

# Ruth vs. Judges: A Righteous Revelation of Literary Inversions and Lessons to Live By

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## Introduction: Same Time/Same Place

רות א':א-ב'

(א) וַיְהִי בִּימֵי שָׁפָט הַשְּׁפָטִים וַיְהִי רָעָב בָּאָרֶץ וַיֵּלֶךְ אִישׁ מִבֵּית לָחֶם יְהוּדָה לְגוֹר בְּשֹׂדֵי מוֹאָב הוּא וְאִשְׁתּוֹ וּשְׁנֵי בָנָיו: (ב) וְשֵׁם הָאִישׁ אֱלִמֶּלֶךְ וְשֵׁם אִשְׁתּוֹ נָעֳמִי וְשֵׁם שְׁנֵי בָנָיו | מַחֲלֹן וְכִלְיוֹן אֶפְרַתִּים מִבֵּית לָחֶם יְהוּדָה וַיָּבֹאוּ שָׂדֵי-מוֹאָב וַיְהִיו-שָׁם:

### Ruth 1:1-2

(1) In the days when the judges judged, there was a famine in the land; and a man of Bethlehem in Judah, with his wife and two sons, went to reside in the country of Moab. (2) The man's name was Elimelech, his wife's name was Naomi, and his two sons were named Death and Destruction—Ephrathites of Bethlehem in Judah. They came to the country of Moab and remained there.

שופטים י"ט:א'

(א) וַיְהִי בִּימֵים הָהֵם וּמֶלֶךְ אֵין בְּיִשְׂרָאֵל וַיְהִי | אִישׁ לְוִי גֵר בְּיַרְכְּתֵי הַר-אֶפְרַיִם וַיִּקַּח-לּוֹ אִשָּׁה פִלְגֶשׁ מִבֵּית לָחֶם יְהוּדָה:

### Judges 19:1

(1) In those days, when there was no king in Israel, a certain Levite residing at the other end of the hill country of Ephraim took to himself a concubine from Bethlehem in Judah.

## Part 1: Stories in Shoftim

Stories: Story 1 – Judges - Micha - Veiled Depravity -- Blessings Gone Wrong

שופטים י"ז:א-ו'

(א) וַיְהִי-אִישׁ מִהַר-אֶפְרַיִם וּשְׁמוֹ מִיכָהוּ: (ב) וַיֹּאמֶר לְאִמּוֹ אֵלָּהּ וּמֵאָה הַכֶּסֶף אֲשֶׁר לָקַח-לָךְ וְאֵתִי [וְאֶת] אֵלֶיךָ וְגַם אֶמְרָתְךָ בְּאֶזְנֵי הַנְּהַי-הַכֶּסֶף אֵתִי אֲנִי לְקַחְתִּיו וְתֹאמַר אִמּוֹ בְּרוּךְ בְּנֵי לָהּ (ג) וַיָּשָׁב אֶת-אֵלָּהּ וּמֵאָה הַכֶּסֶף לְאִמּוֹ וְתֹאמַר אִמּוֹ הַקֹּדֶשׁ הַקֹּדֶשֶׁתִי אֶת-הַכֶּסֶף לָהּ מִיָּדִי לְבָנִי לַעֲשׂוֹת פֶּסֶל וּמַסֵּכָה וְעַתָּה אֲשִׁיבֶנּוּ לָךְ: (ד) וַיָּשָׁב אֶת-הַכֶּסֶף

לְאִמּוֹ וְתִקַּח אִמּוֹ מֵאֲתָלִים כֶּסֶף וְתַתְנֶהוּ לְצוּרָף וַיַּעֲשֶׂהוּ פֶסֶל וּמִסֵּכָה וַיְהִי בְּבֵית מִיכָהּ: (ה)  
וְהָאִישׁ מִיכָה לוֹ בַּיִת אֱלֹקִים וַיַּעַשׂ אִפּוֹד וְתֵרָפִים וַיִּמְלֵא אֶת־יָד אֶחָד מִבָּנָיו וַיְהִי־לוֹ לְכֹהֵן:  
(ו) בְּיָמִים הָהֵם אֵין מֶלֶךְ בְּיִשְׂרָאֵל אִישׁ הָיָשָׁר בְּעֵינָיו יַעֲשֶׂה: (פ)

