



## **Study #3: “Providential Blessings”**

### **LG Questions for the Week of January 20, 2008**

#### **Getting Started**

1. “Once we begin to follow Jesus, what happens to us from that point on happens by divine appointment and not by accident.” Do you agree with that statement? Why or why not?

#### **Getting Into the Bible**

2. Read Ruth 2:1-8. Having reached Bethlehem, how did Ruth demonstrate her faith in God, and how did He providentially reward her faith? Has there ever been a time in your life when God has quietly but faithfully worked behind the scenes to answer your prayers and meet your needs? If so, give an example.
3. Read Ruth 2:4-8. Most Bible teachers believe that Boaz, while being a real historical figure, was also intended to be a “type” or foreshadowing of the Messiah, Jesus Christ. What outstanding qualities are mentioned about Boaz, and in what ways do his words and actions remind you of the love and grace of Jesus Christ?
4. Read Ruth 2:5-13. What further information are we given in these verses about Ruth’s outstanding character, and how does her response to Boaz exemplify the way we should respond to Jesus?

#### **Getting Personal and Practical**

5. God usually uses other people to answer our prayers. Like Boaz, can you think of way you could be used by God to be an answer to someone else’s prayer? Explain.
6. As a reminder of God’s providential blessings, continue memorizing your choice of the following two verses—Romans 8:28 or Genesis 50:20.