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Two Needs We All Have

We all need REST.
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We all need a **REDEEMER**. Ruth 3:9

The Journey We're All On

God is taking us from **DESOLATION** to **RESTORATION**.

Ruth 1:21; 3:17; Revelation 21:1-4

No matter where we are on our journey, there are **IMPORTANT** things for us to remember.

Three Things to Remember along the Journey

1. Listen to God's **VOICE**.

Ruth 3:5; Psalm 119:36; Proverbs 13:12

2. Obey God's WORD... even when it's DIFFICULT.

Ruth 3:6; John 14:15; John 15:14; James 1:22

Trust in God's UNFAILING nature.

Ruth 3:13; Psalm 119:50, 76; Ephesians 1:13-14; Philippians 1:6

Christ Connection

We, too, have a **REDEEMER**; his name is Jesus, and he **FILLS** us with his Spirit as a guarantee of our future **REST**.

For Further Study

(Readings and Questions for Life Groups or Personal Study)

Getting Started

What has been one of your most memorable vacations?

When we take vacations, what are we actually vacating from? Why do we need that time away?

Digging Deeper

Often, when we think of rest, we think of sleep, naps, or inactivity. This is the thought behind the reference to the "sweet[ness]" of a laborer's sleep in Ecclesiastes 5:12. However, the full biblical understanding of rest is much bigger than this:

- Read Deuteronomy 12:10. What promise sustained the Israelites during their long journey through the wilderness?
- In Hebrews 4:1-10, we are assured that an even greater rest awaits us in our heavenly homeland. How does this promise sustain you through your journey on this earth?

Read Matthew 11:28-30:

- Why were the people of Jesus's day "weary and burdened" and in need of "rest for [their] souls"? (See Matthew 23:1-4)
- In what ways are people today in need of "rest for [their] souls"?
- Jesus's solution is to follow him. How does following Jesus give us a foretaste of our future, heavenly rest today?

Driving It Home

On Sunday, we learned that God is moving us from desolation to restoration. Ultimately, we will be restored when our Redeemer takes us to our eternal resting place. But before we enter that rest with him, there are at least three important things for us to remember throughout our journeys with Christ on this earth:

- What does it look like to *listen to God's voice* while we journey here? Are there other voices we need to turn down?
- What practical things can you do to help you better obey God's Word as you journey through this earth?
- How would we live if we truly trust that God never fails to keep his Word?