## Judges 17:1-6

(1) There was a man in the hill country of **Ephraim** whose name was Micah. (2) He said to his mother, “The eleven hundred shekels of silver that were taken from you, so that you uttered an imprecation which you repeated in my hearing—I have that silver; I took it.” **“Blessed of the LORD be my son,”** said his mother. (3) He returned the eleven hundred shekels of silver to his mother; but his mother said, “I herewith consecrate the silver to the LORD, transferring it to my son **to make a sculptured image and a molten image.** I now return it to you.” (4) So when he gave the silver back to his mother, his mother took two hundred shekels of silver and gave it to a smith. He made of it a sculptured image and a molten image, which were kept in the house of Micah. (5) Now the man **Micah had a house of God; he had made an ephod and teraphim** and he had **inducted one of his sons to be his priest.** (6) **In those days there was no king in Israel; every man did as he pleased.**

## Story#1 Rut: Redemption of Blessing to G-d – Boaz, Rut and G-d

רוּת בִּי:ד': (ד) וְהָיָה־בָּעוֹז בָּא מִבֵּית לָחֶם וַיֹּאמֶר לְקוֹצְרִים ה' עִמָּכֶם וַיֹּאמְרוּ לוֹ יְבָרְכֶךָ ה'

## Ruth 2:4

(4) **Boaz** greeted the reapers, **“The LORD be with you!”**, they responded, **“The LORD bless you!”**

רוּת בִּי:כ'

(כ) וַתֹּאמֶר נַעֲמִי לְכֻלָּתָהּ בָּרוּךְ הוּא לָהּ אֲשֶׁר לֹא־עָזַב חֲסִדּוֹ אֶת־הַחַיִּים וְאֶת־הַמֵּתִים...

## Ruth 2:20

(20) **Naomi** said to her daughter-in-law, **“Blessed be he (BOAZ) of the LORD,** who has not failed in His **kindness** to the living or to the dead!

רוּת גִּי:י'

(י) וַיֹּאמֶר בָּרוּכָה אַתְּ לָהּ בְּתִי הֵיטֵבַת חֲסִדָּךְ הָאֲחֵרוֹן מִן־הָרִאשׁוֹן לְבִלְתִּי־לָקֶת אַחֲרֵי הַבְּחוּרִים אֲסִדֵּל וְאֲסַעֲשִׂיר:

### Ruth 3:10

(10) He exclaimed, “**Be blessed of the LORD, daughter!** Your latest deed of **kindness** is greater than the first, in that you have not turned to younger men, whether poor or rich.

רות ד':י"ד

(יד) ותאמרנה הנשים אל-נעמי בְּרוּךְ ה' אֲשֶׁר לֹא הִשְׁבִּית לָךְ גֵּאֹל הַיּוֹם וַיִּקְרָא שְׁמוֹ בִּישְׂרָאֵל:

### Ruth 4:14

(14) And the women said to Naomi, “**Blessed be the LORD**, who has not withheld a redeemer from you today! May his name be perpetuated in Israel!

## Story 2 Judges- Hospitality Gone Wrong

שופטים י"ט:א'

(א) וַיְהִי בַיָּמִים הָהֵם וּמֶלֶךְ אִין בִּישְׂרָאֵל וַיְהִי | אִישׁ לְזִי גֵר בִּירְכַתִּי הָרֶאֱפָרִים וַיִּקְחֵהָ אִשָּׁה פִּילָגֶשׁ מִבֵּית לָחֶם יְהוּדָה:

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(1) **In those days, when there was no king in Israel**, a Levite residing at the other end of the hill country of **Ephraim** took to himself a **concubine** from **Bethlehem in Judah**.

