



Faithfulness that makes history

AT A GLANCE



Bible

Ruth 4:13–17 and Matthew 1:5



Topic

God writes history with quiet faithfulness



Takeaway

Small faithful decisions have a big impact



10–15 minutes



Object: a ball of wool



Preparation: 10 min



indoors or by the fire



Make it personal: In two sentences, share something you have experienced yourself on the topic "God writes history with quiet faithfulness". Real stories stick best.



How the devotion works

2 min

Opening

Unroll a piece of the ball of wool. Ask: When did you make a small decision that later had big consequences?

3 min

Bible text

Read Ruth 4:13–17. Ruth and Boaz marry, and their son is called Obed. Obed becomes the grandfather of King David. And in the family tree of Jesus in Matthew 1:5 it says explicitly: Ruth, the foreigner from Moab.

5 min

Thought

Ruth knew nothing of this when she said: "Where you go, I will go." She was simply faithful – to an old, bitter woman, with no prospect of reward. God made this quiet faithfulness into a thread that reaches all the way to David and to Jesus. Faithfulness in small things is never small in God's kingdom.

5 min

Conversation

Where are you being asked to stay faithful in small things right now – even if nobody sees it?



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Prayer to read aloud

God, you are faithful even when I am not. Help me to be faithful in small things – in friendships, in tasks, in faith. Thank you that you can make something great out of small steps. Amen.



To think further

- What makes faithfulness hard in a time when you can constantly decide again?
- Who has been faithful in your life without anyone really noticing?



For leaders

- Leave room for doubts and critical questions – an honest conversation matters more than a quick answer.
- As a leader, feel free to share a personal experience.
- With heavy topics, keep an eye on who is struggling and be available afterwards.



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