

Activities:



Who are the people in your family? What are some things they do for you? (feed you, buy you clothes, take you places, give you a home to live in) Are these things important? Why? What are some things you do at home? Are there ways you can help the people in your family? What can you do to make their jobs easier? It is important to show kindness to other people, just as they show kindness to us.

Spread spaghetti on the table. Ask children to pick up all the whole pieces (if you break it, don't take it). See who collected the most. There are still small bits left over. In God's law, after the harvest workers had grabbed big handfuls of crops, whatever was left over on the ground was for poor people to pick up. This was how God made sure that no one would go hungry. Imagine doing this all day just to make enough bread to not go hungry. When Ruth picked up leftover grain, she had a lot of work to do just to make bread for her and Naomi.

Spread out magnets & magnetic objects. Have children play with them. Ask them to share what they already know about magnets. Ruth stuck by Naomi like a magnet. She was loyal and kind to her. What are some ways we can stick by our friends when they are going through hard times?

UPPER

ELEMENTARY

NAME: _____

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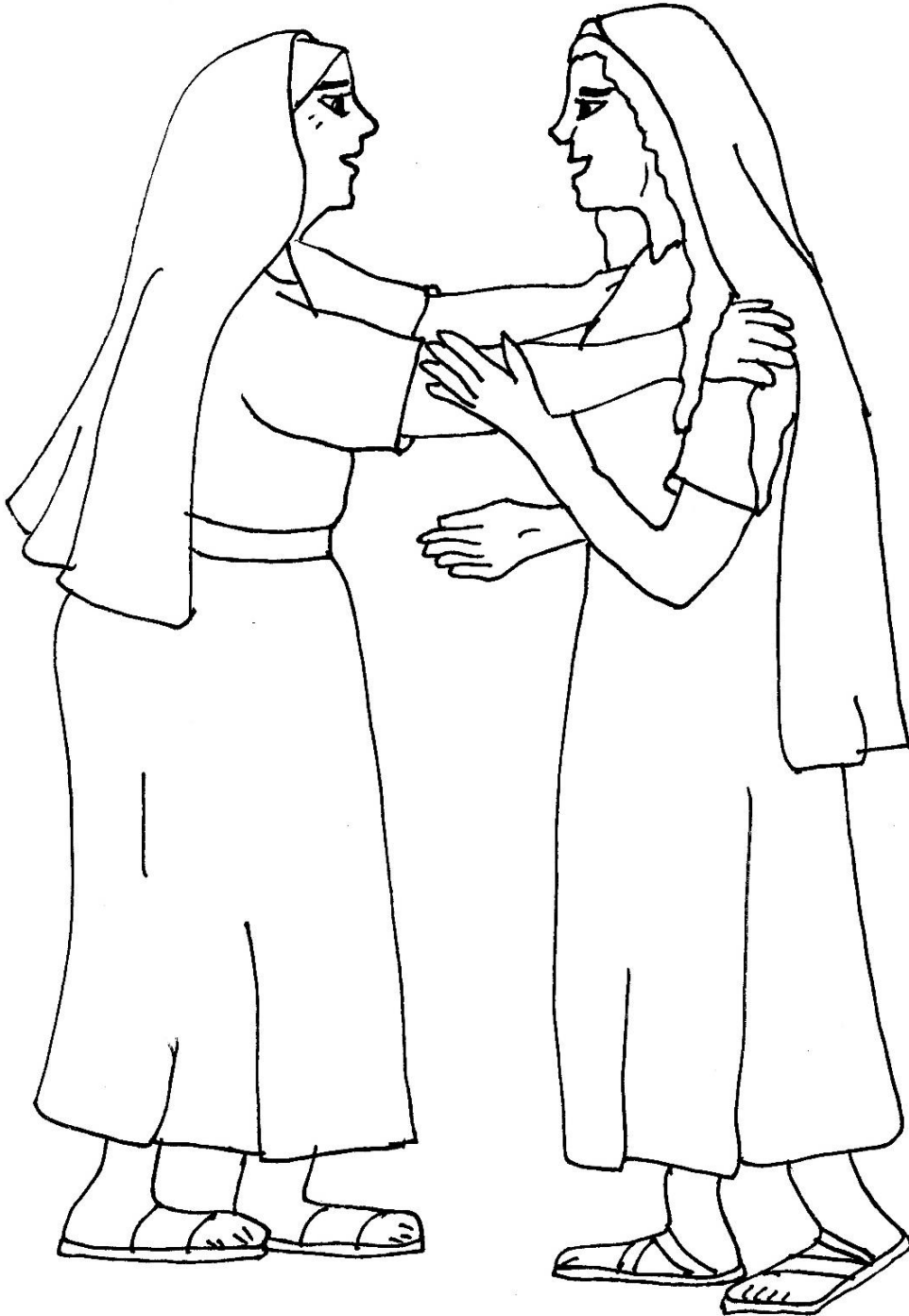
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Lower Elementary