שופטים י"ט:י"ב

(יא) הֵם עִם-יְבוֹס וְהַיּוֹם רֹד מָאָד וַיֹּאמֶר הַנֶּעֱר אֶל-אֲדֹנָיו לְכֹה-נָא וְנִסּוּרָה אֶל-עִיר-הַיְבוּסִי הַזֹּאת וְנָלִין בָּהּ: (יב) וַיֹּאמֶר אֵלָיו אֲדֹנָיו לֹא נִסּוּר אֶל-עִיר נְכֹרִי אֲשֶׁר לֹא-מִבְּנֵי יִשְׂרָאֵל הִנֵּה וְעִבְרָנוּ עַד-גִּבְעָה:

### Judges 19:10-12

(11) Since they were close to Jebus, and the day was very far spent, the attendant said to his master, “Let us turn aside to this town of the Jebusites and **spend the night** in it.” (12) But his master said to him, “We will not turn aside to a town of **non-Israelites** who are not of Israel but will continue to Gibeah.

שופטים י"ט:כ"ב-כ"ה

(כב) הִמָּה מִיִּטְיָבִים אֶת־לִבָּם וְהָיָה אֲנָשִׁי הָעִיר אֲנָשִׁי בְנֵי־בְלִיעַל נֹסְבּוּ אֶת־הַבַּיִת מִתְדַּפְּקִים עַל־הַדֶּלֶת וַיֹּאמְרוּ אֶל־הָאִישׁ בְּעַל הַבַּיִת הַזֶּה לֵאמֹר הוֹצֵא אֶת־הָאִישׁ אֲשֶׁר־בָּא אֶל־בֵּיתְךָ וַיִּדְעֻנוּ...

### Judges 19:22-25

(22) While they were enjoying themselves, the men of the town, a depraved lot, had gathered about the house and were pounding on the door. They called to the aged owner of the house, “Bring out the man who has come into your house, so that we can *know him*.” ...

### Story #2: Rut: Redemption - Hospitality Gone Right

רות א':ט"ז

(טז) וַתֹּאמֶר רות אֶל־תַּפְגְּעֵי־בִי לְעֹזֶבֶךָ לָשׁוּב מֵאַחֲרֶיךָ כִּי אֶל־אִשְׁרֵי תִלְכִּי אֵלַי וּבְאִשְׁרֵי תִלְיִנִּי אֵלַיִן עִמָּךְ עָמִי וְאֶלְקֶיךָ אֱלֹקֵי:

### Ruth 1:16

(16) But Ruth replied, “Do not urge me to leave you, to turn back and not follow you. For wherever you go, I will go; wherever you lodge, I will lodge; your people shall be my people, and your God my God.

רות ג':

(11) וַעֲתָה בְּתִילִי אֶל־תִּירָאִי כֹל אֲשֶׁר־תֹּאמְרִי אַעֲשֶׂה־לָּךְ כִּי יוֹדַעַת כָּל־שַׁעַר עָמִי כִּי אִשָּׁת חַיִּל אָתָּה: (יג) לִינִי | הַלֵּילָה וְהָיָה בְּבֶקְרִי אִם־יִגְאָלְךָ טוֹב יִגְאָל וְאִם־לֹא יִחַפֵּץ לִגְאָלְךָ וְגִאֲלִיתִיךָ אֲנֹכִי חַיִּיהָ שְׂכָבִי עַד־הַבֶּקֶר: (יד) תִּשְׁכַּב מְרֻגְלוֹתָי עַד־הַבֶּקֶר וְתִקַּם (בִּטְרוֹם) [בִּטְרוֹם] יָכִיר אִישׁ אֶת־יְרֵעָהּ וַיֹּאמֶר אֶל־יְוֹדַע כִּי־בָאָה הָאִשָּׁה הַגֵּרָה:

