



March 24th, 2019 || **Ruth 1-4** || Boaz & Ruth

Seeing God's Big Story, Fitting Our Story Into His Story

ONE BIG STORY Timeline

2000 B.C.	1875 B.C.	1525 B.C.	1445 B.C.	1405 B.C.	1390 B.C.	1105 B.C.
Abraham	Egypt	Moses	Exodus	Canaan/Joshua	Judges(Ruth)	Samuel

Biblical Outline

Ruth 1

- Naomi is widowed and lives in a foreign land away from all her family and people.
- Ruth remains with Naomi, even though she is a Moabite daughter-in-law.
- Naomi and Ruth return to Israel to find food and refuge.

Ruth 2

- Ruth meets Boaz while working in the fields for her mother-in-law.
- Boaz notices her and is kind and gracious to Ruth the foreigner.
- Boaz is a kinsman redeemer for Naomi's husbands family (Elimelech).

Ruth 3

- Naomi and Ruth strategize in order to draw near to Boaz.
- Ruth situates herself near Boaz in order to ask him to be her redeemer.
- Boaz sees her worthiness and agrees to redeem Ruth if no one else will.

Ruth 4

- Boaz redeems Ruth officially in front of the elders.
- God blesses Boaz and Ruth with a son, Obed.
- Obed fathered Jesse and Jesse fathered future King David.

Theological Takeaways

- Boaz redeeming Ruth is a picture of how God is redeeming us.
- God has not forgotten us, even if our circumstances seem to say otherwise.

Application Points

- If God can use Ruth, a Moabite widow, as part of His redemption plan, then he can use anybody. And He will use those who seek refuge under the wing of God like Ruth.
- "God is doing 10,000 things in your life at any time and you might be aware of three of them." - John Piper
- Be an expert at seeing the glimpses of God working in and around your life.

UP NEXT: March 31, 2019 – **1 Samuel** - Samuel