THE REWARD OF RUTH

(A Heart Full of Joy Plus a Baby Boy!) Ruth 4.8-22

Ruth's Reward is Seen in ...

Ø Her Marriage to Boaz (8-13a)

Ø Her God-Given Conception (13b-17)

Provide the Coming Messiah (18-22)

Lessons

- 1. The story of Ruth is a remarkable love (Heb. *hesed*) relationship between two women Ruth and Naomi.
- 2. Unbelief often lets great reward go by unclaimed.
- 3. Obedience always brings blessing.

Questions for Personal Reflection or Group Discussion

- 1. God provided for Naomi and Ruth. Why is it significant that God did not intervene in their lives with obvious miracles? How does this help us today when we are trusting God to intervene in our lives?
- 2. Thinking through Ruth 1-4, what details in her story encourage you to trust God more fully?
- 3. Considering the book of Ruth as a whole, what did you learn about God?
- 4. Pastor Chuck suggested several lessons from our study of Ruth. Consider each of these lessons (see outline) and discuss their implications for our lives today.

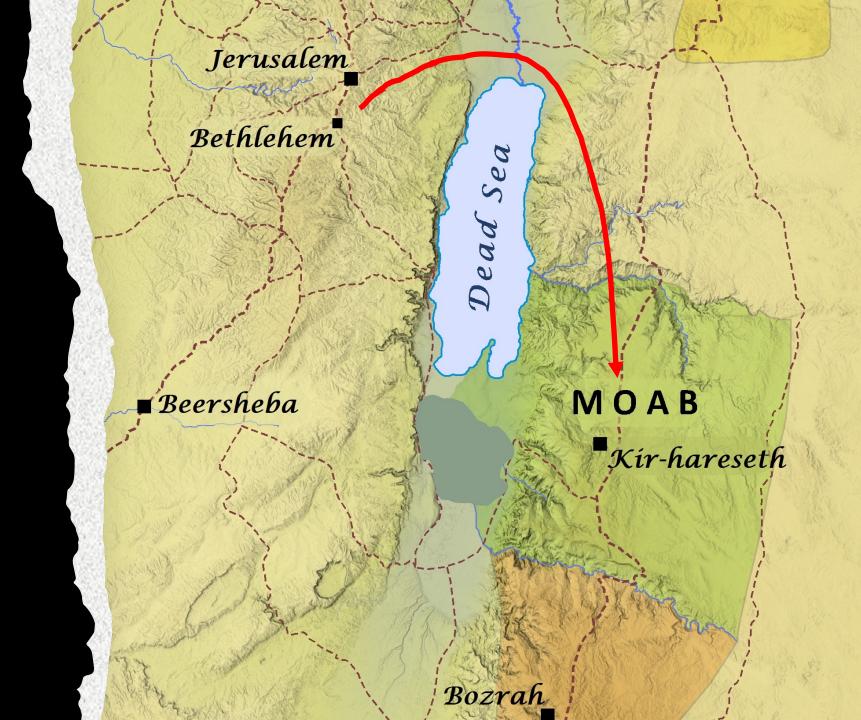
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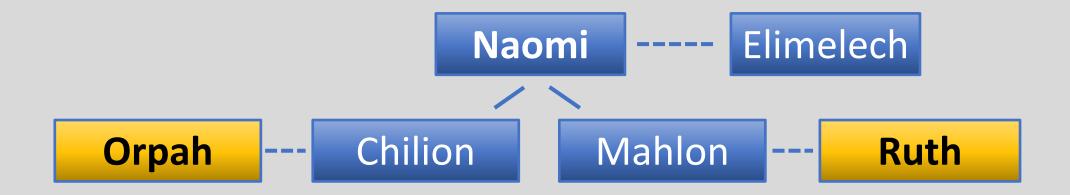
This outline is provided to assist you in understanding and applying today's message. *The Reward of Ruth* is the fourth and final message in a series on the OT book of Ruth. This message can be listened to or downloaded at cbcomaha.org. You may also stream and download CBC podcasts from itunes or google play.

