

The background features a stylized autumn landscape. It consists of rolling hills in shades of orange and brown. The sky is a warm orange with three large, soft-edged shapes in light pink and purple, suggesting a sunset or sunrise. There are several small, dark brown trees scattered across the hills. On the right side, there is a larger, green plant with thin stems and small leaves. The overall aesthetic is soft and artistic.

Ruth

Kinsman Redeemer

All or none – Trust Him!

Ruth 4



Ruth-Kinsman Redeemer

“We can be certain that God will give us the strength and resources we need to live through any situation in life that he ordains. The will of God will never take us where the grace of God cannot sustain us.”

Billy Graham

Ruth-Kinsman Redeemer

4:1 Now Boaz went up to the gate and sat down there, and behold, the close relative of whom Boaz spoke was passing by, so he said, “Turn aside, friend, sit down here.” And he turned aside and sat down.

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Scene 1

- Morning after threshing floor
- Ruth back to Naomi with grain & story
- Boaz to gates to seek nearest kinsman
- Time to settle the estate of Elimelech

Ruth - Kinsman Redeemer

“A firm faith in the universal providence of God is the solution of all earthly troubles.”

B.B. Warfield

Ruth-Kinsman Redeemer

4:2 He took ten men of the elders of the city and said, “Sit down here.” So they sat down.



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Seated 2

- City officials and witnesses at the gate
- Seated at the gate impaneled a ‘jury’ or ‘notary’
- Why 10? Mishnah today – 10 is synagogue quorum
- Who is at risk? Not Naomi – Ruth is!

Ruth - Kinsman Redeemer

*“Come, then, soul!
have done with fretful care,
and leave all thy concerns
in the hand of a gracious God.”*

C.H. Spurgeon

Ruth-Kinsman Redeemer

3 Then he said to the closest relative, “Naomi, who has come back from the land of Moab, has to sell the piece of land which belonged to our brother Elimelech.

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4 So I thought to inform you, saying, ‘Buy it before those who are sitting here, and before the elders of my people. If you will redeem it, redeem it; but if not, tell me that I may know; for there is no one but you to redeem it, and I am after you.’” And he said, “I will redeem it.”

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Settlement 3-6

- Naomi is back – ready to settle
- ‘our brother’ – brother, cousin, uncle, nephew
- Official application presented – ‘before those’
- ‘I will redeem it’ – Boaz is out!
- By the way...

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5 Then Boaz said, “On the day you buy the field from the hand of Naomi, you must also acquire Ruth the Moabitess, the widow of the deceased, in order to raise up the name of the deceased on his inheritance.”

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6 The closest relative said, “I cannot redeem it for myself, because I would jeopardize my own inheritance. Redeem it for yourself; you may have my right of redemption, for I cannot redeem it.”

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Settlement 3-6

- By the way, you also take Ruth to raise up...
- Moabites – as a servant – fine
- Moabites as a mother with heirs – not so fine!
- I give you ‘my right of redemption’
- Boaz back in!

Ruth-Kinsman Redeemer

*“Can you trust Him for your soul,
and not for your body? He has never
refused to bear your burdens –
He has never fainted under their weight.”*

C.H. Spurgeon

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7 Now this was the custom in former times in Israel concerning the redemption and the exchange of land to confirm any matter: a man removed his sandal and gave it to another; and this was the manner of attestation in Israel.

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8 So the closest relative said to Boaz, “Buy it for yourself.” And he removed his sandal.

A decorative illustration at the bottom of the page shows a stylized landscape. It features a dark brown hillside on the left, with several thin, reddish-brown stems growing upwards. The stems are adorned with small, rounded, reddish-brown leaves. The background is a solid light orange color.

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9 Then Boaz said to the elders and all the people, “You are witnesses today that I have bought from the hand of Naomi all that belonged to Elimelech and all that belonged to Chilion and Mahlon.

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10 Moreover, I have acquired Ruth the Moabitess, the widow of Mahlon, to be my wife in order to raise up the name of the deceased on his inheritance, so that the name of the deceased will not be cut off from his brothers or from the court of his birth place; you are witnesses today.”

Ruth-Kinsman Redeemer

11 All the people who were in the court, and the elders, said, “We are witnesses. May the LORD make the woman who is coming into your home like Rachel and Leah, both of whom built the house of Israel; and may you achieve wealth in Ephrathah and become famous in Bethlehem.

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Sandal 7-11

- Can I get a receipt?
- ‘bought’ is to claim and take fiscal responsibility
- Land – Liberty – Life – Linage = Kinsman
- Naomi & her sons – Ruth the widow of Mahlon
- Witnessed and prayed a blessing – Rachel/Leah

Ruth-Kinsman Redeemer

“What a serene and quiet life might you lead if you would leave providing to the God of providence!”

C.H. Spurgeon

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12 Moreover, may your house be like the house of Perez whom Tamar bore to Judah, through the offspring which the LORD will give you by this young woman.”

