



**Better Together**

# RUTH

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... Naomi said to her, "Go ahead, my daughter."<sup>3</sup> So she went out, entered a field and began to glean behind the harvesters. As it turned out, she was working in a field belonging to Boaz, who was from the clan of Elimelek.<sup>4</sup> Just then Boaz arrived from Bethlehem and greeted the harvesters, "The Lord be with you!" ...

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...<sup>19</sup> Then Ruth told her mother-in-law about the one at whose place she had been working. "The name of the man I worked with today is Boaz," she said.  
<sup>20</sup> "The Lord bless him!" Naomi said to her daughter-in-law. "He has not stopped showing his kindness to the living and the dead." She added, "That man is our close relative; he is one of our guardian-redeemers."

# RUTH

2:1-4, 19-20;

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... <sup>1</sup> One day Ruth's mother-in-law Naomi said to her, "My daughter, I must find rest for you, where you will be well provided for."

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... <sup>3</sup> Wash, put on perfume, and get dressed in your best clothes. Then go down to the threshing floor, but don't let him know you are there until he has finished eating and drinking. <sup>4</sup> When he lies down, note the place where he is lying. Then go and uncover his feet and lie down. He will tell you what to do." ...

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... <sup>5</sup> "I will do whatever you say," Ruth answered. <sup>6</sup> So she went down to the threshing floor and did everything her mother-in-law told her to do. <sup>7</sup> When Boaz had finished eating and drinking and was in good spirits, he went over to lie down at the far end of the grain pile. Ruth approached quietly, uncovered his feet and lay down. ...

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...<sup>8</sup> In the middle of the night something startled the man; he turned—and there was a woman lying at his feet!

<sup>9</sup> "Who are you?" he asked.

"I am your servant Ruth," she said. "Spread the corner of your garment over me, since you are a guardian-redeemer of our family." ...

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... <sup>10</sup> "The Lord bless you, my daughter," he replied.

"This kindness is greater than that which you showed earlier: You have not run after the younger men, whether rich or poor. <sup>11</sup> And now, my daughter, don't be afraid. I will do for you all you ask. All the people of my town know that you are a woman of noble character. ...

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...<sup>12</sup> Although it is true that I am a guardian-redeemer of our family, there is another who is more closely related than I.<sup>13</sup> Stay here for the night, and in the morning if he wants to do his duty as your guardian-redeemer, good; let him redeem you. But if he is not willing, as surely as the Lord lives I will do it.



How does  
**God shape us**  
to *change history*?



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**Rest + Risk = History Shaping  
Relationships**

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- True friendship is **rarer** than you think
- True friendship is **more expensive** than you know
- True friendship is **more valuable** than you can imagine



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# RUTH 2:20

"That man is our close relative; he is one of our guardian-redeemers."

# RUTH 3:9

"Spread the corner of your garment over me, since you are a kinsman-redeemer."

# RUTH 3:11

"I will do everything you ask."



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