

Ruth meets Boaz

Ruth 1:1-19 So they both went until they came to Bethlehem. And when they had come to Bethlehem, ~~all the~~ the **entire** city was stirred because of them, and the women said, "Is this Naomi?"

20 She said to them, "Do not call me Naomi; call me Mara, for the Almighty has dealt very bitterly with me.

21 "I went out full, but the LORD has brought me back empty. Why do you call me Naomi, since the LORD has witnessed against me and the Almighty has afflicted me?"

22 So Naomi returned,

Ephesians 2:8-9 For by grace you have been saved through **(the instrument of)** faith; and that not ~~of~~ **from** yourselves, ~~it is the~~ a gift of God; not ~~as a result~~ **out** of works, so that no one may ~~boast~~ **brag**.

10 For we are His ~~workmanship~~ **masterpiece** created in Christ Jesus for good works, which ~~God prepared~~ **were prepared by God** beforehand so that we ~~would~~ **may** walk in them.

22 (continued) and with her Ruth the Moabitess, her daughter-in-law, who returned from the land of Moab. And they came to Bethlehem at the beginning of barley harvest.

2:1 Now Naomi had a kinsman of her husband, a man of great ~~wealth~~ **character**, of the family of Elimelech, whose name was Boaz.

Leviticus 19:9 "Now when you reap the harvest of your land, you shall not reap to the very corners of your field

Deuteronomy 24:19 When you reap your harvest in your field, you shall not go back over it

Genesis 9:6 Whoever sheds man's blood, by man his blood shall be shed

Romans 13:4 ~~It does not bear the sword for nothing; for it is a minister of God, an avenger who brings wrath on the one who practices evil.~~

It (the government) is a minister of God to you for the good. But if you do what is evil, be afraid; for it does not bear the sword **with no purpose**; for it is a minister of God, **a one who makes things right, who brings justice on the one who does evil.**

Daniel 4:17 The Most High is ruler over the realm of mankind, and bestows it on whom He wishes and sets over it the lowest of men

- 2 And Ruth the Moabite said to Naomi, "Please let me go to the field and glean among the ears of grain after one in whose sight I may find favor." And she said to her, "Go, my daughter."
- 3 So she departed and went and gleaned in the field after the reapers; and she happened to come to the portion of the field belonging to Boaz, who was of the family of Elimelech.
- 4 Now behold, Boaz came from Bethlehem and said to the reapers, "May the LORD be with you." And they said to him, "May the LORD bless you."

Proverbs 3:6 In all your ways acknowledge Him, and He will make your paths straight.

Acknowledge Him in all your paths, and He will make your paths clearly discernable.

- 5 Then Boaz said to his servant who was in charge of the reapers, "Whose young woman is this?"
- 6 The servant in charge of the reapers replied, "She is the young Moabite woman who returned with Naomi from the land of Moab.
- 7 "And she said, "Please let me glean and gather after the reapers among the sheaves.' Thus she came and has remained from the morning until now; she has been sitting in the house for a little while."
- 8 Then Boaz said to Ruth, "Listen carefully, my daughter. Do not go to glean in another field; furthermore, do not go on from this one, but stay here

Acts 17:26-27 He made from one man every nation of mankind to live on all the face of the earth, having determined their appointed times and the boundaries of their habitation, that they would seek God, if perhaps they ~~might~~ **would** reach for Him and find Him, though He is not far from each one of us

Proverbs 4:25 Let your eyes look directly ahead; let your gaze be fixed straight in front of you.