

# Faith in the Field

## Ruth 2:1-13

### 1. Overview

- a) One day of life in Bethlehem
  - i) Naomi—brief appearance
  - ii) Ruth—exploring her new faith
  - iii) Boaz—new character; kinsman
  - iv) words and customs to define

### 2. Verse 1

- a) Boaz
  - i) kinsman; relative
    - 1) wider meaning
  - ii) man of great wealth
    - 1) Great
      - mighty—Genesis 6; David's men
      - champion—1 Samuel 17:51; Goliath
      - warrior—Joshua 1:14; Moses words about Joshua
      - excellence—Ruth 3:11; Boaz about Ruth

### 3. glean

- a) leftover grain
- b) OT law given to landowner
- c) God's way of taking care of the poor and needy

### 4. Naomi

- a) returned home

- b) kinsman law
- c) faith being tested

5. Ruth

- a) volunteers to glean
- b) happens upon Boaz's field; how did she get there—chance or design

6. Boaz enters

- a) man of faith; integrity
- b) notices Ruth
- c) addresses Ruth
  - i) stay—with my maids—in my fields
  - ii) I will protect you—beyond what was required

7. Ruth reacts; humble; shocked

- a) foreigner

8. Boaz replies

- a) town abuzz with news
- b) more to Boaz concern?

9. Ruth and Boaz; refusal to stand on rights

10. Faith in the Field

- a. Ruth went without knowing
  - i) same for us; Matthew 28:19; Deuteronomy 31:8
  - ii) why Deut. 31:8

-Colossians 1:13-17

11) Augustine—Shelter of God—our good is God—our home His eternity

**Invincible Affection—to powerful to be defeated or overcome;  
unconquerable—the Saviors Love for us!**