

THE MESSAGE OF RUTH

Introduction - The book of Ruth occurs during the period of Judges. This time is characterized by disregard for God's Law, resulting in chaos and subjection to their enemies. This called for God to raise up Judges to redeem the people.

Leviticus 25:23-25

A. The Crisis of Famine and Widowhood in the Biblical World

Ruth 1:1, 3-6

Ruth 1:8-9

B. Ruth Showed Her Commitment to Naomi by Converting to the Worship of Yahweh

Ruth 1:16-17

Naomi had a crisis of faith.

Ruth 1:20-22

C. The Poor Were Allowed by the Law to Gather Leftover Grains at the Harvest

Ruth 2:20-23

D. Boaz Acts as a Guardian Redeemer for Naomi and Ruth

Ruth 4:9-12

Ruth 4:13-17

Conclusion – In Ruth we witness how God acted providentially to protect the weak and bless faithful people through a Guardian Redeemer.

1 Peter 1:17-19