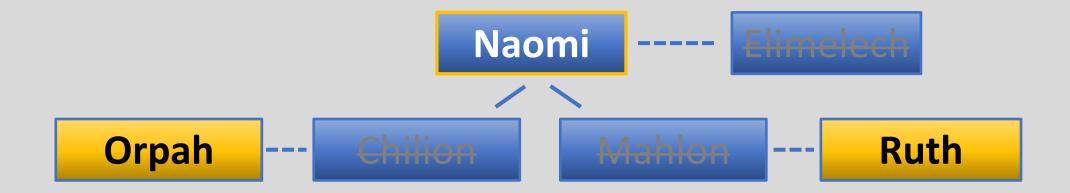
The Unexpected Kindness of God

Bethlehem to Moab ...

a journey of about 50 miles







Barley Harvest: gleaning

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Jesus Christ became flesh and blood so that He could redeem us

Because God's children are human beings—made of flesh and blood—the Son also became flesh and blood. For only as a human being could he die, and only by dying could he break the power of the devil, who had the power of death. Only in this way could he set free all who have lived their lives as slaves to the fear of dying.

Hebrews 2.14-15

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For you know that it was not with perishable things such as silver or gold that you were redeemed from the empty way of life handed down to you from your forefathers, but with the precious blood of Christ, a lamb without blemish or defect.

1 Peter 1.18-19

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I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd sacrifices his life for the sheep. No one can take my life from me. I sacrifice it voluntarily.

John 10.11, 18a

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REDEMPTION

MEANS -Christ died for us – Substitution (1 Tim. 2:6) BASISblood of Christ (Heb. 9:12) **RESULT** – purify a people eager to do what is good (Titus 2:14)

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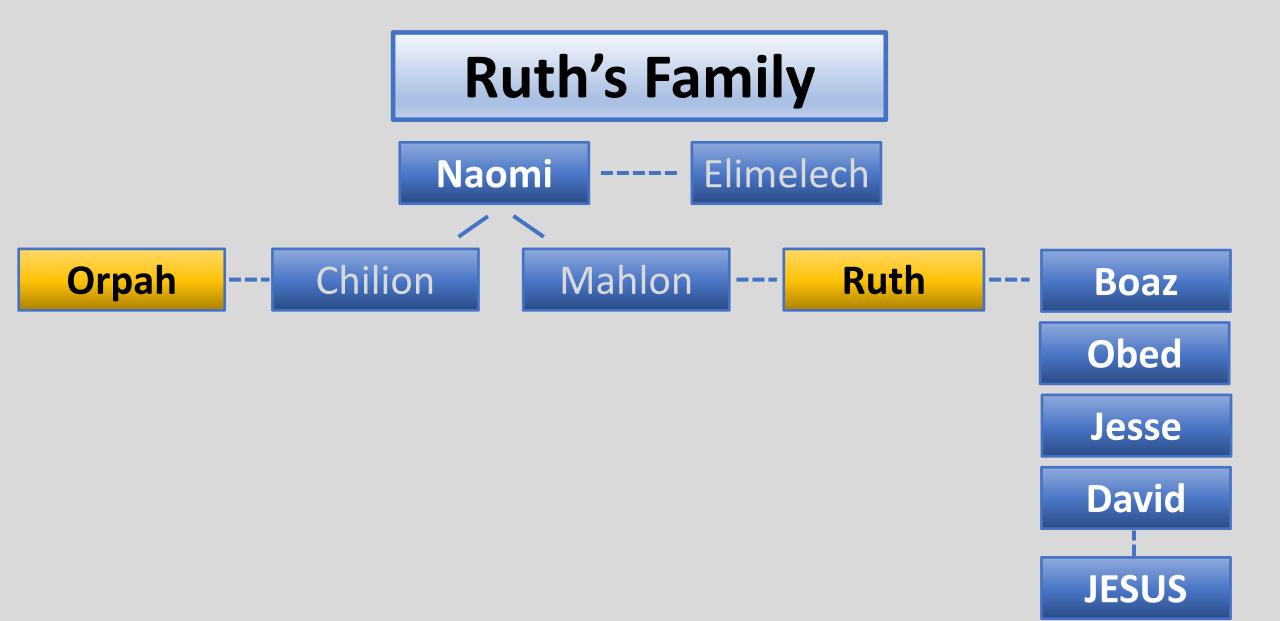
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