### Ruth 3:13-14

And now, daughter, have no fear. I will do in your behalf whatever you ask, for all the elders of my town<sup>c</sup> know what a fine woman you are...(13) Lodge for the night. Then in the morning, if he will act as a redeemer, good! let him redeem. But if he does not want to act as redeemer for you, I will do so myself, as the LORD lives! Lie down until morning.” (14) So she lay at his feet until dawn. She rose before one person could distinguish another, for he thought, “Let it not be known that the woman

”came to the threshing floor

### Story 3: Judges - Brotherhood -> Civil War

שופטים כ:ב'

(ב) וַיָּתִיצְבוּ פְּנֹת כָּל־הָעָם כָּל שְׂבָטֵי יִשְׂרָאֵל בְּקָהֶל עִם הָאֱלֹקִים אַרְבַּע מֵאוֹת אָלֶף אִישׁ רִגְלֵי שְׁלֹף חֶרֶב:

#### Judges 20:2

(2) All the leaders of the people [and] all the tribes of Israel presented themselves in the assembly of **God's people**, 400,000 **fighting men on foot**.—

שופטים כ:ח'

(ח) וַיָּקָם כָּל־הָעָם כָּאִישׁ אֶחָד לֵאמֹר לֹא נִלְךְ אִישׁ לְאֹהֲלֹו וְלֹא נָסֹר אִישׁ לְבֵיתֹו:

#### Judges 20:8

(8) Then all the people rose, **as one man**, and declared, “**We will not go back to our homes, we will not enter our houses!**”

### Story #3 Rut – Redemption of Brotherhood (literally and figuratively)

רות ד:י'

(י) וְגַם אֶת־רוּת הַמֹּאבִּיָּה אִשְׁתִּי מִחִלּוֹן קָנִיתִי לִי לְאִשָּׁה לְהַקִּים שֵׁם־הַמֵּת עַל־נַחְלָתֹו וְלֹא־יִכָּרֵת שֵׁם־הַמֵּת מֵעַם אֲחִיו וּמִשְׁעַר מְקוֹמוֹ עַד־כֵּן אַתֶּם הַיּוֹם:

#### Ruth 4:10

(10) I am also acquiring Ruth the Moabite, the wife of Mahlon, as my wife, so as to perpetuate the name of the deceased upon his estate, **that the name of the deceased may not disappear from among his brothers** and from the gate of his home town. You are witnesses today.”

### Story #4: Judges – The Wrong Way to Prevent a Lost Tribe

שופטים כ"א:א'-ג'

(א) וְאִישׁ יִשְׂרָאֵל נֹשֶׁבַע בַּמִּצְפָּה לֵאמֹר אִישׁ מִמֶּנּוּ לֹא־יִתֵּן בָּתָּו לְבָנִימֵן לְאִשָּׁה: (ב) וַיָּבֹא הָעָם בֵּית־אֵל וַיָּשָׁבוּ שָׁם עַד־הָעֶרֶב לִפְנֵי הָאֱלֹקִים וַיִּשְׁאוּ קוֹלָם וַיִּבְכּוּ בְּכִי גָדוֹל: (ג) וַיֹּאמְרוּ

למה ה' אלקי ישראל היתה זאת בישראל להפקד היום מישראל שבט אחד:

### Judges 21:1-3

(1) Now Israel's forces had taken an oath at Mizpah: "None of us must ever give his daughter in marriage to a Benjaminite." (2) The people came to Bethel and sat there before God until evening. They wailed and wept bitterly, (3) and they said, "O ETERNAL God of Israel, **why has this happened in Israel, that one tribe must now be missing from Israel?**"

שופטים כ"א:י"א

(י) וישלחו־שם העדה שנים־עשר אלף איש מבני החיל ויצוּ אותם לאמר לכו והכיתם את־יושבי יבש גלעד לפי־חרב והנשים והטף: (יא) וזה הדבר אשר תעשו כל־זכר וכל־אשה ידעת משכב־זכר תחרמו:

### Judges 21:10-11

(10) So the assemblage dispatched 12,000 of the **warriors**, instructing them as follows: "Go and attack the the inhabitants of Jabesh-gilead to the sword, **women and children included.** (11) This is what you are to do: **Destroy** every man, and every woman who has known a man carnally."

