

HOPE IN HARD TIMES**(The Book of Ruth) #5:****“Feasting in the
Fields”*****Ruth 2:1-17*****Note Three
Aspects of the
Feast Unfolding
in the Fields
of Bethlehem...****I. THE FEAST INCLUDED
VARIOUS PERSONS*****v. 14a*****NOTE THE VARIOUS
PERSONS INVOLVED...****A. First, We See the Ones
Reaping****The Reapers Represent
Angels Whose Purpose
It Is to Glorify God By
Demonstrating Obedience
through Works*****Isaiah 6:1-4***

**NOTE THE VARIOUS
PERSONS INVOLVED...**

- A. First, We See the Ones
Reaping**
- B. Then, We See the One
Gleaning**

**The Gleaners Represent
Men and Women Whose
Purpose It Is to Glorify God
By Accepting Grace
through Faith**

Leviticus 23:22
Deuteronomy 24:19-22
Isaiah 6:5-8
Proverbs 30:7-9
Matthew 5:3-10
Mark 10:35-40

**II. THE FEAST INVOLVED
VARIOUS PURPOSES
v. 14b**

**NOTE THE VARIOUS
PURPOSES INVOLVED...**

- A. First, We See Purpose in
the Manner of Esteeming**

Song of Solomon 2:3-4

**NOTE THE VARIOUS
PURPOSES INVOLVED...**

- A. First, We See Purpose in the Manner of Esteeming
- B. Then, We See Purpose in the Menu for Eating

**Then Jesus declared,
“I am the bread of life.
He who comes to me
will never go hungry...”**

John 6:35

**“Taste and see that
the LORD is good.”**

Psalms 34:8

**III. THE FEAST INVOLVED
LOTS OF VARIOUS
PROVISIONS**

v. 14c-16

**NOTE THE VARIOUS
PROVISIONS INVOLVED...**

- A. First, We See Ruth
Being Satisfied

**“She ate all she
wanted and had
some left over.”**

Ruth 2:14c

NOTE THE VARIOUS PROVISIONS INVOLVED...

- A. First, We See Ruth Being Satisfied**
- B. Then, We See Ruth Being Secured**

As she got up to glean, Boaz gave orders to his men, “Even if she gathers among the sheaves, don’t embarrass her. Rather, pull out some stalks for her from the bundles and leave them for her to pick up, and don’t rebuke her.”

Ruth 2:15-16

“Are not all angels ministering spirits sent to serve those who will inherit salvation?”

Hebrews 1:14

NOTE THE VARIOUS PROVISIONS INVOLVED...

- A. First, We See Ruth Being Satisfied**
- B. Then, We See Ruth Being Secured**
- C. Last, We See Ruth Being Supplied**

So Ruth gleaned in the field until evening. Then she threshed the barley she had gathered, and it amounted to about an ephah.

Ruth 2:17

IMPERIAL SYSTEM:

**Bushel =
8 dry gallons
4 dry pecks
32 dry quarts
128 dry pints**

ENGLISH: ephah =
HEBREW: "ay-faw" =

NET: "about 30 pounds"

HCSB: "26 quarts"

NLT: "filled an entire basket"

ISV: "a week's supply"