

\_\_\_\_\_ **of Fortunes** (vv.13-17)



**Redemptive Impact**  
Ruth 4  
Sunday, August 13, 2023  
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*God works in the midst of deep tragedy to restore & redeem. As you trust in Jesus, your story is put on powerful display—so that others can see God’s loving activity and are pointed to Jesus, the Redeemer.*

**Big Picture:** As you trust in Jesus, God uses your story to point others to Jesus

**The** \_\_\_\_\_ **Lineage** (vv. 18-22)

\_\_\_\_\_ **Action** (v. 1)

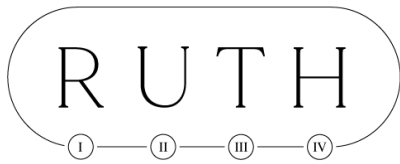
\_\_\_\_\_ **Negotiation** (vv. 2-6)

**The Marriage** \_\_\_\_\_ (vv. 7-10)

**NEXT STEP:** Take a few moments to consider the trials you face in your life. Pray for God to increase your trust in Him in these areas. Pray that God would use your trusting response to impact others.

**The Marriage** \_\_\_\_\_ (vv. 11-12)

**NEXT WEEK:** Reel Grace | Gospel Truths in Luca



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*Growth Groups are the glue that holds our church together, the way we find and follow Jesus together. If you are not involved in a Growth Group, now is the perfect time to jump in at [gracecentralcoast.org/groups](https://gracecentralcoast.org/groups)*

### **CONNECT** *(ask this question to check-in with your group)*

Share with each other the biggest lessons God has taught you through this summer's Ruth series.

### **DISCUSS** *(use some of these questions to process God's Word together)*

1. Glance at the passages and notes from this week's message (Ruth 4). What were some of your biggest takeaways? Share with each other what the Holy Spirit is teaching you.

2. A major theme of Ruth is God's redeeming work, especially in times when we don't see or feel Him. In Psalm 77, the Psalmist is facing an extremely difficult time in his life. Then he remembers God's nature & past activity—namely, how God parted the Red Sea to deliver His people. Read Psalm 77:11-20. Take a moment to remember together God's loving care & redeeming work in our lives—specifically when we don't perceive it (vv. 19-20).

3. Discuss & Pray. Give your group a few moments to think of an unresolved area of concern in their lives. Ask each person to share this area & pray for each situation.

4. Ruth gives us an incredible picture of active faith in the LORD. Read Hebrews 12:1-2. Discuss what this passage is calling Jesus' followers to do. What encouragement does it give? What resources does God provide us with? What promises does God give us in this passage?

5. God is on a mission to redeem & restore all things in Jesus Christ. Read Romans 8:18-25. Discuss God's redeeming work in Jesus in this present time. How does the eternal reality of God's restoration impact the way we live life in this world today? How might we join God in His redeeming work today?

### **PRAY** *(use these prompts to pray in response to God's Word)*

- Pray that God would work in our hearts to cultivate an active trust in Him.
- Pray that God would empower us to trust Him in all of life's circumstance.
- Pray that God would use our trusting response to reach others with good news of Jesus.
- Pray for continued impact in the lives of our students & leaders that went to Hume Lake.
- Pray for God's blessing & activity upon us in this upcoming new year.