### Story #4: Rut - A Righteous Way to Prevent a Lost Family

רות ד:יז

(ז) וזאת לפנים בישראל על־הנאלה ועל־התמורה לקיים כל־דבר שלף איש נעלו ונתן לרעהו...

### Ruth 4:7

(7) Now this was formerly done in Israel **in cases of redemption** or exchange: to validate any transaction, one man would **take off** his sandal and hand it to the other.

רות ד:י

(י) וגם את־רות המאביה אשת מחלון קניתי לי לאשה להקים שם־המת על־נחלתו ולא־יכרת שם־המת מעם אחיו ומשער מקומו עדים אתם היום:

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Now we can better understand how hard it was for Naomi to see beyond Rut's surface and appreciate the journey everyone took to "recognize" her

### 3. Ultimate Tikkun -Meta-Theme: Seeing Ruth's Righteousness Beyond the Surface

רות ב':ה'ו'

(ה) וַיֹּאמֶר בְּעוֹז לְנַעֲרוֹ הַנֶּצֶב עַל־הַקּוֹצְרִים לְמִי הַנַּעֲרָה הַזֹּאת: (ו) וַיַּעַן הַנַּעַר הַנֶּצֶב עַל־הַקּוֹצְרִים וַיֹּאמֶר נַעֲרָה מוֹאבִיתָהּ הִיא הֵשֵׁבָה עִם־נָעֲמִי מִשּׁוּדָּה מוֹאָב:

#### Ruth 2:5-6

(5) Boaz said to the servant who was in charge of the reapers, "Whose girl is that?"

(6) The servant in charge of the reapers replied, "She is a Moabite girl who came back with Naomi from the country of Moab.

רות ב':י"א

(י) וַתִּפֹּל עַל־פְּנֶיהָ וַתִּשְׁתַּחוּ אֶרְצָה וַתֹּאמֶר אֵלָיו מִדּוּעַ מִצֵּאתִי חֵן בְּעֵינֶיךָ לְהַכִּילֵנִי וְאַנְכִי נִכְרִיתָהּ: (יא) וַיַּעַן בְּעוֹז וַיֹּאמֶר לָהּ הִגֵּד הַגִּד לִי כָל אֲשֶׁר־עָשִׂיתְ אֶת־חֲמוּתְךָ אַחֲרֵי מוֹת אִישְׁךָ וַתַּעֲזֹבִי אֲבִיךָ וְאֶמְךָ וְאֶרֶץ מוֹלַדְתְּךָ וַתֵּלְכִי אֶל־עַם אֲשֶׁר לֹא־יָדַעְתָּ תְּמוּל שְׁלֹשׁוֹם:

#### Ruth 2:10-11

(10) She prostrated herself with her face to the ground, and said to him, "Why are you so kind as to recognize me, when I am a foreigner?" (11) Boaz said in reply, "I have been told of all that you did for your mother-in-law after the death of your husband, how you left your father and mother and the land of your birth and came to a people you had not known before.

רות ב':י"ט

(יט) וַתֹּאמֶר לָהּ חֲמוּתָהּ אֵיפֹה לְקַטֹּת הַיּוֹם וְאַנָּה עָשִׂיתְ יְהִי מִכִּירְךָ בְּרוּךְ וַתִּגֵּד לְחֲמוּתָהּ אֶת אֲשֶׁר־עָשְׂתָה עִמּוֹ וַתֹּאמֶר שֵׁם הָאִישׁ אֲשֶׁר עָשִׂיתִי עִמּוֹ הַיּוֹם בְּעוֹז:

#### Ruth 2:19

(19) her mother-in-law asked her, "Where did you glean today? Where did you work? Blessed be he who recognized you!" So she told her mother-in-law whom she had worked with, saying, "The name of the man with whom I worked today is Boaz."

