

# Happy Mother's Day!

**Scripture:** Ruth

**Memory Verse:** Proverbs 23:25 *“Let your father and your mother be glad, and let her who bore you rejoice.”*

**Lesson Focus:** We will take a break from Romans this Mother's Day weekend and pause to celebrate our magnificent Moms! We will watch a Superbook video on the story of Ruth. Ruth is one of the most virtuous characters in all of the Bible and also becomes the ancestral “Mom” of both King David and Jesus!

The story begins with Chris giving his Mom some “**brat**-itude”. Shortly afterwards he and the other characters find themselves in the middle of ancient Israel following Ruth. As Chris observes Ruth's gratitude, patience, and kindness, he becomes convicted of his own bratty attitude towards his Mom and aunt and is sent back home with a much more Christ-like attitude. We hope this little video will inspire our kids also to show appreciation to the special women that pour so much into their lives. **NOTE:** Some kids might not have Mom's in their lives so to be sensitive to them point out that aunts, grandmas, or whoever their “surrogate” Mom may be is also deserving of their appreciation!

**Teachers:** Please inform parents as they are dropping off their kids that they will be watching a Superbook cartoon video. There is absolutely nothing objectionable in the video. But if they have any concerns, they may want to keep their kids with them in the main sanctuary. If you'd like to preview the video, you can do so [here](#).

## **Schedule:**

- 1) Please bring kids into Summit room as usual 10-15 minutes after service starts.
- 2) After worship, we will introduce the video with some background information.
- 3) We will then invite the kids to come and watch the video up on stage (about 23 minutes). You can sit with them or grab a couple of chairs to sit behind them.
- 4) We will dismiss the kids back to their rooms for you to follow-up with small group activities.

**Room Time Afterwards:** We will have a special Mother's Day craft for ALL classrooms to do. We will also have a coloring page and a word maze available for kids to work on. See discussion questions below for your reference.

- 1<sup>st</sup>-2<sup>nd</sup> graders: In addition to the craft, feel at liberty to lead a small group discussion afterward (using the discussion Q provided or your own Qs).
- 3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> graders: Please process and digest the video with the kids in the classroom. You can use the discussion Qs below or feel free to come up with your own Qs.

# Discussion Qs

- 1) At the beginning of the story, His Mom made an honest mistake which made Chris really upset. What mistake did she make?
- 2) Chris's Mom apologized for her mistake and then gave Chris a choice. What choice did he have to make?
- 3) Does your Mom ever make mistakes? While it is not always easy, how do you think you *should* respond to her when she does?
- 4) Naomi was Ruth's mother-in-law. How did Ruth show respect and appreciation to Naomi?
- 5) **Read Ruth 2:11-12.** Why do you think Boaz was so impressed with Ruth?
- 6) Ruth and Boaz end up getting married and they have a child whose name is Obed. **Read Ruth 4:22.** Who was Ruth's great-grandson?
- 7) How did Chris's attitude change at the end of the story?
- 8) **Read Proverbs 23:25.** Maybe you have had a bad attitude toward your Mom lately. What are some ways that you can serve and honor your Mom or other important women in your life today so that they rejoice?