

# Sermon Questions

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*PASSAGE: Ruth 2:14-23*

*Title: Privilege & Plenty – Pt 5*

1. Read this passage again. Discuss how we can see, in this passage, that the 4 truths we have learned about God are true:

God Provides

God Is Patient

God's Promises Are True

God Is Merciful

2. How long had God been preparing Naomi for all this? Ruth? Bethlehem? His chosen people?

1. You can discuss God bringing His people to the promised land, leading Elimelech's ancestors to Bethlehem, Naomi meeting Elimelech, allowing/creating the famine, Elimelech deciding where to take his family, Ruth growing up in exactly the right place to meet "wasting away", etc...You can also get into why God established tradition and practices among His people. Traditions like "kinsman redeemer".

a. Do any of the obscure laws and practices from the Pentateuch (1<sup>st</sup> 5 books of the Bible) make any more sense now?

3. Discuss the responsibilities of the kinsman redeemer.

1. Promised home
2. Demands payment for wrongs done
3. Brings justice
4. Brings freedom from slavery