



Ruth: from Grief to Grace #5: "A King is Coming"

June 22 & 23, 2024

Ruth Chapter 4

Opener:

The Book of Ruth demonstrates the amazing truth that in the dark days of the judges, the chosen lineage of Abraham was preserved, not by heroic exploits by deliverers or kings, but by the grace of God. What is the significance of the Book of Ruth ending with the name of David?

Go Deeper:

1. Compare Ruth 1:19-21 to Ruth 4:13-16. What is the difference in the interactions the women have with Naomi?
 2. Who is the true hero of this story? Boaz, Ruth, Naomi, Obed, or someone else?
 3. The heart is part of what builds legacies. What is the significance about what the Bible say about our hearts in the following verses: Deuteronomy 8:2; Proverbs 4:23 and 1 Samuel 16:7?
 4. Read Hebrews 10:22 and answer this question: Because of Jesus, how does God allow us to draw near to Him?
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Live It:

1. Read Matthew 1:1-6 and compare it with Ruth 4:18-22. The author of Ruth begins with the family line of Perez but does not mention his brother was Zerah who is mentioned in Matthew. Besides Zerah, who are the three significant names Matthew gives that Ruth does not?
2. We had nothing to do with the legacy our parents/grandparents left us for we had no influence on the people who came before us. What stands out about the legacy your parents/grandparents left you?
3. If asked, what would your family members say about the legacy you are leaving for those who will/have come after you? What if any role would they say Jesus has played in your legacy?
4. The Book of Ruth ends with a genealogy and ties the smaller stories of Ruth, Boaz and Naomi into a much greater story of God's redeeming love. Take a moment to ponder how your own story is part of God's divine narrative and then pray asking, "Lord Jesus, what do you want me to know about the part my life plays in Your divine narrative?"



GOD TIME:

Daily Bible Readings (June 23-29)

Sun:	Job 41:1-8	The Lord Speaks of Leviathan
Mon:	Job 42:1-9	Job's Vindication
Tues:	Job 42:10-17	Job's Fortune Restored
Wed:	Psalm 42:1-11	Hope in God
Thurs:	Psalm 43:1-5	A Prayer for Healing
Fri:	Psalm 46:1-11	Our Refuge and Strength
Sat:	Psalm 47:1-9	Sing Praises to God

*The readings selected come from the Narrative Lectionary calendar.

