

Ruth: Life Is A Journey

Ruth 3:1-18 #3 Redemption

- I. **Naomi's Plan: Naomi developed a plan that would allow Ruth to privately present herself to Boaz so that he could redeem her in marriage – Ruth 3:1-5.**
 - A. Rest. With Naomi longing for Ruth to remarry, she reasoned that Boaz, as the kinsman-redeemer, was the one to pursue – Ruth 3:1-2.
 - B. Strategy. Naomi instructed Ruth to end her season of mourning and prepare to humbly present herself to Boaz as a candidate for marriage – Ruth 3:3-4.
 - C. Acceptance. Ruth trusted Naomi and agreed to her plan – Ruth 3:5.

- II. **Ruth's Implementation: When Ruth presented herself to Boaz, according to the plan, he enthusiastically responded with honor and care – Ruth 3:6-15.**
 - A. Fulfilled. Ruth carried out Naomi's plan – Ruth 3:6-7.
 - B. Request. When Boaz awoke and questioned who was at his feet, Ruth identified herself and asked for Boaz to redeem her as a kinsman – Ruth 3:8-9.
 - C. Pledged. Boaz was honored by Ruth's proposal and replied enthusiastically to the possibility of redeeming her if she was available – Ruth 3:10-13.
 - D. Departed. In an attempt to protect Ruth's reputation, Boaz instructed her to leave in the early morning hours and sent her home with a large quantity of barley – Ruth 3:14-15.

- III. **Ruth's Report: After Ruth finished telling Naomi about Boaz's response to her proposal, Naomi encouraged Ruth that they had done what they could and they would now have to wait on Boaz's follow-through – Ruth 3:16-18.**
 - A. Recounting. When Naomi asked about Ruth's evening, Ruth gave her the full report of the night regarding Boaz's pledge and his ongoing provision for the two of them – Ruth 3:16-17.
 - B. Wait. Having completed the plan, Naomi told Ruth that they now had to wait patiently for Boaz to make the next move – Ruth 3:18.

Next Week
Ruth 4:1-22 – #4 Reward