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The Outsider

Ruth: A Retelling

The Bible story of Ruth is imaginatively brought to life in this biblically faithful chapter book that helps kids 8+ engage with God's word. Readers will find themselves immersed in the hearts and minds of Ruth, Naomi, and Boaz as they experience difficulty, uncertainty, danger, and rescue.

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Makes a wonderful gift for children 8+ years. A discussion guide is also included, making it ideal for book clubs and homeschool co-ops.

Written by Katy Morgan, author of faithful, imaginative bible retellings: *The Promise and the Light* and *The Songs of a Warrior*.

About the Author



Katy Morgan is a Senior Editor at The Good Book Company and the award-winning author of *The Songs of a Warrior* and *The Promise and the Light*. She loves helping children and young people grow in knowledge and love of Jesus, and volunteers in the youth work at her church, King's Church Chessington in Surrey, UK. She holds a master's degree in classical Greek literature from Cambridge University.

Endorsements

“Katy Morgan is a richly gifted storyteller. In *The Outsider*, she brings her gifts to bear on what has been called the most beautiful short narrative ever written as she sensitively, faithfully and imaginatively retells the biblical story of Ruth and Naomi. Drawn into the twists and turns of their emotion-packed world, we marvel at God’s faithful care and by the end discover where their story will eventually lead. While written with young people in mind, I suspect *The Outsider* will be read and enjoyed by those of every age!”

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Carolyn Lacey

Author, *Say the Right Thing* and *Extraordinary Hospitality (for Ordinary People)*

Suggested Interview Questions

1. What about the story of Ruth drew you to write a retelling?
2. Which character did you enjoy writing about most and why?
3. How did you decide how to portray each character, particularly their personalities?
4. Which part of the story did you enjoy writing about most and why?
5. When you were researching the book, what were some things you learned?
6. What impact do you hope reading about Ruth will have on young readers? What lessons does it have for us today?
7. How can we encourage our children with Ruth’s story when they feel like outsiders?
8. Why was it important to you to include an epilogue that talks about Jesus?
9. Why was it important to you to include a Notes section that helps readers know which parts come from your imagination?
10. Speaking personally, what was your biggest take-away from studying Ruth in depth in order to write this retelling?

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