

## Ruth

**Ask:** Have you ever moved? House/City/Country/School etc.

**Discuss:** What was it like? How did you feel? Why did you move? What did you miss?

**Say:** Today we are learning about someone who chose moved countries.

### Bible Story

**Draw on the whiteboard:** Put a happy face in the top left corner and a sad face in the bottom left. As you talk, draw a chart from left to right showing how happy or sad Ruth must have felt.

**Say:** We are going to draw a chart of how happy Ruth must have been during the different times in her life.

**Ask:** How do you think she felt when:

- She got married
- Her father-in-law died
- Her own husband died
- Moving to another country
- Able to collect grain
- Married Boaz

### Sing Songs

#### Return to tables

Memory Verse: Fill in the blanks and then say the memory verse on the colouring page.

**Craft:** Wall hanging.

- Use the coloured wool to make a border around the card.

#### Discuss the following depending on age, interest and time:

Have you ever moved?

How did/would you feel if you had to leave your friends?

How would you feel if you had to leave your family?

How would you feel if you had to leave your church / if you were not able or not allowed to go to the same church anymore?

Read Romans 8:28: Discuss: What bad things happened to Ruth? How did God make good things happen for her?

#### **Discussions on the 7<sup>th</sup> Commandment:**

Say: The 7<sup>th</sup> Commandment is about love, marriage and families; God created them and they work best when God is the most important person in a person's life, and their husband or wife is the second most. A loving family helps us to learn what God's love is like.

Ask: What are some things that make families unhappy? (Too busy; anger; meanness; depression; tiredness; disagreements, arguments etc)

Ask: Why do we wear clothes? (Say: God made certain parts of our bodies to be private; God planned that they should only be seen by that person's husband or wife; they are something special for the married couple.)

Say: As you get older, you can keep the 7<sup>th</sup> Commandment, by not looking at rude pictures, like pictures of naked people; by not looking at people's private body parts; by keeping your own private parts covered, by not letting other people touch your private parts and telling your parents or teachers if someone does try to touch you. Of course, when you're young, your parents might help you wash yourself, and little children need help to go to the toilet, and even when you're older, a doctor needs to look.

What should you do if someone tries to show you a rude picture?

If you follow God's Commandments, when you grow up, if you fall in love and get married, you will have a really good start to your marriage, and if you remember to put God first in your life, and your husband or wife second, then you should have a very happy marriage, and a happy family.

**Optional:** Draw your own happy-sad chart to show some of the things that have happened in your own life.

**Optional:** Let the children draw a happy-sad chart of their own lives

**Say:** Bad things happen in this life because of sin, but no matter how bad things are, God can make good things happen.

**Finish with Prayer:** Thank God for our families; help us to be kind and loving to them like God wants us to be.