

## Where and What Are You Gleaning?

### RUTH 1:12-22

12 Turn again, my daughters, go your way; for I am too old to have an husband. If I should say, I have hope, if I should have an husband also to night, and should also bear sons;  
13 Would ye tarry for them till they were grown? would ye stay for them from having husbands? nay, my daughters; for it grieveth me much for your sakes that the hand of the LORD is gone out against me.  
14 And they lifted up their voice, and wept again: and Orpah kissed her mother in law; but Ruth clave unto her.  
15 And she said, Behold, thy sister in law is gone back unto her people, and unto her gods: return thou after thy sister in law.  
16 And Ruth said, Intreat me not to leave thee, or to return from following after thee: for whither thou goest, I will go; and where thou lodgest, I will lodge: thy people shall be my people, and thy God my God:  
17 Where thou diest, will I die, and there will I be buried: the LORD do so to me, and more also, if ought but death part thee and me.  
18 When she saw that she was stedfastly minded to go with her, then she left speaking unto her.  
19 ¶ So they two went until they came to Bethlehem. And it came to pass, when they were come to Bethlehem, that all the city was moved about them, and they said, Is this Naomi?  
20 And she said unto them, Call me not Naomi, call me Mara: for the Almighty hath dealt very bitterly with me.  
21 I went out full, and the LORD hath brought me home again empty: why then call ye me Naomi, seeing the LORD hath testified against me, and the Almighty hath afflicted me?  
22 So Naomi returned, and Ruth the Moabitess, her daughter in law, with her, which returned out of the country of Moab: and they came to Bethlehem in the beginning of barley harvest.

### 53-0606 AN.ENSIGN\_ CONNERSVILLE.IN SATURDAY\_

« E-16 † Notice, then the ensign was lifted up; a beautiful picture of this, it's pictured in--in Ruth. Many of you just read Ruth as maybe a little love story in the Bible (which it is), but oh, what a beautiful story that is representing Christ and His church. How that Naomi went over into the land of Moab. And there her husband died. Her two sons died, leaving widows. On the road back, the beautiful picture... **Listen. Ruth, the Moabite, a Gentile, carried away with dumb idols like we were... And when it came time, Naomi kissed her and said, "Go back to your people, and with your people. I'll go alone." But she said, "Let your people be my people. Let me live where you live. Let me die where you die. And let me be buried where you are buried. And let your God be my God." Beautiful picture of the young Gentile church coming in by the old Jewish church. The Jews had packed the Gospel first. Oh, how marvelous.**

### 54-0404E GOD.HAS.A.PROVIDED.WAY\_ LOUISVILLE.KY V-25 N-9 SUNDAY\_

« 116 † Naomi now, the type of the Jewish church, Ruth, the type of the Gentile Church... Notice. And now, here she comes back. See? **Ruth, being a Gentile, heathen worshipper, she looked back and she said, "I'll go with you. Where you live, I'll live. Where you die, I'll die. Where you are buried, I'll be buried. Let your God be my God." That's the Gentile Church accepting salvation through Jesus Christ our Lord. Notice, what a beautiful picture.** And now wish we had time.

### 55-1119 REDEEMER.REDEMPTION\_ SAN.FERNANDO.CA SATURDAY\_

« E-43 † Notice, Ruth was willing to forsake her idols, forsake her past life, forsake her people, forsake everything, and return with Naomi. No matter what the circumstances was, she was willing to go on. That's the way every man that comes to Christ must first be willing, regardless. I never like to tell the people, "Oh, you're going to prosper and be a rich man now. And God's going to bless you. You ain't going to have no sickness." I don't promise them that, because God doesn't promise them that. I say: If you're really borned again in your heart, I don't care how rough the road gets, you'll still hold onto God's unchanging hand. No matter what that lays before me, if Jesus goes with me, I'll go. Hallelujah. It... Long as He goes, that's all that's necessarily.

And she returned, and oh, the picture now, Ruth (the Gentile church) just coming in; and Naomi (the Jewish church) coming back... And notice, when they turned and went--got back to the homeland, they came in just in barley season. Now, anyone knows what barley season was; it was Pentecost, the firstfruits. How the Gentile church was brought in under the wings of Almighty God at Pentecost, the Gentile church, the Bride. And when she returned, it was barley season.

