
Ruth: Overcoming Faith
"A Very Happy Ending"
Ruth 4

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Introduction: Today we conclude our study of Ruth.

1. She is a great example of overcoming faith.
2. In chapter 4 we see that faith rewarded.
3. It didn't always look like there would be such a happy ending. In fact, in chapter 1 it seemed as if things could not be worse.
4. That is where faith is most important.
5. As Ruth and Naomi acted in faith, things began to change.
6. Here in chapter 4, we see how the story ends and it is an example of the graciousness of God on several levels.

I. Ruth's Redemption

- A. The Town Gate
- B. 10 Elders
- C. The Nearest Kinsman
- D. Boaz
- E. Redemption

II. Ruth's Legacy

- A. A Son

B. A Provider

C. A Promise

Conclusion: There is no way Ruth could understand the significance attached to the birth of Obed.

1. He was King David's grandfather.
2. I don't think this is an accident because Ruth is not the only surprise in David's family tree.
3. Ruth is a Moabite, Rahab a Canaanite, both are in David's lineage, the lineage that gives us Jesus.
4. Could it be God was trying to show us the importance of faith in these women?
5. Christ taught us faith as small as a mustard seed could move mountains.
6. Ruth demonstrates that truth.
7. So, when trouble has you surrounded, don't despair.
8. Look to God, walk in faith, wait for His reward.