Ruth

Name: _____



Ruth answered, “Please don’t tell me to leave you and return home! I will go where you go, I will live where you live; your people will be my people, your God will be my God. ~ Ruth 1:16

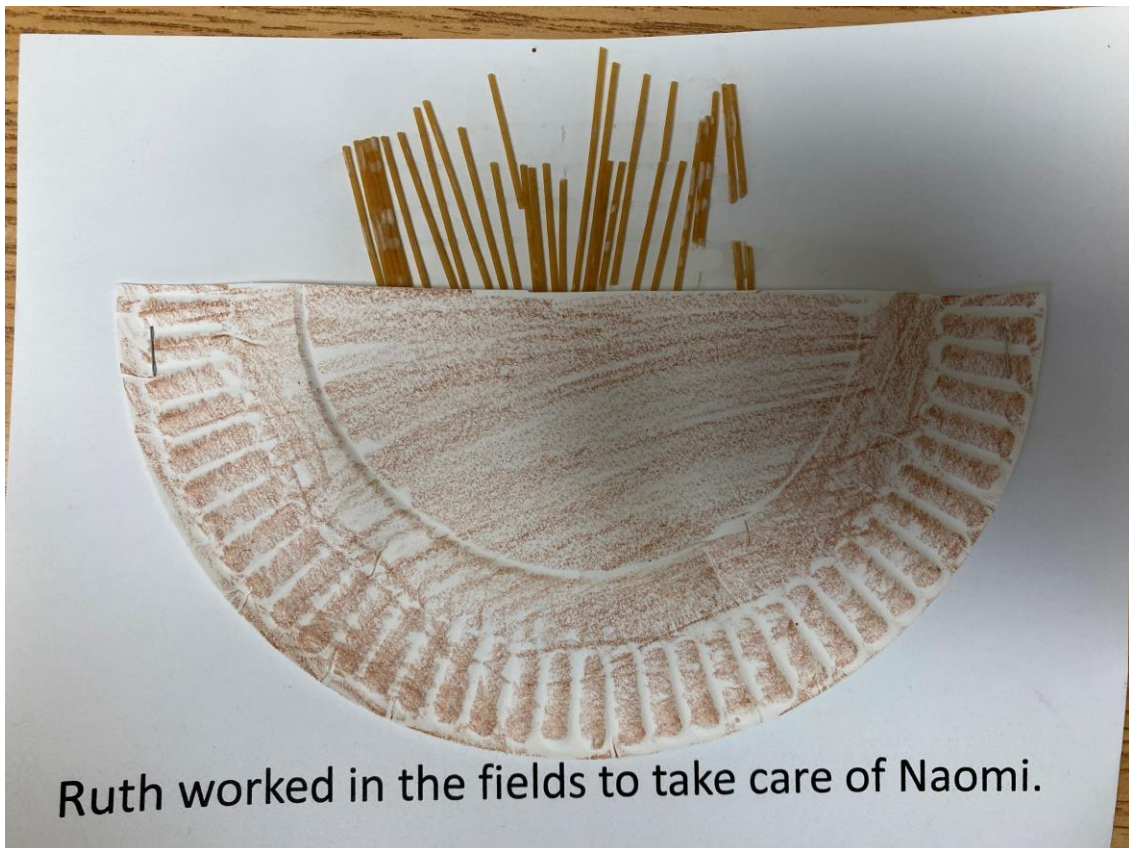
Materials: paper plates, cardstock, dry pasta

Teacher cuts 1/3 of paper plate off

Children color paper plates to look like baskets

Children glue paper plates to cardstock

Children glue pasta "grain" to top of plate



Ruth worked in the fields to take care of Naomi.

Preschool

Coloring Page:

Talk about ways to show kindness to others (helping pick up toys, collecting things for people who need them, visiting older people who can't go out). Encourage children to draw a picture of themselves showing kindness to someone.

Modeling Dough:

Help children make wheat by rolling one long string, with smaller ones on the sides.

Game:

Spread toy food on the floor. Have children pretend to be Ruth, collecting food for Naomi.

Have children name things they can do to show kindness to others. (helping pick up toys, giving away food to someone who's hungry, saying something nice) Let them act each thing out as it is mentioned, in pairs, saying, "God loves you and so do I!" as they do it.

Ruth

Name: _____

I can show kindness to others.