



WEEK  
**ONE**  
NOVEMBER 2021

SMALL GROUP  
**3-5** YEAR  
-OLDS

PRELUDE

SOCIAL

WORSHIP

STORY

GROUPS

HOME

CREATING A SAFE PLACE TO CONNECT  
25 MINUTES

## MADE TO CREATE

an activity that allows preschoolers to review the Bible story, bottom line, or memory verse by creating a craft to take home



## 2. MY FAMILY

[TALK ABOUT GOD | BIBLE STORY REVIEW]

**WHAT YOU NEED:** "Naomi, Ruth, & Boaz" and "Thankful Sticker" Activity Pages, copy paper, Avery® #5160 labels or equivalent, construction paper, crayons, markers, and glue sticks

### WHAT YOU DO:

**BEFORE THE ACTIVITY:** Copy "Naomi, Ruth, & Boaz" on paper and cut apart, one cutout per child. Copy "Thankful Sticker" on label paper, one sticker per child.

**DURING THE ACTIVITY:** Give each child a piece of construction paper and a "Naomi, Ruth, & Boaz" cutout. Assist the children in turning their construction paper horizontally then show them how to glue their "Naomi, Ruth, & Boaz" to the left side. Next, tell the children to draw their family on the right side of their construction paper. As they finish drawing, give them a "Thankful Sticker" to go under their family picture.

*Note: If you use the black and white version of the Activity Page, allow the children to color the picture.*

**AFTER THE ACTIVITY:** Talk about how Ruth, Naomi, and Boaz thanked God for their family, and we can thank God for our family, too.

### WHAT YOU SAY:

**BEFORE THE ACTIVITY:** "Hi, friends! Come sit with me. We're going to make something to take home that will remind us that we can thank God for our family."

**DURING THE ACTIVITY:** "In our Bible story, Naomi and Ruth were all alone. (Point to Naomi and Ruth in the picture.) They only had each other for family. But they were thankful for each other. When they traveled back to where Naomi used to live, God gave them Boaz (point to Boaz in the picture) to be a part of their family. They were so happy! Glue your picture on the left, like this. (Demonstrate.) Naomi, Ruth, and Boaz thanked God for their family.

"I want you to draw your family in the space beside Naomi, Ruth, and Boaz (point), because you can thank God for your family, too."

**AFTER THE ACTIVITY:** "Sometimes, families are small. Sometimes, families are big. Sometimes, families live close together or in different parts of the world. No matter what our family looks like, we can thank God for our family, because we can thank God for everything! That's why when I ask, 'Who can you thank for everything?', I want you to say, 'I can thank God for everything.' Ready? Who can you thank for everything? I can thank God for everything."

## BIBLE STORY

I can thank God  
for my family.

**RUTH, NAOMI,  
AND BOAZ**  
RUTH 1-2

## MEMORY VERSE

"I will give thanks to the Lord  
with my whole heart."

PSALM 111:1, ESV

## KEY QUESTION

Who can you thank  
for everything?

## BOTTOM LINE

I can thank God for  
everything.

## BASIC TRUTH

God loves me.



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## MADE TO REFLECT

an activity that encourages personal  
application and prayer



## 6. JOURNAL AND PRAYER

[PRAY TO GOD | PRAYER ACTIVITY]

**WHAT YOU NEED:** Paperclip "Memory Verse Card" in  
your Bible at Psalm 111:1, journal, and a fun-shaped pen

### BIBLE STORY

I can thank God  
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**RUTH, NAOMI,  
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**SGL:** Now, let's sit down so we can write in our prayer journal and talk to God.  
(*Hold journal and fun-shaped pen.*) Since Naomi, Ruth, and Boaz were thankful  
for each other, I think we should make a

list of some of the family we are thankful for. I want you to think of one person  
in your family who you are thankful for. I know there's more than one, but think  
of just one for today. When I say your name, tell me the name of the person in  
your family who you're thankful for, and I will write it beside your name in our  
prayer journal.

"Okay, listen for your name and get ready to tell me one person's name from  
your family! (*Say each child's name and write down what they say. Remember to  
print the names so the children can recognize their names and the letters.*)"

"This is such a special list. Thank you for making it with me. Now, let's pray.  
Would anyone like to pray before I pray?"

