# "Historical Books Of The Bible" Ruth 3:1-18 Wednesday October 2, 2013

Ruth 3:1-13

Romans 9:33

The Book Of Ruth Is Teaching Us "How we can put our lives back together."

- 1. Verses 1-5 Preparation
- 2. Verses 6-9 Submission
- 3. Verses 10-14 Listening
- 4. Verses 15-18 Resting

#### 1. Verses 1-5 - Preparation:

Ruth 3:1

"My daughter, shall I not seek security for you, that it may be well with you?" – Ruth 1:8-16

"security" – "resting place, condition of rest"; Literally "to be settled in life."

Ruth 3:2

"kinsman" – Hebrew "Goel"; That was the "Kinsman Redeemer"; Was the closest relative that could redeem another relative that:

- 1. Was so poor that they had to sell their property that was their inheritance. The kinsman could buy it back for them.
- 2. If they were so poor that they were sold into slavery, kinsman could redeem them out of slavery.
- 3. If their husband died leaving them no children, then they could marry the widow, raising up offspring for their name, keeping their name and inheritance.

The Law said, "a relative"; Jesus became a man, so He could be our kinsman Redeemer! Phil. 2:7-8

#### The Guidelines for the Kinsman Redeemer:

- 1. Kinsman Redeemer Must Be The Closest Relative: From the first woman. Genesis 3:15
- 2. Kinsman Redeemer Must Be Willing: "Jesus said," Matt. 11:28
- 3. Kinsman Redeemer Must Have The Means: Matt. 28:18

"threshing floor" – It was on the top of a hill.

Judg. 6:11

The Winepresses were always at the bottom of the hill so they would not have to lug the grapes up the hill.

Ruth 3:3

## There are 5 things that Ruth is told to do:

**1. Wash Yourself** – "Wash yourself therefore, She was to wash as a bride does. Before the marriage the future wife would be washed.

Ezek. 16:9-12

Our relationship with Jesus Christ begins with being washed of our filthiness; Being born again.

2 Cor. 7:1

Is. 1:16

2. Anoint Yourself – "and anoint yourself" – This is symbolizing the power and work of the Holy Spirit. The oils that they would wear had fragrance that was very pleasant. When we allow the Spirit of God to live through us, it is a fragrance to God.

1 John 2:20

1 John 2:27

2 Corinthians 2:15-16

3. Put On Your Best Clothes – "put on your best clothes" – "Grace Clothes," Worship, a Message of Salvation! And we get rid of "Grave Clothes."

Is. 61:10

Ephesians 4:22-24

4. Go To Where Boaz Is - "go down to the threshing floor;"

If you want to find Jesus, there is only one place that He can be found, that's at the cross.

Ruth 3:4

**5. Total Surrender** – "you shall go and uncover his feet and lie down;" – Laying at the feet, it was a sign of submission.

"Feet" – Is used 4x in this chapter in verses 4, 7, 8, 14.

## Are we resting at His feet?

Ruth 3:5

1 Samuel 3:10

#### 2. Verses 6-9 - Submission:

Ruth 3:6

Submission – Is the idea of putting in order, to arrange in rank. It is allowing God to lead through others.

Ruth 3:7-9

"So spread your covering over your maid, for you are a close relative." 1 Kin. 19:19

# 3. Verses 10-14 – Listening:

Ruth 3:10

We also have a choice to pursue our own pursuits, or the Lord's!

Ruth 3:11

"excellence" - "an army, wealth, virtue, valor, strength, substance, worthy."

Ruth 3:12-14

## 4. Verses 15-18 - Resting:

Ruth 3:15

"six measures of barley" – This would feed them for 2 weeks.

Ruth 3:16

"How did it go, my daughter?" – Literally – "Are you still Ruth the Moabite or are you Mrs. Boaz," or "Was I right, are you Mrs. Boaz?"

Ruth 3:17-18

"Wait" – "sit still"; "be still, take your hands off and relax"

## Application:

- 1. Wash Yourself Have We Been Cleansed By Jesus Christ? Are We Daily Coming To Jesus For Cleansing Form Our Sins?
- 2. Anoint Yourself We Need The Power And Work Of The Holy Spirit; To Be A Pleasant Fragrance.
- 3. Put On Your Best Clothes As A Child Of God, We Put Off Our Grave Clothes And Put On Our Grace Clothes. Put Off The Old Man And Put On The New, Which Is In Jesus Christ.
- 4. Go To Where Boaz Is The Great Threshing Floor That Separates The Wheat From The Chaff, Jesus Is Found At The Cross; Which Separates The Children Of God From The Children Of Man.
- 5. Total Surrender Ruth Laid At The Feet Of Boaz. We Must Lay At The Feet Of Jesus Christ.