

**LEADER GUIDE**

**DESCRIPTION**



**SuperTruth:**

I will be faithful and kind.

**Superverse:** Ruth 1:16 (NLT)

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**Scripture:**

Ruth 1-4

## FAMILY LEADER GUIDE

### Prep Material:

- Bibles (ESV)
- Sticky Notes
- Gideon Superbook Videos:
  - There are two ways to watch this week's video:
    - Superbook Academy - [Click Here](#) - Enter Code **Psalm91**
      - The place where you enter the code is under "Guest Access" at the bottom of the screen. Enter the code where it says password.
- Feel free to use the craft or other activities before/after the lesson or during the week.

### Scripture Read (Optional)

Families get an ESV Bible and have kids find the following passages (Ruth 1–4) in the Bible using the concordance and placing a sticky note by each reference. Once the scripture references are all found, have each member of the family read the story (If kiddo can't read the story have an adult read).

\*During DB kids services we have kids read the Bible because we desire to have them know what scripture says first before engaging in our Superbook Adventure. Remember the Superbook is someone's interpretation of Scripture, and can spur discussion\*

### Introduction

Welcome, everyone! Today we will watch a Bible story about Ruth. She is a good example of how to be faithful and kind to others—even in difficult times.

Before going a little further though, let's dig into our Supertruth.

### Review SuperTruth

Today's SuperTruth says, "**I will be faithful and kind.**"

Say the first part, "**I will be faithful**"...

and then have the child say the second part "**and kind.**" (Repeat)

Let's begin our video and see what is happening with Chris, Joy and Gizmo today in the Superbook adventure.

### Watch: Chris & Joy's Dilema Video

- Superbook Academy - [Click Here](#) - Enter Code **Psalm91**

### Family Discussion

The SuperTruth today is: "**I will be faithful and kind.**"

Questions:

- What do you think the word *faithful* means? *Loyal, reliable and trusted.*
- What was Chris upset in the video? *His mother committed Chris to help his great aunt on the same weekend he was going to the lake with Joy's family.*
- What choice did Chris' mother give him? *He could go to the lake or help his aunt.*
- What would you do if you were Chris?

We will all face difficult decisions in life like Chris. You may need to choose between doing something fun or showing kindness to help someone who needs you. That's not an easy choice for anyone to make.

Let's watch the rest of the video to see what Chris chooses to do!

### Watch: Bible Story & Resolution Video

- Superbook Academy - [Click Here](#) - Enter Code **Psalm 91**

### Teaching Time:

Prep: Have each child get a paper plate or sheet of cardstock, plus a pencil or washable marker. Have them write "Faithful" on one side and "Kind" on the other side. If time is short, you may write the words on the children's plates before class.

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### Question:

- In our story, were Ruth and Boaz faithful and kind just once, or many times? *Many times.*

I will read a part of the story about Ruth or Boaz, then you will vote on whether that person was being faithful or kind. To vote, choose the word on your plate, then hold up that side. Many times, if people are being faithful, they are also being kind—so if you feel the answer is both, twirl your plate back and forth to show both answers.

1. Naomi told Orpah and Ruth to return home. Orpah left but Ruth clung to her and refused to leave her. (Ruth 1:14–18). Was Ruth being faithful, kind or both? *Faithful or both.*
2. Ruth told Naomi that she was going into the harvest fields to glean grain. (Ruth 2:2). Was this being faithful, kind or both? *Kind.*
3. Boaz was wealthy and an important person in Bethlehem. He chose to greet his harvesters by saying, "The lord be with you!" (Ruth 2:1-4). Was this being faithful, kind or both? *Kind.*
4. The foreman told Boaz that Ruth had been working hard except for a few minutes' rest. (Ruth 2:6). Was she being faithful, kind or both? *Faithful.*
5. Boaz told Ruth to stay in his field to gather grain and to follow his workers closely. He told his workers not to treat her roughly, and he made sure she had food and water. Boaz told the workers to drop some grain on purpose for her to pick up. (Ruth 2:8–9,14–16). Was this being faithful, kind or both? *Kind.*
6. Ruth worked hard all day and carried the grain back to Naomi. She even brought her the food that was left over from her meal. (Ruth 2:17–18). Was this being faithful, kind or both? *Both.*

7. Ruth worked in Boaz's fields until the end of the barley and summer wheat harvest. (Ruth 2:23). Was this being faithful, kind or both? *Faithful.*

