



RUTH RECAP

Recap:

- Historical Narrative
 - Ruth 1:21 I went away full, and the Lord has brought me back empty
- Kinsman (Guardian) Redeemer
 - Formal role in the extended family
 - Responsible for rescuing a family member in crisis.
- Theologically
 - Love- Hebrew “Hesed”
 - Old Testament version of Agape
- Special Providence
 - God’s active and ongoing sustaining, governing, and purposeful care for the people.



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Two Potential Redeemers:

- Unnamed Kinsman 4 Options
 - Moral responsibility-redeem the field and marry Ruth
 - Take the field agree to marry Ruth and then cancel the marriage arrangement.
 - Reject the offer completely
 - Accept the land and reject Ruth
- Boaz
 - Willing to marry Ruth and take possession of the land.
 - Takes on the financial burden
 - Redeems Ruth and Naomi



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Ruth becomes a part of a much bigger story

Genealogy:

- Perez — Hezron— Ram—
Ammindadab—Nahshon— Salmon—
Boaz—Obed—Jesse—David
- The genealogy of David extends to Jesus
- Matthew 1 includes Ruth in the genealogy of Jesus.



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Three very different experiences:

- Naomi/Ruth
 - I went away full and the Lord has brought me back empty
 - Hopeless
 - Desperate
- The anonymous kinsman redeemer
 - Has to make a value judgement.
 - There is no benefit to him to redeem Ruth.
 - It will hurt him financially.
- Boaz
 - Sacrificially decides to redeem Ruth.
 - Points to the redemptive future of Jesus.
 - Gives us a picture of God's plan.

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Ways to Serve in the Community

