

Kingdom Come - WEEK 10: Faithfulness in the Dark

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BIG IDEA:God often accomplishes His extraordinary purposes through the everyday faithfulness of His people.

Ruth and Boaz lived during the dark days of the Judges, but they continued to trust God, do what was right, and care for others. They could not see the bigger story God was writing, but God could.

WORD - Where Do You See Faithfulness?

Read selected scenes from Ruth rather than one long passage: Ruth 1:16–17, 2:8–12, 3:10–13, and 4:13–17. After each one, ask one simple question: **What does faithfulness look like here?**

Write the answers down. You may end up with words like:
loyalty, hard work, kindness, courage, protection, honesty, patience, integrity.

Then ask: **Which of these is hardest for you right now?** This approach gets your family to discover the theme instead of simply being told what it is.

WORSHIP - Look for God's Unexpected Provision

Ruth and Naomi returned to Bethlehem with very little. They could not see how God would provide for them. Then Ruth "happened" to glean in the field of Boaz. What looked like an ordinary field became part of God's provision. God used Boaz to care for Ruth and Naomi in a way they could not have planned.

Sometimes God provides exactly the way we expect. Other times, His provision comes through a person, an opportunity, a conversation, a meal, an unexpected gift, or a door we did not even know was there.

Take a few minutes as a family and ask: **Can you think of a time God provided something you needed in a way you did not expect?**

Take time to write these down and then thank the Lord in prayer for each one.

BLESSING - Name What You See

Take a few minutes and have your family share with each other where they saw one another demonstrate faithfulness. If your kids are young, the parents can share something with each child and for each other. Allow your children to see mom and dad encouraging one another.

For example:
"I noticed you helped your brother without being asked."
"I saw you keep practicing even when you were frustrated."
"I noticed you told the truth even though it was hard."

Example prayer of blessing:
May you trust God even when you cannot see what comes next. May you be faithful in the small things, courageous enough to do what is right, and kind enough to notice people others may overlook. And may you always remember that Jesus is your Redeemer, and your life is part of a story much bigger than you can see.

MISSION - Leave Some Grain

In Ruth 2, Boaz told his workers to intentionally leave extra grain behind for Ruth to gather. He was not simply meeting the minimum requirement. He chose to be generous on purpose.

That gives our family a great picture of everyday faithfulness:

"Leave some grain" means giving someone a little more kindness, help, generosity, or attention than they expected.

This Week's Challenge

Look for **one way each day** to "leave some grain" for someone.

For younger children:

- Let someone else go first.
- Share a favorite toy.
- Help clean up without being asked.
- Draw a picture for someone.
- Give someone the bigger piece or extra snack.
- Sit with or include someone who is alone.

For older children and teens:

- Help someone with a task before they ask.
- Send an encouraging text.
- Buy a coffee, candy bar or lunch for someone
- Include someone who is being left out.
- Give up some of your time to help someone else.
- Be extra generous with your attention, patience, or resources.
- Do something helpful without needing credit for it.

At the end of the day, ask: **"How did you leave some grain today?"**

The goal is simple: **Look for a need. Give a little extra. Expect nothing in return.**

That is everyday faithfulness.