of Judah. <sup>8</sup> Then Naomi said to her two daughters-in-law, "Go back, each of you, to your mother's home. May the Lord show you kindness, as you have shown kindness to your dead husbands and to me. <sup>9</sup> May the Lord grant that each of you will find rest in the home of another husband." Then she kissed them goodbye and they wept aloud <sup>10</sup> and said to her, "We will go back with you to your people." <sup>11</sup> But Naomi said, "Return home, my daughters. Why would you come with me? Am I going to have any more sons, who could become your husbands?" <sup>12</sup> Return home, my daughters; I am too old to have another husband. Even if I thought there was still hope for me—even if I had a husband tonight and then gave birth to sons—<sup>13</sup> would you wait until they grew up? Would you remain unmarried for them? No, my daughters. It is more bitter for me than for you, because the Lord's hand has turned against me!" <sup>14</sup> At this they wept aloud again. Then Orpah kissed her mother-in-law goodbye, but Ruth clung to her. <sup>15</sup> "Look," said Naomi, "your sister-in-law is going back to her people and her gods. Go back with her." <sup>16</sup> But Ruth replied, "Don't urge me to leave you or to turn back from you. Where you go I will go, and where you stay I will stay. Your people will be my people and your God my God. <sup>17</sup> Where you die I will die, and there I will be buried. May the Lord deal with me, be it ever so severely, if even death separates you and me." <sup>18</sup> When Naomi realized that Ruth was determined to go with her, she stopped urging her.

## PARAPHRASE IT!

Restate the verses in your own words.

## TALK ABOUT IT!

- What did you like about these verses?
- What did you learn about God?
- What did you learn about people?
- What did you learn about being selfless?
- What did you learn about following Jesus?

## POINT IT OUT!

## INTRO

(Ruth 1:1-5)

## I. THE PERSEVERANCE OF NAOMI

(Ruth 1:6-15)

## II. THE SACRIFICE OF RUTH

(Ruth 1:16-17, Ruth 2: 1-10, 17-20, Leviticus 19:9-10)

## III. THE GRACE OF BOAZ

(Ruth 3:12-13, 16-18, Leviticus 25:25, Ruth 4:1-10, 13-22, Matthew 1:5-6a)

## WORKS

## APPLY IT!

Based on this lesson on "BE A CHANGEMAKER: BE SELFLESS", write down your action point to apply what you learned. Make it your "I will..." statement and follow the S.M.A.R.T. guideline to come up with a do-able action point.

Simple

Measurable

Appropriate

Realistic

Time-bound

"I will \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

## SHARE IT!

Who will you share these truths to this week?

PRAY CARE SHARE  
IN ACTION

Pray for those who need to experience the persevering, selfless and gracious love of our Redeemer, Jesus. Show selfless acts to one or two of people this week and take the time to share God's greatest selfless act of love towards us--the gospel message of Jesus Christ.

## MEMORY VERSE

## RUTH 2:12

<sup>12</sup>"May the Lord reward your work, and your wages be full from the Lord, the God of Israel, under whose wings you have come to seek refuge."