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CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE



Order of Worship January 12, 2025 First Sunday after Epiphany

We Gather to Worship God

Welcome

Worship in Song Call to Worship Worship in Song Prayer

We Listen to the Word

Sermon Series: I Never Said That —Jesus Sermon: "God Must Have Needed Another Angel"

We Come to the Table

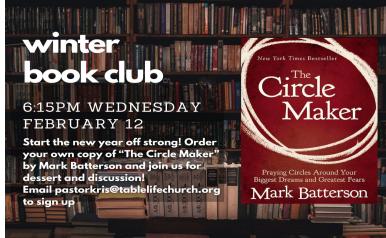
Prayer of Confession and Consecration
The Lord's Prayer
We Eat and Drink Together
We Celebrate the Eucharist in Song
Prayer

We Go to Live in the Reign of God

Community Life
Doxology
Blessing and Sending

Words to music, responsive readings and The Lord's Prayer will be on the screen







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Doggy Bag-

Some questions to chew on:



- 1. What stood out to you or was helpful from this message?
- 2. How have you have seen or heard people respond to others' grief or loss? What sayings do we tend to throw around? How can some of those sayings be harmful or hurtful?
- 3. How have you have seen or heard people respond to others' grief or loss? What sayings do we tend to throw around? How can some of those sayings be harmful or hurtful?
- 4. In the message, it was said that instead of asking "Why?" a better question is "What, Lord? What are you and I going to do now?" Do you agree? What does that mean for you?
- 5. How does the great mystery of God's relentless and persistent presence put potential into our experience of loss? What hope is God giving you?



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"God Must Have Needed Another Angel" Pastor Gary Jacabella

Ruth's Recovery

Ruth 1:20-22

²⁰ Naomi replied to the women of the town, "Don't call me Naomi (Sweetness), but call me Mara (Bitter), for the Almighty has made me very bitter. ²¹ I went away full, but the LORD has returned me empty. Why would you call me Naomi, when the LORD has testified against me, and the Almighty has deemed me guilty?" ²² Thus Naomi returned. And Ruth the Moabite, her daughter-in-law, returned with her from the territory of Moab. They arrived in Bethlehem at the beginning of the barley harvest.

When Grief Struck, Ru	th
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Ruth 1:15-18

¹⁵ Naomi said, "Look, your sister-in-law is returning to her people and to her gods. Turn back after your sister-in-law."

¹⁶ But Ruth replied, "Don't urge me to abandon you, to turn back from following after you. Wherever you go, I will go; and wherever you stay, I will stay. Your people will be my people, and your God will be my God. ¹⁷ Wherever you die, I will die, and there I will be buried. May the LORD do this to me and more so if even death separates me from you." ¹⁸ When Naomi saw that Ruth was determined to go with her, she stopped speaking to her about it. CEB

When Goodness Grew, Ruth _____

Leviticus 19:9,10

Ruth 2:4-7

⁴ Just then Boaz arrived from Bethlehem. He said to the harvesters, "May the LORD be with you."

And they said to him, "May the LORD bless you."

- ⁵ Boaz said to his young man, the one who was overseeing the harvesters, "To whom does this young woman belong?"
- ⁶ The young man who was overseeing the harvesters answered, "She's a young Moabite woman, the one who returned with Naomi from the territory of Moab. ⁷ She said, 'Please let me glean so that I might gather up grain from among the bundles behind the harvesters.' She arrived and has been on her feet from the morning until now, and has sat down for only a moment." CEB

Ruth 2:18-20

Ruth's mother-in-law saw what she had gleaned . . . ¹⁹ Her mother-in-law said to her, "Where did you glean today? Where did you work? May the one who noticed you be blessed."

She told her mother-in-law with whom she had worked and said, "The name of the man with whom I worked today is Boaz."

²⁰ Naomi replied to her daughter-in-law, "May he be blessed by the LORD, who hasn't abandoned his faithfulness with the living or with the dead." Naomi said to her, "The man is one of our close relatives; he's one of our redeemers." CEB.

When Redemption Dawned, Ruth _____

Ruth 3:18

¹⁸ "Sit tight, my daughter," Naomi replied, "until you know how it turns out. The man won't rest until he resolves the matter today."

Ruth 4:13-17

13 So Boaz took Ruth, and she became his wife . . . and she gave birth to a son. 14 The women said to Naomi . . . 15 . . . "Your daughter-in-law who loves you has given birth to him. She's better for you than seven sons." 16 Naomi took the child and held him to her breast, and she became his guardian. 17 The neighborhood women gave him a name, saying, "A son has been born to Naomi." They called his name Obed. He became Jesse's father and David's grandfather. CEB

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