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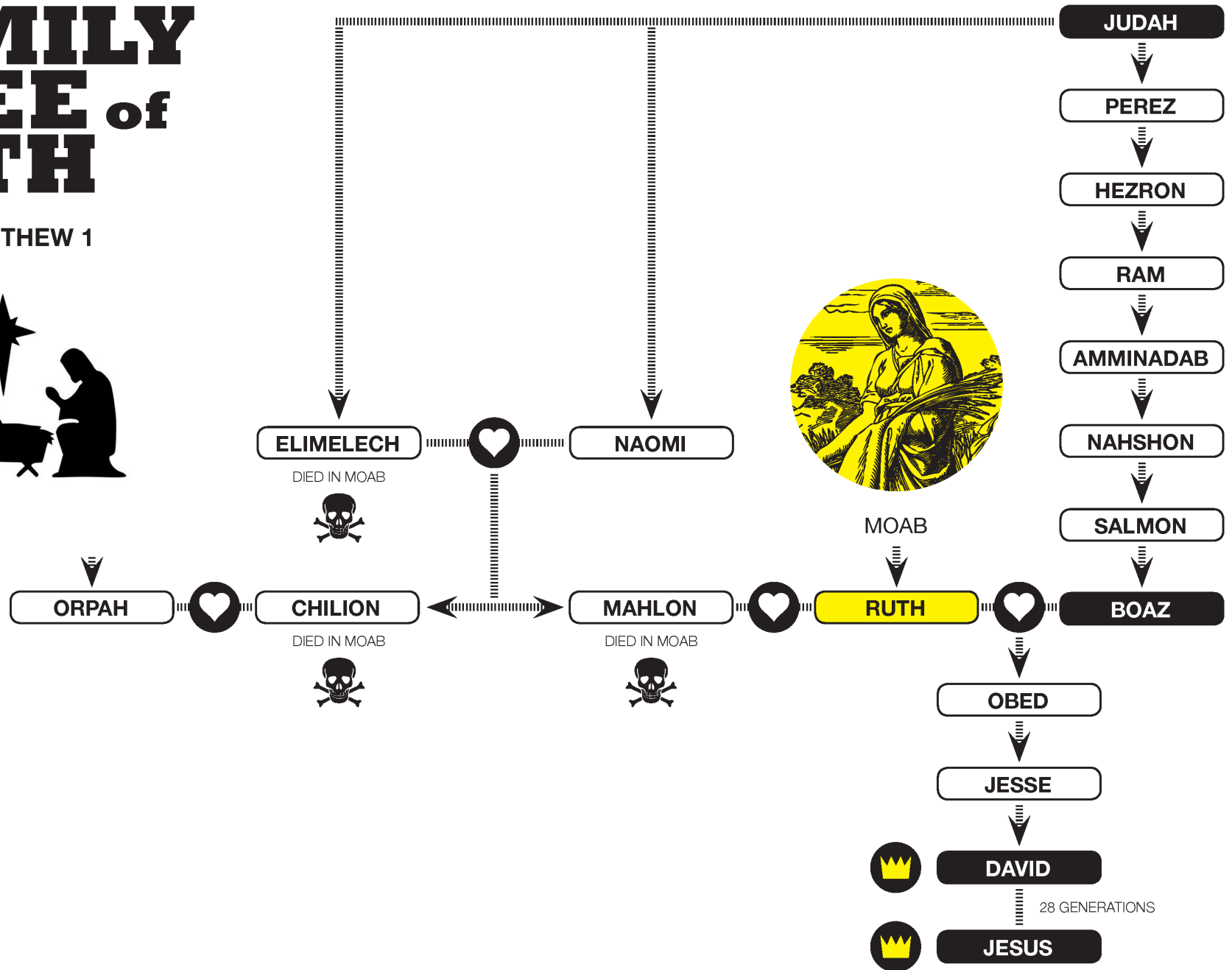
Security 11-12

- Prayer of blessing:
 - Rachel and Leah – 13 children
 - Wealth in Ephrathah – Boaz (Rahab buried there)
 - Famous in Bethlehem – anyone we know?
 - Perez son of Judah – Tamar w/twins

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FAMILY TREE of RUTH

RUTH 4 & MATTHEW 1



*“With a little oil in the cruse,
and a handful of meal in the barrel,
Elijah outlived the famine,
and you will do the same.”*

C.H. Spurgeon

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All or none! We can trust Him!

- Heaven but not here?
- Soul but not supper?
- Life but not living?



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*“If God cares for you,
why need you care too?”*

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Ruth

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1. It was Able before Cain
2. Shem before Japheth
3. Isaac before Ishmael
4. Jacob before Esau
5. Judah and Joseph before Reuben
6. Ephraim before Manasseh
7. Moses before Aaron
8. David before his Brethren

