

UNFAILING *Love* GOD'S EMERGING KINDNESS RUTH 2

How do God's people live in (these) difficult days?

God's people are to _____ God as His *hesed* people.

Boaz extended exceptional kindness to Ruth.

Ruth extended exceptional kindness to Naomi.

Hesed people can trust God's _____ *hesed*-hand _____ life.

A Divine Place (2:3)

A Divine Time (2:4, 5, 9)

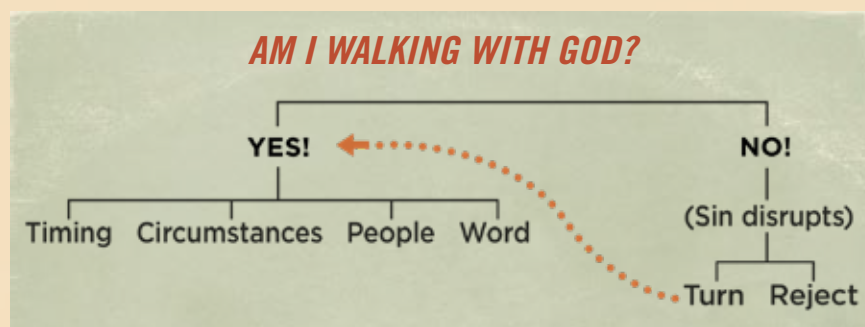
A Divine Plan (2:2; 2:17-18)

A Divine Encounter (2:1; 2:20-23)

_____ in God's *hesed*-hand guiding life as you busy yourself with kindness toward others.

1. Watch for His hand.

2. Filter what you see.



3. Trust in His purposes.

4. Praise Him!

1. Read Ruth chapter 2. Describe how the mood here differs from chapter 1.

2. Name all the ways God was kind to Naomi and Ruth (and to Boaz as well) in this chapter.

3. Did God change between chapters 1 and 2 (Num 23:19; Heb 13:8)? What brought about the shift that took place in Naomi, and how did she respond?

4. Just as Naomi learned to recognize God's providential activity in her life and to have hope only in Him, so must we. How have you seen God orchestrate places, times, plans or encounters to show His guidance in your life, and how has acknowledging them nurtured your faith?

5. What's the connection between our walk with God and His *hesed* kindness toward us? What does it look like to be walking with God?

6. Read Romans 2:1-4. We can be confident in God's involvement in the details of our lives and that His kindness—His *hesed*—guides the lives of those who walk with Him. How do you need to turn and walk with God today so He can pour out even more kindnesses on you?

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Praise Him!

"Should not we who believe in Jesus Christ rejoice in hope? When you consider who He is, what He has done for us, and what He says to us in His Word, there is no reason for us to feel hopeless. Jesus Christ is the Son of God. He has died for us, and now He intercedes for us in heaven. In His Word, He has given us 'exceeding great and precious promises' (2 Pet 1:4 KJV) that can never fail. No matter how you may feel today, no matter how difficult your circumstances may be, you can rejoice in hope if you will focus your faith on Jesus Christ. ... For the Christian believer, hope is not a shallow 'hope-so feeling' generated by optimistic fantasies. Hope is an inner sense of joyful assurance and confidence as we trust God's promises and face the future with His help. This hope is God's gift to His children through the Holy Spirit, who reminds us of God's promises found in His Word (Rom 15:13)."

WARREN WIERSBE

COMING UP AT CHRIST CHAPEL

Here's a glimpse at what you need to know for this week. Like to plan ahead a little more? Pick up a copy of *The Source* at a stand around campus or near the exits, or visit www.ccbcfamily.org/events. They're your source for everything going on at Christ Chapel.

IT'S PENTECOST SUNDAY! LEARN ALL ABOUT IT FROM DR. DAVID TEITELBAUM.

Pentecost is a really special day because it marks the start of the Church as we know it 2,000 years ago! Today Dr. David Teitelbaum is teaching a short class all about it at 12:30 and 6:30 p.m. at live.ccbcfamily.org. Join him and you'll hear how there's actually (spoiler alert) two Pentecosts in the Bible. Yep, and they're linked in some amazing ways. Check it out today!

CONNECTING POINT STARTS NEXT SUNDAY, JUNE 7.

Are you new-ish to Christ Chapel? Connecting Point is the place to go to learn more about our church and all the ways we're here to help you grow in your faith. Plus, you'll get to know others who are putting down roots at CCBC too. Head to www.ccbcfamily.org to sign up today.

WATCH WOMEN IN THE WORD LIVE THIS THURSDAY, JUNE 4.

From Cinderella fairy tales to Friday-night chick flicks, the world is saturated with unrealistic views of love. But God's love, known in Hebrew as *hesed*, stands in bright contrast as perfect, steadfast and loyal. Ladies, join us for our summer study this Thursday at 7:30 p.m. at live.ccbcfamily.org. You can learn more at www.ccbcfamily.org/events.

KIDS KAMP IS ALL ABOUT REAL HEROES!

We are counting down the days until Real Heroes, our all-time favorite Kids Kamp experience, launches on our website! We'll be putting the entire experience—the dramas, the cartoons, the family-friendly crafts and games, everything—online so that your kids can learn from home all about Jesus and real heroes. Learn more at www.ccbcfamily.org/events.

DOWNLOAD OUR RUTH DEVOTIONAL, PLUS MORE AT WWW.CCBCFAMILY.ORG.

While we continue to gather online, we're putting everything you need in one place—the homepage of our website! Go there for our Ruth devotional, Sunday resources (like sermon notes and this week's Bible lesson for kids), ways to help others in our community and to talk with a pastor. Find it all at www.ccbcfamily.org.

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