



Sermon Title: "Redeemed!"

Scripture: Ruth 4

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INTRODUCTION

What does it mean to be a Christian?

Note: Our salvation is a not a cold, abstract concept but a fruit of the _____ love of God.

Deuteronomy 4:37; Deuteronomy 7:6-9; Hosea 11:1, 4; John 3:16; 1 John 4:10; 1 John 4:19

I. THE LEGAL MEETING... THE REVEALING NEGOTIATIONS... THE HAPPY ENDINGS...

A. The Legal Meeting (verses 1-2)

Note: "Ploni Almoni" is a Hebrew figure of speech used to _____ the identity of the individual.

B. The Revealing Negotiations (verses 3-10)

Note: This land represents God's _____ to them, His covenant love and faithfulness.

Leviticus 25:23-28 -

Note: God, in Christ, has done _____ for us to be redeemed & reconciled to Him!

C. The Happy Ending! (verses 11-12)

Note: Rachel & Leah - May Ruth take on a vital, formative, and _____ role in Israel!

Note: The Prophet Micah (5:2) identifies Bethlehem, Ephrathah as the birth place of the _____!

Note: "...like the house of Perez, whom Tamar bore to Judah..." - Tamar was a Canaanite; Ruth was a Moabite. Tamar gave birth to Perez who became a strong, prominent leader of the tribe of _____.

"The scepter shall not depart from Judah..." (Genesis 49:10a)

D. The Even Happier Ending! (verses 13-21)

Note: GOD is the true _____ of this story!

1) God provides a _____ for Boaz and Ruth. (verse 13)

Note: In this way Ruth is just like Boaz' grandmother, _____.

2) God provides a _____ for Naomi. (verses 14-17)

3) God provides a _____ for Israel. (verse 17)

Note: This is not merely a story about a desperate family on the brink of extinction;
this is a story about a desperate _____ on the brink of extinction!

4) God will provide a _____ for the world. (verses 18-22)

Note: The name "Obed" is short for "Obediah," which means "the _____ of Yahweh".

Questions for Further Study, Reflection, and Application...

1. Why does Boaz go to the gate? What's significant about the gate?
2. Why do you think the name of the other redeemer is concealed?
3. Why does the other redeemer choose not to redeem the land and provide for Naomi?
4. What is so unique and interesting about the blessing we read in verses 11-12?
5. How does this chapter continually point us to the work and sufficiency of Jesus?