רות ג':י"א

(יא) וַעֲתָה בְּתִילִי אֶל־תִּירָאִי כָל אֲשֶׁר־תֹּאמְרִי אַעֲשֶׂה־לָּךְ כִּי יוֹדַעַת כָּל־שַׁעַר עִמִּי כִּי אִשָּׁת חַיִּל אַתָּה:

#### Ruth 3:11

(11) And now, daughter, have no fear. I will do in your behalf whatever you ask, for all the elders of my town know what a fine woman you are.



רות ד':י"א

(יא) וַיֹּאמְרוּ כָל־הָעָם אֲשֶׁר־בַּשָּׁעַר וְהַזְקֵנִים עֲדִים יְתֵן ה' אֶת־הָאִשָּׁה הַבָּאָה אֶל־בֵּיתְךָ  
**כְּרָחֵל | וְכִלְאָה** אֲשֶׁר בָּנוּ שְׁתֵּיהֶם אֶת־בֵּית יִשְׂרָאֵל וַעֲשֵׂה־חַיִּיל בְּאֶפְרָתָהּ וְקָרָא־שֵׁם בְּבֵית  
לָחֶם:

#### Ruth 4:11

(11) All the people at the gate and the elders answered, “We are. May the LORD make the woman who is coming into your house like **Rachel and Leah**, both of whom built up the House of Israel! Prosper in; and **perpetuate a name in Bethlehem!**”

#### Final Moment: Naomi and her friends RECOGNIZE Rut's love and loyalty

רות ד':ט"ו

(טו) וְהָיָה לָךְ **לְמַשִּׁיב נָפֶשׁ וּלְכֹלֶל** אֶת־שִׁיבְתְּךָ כִּי **כָלְתָךְ אֲשֶׁר־אַהֲבִיתְךָ** יִלְדֶתוּ אֲשֶׁר־הִיא  
טוֹבָה לָךְ מִשִּׁבְעָה בָנִים:

#### Ruth 4:15

(15) He will renew your life and **sustain** your old age; for he is born of your daughter-in-law, **who loves you** and is better to you than seven sons.”

#### 4. Redemption of Words

מְנוּחָה, דְּבָקָה, וּתְחִלָּה, מִידַע, (relative, know), חֵיל, כֹּן־אַשְׁחִית אֶת־נַחֲלָתִי, שְׁלָךְ  
נָעֻל

#### Example from Shoftim שופטים כ':מ"ב-מ"ה

(מב) וַיִּפְּנוּ לִפְנֵי אִישׁ יִשְׂרָאֵל אֶל־דָּרֹךְ הַמִּדְבָּר וְהַמִּלְחָמָה הַדְּבִיקָתָהּ וְאֲשֶׁר מִהַעֲרִים  
**מִשְׁחִיתִים** אוֹתָן בְּתוֹכָן: (מג) כָּתְרוּ אֶת־בְּנֵי־מִן הָרְדִיפָהּ **מְנוּחָה** הַדְּרִיכָהּ עַד נֹכַח הַגְּבֻעָה  
מִמְּזֶרַח־שָׁמֶשׁ: (מד) וַיִּפְּלוּ מִבְּנֵי־מִן שְׁמֹנֶה־עָשָׂר אֶלֶף אִישׁ אֶת־כָּל־אֶלֶּה **אֲנָשֵׁי־חֵיל**: (מה)  
וַיִּפְּנוּ וַיֵּגְסוּ הַמִּדְבָּרָה אֶל־סֹלֶע הָרְמוֹן וַיַּעֲלֶלְהוּ בַּמַּסְלֹת חֲמֹשֶׁת אֲלָפִים אִישׁ **וַיִּדְבִּיקוּ**  
אֲחֵרָיו עַד־גִּדְעָם וַיָּכּוּ מִמֶּנּוּ אֲלָפִים אִישׁ:

#### Judges 20:42-45

(42) They retreated before the men of Israel along the road to the wilderness, **where the fighting caught up with**



**them**; meanwhile those from the towns were **massacring** them in it. (43) They encircled the Benjaminites, pursued them, and trod them down [from] **Menuhah** to a point opposite Gibeah on the east. (44) That day 18,000 men of Benjamin fell, **all of them brave men**. (45) They turned and fled to the wilderness, to the Rock of Rimmon; but [the Israelites] picked off another 5,000 on the roads and, **continuing in hot pursuit of them** up to Gidom, they slew 2,000 more.

רות א:ט

(ט) יתן יקוק לָכֶם וּמִצָּאֵן מְנוּחָה אִשָּׁה בֵּית אִשָּׁה וּתְשַׁק לָהֶן וּתְשָׂאנָה קוֹלָן וּתְבַכֶּינָה:

## Ruth 1:9

(9) May the LORD grant that each of you find **security** [**Menuha**] in the house of a husband!” And she kissed them farewell. They broke into weeping.

רות א:י"ד

(יד) וּתְשָׂנָה קוֹלָן וּתְבַכֶּינָה עוֹד וּתְשַׁק עֲרֻפָּהּ לַחֲמוּתָהּ וְרוּת דִּבְקָה בָּהּ:

רות ב:א

(א) וּלְנַעֲמִי מִידַע [מִדַּע] לְאִשָּׁה אִישׁ גִּבּוֹר חֵיל מִמִּשְׁפַּחַת אֱלִימֶלֶךְ וּשְׁמוֹ בֹּעַז:

## Ruth 2:1

(1) Now Naomi had a kinsman on her husband's side, a man of **substance**, of the family of Elimelech, whose name was Boaz.

רות ב:ח

(ח) וַיֹּאמֶר בֹּעַז אֶל־רוּת הֲלוֹא שָׁמַעַתְּ בְּתִי אֶל־תִּלְכִּי לְלֶקֶט בְּשָׂדֶה אַחֵר וְגַם לֹא תַעֲבוֹרִי מִזֶּה וְכֹה תְדַבְּקִין עִם־נַעֲרָתִי:

## Ruth 2:8

(8) Boaz said to Ruth, “Listen to me, daughter. Don't go to glean in another field. Don't go elsewhere, but stay here **close** to my girls.

רות ג':א'-ב'

(א) וַתֹּאמֶר לָהּ נָעֲמִי חַמוּתָהּ בְּתִי הֲלֹא אֶבְקֹשׁ-לָךְ מִנּוּחַ אֲשֶׁר יִיטֵב-לָךְ: (ב) וְעַתָּה הֲלֹא בָעֹז מִדַּעַתְנוּ אֲשֶׁר הָיִית אֶת-נַעֲרוֹתָיו הִנֵּה-הוּא זָרָה אֶת-גֵּרְוֹן הַשְּׁעָרִים הַלֵּילָהּ:

## Ruth 3:1-2

(1) Naomi, her mother-in-law, said to her, “Daughter, I must seek **a home** for you, where you may be happy. (2) Now there is our **kinsman** Boaz, whose girls you were close to. He will be winnowing barley on the threshing floor tonight.

רות ג':י"א

(יא) וְעַתָּה בְּתִי אֶל-תִּירְאִי כֹל אֲשֶׁר-תֹּאמְרִי אַעֲשֶׂה-לָּךְ כִּי יוֹדֵעַ כָּל-שָׁעַר עָמִי כִי אֲנִישָׁת חֵיל אֶת:

## Ruth 3:11

(11) And now, daughter, have no fear. I will do in your behalf whatever you ask, for all the elders of my town **know** what **a fine woman** you are.

