

A photograph of two women with dark hair, seen from the side, holding a white sign. The woman on the right is wearing a silver ring on her finger. The background is a solid light blue color.

a tale of two women

a study of the book of Ruth

Two women with dark hair are visible from the chest up, holding a light blue sign. They are looking directly at the camera.

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Now Naomi had a relative of her husband's, a worthy man of the clan of Elimelech, whose name was Boaz. And Ruth the Moabite said to Naomi, "Let me go to the field and glean among the ears of grain after him in whose sight I shall find favor." And she said to her, "Go, my daughter." So she set out and went and gleaned in the field after the reapers, and she happened to come to the part of the field belonging to Boaz, who was of the clan of Elimelech. (Ruth 2:1-3, ESV)

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And behold, Boaz came from Bethlehem. And he said to the reapers, "The LORD be with you!" And they answered, "The LORD bless you." Then Boaz said to his young man who was in charge of the reapers, "Whose young woman is this?" And the servant who was in charge of the reapers answered, "She is the young Moabite woman, who came back with Naomi from the country of Moab. She said, 'Please let me glean and gather among the sheaves after the reapers.' So she came, and she has continued from early morning until now, except for a short rest." (Ruth 1:4-7, ESV)

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Ruth 2:1-13

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Boaz: A Man of Worth

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Boaz: A Man of Worth

1. A Man of Wealth



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Boaz: A Man of Worth

1. A Man of Wealth
2. **A Man of God**

And behold, Boaz came from Bethlehem. And he said to the reapers, "The LORD be with you!" And they answered, "The LORD bless you." (v. 4)

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Ruth: A Woman of Character

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Ruth: A Woman of Character

1. A Woman of Initiative

“Let me go to the field and glean among the ears of grain.” (v. 2)



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Ruth: A Woman of Character

1. A Woman of Initiative

2. **A Woman of Humility**

“Please let me glean and gather among the sheaves after the reapers.” (v. 7)



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Ruth: A Woman of Character

1. A Woman of Initiative
2. A Woman of Humility
3. **A Woman of Diligence**

So she came, and she has continued from early morning until now, except for a short rest." (v. 7)



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So she set out and went and gleaned in the field after the reapers, and she [happened to come] to the part of the field belonging to Boaz, who was of the clan of Elimelech. (Ruth 2:3, ESV)



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The Providence of Our Sovereign and Good God Guides Ruth as She Gleans.

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Ruth 2:1-13

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Then Boaz said to Ruth, "Now, listen, my daughter, do not go to glean in another field or leave this one, but keep close to my young women. Let your eyes be on the field that they are reaping, and go after them. Have I not charged the young men not to touch you? And when you are thirsty, go to the vessels and drink what the young men have drawn." (Ruth 2:8-9, ESV)

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Then she fell on her face, bowing to the ground, and said to him, "Why have I found favor in your eyes, that you should take notice of me, since I am a foreigner?" (Ruth 2:10, ESV)

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But Boaz answered her, "All that you have done for your mother-in-law since the death of your husband has been fully told to me, and how you left your father and mother and your native land and came to a people that you did not know before. 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 2:11-12, ESV)

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If you plead God's value as the source of your hope instead of pleading your value as the source of God's hope, then His unwavering commitment to His own value engages all His heart for your protection and joy. (John Piper)



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**God Will Have Mercy on
Anyone Who Will
Humble Himself Like
Ruth and Take Refuge
under His wings.**

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Then she said, "I have found favor in your eyes, my lord, for you have comforted me and spoken kindly to your servant, though I am not one of your servants." (Ruth 2:13, ESV)



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RUTH'S REWARD IS GOD HIMSELF!

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