8. Ruth followed all the instructions that Naomi gave her to do when she went to see Boaz one evening. (Ruth 3:5). Was this being faithful, kind or both? *Faithful.*

9. Boaz said Ruth showed loyalty to Naomi and her family by coming to him, the family redeemer. She did not go after a younger man for a husband. (Ruth 3:7–10). Was this being faithful, kind or both? *Faithful.*

10. Boaz kept his word to Ruth. He redeemed the property from Naomi and took Ruth for his wife. (Ruth 3:13; 4:19–20). Was he being faithful, kind or both? *Both.*

Conclusion: Ruth remained faithful to Naomi even in the most difficult times. God was also faithful to Ruth and Naomi and rewarded them through Boaz. He was faithful then and He is faithful today! God's faithfulness and kindness never ends.

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## SCRIPTURE SWORD CHALLENGE



### 30 VERSES IN ONE YEAR

For every **two verses** memorized, kids will get a pin for their dbKid's hat!  
**2 verses** = 1 pin | **20 verses** = Gold Armor of God pin | **30 verses** = Special Prize

Go to [www.dbkids.org](http://www.dbkids.org) to get the complete list for the dbKids Elementary Scripture Sword Challenge list for the 2020-2021 year (It will be posted August 16). Remember to grab your initial dbKids hat at Church on the weekend or throughout the week (beginning August 22). A replacement hat will cost \$10 each. Kids can say the verse to dbKids Elementary coordinators every Sunday via Zoom every week (30 min block window) in order to get the pins for their hats. See dbKids website for times and for more information.

Practice the verse at home or life group by using a whiteboard and wiping away words and repeating the scripture until all the words are erased. (Tip: Make hand motions for younger kids)

Our SuperVerse for **Ruth** is **Ruth 1:16 (NLT)**

But Ruth replied, "Don't ask me to leave you and turn back. Wherever you go, I will go; wherever you live, I will live. Your people will be my people, and your God will be my God."

Our August verse for **August** is **Exodus 20:3-4a (ESV)**

"You shall have no other gods before me. "You shall not make for yourself a carved image, or any likeness of anything that is in heaven above, or that is in the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth.

## Prayer & Send Off

Ask for several praises & prayer requests. Explain that a *praise* is something we are thankful God has done and want to give him glory for, and a *prayer request* is asking God to help with a problem.

**Dear God, thank You for being faithful and kind to us. Help us to show faithfulness and kindness to others . Also dear God we want to pray for... and praise you for... In Jesus' name, Amen.**

## OTHER ACTIVITIES

- Ruth Extra Game
- Ruth Bumble Jumble & Answers
- Ruth Maze Activity
- Ruth Superverse Slips

## EXTRA GAME - GLEANING

### Prep:

- 100 disposable drinking straws, coffee stirrers, pick-up sticks, craft sticks, or cotton swabs
- Two baskets or containers
- Four smaller containers (shoe box lids, pie pans, or plastic plates for children to carry as they glean)
- Chalkboard and chalk, or whiteboard and marker, to keep score

Ruth was faithful and kind to Naomi. She offered to find a field where she could glean grain. Do you remember Gizmo's definition of a gleaner? [A gleaner is a person who collects left over crops that the harvesters leave behind in a farmer's field.](#)

In this game, you will glean the harvest like Ruth. I am the foreman or the owner of this field. That means I'm your boss! So listen carefully to my instructions, because this owner is not as kind and generous as Boaz. You will work with a partner to glean the number of grain stalks I announce on your turn—no more! Now, let's get to work!

### How to Play:

- Place the two baskets at one end of the room.
- Divide children into two teams; the Gleaners and the Collectors.
- Children stand as teams at the other end of the room.
- One helper can scatter the straws or other items on the floor.
- Tell the children that the straws represent the grain in the field.
- Two players from each team play at one time. For smaller classes, have one player from each team play at a time.
- Before each round, choose a number between 10 and 50 and tell the two teams the number.
- You may choose even numbers and suggest that each pair divides the number to glean faster. For instance, for 28 stalks, each player in a pair will gather 14 stalks.
- Shout, "1-2-3 Glean!"
- Each team collects the exact number of straws needed.
- The first team to put the correct number of straws in their basket scores a point.
- If a team places too many straws in the basket, the other team wins that round.
- Have children who just played take the straws from the baskets and scatter them on the floor again.
- Continue play until all children have played at least one time.

The team with the most points wins.

