## DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

Redeeming Love: A Son Is Born

Passage: Ruth 4:13-22

1. Read **Ruth 4:13**. What does this passage reveal about God's display of His lovingkindness (hesed) toward both Boaz and Ruth? Consult **Genesis 30:1**; **1 Samuel 1:1-6**. How was the birth of their son ultimately an answer to prayer? Consult **Ruth 2:20**; **Ruth 3:10**.

2. Read **Ruth 4:14-17a**. How had Naomi's circumstances changed since her return to Bethlehem? Consult **Ruth 1:19-21**. What does this passage reveal about the faithfulness of God? Consult **Psalm 145:14-17**; **Ecclesiastes 3:11a**; **Isaiah 55:8-9**.

3. Read **Ruth 4:17b-22**. How does God's faithfulness to Naomi, Ruth, and Boaz connect not only to His faithfulness in sending a Messiah to Israel, but His faithfulness in sending a Savior to the world? Consult **2 Samuel 7:12-17**; **Matthew 1:1-25**; **Luke 2:29-32**; **1 John 2:1-2**.

4. How is the reality of God's faithfulness, as revealed throughout the book of Ruth, an encouragement to you? Where have you seen God demonstrate His faithfulness to you over the past year? In which difficult areas of your life do you need to be reminded of God's faithfulness?