### 60-1002 THE.KINSMAN.REDEEMER\_ JEFFERSONVILLE.IN V-6 N-8 SUNDAY\_

« 82 † **Ruth, a type of the believer now... What--what is the believer? When she or he comes out, the person from the world, he comes in amongst Christian believers.** Women that used to smoke, drink, and play cards at societies and so forth, and have all kinds of fancy stuff, and like some kind of a frizzed up bird, but now she's changed; she's made a decision to go with God. Now, she comes into a people that doesn't believe that kind of stuff. She's a stranger. **She's got to walk as a pilgrim. She doesn't know their customs; they're all strange to her. She don't know what to do. That's what Ruth had to do. That's what you have to do. That's what I have to do.** **When I accepted Christ, I was turned out of my own home. When I accepted Christ, my boyfriends, girlfriends, everybody threwed me down. I went in with a bunch of old people that had the Holy Spirit and believed in God, serving Him. The girls was down there in that church was different than what the girls I'd been going with. They looked different. They acted different. They were strange, and I was scared of them. They were different people.**

### 60-1002 THE.KINSMAN.REDEEMER\_ JEFFERSONVILLE.IN V-6 N-8 SUNDAY\_

« 102 † **And Ruth had to adjust herself from being in a land where plenty to eat, and everything respected, to a people that was laughing, making fun of her; into a land she gleaned in the field for what she eat. Put it in her scarf and take it home, and beat it out and make some bread, and her and her mother-in-law eat it.** When she was there, they come to find out, while she was gleaning, or going to glean... Now, she made her decision; that was her deciding. Now, the next thing she has to do is serve. And that's what the church has to do. **The church, after making your decision, you have to serve, serve God according to His diagram, according to His blueprint. You must serve God.**

**60-1002 THE.KINSMAN.REDEEMER\_ JEFFERSONVILLE.IN V-6 N-8 SUNDAY\_**

« 106 † Ruth making the decision. Now, Ruth serving under her decision. (Now, watch just a minute.) Now, she goes into the field to glean.

Now, her mother told her, which the Old Testament telling the New, you know. Her mother told her, said, "We've got a kinsman, and his name is Boaz. He's a rich man. And He's a near kinsman. You go to his field and perhaps... Don't you go to another field; go to his field."

**How the Holy Spirit tells us not to get off into some kind of a--a church book, some kind of a catechism, but go to God's Field, the Old Testament, the Bible. Don't say, "Well, we'll say this. And we'll say this for a prayer. We'll have this." Stay right with the Field. Go right in It, 'cause He's the near Kinsman.**

**60-1002 THE.KINSMAN.REDEEMER\_ JEFFERSONVILLE.IN V-6 N-8 SUNDAY\_**

« 109 † **God's Word, the Old Testament, is the Near Kinsman to the New. The Old church is a mother to the New church. See? The Christian, a believer...**

**"Don't go to another field. Stay right in his field. And maybe someday you might find grace with him."**

**And one day while she was out in the field, this rich young man by the name of Boaz, a ruler, a wealthy man, came by and he saw her. Oh, when he saw her, he fell in love with her. He thought she was a wonderful woman. He liked her character.**

You remember he said, "I know, and then the people knows, that thou art a virtuous woman." Made her decision clean and clear, come right back over and lived just exactly what she said she'd do.

**60-1002 THE.KINSMAN.REDEEMER\_ JEFFERSONVILLE.IN V-6 N-8 SUNDAY\_**

« 133 † Now, he was the only one could give her rest from them weary fields of gleaning. And, oh, it's so sweet, when Boaz... when he found her out in the field... (I can't miss this.) Boaz found her out in the field; he said, "Look..." He said, "Who are you?"

Said, "My name is Ruth."

"Oh, the Moabite that come to sojourn with us."

"Yes."

"I've heard of you. You don't go to another fields." I like that? Don't start mission-trotting. **Stay right here in my field. Stay with mine. He loved her. Stay here. Stay with me. Don't go to running around from place to place. Stay here."**

**If you believe the Message, hang on to It. See? No matter what the price is, stay right with It.** Go right on. "If it means sacrifice this, that, or the other, and I have to quit my drinking, have to quit my stealing, lying; I--I'm going to stay right with It." See?

