

Ruth 3 - 4  
Ruth Marries Boaz  
Lesson 2

**Ruth & Boaz at the Threshing Floor - 3:1-18**

*"One day Naomi, Ruth's mother-in-law said to her, "My daughter, should I not try to find a home for you, where you will be well provided for? Is not Boaz, with whose servant girls you have been, a kinsman of ours?" (Ruth 3:1-2a) Naomi was greatly encouraged after Boaz kind treatment of Ruth.*

1. According to *"The Law"*, what did Naomi have in mind? (Deut. 25:5-10)
  
2. What instructions did she give Ruth? (vs. 3:3-4)
  
3. What happened when Ruth obeyed Naomi's instructions? (vs. 3:7-8)
  
4. What did Ruth ask Boaz to do? (vs. 3:9 & Ezekiel 16:8)
  
5. What was his response? (vs. 3:10-11)
  
6. He said there could be a difficulty with her request. What was the problem and what was Boaz's solution? (vs. 3:12-13)
  
7. She was told to stay the night (for her safety) then to leave early in the morning before anyone was aware of her presence. Before she left, what did Boaz do? Comment (vs. 3:15)

8. Naomi was waiting for Ruth when she came home and anxious to know how it went. After recounting the evening, Ruth presented Naomi with six measures of barley. What counsel did she give to Ruth? (vs. 3:18)

### **Boaz Marries Ruth - 4:1-22**

9. While Ruth was at home waiting, what was Boaz doing? (vs. 4:1-2)
10. When “court” convened, Boaz presented his case. What part of the “kinsman-redeemer” duty did he bring up first? (vs. 4:3-4)
11. What was the answer of the unnamed kinsman to Boaz's question? (vs. 4:4e)
12. Boaz then added an additional part. What did he say and on what did he put the emphasis? (vs. 4: 5)
13. How did the unnamed kinsman respond and what was his stated reason? (vs. 4:6) Comment.
14. How was the land transaction and marriage of Ruth completed? (vs. 4:9-10)
15. What did the elders, who served as the witnesses, say? (vs. 4:11-12) Comment.

16. Think about the choice that Boaz and the unnamed kinsman made in Ruth 4:2-10. What do you learn about each man's priority?
- The unnamed kinsman:
  
  - Boaz:
17. What was Boaz's reward for risking his own name and inheritance? (vs. 4:18-22 & Matt. 1:5-16)
18. How did Ruth & Boaz's marriage affect Naomi? (vs. 1:5, 21 & 4:13-17)
19. To whom was given praise and thanks? (vs. 4:14)

### **Conclusion**

The story of Ruth shows how God's plan of salvation moved forward through history. God works with and through individuals whose hearts are turned toward him. From the story of Ruth, what was:

- God's part?
  
  - The individual's part? (Naomi, Ruth, Boaz, you and me)
20. Read "The Law" as given by God to Moses (Deuteronomy 23:3) and the Promise given by the prophet Isaiah (Isaiah 56:1-8). Why do you think it was significant that David and Jesus were descended from a Moabitess?