

Unscramble the words to show some areas in your life where God can show you the best thing to do. The answers are on the bottom of the page.

sochice shatbi chosol cedeniboe
boj denfris ruchch tapincee

Your people will
be my people,
and your God
will be my God.
Ruth 1:16_{NLT}



CHOICES, CHURCH, FRIENDS, HABITS, JOB, SCHOOL, OBEDIENCE, PATIENCE

Ruth

Sabbath

What is the most romantic love story you have ever heard?

Do you know how your parents met? If not, ask them.



These days, a man and woman meet and fall in love.

One of them (traditionally the man) proposes and the other agrees.

Then they are engaged for a time before the wedding.

But proposals in Israel were different...

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Refer: Ruth NLT; Christ's Object Lessons p290-301; The Bible Story vol3 p137-142

Sunday

One time there was a severe famine in Israel so a man named Elimelech took his wife and two sons to live in the country of Moab. While there, the two sons married Moabite women; but then Elimelech died and several years later his two sons also died, leaving his wife Naomi alone with her two daughters in law.

When Naomi heard that Israel was once again blessed with good crops she made plans to return and her daughters in law were planning to go with her. But after they started, Naomi suggested that they should return to their parent's homes.

Orpah cried and kissed her goodbye, but Ruth refused to go; she said, "I will not leave you; wherever you go, I will go; wherever you live, I will live. Your people will be my people, and your God will be my God." Ruth 1:16, 17 NLT

Naomi could see that Ruth was determined to go with her so she said nothing more and the two of them travelled together to Bethlehem.



The townspeople were happy to welcome Naomi back but sad about the her death of her husband and sons.

One day Ruth said to Naomi, "Let me go into the harvest fields to collect the leftover grain." (This was allowed by law and was a way of providing food for those who were widows or too poor to buy food.) The field she chose happened to belong to a man named Boaz and when Boaz saw her and found out who she was, he told her to always come to his fields and to help herself to the jug of water and the food that he provided for his workers. He also told his workers to leave extra grain on the ground for Ruth to pick up.

So every day, Ruth returned to work, collecting the leftover grain from Boaz's fields to feed herself and Naomi.



Friday

Why did God create marriage? There are probably several reasons and today we will have a quick look at two of them.

One reason is so the husband and wife can help, support and encourage each other.

Fill in the missing words from Ecclesiastes 4:9-10^{NLT} " _ _ _ people are better off than _ _ _ , for they can help each other succeed. If one person _ _ _ _ _ , the other can reach out and _ _ _ _ _ ."

Another reason God created marriage is to help us understand what God is like, particularly how God, Jesus and the Holy Spirit can all be one God at the same time.

Matthew 3:16, 17^{NLT} says, "After His baptism, as _ _ _ _ _ came out of the water, the heavens were opened and He saw the _ _ _ _ _ of _ _ _ descending like a dove and settling on Him. And a voice from _ _ _ _ _ said, "This is my dearly loved _ _ _ , who brings me great joy."

We won't fully understand this until we get to heaven but the analogy of the family, the husband and wife - two people who become one family - is one of the easiest ways to think of God. Unfortunately, many families today are not the way that God intended; Satan has done a good job at ruining marriages which makes it harder for people to understand what God is like.

The Bible has some advice to help you when you start thinking of marriage. 2 Corinthians 6:14, "Don't team up with those who are

_ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ ."

A Christian husband or wife, who believes as you do will encourage you to stay close to God and help your life to be more like Ruth's and less like Samson's.

The missing words from the Bible verses are hidden in this grid.

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Thursday

There are some things that should only be shared between the husband and wife. Adultery is when a person shares any of those special things with someone other than their husband or wife.

One of the special things a husband and wife have is a close relationship. A husband should be a woman's best and closest male friend; and a wife should be a man's best and closest female friend.

Another thing that God made to be saved for marriage is the private parts of a person's body. Adam and Eve recognized this right at the beginning; what did Adam say about it after he sinned? Genesis 3:10

You are not married yet, but the 7th Commandment is still important for you.

Has someone ever shown, or tried to show you a rude picture, like someone who is naked or nearly naked? Yes / No

Have you ever seen someone naked? (Aside from babies) Yes / No

What will you do if your friends try to show you a rude picture?

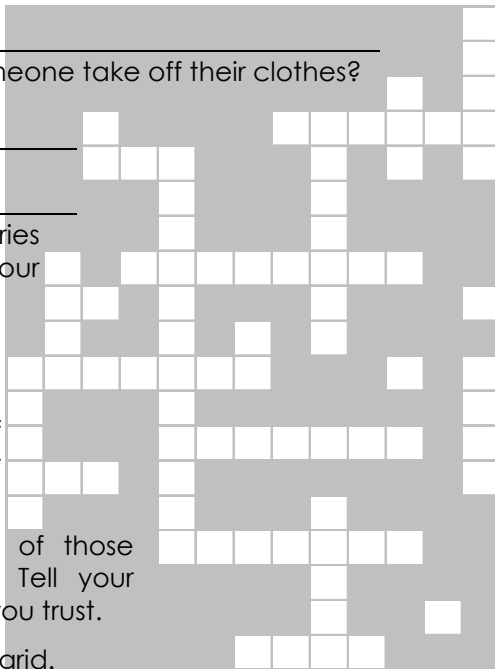
What will you do if you see someone take off their clothes?

