

**Epic Tales**  
**Tales of Love**  
**September 15, 2024**

*'But Ruth said, "Do not press me to leave you, to turn back from following you! Where you go, I will go; where you lodge, I will lodge; your people shall be my people and your God my God. Where you die, I will die, and there will I be buried. May the Lord do thus to me, and more as well, if even death parts me from you!"— Ruth 1:16-17*

Ruth is \_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_ books in the Bible named after women.

When Naomi sent her two daughters away, Ruth \_\_\_\_\_ to go home.

Ruth was giving up \_\_\_\_\_ she had to go with Naomi

Her \_\_\_\_\_ would not let her forsake Naomi.

God saw how \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ we were and how we \_\_\_\_\_ someone to be with us and \_\_\_\_\_ for us.

Jesus saw us \_\_\_\_\_ in sin and came to provide a \_\_\_\_\_ out.

The story of Ruth is an epic love story because it points us to the \_\_\_\_\_ of Jesus.

Ruth \_\_\_\_\_ Naomi completely and unconditionally. She walked with her through the \_\_\_\_\_ times in her life.

'gleaning' = leaving crops along the \_\_\_\_\_ as well as whatever fell to the group for the poor and hungry.

Through Boaz, God's \_\_\_\_\_ was poured out on \_\_\_\_\_ Naomi and Ruth.

'guardian redeemer' = influential person who could help a \_\_\_\_\_ member in a time of distress.

Ruth's story is epic because not once, but \_\_\_\_\_ Naomi felt lost, alone, and forgotten by \_\_\_\_\_.

God provided \_\_\_\_\_ to go with her on her journey and then Boaz to give them both a \_\_\_\_\_ life.

God's \_\_\_\_\_ is there for us in times of need AND God's love is there for us \_\_\_\_\_.

Darkness and bitterness does \_\_\_\_\_ keep God away.

God is passionate about you right \_\_\_\_\_! Even in your bitterness God \_\_\_\_\_ you!

Ruth and Boaz married and had Obed. Obed is the father of Jesse, who is the father of David, from whose line Jesus comes from.

Jesus still turns darkness into \_\_\_\_\_ and God is eager to \_\_\_\_\_ you!

**Reflect on these questions this week:**

- When have you felt empty? How did God provide?
- Where did you see Jesus in this passage?
- How can you live this demonstrated by Ruth, Boaz & Jesus out in your own life?