

Questions for Ruth 4:1-22

1. What does it mean in verse 3 that Naomi “sold the piece of land”? What is the difficulty in the translation here? What does the word “redeem” actually mean? How does this picture of redemption help our understanding of Christ redeeming us from sin? (Verses 1-4)

2. Where in the Law of Moses are the topics of redeeming property and levirate marriage discussed? Why would it have ruined the kinsmen’s inheritance to redeem Ruth? (Verses 5-10)

3. Where is “Ephrathah”? Why is the account of Judah and Tamar of importance in this narrative of Ruth and Boaz? (Verses 11-12)

4. How was Ruth better to Naomi than seven sons? What can we learn from the character of Naomi from these concluding verses? What does the name "Obed" mean? (Verses 13-17)

5. List 3 reasons why Biblical Genealogies are significant to us today. (Verses 18-22)