**55-0223 JOB\_ PHOENIX.AZ WEDNESDAY\_**

« E-54 † **And while she was a gleaning in the field, directed by the Holy Spirit, to go into that field to glean, then up come Boaz. Boaz was a representative Christ, for he was the lord of the harvest. He was over all the harvest.** And notice, as soon as he looked out in the field and saw that Gentile girl, he fell in love with her. Why? **She was gleaning behind the reapers. That's what the Church has had to do: Pick up a little bit here, and a little bit there, gleaning. Reading over there, and seeing what Job done, and what the rest of them done, and how the way of redemption was laid, picking up these little gleanings, behind the Jewish church.** See what I mean? **That grain that they were reaping represented Life, Immortal Life, Eternal Life to us out of the Word. The Word of God, "Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every Word that proceedeth out of the mouth of God."**

### 55-0223 JOB\_ PHOENIX.AZ WEDNESDAY\_

« E-55 † And here she was gleaning behind, picking up these little gleans. And the lord of the harvest fell in love with her, her being an alien. What a picture. My, I just love that. And then, he said, "Whose damsel is this?"

And they begin to speak, and said, "It's the Moabite that come in with--with Naomi."

**And he went out to her, and spoke peace to her. And said, "Don't you leave this field." God be merciful. Stay put. Don't be tossed about with every wind of doctrine; stay in the Word.**

### 55-0223 JOB\_ PHOENIX.AZ WEDNESDAY\_

« E-56 † All these things coming up like little saucers--flying saucers is going to come to the church, and little wee men coming through testing the power of God, all this fanaticism, stay in the Word. Said, "Stay right there." Don't you go from every tossed about here, and there. Stay right with the Word; believe the Word. All right.

And then he went over and commissioned, and said, "Now, when you're tired, come over and drink out of the bucket." I like that, don't you? Then he said--commanded the young men that was going forth with the sickles, he said, "Now, let her glean anywhere she wants to. And ever once in a while, drop just a little handful on purpose." I like that. "Just a little handful on purpose..." **A little old fashioned revival that stirs up the water a little bit. "Drop a little on purpose." Don't you like to find those little handfuls along the road? My, the promises of God, just kinda jerks you up a little bit, gives you a little of that Life that come out of the field of God. The Lord of the harvest has commanded it.**

### 55-0223 JOB\_ PHOENIX.AZ WEDNESDAY\_

« E-57 † And notice. There at the end of the season, after she'd took her wheat and so forth, at the end of the season, she went back out, then that night, and **here's where a beautiful type of the Gentile Church coming, I mean the true, Gentile Church. When she went out there that night, and found Boaz laying on the heap of wheat... What is it? In Him dwells all the Fulness of God, and the powers of God. Laying on the whole heap of the harvest. And she moved up, and absolutely exposed herself by laying down on his feet.**

**The Gentile Church, the real, true Church of God has exposed herself to public persecution by taking God at His Word, and saying, "I believe that Divine healing and the power of the resurrection. I believe that Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today, and forever." When all these old, cold, formal morgues say, "The days of miracles is past," we expose ourselves and lay it at His feet." Hallelujah!**

## **61-0618 REVELATION.CHAPTER.FIVE.2\_ JEFFERSONVILLE.IN**

« 102 † Now, now, we want to give one more little illustration in the 5th verse here, and then we will start over on... get our 6th verse and start off. Now, I want you to notice in the plan of redemption how God foreshowed it, He worked it out perfectly in Ruth and Boaz. I... That's where we ended up last Sunday. Now, I want to begin right there now, today, on Ruth and Boaz.

Now, there is four stations, or, four junctions in Ruth and Boaz. The first is Ruth deciding. How many ever heard the... me preach the message? Let's see your hands. I know... Well, all of you, I guess. I've had it here, and had it on tapes and so forth. Ruth, first, she had to decide whether she was going to go into this land, or not, with Naomi. She had to make a decision. Then after she got there, the next thing she had to do was serve in the field of Boaz; out there, barefooted, gleaning behind the reapers, serving. And then after she had found grace in Boaz's sight, then she had to wait till Boaz done the kinsman redeemership, to take back all Naomi lost in order to bring in Ruth, the Moabite. And then the next stage, is--is Ruth rewarded.

Now, watch. Ruth, deciding, perfectly...

**Oh, if anybody say "that Bible wasn't inspired," there's something wrong with them. Every Word of It's inspired, every Word of It fits right together just like a dovetail on a--on a--on a plank. It just goes perfectly together like the cogs on a mighty wheel turning, just timed to the millionths of a second, just exactly right.**

## **61-0618 REVELATION.CHAPTER.FIVE.2\_**

« 105 † Now, notice in this now, Ruth, deciding, she had to make a decision whether she was going to decide to go over there or not. She had to make a decision. Now, that's the way every believer has to do. You've got to leave your old haunts, you've got to leave your old life, you've got to leave the old--old things of the world.