GOD'S MASTERPIECE

The Lord repay you for what you have done, and a full reward be given you by the Lord, the God of Israel, under whose wings you have come to take refuge!

Ruth 2:12

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LESSON 13
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Lesson 13 God Orders Our Steps Ruth 2:1-22

RUTH AND NAOMI IN BETHLEHEM

- A. Who is Boaz?
 - 1. He was from the clan of Elimelech.
 - 2. He was a man of worth.
 - 3. He was a man of wealth.
 - 4. He was a pillar in the **community**.
 - 5. His name meant "In him is strength."
- B. Ruth and Naomi face their problem.
 - 1. What is their situation?
 - 2. What is **gleaning**?
- C. What character traits do we see in Ruth?
 - 1. We see **resourcefulness**.
 - 2. We see humility.
 - 3. We see that she deals with **crisis** with **integrity**.

"Life is like a grindstone, either it grinds you down, or polishes you up; depending on what you are made of." Unknown

- a. **Evaluate**
- b. **Exert** yourself
- c. **Engage** in God's leading
- D. We observe God's providence.

"There are no coincidences, only God incidents!"

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GOD'S DIVINE DESIGN BEGINS TO UNFOLD.

- A. Boaz intervenes.
 - 1. What caught his interest?
 - a. Her **reputation**
 - b. Her graciousness
 - c. Her hard work
 - 2. What were his **protective** actions?
 - a. He instructs her to **remain** in his **field**.
 - b. He instructs her to **remain** with his **women**.
 - c. He instructs the men to treat her with respect.
 - d. He instructs her to share drawn water.
 - 3. What was Ruth's response?
 - a. Her **humility**
 - b. Her lack of entitlement
 - 4. What character traits do we observe in Boaz?
 - a. **Pronounces** a blessing.

"For God is not unjust so as to overlook your work and the love that you have shown for His name in serving the saints, as you still do."

Hebrews 6:10

- b. He recognizes her **faith**.
- c. He sees beyond prejudice.
- B. Ruth at home with Naomi.

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