

Bible Study
Ruth 3& 4

1. Why does Naomi tell Ruth to wash and anoint herself before going to the threshing floor? Why does she tell Ruth to conceal herself until Boaz is done eating and drinking?
2. What instructions does Naomi give Ruth when Boaz lies down? What does this action symbolize? Why would Ruth be willing to do this despite the risk involved?
3. How is Boaz's heart when he had eaten and drunk? How does Ruth approach him when he is at the end of the heap of grain?
4. When Ruth requests that she be redeemed, how does Boaz respond? Boaz is much older than Ruth, why didn't she go after a younger man to be her husband? Why is Ruth worthy in the eyes of the townspeople?
5. Why does Boaz give the right to redeem to another man? What promise does Boaz make if this other redeemer will not take her? What time does Ruth leave the threshing floor? Why would Boaz want it hidden that a woman had been on the threshing floor?
6. Where does Boaz meet the potential redeemer? How many elders does Boaz have with him for the transaction? When the man offers to buy the land, what information is he given? What does it mean to "perpetuate the name of the dead in his inheritance"?
7. Why does the man choose not to redeem the land? What is he concerned about? How do they mark the transaction?
8. Why would the witnesses ask that the LORD make Ruth like Rachel and Leah? What did those women do?
9. Ruth and Boaz have a son. How do Naomi's friends react? Why would Naomi become the child's nurse? Why would her friends say that "a son has been born to Naomi"?
10. Who is Obed's grandson? Who does he become?