







## God's love redeems human tragedy.



Main Thought



Ruth follows a falling and rising plot.



Background and Plot



### Ruth is an ordinary tale about life.



Background and Plot



# The time of King David is ideal for the book of Ruth.



Dating and Authorship



# The spiritual decadence of Judges contrasts with the faith of Ruth.



Place in the Canon



Is Ruth a real-life example of the virtuous woman?



Place in the Canon



### The *hesed* love of God



The LORD, the LORD God, merciful and gracious, long-suffering, and abounding in goodness and truth, keeping mercy for thousands.

Exodus 34:6-7



"An unfailing kind of love, kindness, or goodness; often used of God's love that is related to faithfulness to his covenant."





# God displays his love amid tragedy.





## Each major character displays God's love.





#### Kinsman redeemer



The legal responsibility of the closest male relative to protect the family's interests, especially in the sale of property or death in the family (see Leviticus 25:23-25).

Kinsman redeemer





### Boaz pictures how Christ redeems us.





#### Emptiness to fulness





# God restored the loss of both Ruth and Naomi.





# Ancestry of King David





Ruth highlights the grace of God in David's line.





#### Hesed love



Christian Ethics from Ruth

For I was hungry and you gave Me food; I was thirsty and you gave Me drink; I was a stranger and you took Me in; I was naked and you clothed Me; I was sick and you visited Me; I was in prison and you came to Me... Assuredly, I say to you, inasmuch as you did it to one of the least of these My brethren, you did it to Me.

Matthew 25:35-40





### Faithfulness in seasons of loss



Christian Ethics from Ruth

For wherever you go, I will go; and wherever you lodge, I will lodge; your people shall be my people, and your God, my God.

Ruth 1:16





# Gratitude for redemption and fulness



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