HARVESTING A LIFE OF

Redemption Message 4 Joshua J. Masters June 14, 2020

Outline

He is so rich in kindness and grace that He purchased our freedom with the blood of His Son and forgave our sins. **Ephesians 1:7 (NLT)**

A. Introduction

Kinsman Redeemer (Hebrew: gâ, al) *n* or *v*: To <u>purchase</u> (or buy back), <u>deliver</u>, <u>avenge</u>, and <u>restore</u> as a close <u>family</u> member.

- B. We can harvest a life of hope because our redeemer...
 - 1. Perfected the _____ in compassion. (Ruth 4:1-8. C/R: Romans 8:3a; Galatians 3:13a)

2. Paid a great ______.

(Ruth 4:9-10. C/R: Romans 8:3b; Galatians 3:13b; Eph. 1:7; 1 Timothy 2:6; Titus 2:14; 1 Peter 1:18-19; Revelation 5:9)

 Provides a ______.
(Ruth 4:11-16. C/R: Psalm 40:2; Romans 8:28; 2 Corinthians 9:8; Philippians 1:6; 4:19; 1 Peter 1:3-4)

4. Proclaims a_____. (Ruth 4:17-18. C/R: Genesis 50:20; Job 19:25; Proverbs 16:4; 19:21; Ephesians 1:11-12)

Answers: 1. Law 2. price 3. future 4. purpose

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Discussion Guide

Use this guide by yourself or with friends to study the Bible and pursue a deeper relationship with God. Check out other Bible study tools at biblegateway.com, biblestudytools.com or blueletterbible.org.

Introduction

The Book of Ruth reveals the invisible fingerprints of God throughout history and in our individual lives. As we walk through the story, we discover how God offers hope and direction in a world full of pain and difficulty.

Opening in Prayer

Pause for a few minutes to quiet your heart and mind. Ask God to help you experience His love and hear His voice as you study and reflect on this week's lesson.

Conversation Starter

How did you view God when you were growing up?

Personal Reflection/Group Discussion Read Ruth 4

- 1. When you think of the word *redeemer (or redemption),* what's the first thing that comes to mind?
- 2. How does redemption give you hope, not just for the future, but here in this life today?
- 3. How are God's fingerprints evident in Ruth's life? You may want to read back through the entire story, and list ways you see God at work.
- 4. A family (or kinsman) redeemer is someone who *purchases, delivers, avenges and restores a close family member*. What specific things did Boaz do to fulfill the role of family redeemer?
- 5. Compare Naomi's outlook on life and view of God in <u>Ruth 1:20-21</u> with what's written in <u>4:14-17</u>. Are there ways that God has shown His faithfulness to you and changed your sorrow to joy?

- 6. Share how the book of Ruth isn't only a rescue story for Ruth, but also for:
 - a) Elimelech
 - b) Naomi
 - c) The world
 - d) You
- 7. How are Boaz and Ruth role models for how men and women are supposed to serve God together?
- 8. How does the story of Ruth and Naomi cast a bigger vision for God's calling on your life today the call to join His rescue operation for the world? How can you live more courageously for Him?

Soul Training

God used the actions and decisions of Ruth and Boaz in a way that not only blessed them, but also became a blessing to the world. The birth of Obed restored the family line of David, which ultimately led to the birth of Jesus Christ – who came to this world as the ultimate kinsman-redeemer for all who believe in Him. Spend time each day this week thanking God for His faithfulness throughout history and also for His compassionate lovingkindness toward you.

Memory Verse

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Daily Reading

Day 1: <u>Romans 8:1-4</u>	Day 4: Deuteronomy 32:9-14
Day 2: Psalm 111:1-10	Day 5: <u>Revelation 5:1-14</u>
Day 3: Luke 21:25-28	

Prepare for Next Sunday

Sunday, June 21, we'll begin our summer series titled *Believing God*. To prepare, read <u>Hebrews 11</u>.

