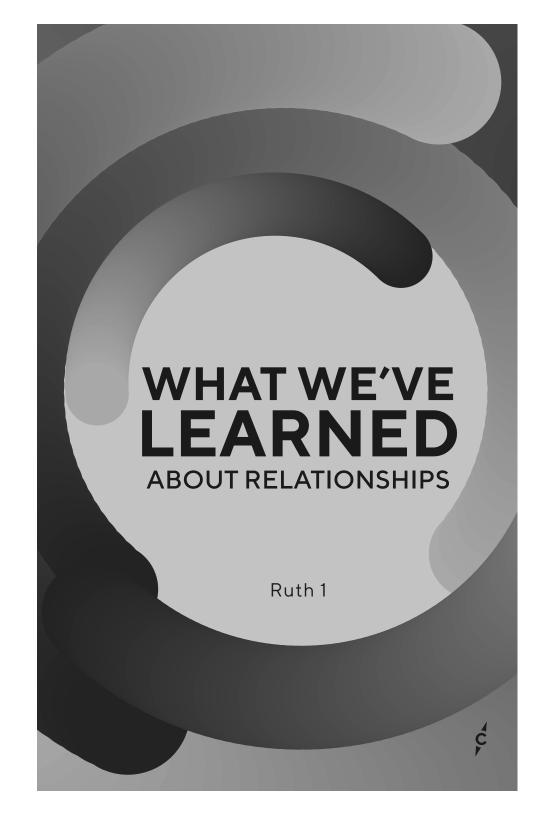
NOTES & QUOTES



CONNECT (BUILD RELATIONSHIPS)

- 1. During the Covid pandemic which relationships did you find were the easiest to maintain and which were the most challenging to foster?
- 2. During the times of isolation did you learn any new things about human relationships that surprised you?
- 3. What aspects of connection did you miss the most?

THRIVE (EXPLORE BIBLICAL TRUTH)

- 4. Read Ruth Chapter 1. What are some of the relational hurdles Naomi was facing?
- 5. What traits do you see evident in Ruth that are important in establishing deep connections or friendships?
- 6. What do you feel God might have been doing in Naomi's life in this story.

- 7. Read Proverbs 15:23, 18:24 and 27:6. Discuss any relation between these verses and Ruth and Naomi's journey.
- 8. Read Ephesians 4:15-16. What lessons are found here that could help to foster healthy relationships?

COMMIT (BEON MISSION)

- 9. What are some barriers to nurturing authentic relational connections in the days we live?
- 10. It's been said that 4 marks of deep friendship are constancy, carefulness, candor and counsel. Do you agree? Why or why not?
- 11. How might God be speaking to you about discovering and developing real friends in this season of your life? What might that look like?

PAUSE, PONDER & PRAY

But Ruth replied, "Don't urge me to leave you or to turn back from you. Where you go I will go, and where you stay I will stay. Your people will be my people and your God my God. Where you die I will die, and there I will be buried. May the LORD deal with me, be it ever so severely, if even death separates you and me." RUTH 1:16-17