רות ד':ו'-ח'

(ו) וַיֹּאמֶר הַגָּאֵל לֹא אוֹכַל לְגֹאֹל-[לְגֹאֹל-] לִי פֶן-אַשְׁחִית אֶת-נַחֲלָתִי גֹאֹל-לָךְ אֶתָּה אֶת-גֹּאֲלָתִי כִי לֹא-אוֹכַל לְגֹאֹל: (ז) וְזֹאת לְפָנַי בְּיִשְׂרָאֵל עַל-הַגָּאֹלָה וְעַל-הַתְּמוּדָה לְקַיֵּם כָּל-דִּבְרֵי שְׁלֹף אִישׁ נֶעְלָן וְנָתַן לְרַעְהוּ וְזֹאת הַתְּעוּדָה בְּיִשְׂרָאֵל: (ח) וַיֹּאמֶר הַגָּאֵל לְבָעֹז קִנְיָה-לָּךְ וַיִּשְׁלַף נֶעְלָן:

## Ruth 4:6-8

(6) The redeemer replied, “Then I cannot redeem it for myself, lest I impair my own estate. You take over my right of redemption, for I am unable to exercise it.” (7) Now this was how redemption was performed in Israel: to

validate any transaction, one man would **draw off his sandal** and hand it to the other. Such was the practice in Israel. (8) So when the redeemer said to Boaz, “Acquire for yourself,” **he drew off his sandal**.

## 5. Redemption of Ending

שופטים כ"א:כ"ד-כ"ה

(כד) וַיִּתְּהִלּוּ מִשָּׁם בְּנֵי־יִשְׂרָאֵל בְּעֵת הַהִיא אִישׁ לְשִׁבְטוֹ וּלְמִשְׁפַּחְתּוֹ וַיֵּצְאוּ מִשָּׁם אִישׁ לְנַחֲלָתוֹ: (כה) בַּיָּמִים הָהֵם אֵין מֶלֶךְ בְּיִשְׂרָאֵל אִישׁ הָיָה בְּעֵינָיו יַעֲשֶׂה:

Judges 21:24-25

(24) Thereupon the Israelites dispersed, **each to his own tribe and clan**; everyone departed **for his own territory**. (25) **In those days there was no king in Israel; everyone did as he pleased.**

רות ד':י"ז

(יז) וַתִּקְרָאנָהּ לוֹ הַשְּׂכֵנֹת שֵׁם לֵאמֹר יִלְדָּבֹן לְנַעֲמִי וַתִּקְרָאנָה שְׁמוֹ עוֹבֵד הוּא אָבִי־יִשִּׁי אָבִי דָּוִד: (יח) וְאַלֶּה תּוֹלְדוֹת פָּרָץ פָּרָץ הוֹלִיד אֶת־חֲצֹרֹן: (יט) וְחֲצֹרֹן הוֹלִיד אֶת־רֶם וְרֶם הוֹלִיד אֶת־עַמִּינָדָב: (כ) וְעַמִּינָדָב הוֹלִיד אֶת־נַחֲשׁוֹן וְנַחֲשׁוֹן הוֹלִיד אֶת־שִׁלְמָה: (כא) וְשִׁלְמוֹן הוֹלִיד אֶת־בֹּעַז וּבֹעַז הוֹלִיד אֶת־עוֹבֵד: (כב) וְעוֹבֵד הוֹלִיד אֶת־יִשִּׁי וְיִשִּׁי הוֹלִיד אֶת־דָּוִד:

Ruth 4:17-22

(17) and the women neighbors gave him a name, saying, “A son is born to Naomi!” They named him Obed; he was the father of Jesse, father of David. (18) This is the line of Perez: Perez begot Hezron, (19) Hezron begot Ram, Ram begot Ammi-nadab, (20) Amminadab begot Nahshon, Nahshon begot Salmon, (21) Salmon begot Boaz, **Boaz begot Obed, (22) Obed begot Jesse, and Jesse begot David.**