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“There are No Accidents with God”
Ruth 2:1-23

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“When you reap the harvest of your land, you shall not wholly reap the corners of your field, nor shall you gather the gleanings of your harvest. And you shall not glean your vineyard, nor shall you gather every grape of your vineyard; you shall leave them for the poor and the stranger: I am the LORD your God.” Leviticus 19:9-10

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Boaz knew that if Ruth stayed in his fields, she would be blessed:

- In Boaz's field, Ruth would find *companionship* (among the young women).
- In Boaz's field, Ruth would find *protection* (Have I not commanded the young men not to touch you?).
- In Boaz's field, Ruth would find *refreshment* (when you are thirsty).

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4. Naomi Blesses the Lord for Boaz: Apparent Accidents are in reality the opportunity for celebrating God's goodness.

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-Charles Spurgeon