What will you do if someone tries to touch the private parts of your body?

What should you do if any of those things happen at school? – Tell a teacher.

What should you do if any of those things happen at home? – Tell your parents or another adult that you trust.

Fit the underlined words in the grid.



Monday

One day Naomi said to Ruth, "My daughter, it is time for you to marry again. Boaz is a relative of mine and he's been very kind to you. Tonight he will be sleeping on his grain threshing floor; now take a bath and put on perfume and your nicest clothes. Tonight you will go to the threshing floor and hide until Boaz is asleep, then go uncover his feet and lie down there."

Around midnight Boaz woke up and turned over; he was surprised to find a woman lying at his feet! "Who are you?" he asked. Ruth replied as Naomi had told her to, saying, "Spread the corner of your robe over me because you are my Kinsman-Redeemer."

If a man died without have a child to continue his family name, his Kinsman-Redeemer, who might be his brother, cousin or another relative, would marry the widow, and the first child would be considered the child of the dead man and would inherit his family name and property. Boaz, as Naomi knew, was a close relative of her husband Elimelech.

It would seem that Boaz was happy to be chosen as the Kinsman-Redeemer; no doubt he had been watching Ruth work in his fields and heard of how she cared for Naomi. He promised to make the arrangements the next day, although he said, there was another man who could be the Kinsman-Redeemer and he must talk to him first.

The next day Boaz made arrangements.

Ruth and Boaz married and had a son, Obed, who carried on the name of Elimelech, and Naomi was very happy.

Obed became the father of Jesse who was the father of King David.



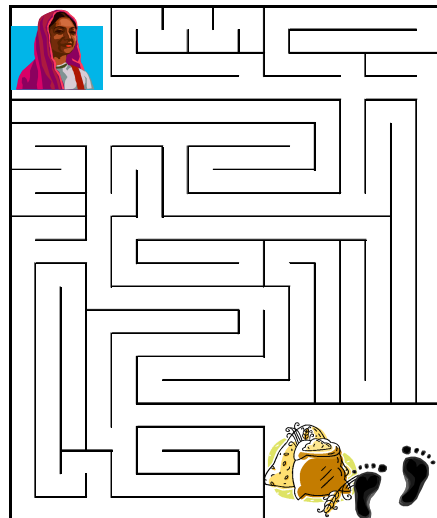
Tuesday

Ruth must have really loved her Mother-in-law, and loved God too. Find her words which are underlined in Sunday.

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W I L L H A L O V P E F S N U
A O L M I N R W H E R E V E R
G U T H L D O H V O E S N A O
O M I R U T H E L P E O P L E
D O V E Y O U R S L N A O I M
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N A Y O U O M V I R U T B E H
G L O V E S B E N A O M I R U
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N A O M I R U T H O L O V E S



Help Ruth find her way to where Boaz has been threshing grain.



Ruth knew the sadness of losing her first husband and the worry of moving to a new country; but she trusted God and God led in her life and gave her the happiness of a new husband and a son, and the extra blessing of being one of the ancestors of Jesus Himself!

God will lead in your life too if you let Him.

Wednesday

This term we are learning about the Ten Commandments, and this week we will learn more about the 7th Commandment which is found in Exodus 20:14^{NIV} and says, "You shall not commit _____." (3d)

Have you ever hear that word before? It's not one that is used these days. The 7th Commandment is about love, marriage and families; so it is helpful to understand what the Bible says about these things.

Read what God said after creating Adam in Genesis 2:18^{NLT}, "It is not good for man to be _____ (6d). I will make a _____ (7a) who is just right for him."

Read what Moses wrote, after telling of the creation of Eve in Genesis 2:24^{NLT}, "...a man leaves his _____ (2d) and _____ (1d) and is joined to his _____ (8a), and the two are united into one."

Here is another verse for husbands and wives. Ephesians 5:25^{NIV}, "_____ (4a), love your wives, just as Christ loved the _____ (5d)."

God created a very special relationship for husbands and wives. There are many things that the husband and wife share together, that are only for them. God wants to be the most important thing in their lives, and their husband or wife the second most important thing.

Studies show that on average, people who are married live longer than people who are not married. And, a study by the National Bureau of Economic Research in Canada, found that married people on average, are happier than unmarried people, especially people who consider their husband or wife to be their best friend.