(*Give each child who wants to pray the opportunity to do so.*)

### MEMORY VERSE

"I will give thanks to the Lord  
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**PSALM 111:1, ESV**

### PRAYER

**SGL:** "Dear God, Thank You for our families. Thank You for [child's name and  
family member's name]. Thank you for . . . (*name each child and their family  
member*). And thank You for giving us Jesus so we can be a part of Your family  
forever. You are amazing, God, and we love You. In Jesus' name, amen."

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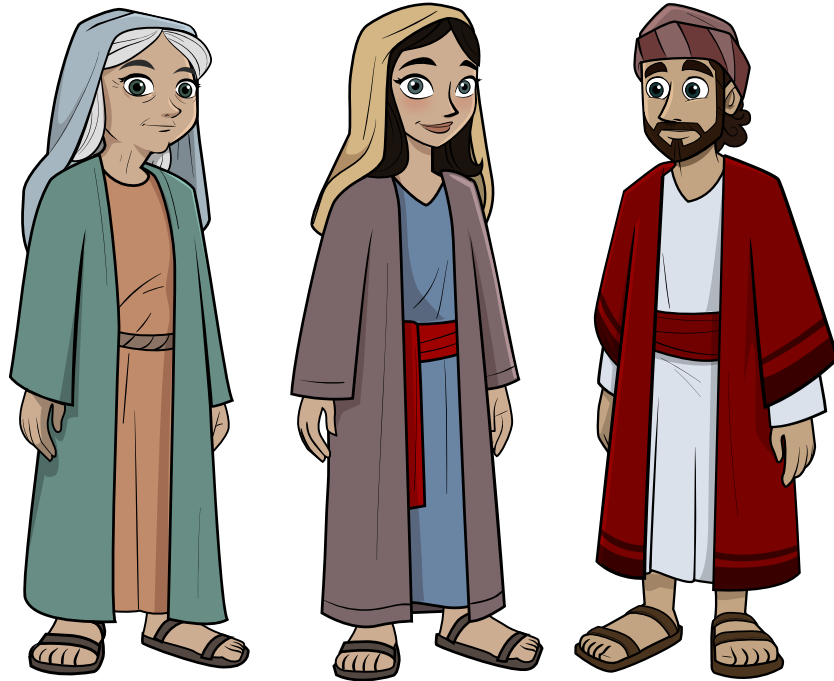
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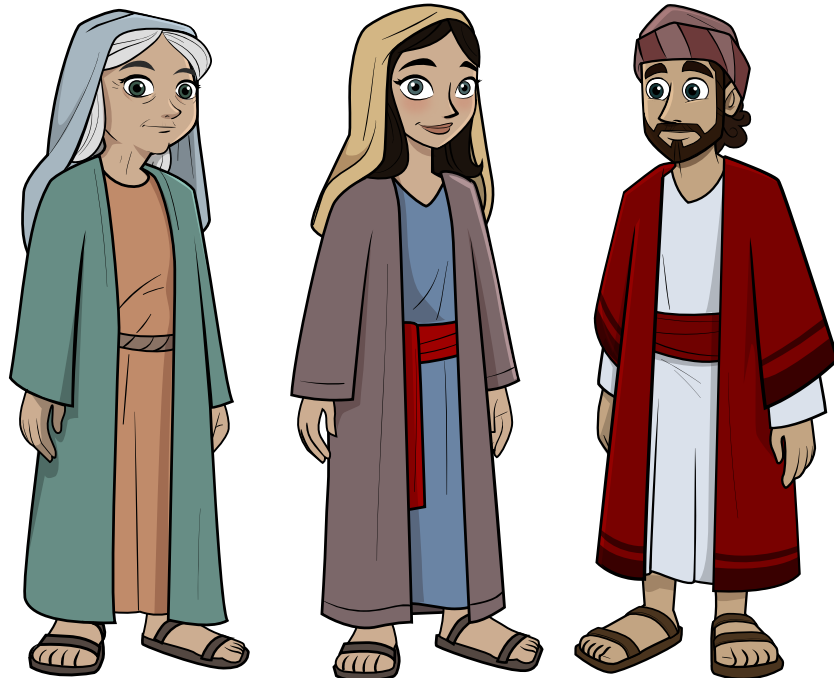
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Ruth, Naomi, and Boaz • *Ruth 1-2*

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