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**Questions for Reflection and Discussion** Ruth 4

- 1. What role does God's providence play in chapter 4?
- 2. What do you notice about how Boaz handles the legal process of redemption at the city gate? What does this tell you about his character and view of responsibility, in contrast to the times in which he lived (i.e., "in the days when the judges ruled" Ruth 1:1)?
- 3. How does the concept of redemption play out in chapter 4? How, specifically, did God redeem Ruth? Naomi? Boaz?
- 4. When Boaz concludes his negotiation to become Ruth's kinsman redeemer, the city elders and the other onlookers pronounce a collective blessing on the couple (vv. 11-12). What is the significance of including Leah, Rachel, Perez, Tamar, and Judah in the blessing?
- 5. What significance does the genealogy in vv. 18-22 hold, and how does it connect to the broader biblical narrative?
- 6. Why do you think the story of these particular characters—who otherwise would likely have been forgotten to history—is included in the Bible?
- 7. In what area of your life do you need to trust God's hidden hand of providence, even if you can't yet see the outcome?