Conclusion: That looked fun; you are fast gleaners. Remember gleaning is what Ruth did when she was trying to provide food for Naomi and hehr self. She was faithful and kind to Naomi in trying to take care of her.



# GIZMO'S

## BUMBLE JUMBLE

Help "Bee Gizmo" unscramble these words.

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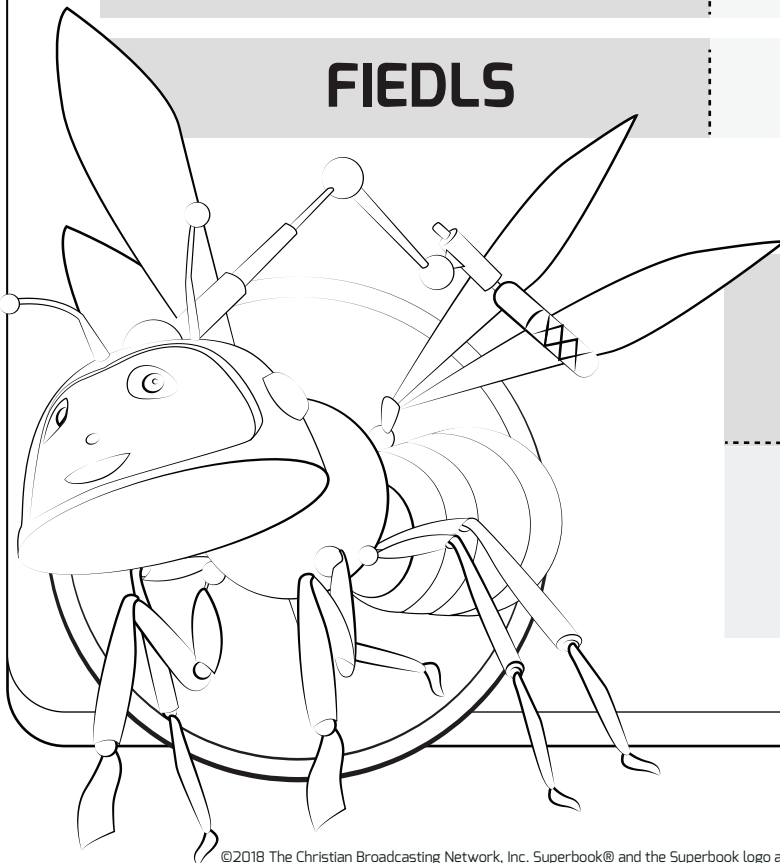
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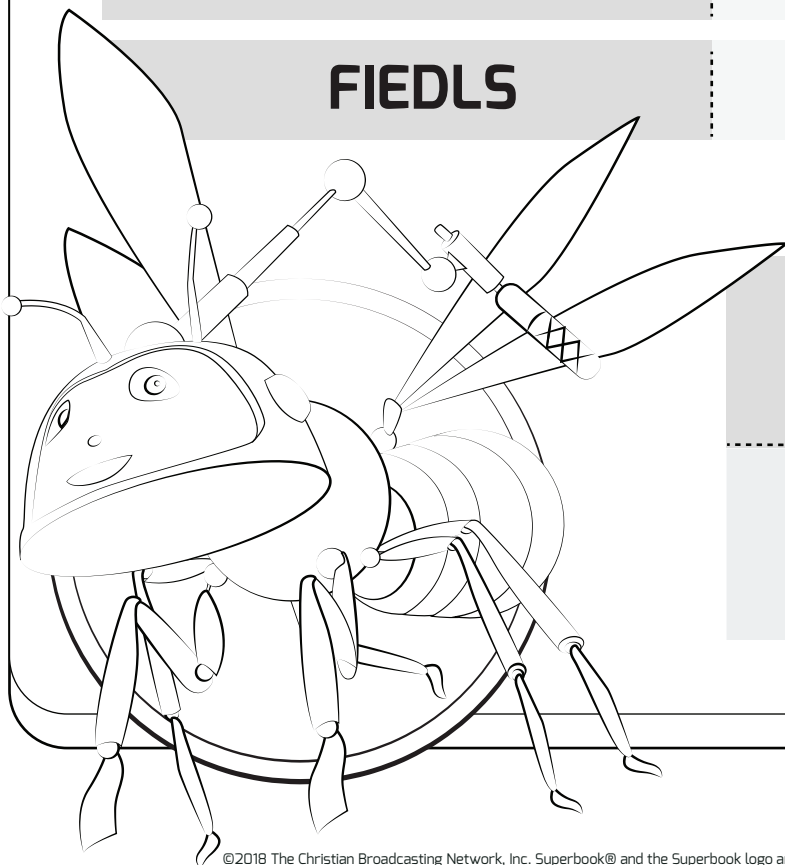
