

Experiencing Kindness

Ruth

Never underestimate the ripple effect of quiet kindness.

1. Kindness to the undeserving (1:1-5; 15-22)

“This book highlights how God's people experience his sovereignty, wisdom, and covenant kindness. These often come disguised in hard circumstances and are mediated through the kindness of others.”

ESV Study Bible

2. Kindness to the vulnerable (2:1-13)

“The divine workings in [Ruth] are hidden and providential; they lie beneath the surface rather than on it.”

Barry Webb

3. Kindness to the kind (3:6-13)

“Kindness is a sincere desire for the happiness of others...the inner disposition, created by the Holy Spirit, that causes us to be sensitive to the needs of others.”

Jerry Bridges

4. Kindness from the kind God (4:13-18)

“But if kindness is [Ruth’s] theme, it is a kindness of a radical and controversial sort; a kindness that makes ripples.”

Barry Webb

Recommended Reading:

Esther & Ruth by Iain M. Duguid