

## FROM BITTER TO BEAUTIFUL The Story of Ruth

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## Jesus is our Kinsman Redeemer.

Even though Naomi and her husband had disobeyed the Lord by going to a pagan land and allowing their sons to intermarry with pagan Moabites (and the result was death), isn't it just like God to bring redemption out of sin? God knew what he was doing. He brought forth his only Son from the lineage of Ruth and Boaz. He gave mankind a Kinsman-Redeemer who:

- Reacquired our place in paradise when we lost it due to sin.
- Redeemed us when we sold ourselves into the slavery of sin.
- Will avenge the murderous ways of the devil when he has him thrown into the lake of fire.



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