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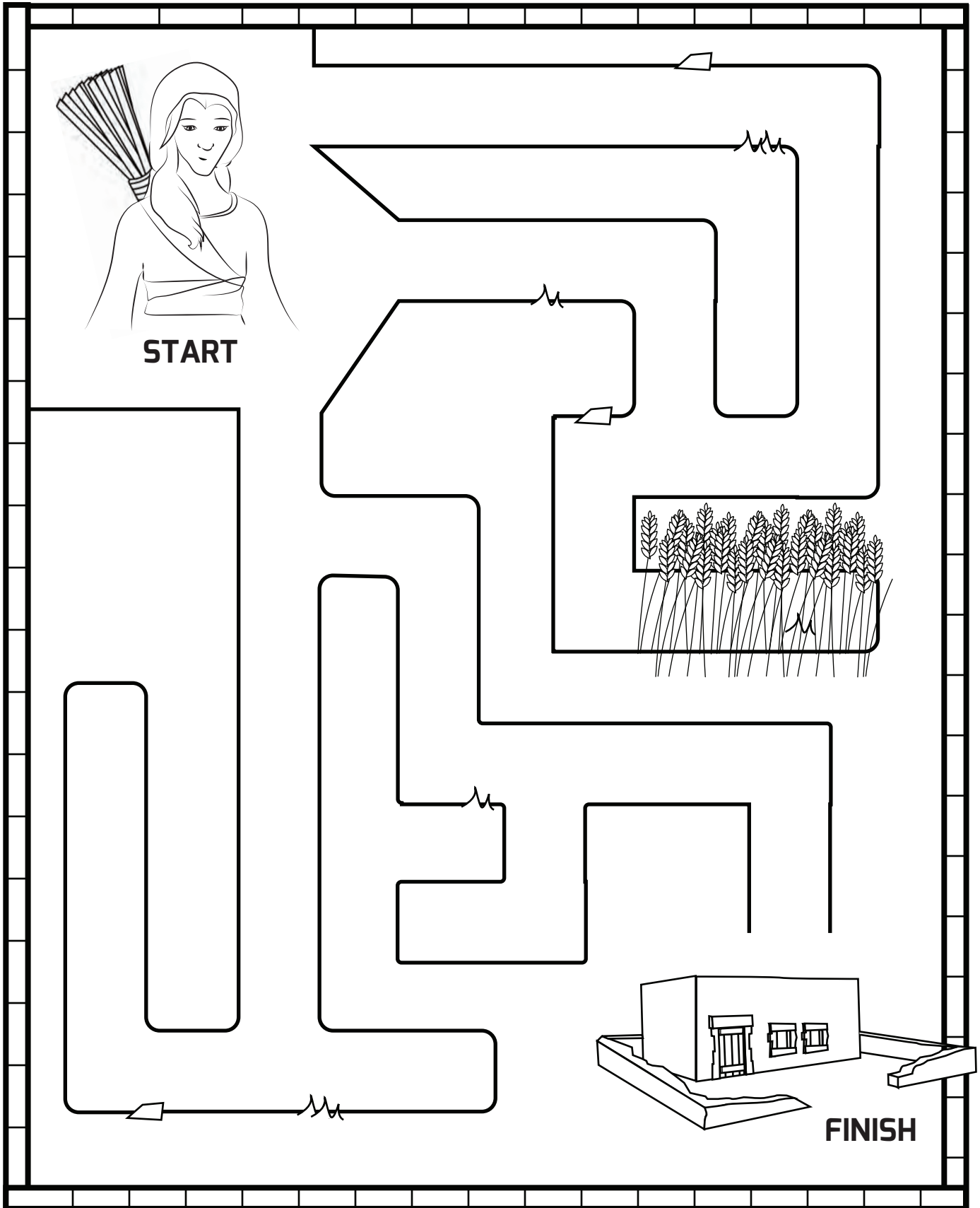
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**BONUS BUMBLE**

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# Help Ruth travel find her way back home.



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But Ruth replied, “Don’t ask  
me to leave you and turn back.

2  
Wherever you go, I will go;  
wherever you live, I will live.

3  
Your people will be my people,  
and your God will be my God.”