

Preparing To Receive A Bride
Ruth 3:1-18

- I. The Plan (1-5)
 - A. The winnowing was a time of celebration
 - B. There would have been a bit of a party atmosphere
 - C. Uncover his feet – an odd request, one that will be sensible as the story progresses
- II. The Action (6-9)
 - A. Ruth did all her mother-in-law commanded
 - B. Boaz is startled and inquisitive
 - 1. I am Ruth
 - 2. “Spread your covering over me” – in essence, a marriage proposal
 - C. Ruth is placing everything on the line
 - 1. She could have been rejected
 - 2. She could have been put to shame
 - 3. If so, she would have lost everything, and Naomi as well
- III. The Reward (10-17)
 - A. “May you be blessed of the Lord”
 - B. I will do it – but there is a problem
 - 1. A closer relative
 - 2. One who has “property” rights
 - C. A continued blessing of necessary provision
- IV. The Anticipation (12-13, 18)
 - A. A closer redeemer
 - 1. This redemption is not really one of raising up an offspring through a levirate marriage
 - 2. As we will see next time, the redemption had to do with property, of which Naomi

and Ruth’s connection could also require the marriage to occur

- B. How will things turn out? “The man will not rest...”
- C. Luke 9:51 & Hebrews 12:1-2 & John 3:29 & Revelation 19:7