

RUTH

THREADS OF REDEMPTION



The Cost of Redemption
May 26, 2024 | Ruth 3:1-4:12
Questions for Study and Group Discussion

*** Before you begin, please read Ruth 3:1-4:12*

1. Icebreaker: Pull up a picture from your photos on your phone that demonstrates this cliché: "A picture is worth a thousand words." Share why this picture stands out to you.
2. Briefly think about what has happened in the story of Ruth so far (chapters 1-2). What stands out to you about the story thus far?
3. In Ruth 2:20, we learn that Boaz is a "kinsman-redeemer." What does this mean?
4. In your own words, summarize the "bottom line" of what's happening in Ruth 3:1-18.
5. What else do you learn about Ruth in 3:1-18? What do you learn about Boaz?
6. Why did the unnamed kinsman-redeemer change his mind about redeeming Elimelek's land? (See Ruth 4:1-6.)
7. What does it say about Boaz that he was willing to step in as kinsman-redeemer?
8. How does Boaz's willingness to "pay the cost" foreshadow Christ's work of redemption? (Hint: See Philippians 2:5-8; Romans 5:6-10.)
9. What is the proper response to Christ's work as our ultimate "kinsman-redeemer"?
10. What other questions or comments do you have about what you've looked at in the Bible today?
11. What is your biggest take-away from what you've discussed so far? What practical step will you take to apply what you've seen in God's Word?
12. **Challenge:** Identify one way this passage is challenging or encouraging you. Who can you tell about what you're learning this coming week?