

Finding Hope In A Disappointing World

Lesson Seven • Ruth 2:18-23

What The Whole World Needs

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Is a KINSMEN-REDEEMER to rescue us from our sin!

For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, and are justified freely by His grace through the redemption that came by Christ Jesus. Romans 3:23-24 NIV

In Him we have redemption through His blood, the forgiveness of sins, according to the riches of His grace. Ephesians 1:7 NKJV

What the Whole World Needs, God Provides:

1. BOAZ Is Ruth's Kinsmen-Redeemer!

What Ruth Still Needed...

Was a HUSBAND to rescue her from widowhood.

...and she dwelt with her mother-in-law. Ruth 2:23

The Role of the Kinsmen-Redeemer:

The Hebrew word for kinsmen-redeemer is "GOEL", which means to "buy back" or "redeem". This role was fulfilled by a near relative for the purpose of protecting the family property and name.

The Two Situations in Which Boaz Acted as Ruth's Kinsmen-Redeemer:

- Redemption of PROPERTY: a kinsmen-redeemer might reclaim a field that had been sold in time of financial distress. *Leviticus 25:25-28*

- Redemption of NAME: a kinsmen-redeemer might marry a relative's widow to care for her and have a child. *Deuteronomy 25:5-10*

2. JESUS Is Our Kinsmen-Redeemer!

Why Jesus Fulfills the Role of Our Kinsmen-Redeemer:

- Jesus is my nearest KIN through His incarnation. *John 1:14*

- Only Jesus has the MEANS to redeem me. *2Corinthians 8:9*

- Only Jesus is WILLING to redeem me. *Mark 10:45*

- Only Jesus has PAID the full price to redeem me. *1Peter 1:18-19*

The Missional Purpose of the Kinsmen-Redeemer:

In the Old Testament the PROMISE LAND was the stage for God's people to proclaim the fame of God's name to all peoples around the world.

Today the CHURCH is the stage for God's people to proclaim the fame of God's name to all peoples around the world.

And this gospel of the kingdom will be proclaimed throughout the whole world as a testimony to all nations, and then the end will come. Matthew 24:14 ESV

Give thanks to the LORD, call upon His name, make known His deeds among the peoples, proclaim that His name is exalted. Isaiah 12:4 ESV

God be merciful to us and bless us, and cause His face to shine upon us. That Your way may be known on earth, Your salvation among the nations. Let the peoples praise You, O God; let all the peoples praise You. Oh, let the nations be glad and sing for joy! Psalm 67:1-4 NKJV

Three Ways to Proclaim the Fame of God's Name through Our Church:

- 1) ATTEND the World Outreach Celebration on October 19-23.
- 2) SERVE during the World Outreach Celebration and at the Trunk or Treat community outreach on October 31.
- 3) GIVE to send missionaries to all peoples around the world (Faith Promise Giving).