

IV. **MESSIAH**

The world gets a **Redeemer**.

*“5 Salmon begot Boaz by Rahab, Boaz begot Obed by Ruth,
Obed begot Jesse,*

6 and Jesse begot David the king.

*David the king begot Solomon by her who had been the wife
of Uriah.*

*7 Solomon begot Rehoboam, Rehoboam begot Abijah, and
Abijah begot Asa.*

*8 Asa begot Jehoshaphat, Jehoshaphat begot Joram, and
Joram begot Uzziah.*

*9 Uzziah begot Jotham, Jotham begot Ahaz, and Ahaz begot
Hezekiah.*

*10 Hezekiah begot Manasseh, Manasseh begot Amon, and
Amon begot Josiah.*

*11 Josiah begot Jeconiah and his brothers about the time
they were carried away to Babylon.*

*12 And after they were brought to Babylon, Jeconiah begot
Shealtiel, and Shealtiel begot Zerubbabel.*

*13 Zerubbabel begot Abiud, Abiud begot Eliakim, and
Eliakim begot Azor.*

*14 Azor begot Zadok, Zadok begot Achim, and Achim begot
Eliud.*

*15 Eliud begot Eleazar, Eleazar begot Matthan, and
Matthan begot Jacob.*

*16 And Jacob begot Joseph the husband of Mary, of whom
was born Jesus who is called Christ.”* Matthew 1:5-16

*“1 Praise the LORD! Blessed is the man who fears the LORD,
Who delights greatly in His commandments.*

*2 His descendants will be mighty on earth; The generation
of the upright will be blessed.”* Psalm 112:1-2

CONCLUSION: What did God say to you through this message?
What specific next steps will you take to bring your life into
obedience with this Word?

RUTH

Loss, Love And Legacy

Sweet Redemption!

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INTRODUCTION

A. There are only two books of the Bible named after women, Esther and Ruth. Ruth is a short, four chapter narrative that wraps together the human experience of loss, love and legacy with the divine hope and sovereignty of a redeeming God.

It takes place during the book of Judges when Israel was in a dark place far from God (Judges 17:6; 21:25). Ruth provides a sparkle of light when the provision of the kinsman-redeemer is introduced (Christ is our Kinsman-Redeemer).

Ruth has been called “the Cinderella of the Bible” because it is the story of a Moabite woman who forsakes her pagan heritage in order to cling to the God and people of Israel. God rewards her by giving her a new husband (Boaz), a son (Obed), and an honored position in the lineage of David (she is his great-grandmother) and most of all Christ.

B. In this series, you will discover...

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C. TEXT: Ruth 4:1-22 (Pew Bible/Pg. 262/Old Testament)

SWEET REDEMPTION!

There are four aspects of redemption and legacy in Ruth 4.

This chapter drives home the point of Romans 8:28 which says, “And we know that all things work together for good to those who love God, to those who are called according to His purpose.”

I. **MARRIAGE** (4:1-13a)

Ruth gets a **husband**.

A. Boaz became the kinsman redeemer for Naomi and Ruth.

In the Old Testament the kinsman redeemers were relatives who protected, the needy members of their extended family by doing these things:

- Purchase back sold **property** (Leviticus 25:25).
- Pay for one to be released from **slavery** (Leviticus 25:47-49).
- Preserve the lineage of a deceased male by marrying his widow and providing an **heir** (Deuteronomy 25:5-6).

B. Boaz was an Old Testament type of Christ, our Kinsman Redeemer.

- The Kinsman Redeemer must be a **relative** (vs 1-4).

“And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we beheld His glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father, full of grace and truth.” John 1:14

- The Kinsman Redeemer must be **able** (vs 5-6).

“18 knowing that you were not redeemed with corruptible things, like silver or gold, from your aimless conduct received by tradition from your fathers,

19 but with the precious blood of Christ, as of a lamb without blemish and without spot.”

I Peter 1:18-19

- The Kinsman Redeemer must be **willing** (vs 7-13a).

“just as the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give His life a ransom for many.” Matthew 20:28

II. **MOTHERHOOD** (4:13-16)

Naomi gets a son.

A. The **conceiving** of the child (4:13b).

“For You formed my inward parts; You covered me in my mother’s womb.” Psalm 139:13

B. The **blessing** of the child (4:14-15).

“Behold, children are a heritage from the LORD, The fruit of the womb is a reward.” Psalm 127:3

C. The **nursing** of the child (4:16).

“Children’s children are the crown of old men, And the glory of children is their father.” Proverbs 17:6

D. The **naming** of the child (4:17-18).

“A good name is to be chosen rather than great riches, Loving favor rather than silver and gold.” Proverbs 22:1

III. **MONARCH** (4:17-22)

Israel gets a **King**.

“13 And Samuel said to Saul, “You have done foolishly. You have not kept the commandment of the LORD your God, which He commanded you. For now the LORD would have established your kingdom over Israel forever.

14 But now your kingdom shall not continue. The LORD has sought for Himself a man after His own heart, and the LORD has commanded him to be commander over His people, because you have not kept what the LORD commanded you.”

I Samuel 13:13-14

“And when He had removed him, He raised up for them David as king, to whom also He gave testimony and said, ‘I have found David the son of Jesse, a man after My own heart, who will do all My will.’” Acts 13:22