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Bitter - Self-focused - Manipulative



## "Kinsman-Redeemer"

Lev. 25:25-55; Deut. 25:5-9

(rescue; ransom)

to deliver; set free

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- 1. It's about the land.
- 2. It's about the name. (levirate responsibility)
- 3. It's about provision and protection.

Naomi recognizes what God might be doing, but she does not submit herself to this principle:

God's purposes are to be fulfilled in God's ways at God's time.

- 1. Naomi has not changed not yet (3:1-5).
- 2. This is a dangerous, compromising situation (3:6-15).

## What does Boaz do?

- 1. <u>Poise</u> He doesn't get flustered, act foolishly or irresponsibly.
- 2. <u>Self-control</u> When he could have easily taken advantage of the situation, he chose the hard but right thing to do.
- 3. <u>Purity</u> In the midst of intense temptation, he remains committed to his own personal purity.
- 4. <u>Integrity</u> He doesn't make excuses. He is absolutely committed to doing nothing that will compromise his or Ruth's testimony.
- 5. <u>Trust</u> He is committed to never running ahead of God.



## Takeaways:

- 1. There is never a good reason to run ahead of God!
- 2. The Bible makes a strong connection between the picture of redeemer and the work of Jesus Christ.
  - ✓ The redeemer is one who protects.
  - ✓ The redeemer is one who rescues.
  - ✓ The redeemer is one who liberates.
  - ✓ The redeemer is one who gives hope and a future.

    Psalm 103:1-4a