Ruth

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This book contains the account of Ruth, a non-Israeli woman who became an Israeli. We call this book Ruth

Ruth declared she would stay with Naomi

1During|strong="H3117" the|strong="H3117" time|strong="H3117" before|strong="H3117" kings|strong="H4428" ruled|strong="H8199" Israel|strong="H3478", ☐there|strong="H1961" was|strong="H1961" a|strong="H1961" famine|strong="H7458"/the|strong="H3117" people|strong="H1121" there|strong="H1961" had|strong="H1961" nothing|strong="H3808" to|strong="H3212" eat|strong="H0398"☐. There|strong="H1961" was|strong="H1961" a|strong="H1961" man|strong="H1121" who|strong="H1931" lived|strong="H1481" there|strong="H1961" whose|strong="H1121" name|strong="H8034" was|strong="H1961" Elimelech|strong="H0458". His|strong="H1961" wife's|strong="H0802" name|strong="H8034" was|strong="H1961" Naomi|strong="H5281", and|strong="H1121" his|strong="H1961" sons'|strong="H1121" names|strong="H8034" were|strong="H1961" Mahlon|strong="H4248" and|strong="H1121" Chilion|strong="H3630". They|strong="H3117" were|strong="H1961" all|strong="H3212" from|strong="H1121" Bethlehem|strong="H1035" w town|strong="H7151"w*, from|strong="H1121" the|strong="H3117" Ephrath|strong="H0672" w clan|strong="H4940"w* in|strong="H3117" Judah|strong="H3063" w region|strong="H2256"w*. [2] Because|strong="H8033" of|strong="H1121" the|strong="H1961" famine|strong="H7458", they|strong="H8033" left|strong="H1961" Bethlehem|strong="H1035" and|strong="H1121" went|strong="H3063" east|strong="H6921" to|strong="H1961" w live|strong="H8034"w* w for|strong="H8034"w* w a|strong="H1961"w* w while|strong="H1961"w* w in|strong="H1121"w* Moab|strong="H4124" w region|strong="H2256"w*.

3While|strong="H1931" they|strong="H1931" were|strong="H1121" there|strong="H7604", Elimelech|strong="H0458" died|strong="H4191", and|strong="H1121" Naomi|strong="H5281" had|strong="H1121" only|strong="H0389" her|strong="H1931" two|strong="H8147" sons|strong="H1121" with|strong="H4191" her|strong="H1931". [4] They|strong="H8033" married|strong="H3427" women|strong="H0802" from|strong="H3427" Moab|strong="H4125". One|strong="H5375" of|strong="H8141" them|strong="H5375" was|strong="H8034" named|strong="H8034" Orpah|strong="H6204", and|strong="H8033" the|strong="H5375" other|strong="H8145" one|strong="H5375"

was|strong="H8034" named|strong="H8034" Ruth|strong="H7327".
But|strong="H3588" after|strong="H8145" they|strong="H8033"
had|strong="H3427" lived|strong="H3427" in|strong="H3427"
that|strong="H8141" area|strong="H1508" for|strong="H8034"
about|strong="H8033" ten|strong="H6235" years|strong="H8141", [5]
Mahlon|strong="H4248" and|strong="H8147" Chilion|strong="H3630"
died|strong="H4191". So|strong="H1571" then|strong="H1571"
Naomi|strong="H5281" had|strong="H3068" no|strong="H7604"
husband|strong="H0376" and|strong="H8147" no|strong="H7604"
sons|strong="H3206".

6One|strong="H1931" day|strong="H3117" while|strong="H1931"
Naomi|strong="H5281" was|strong="H3068" in|strong="H3068"
Moab|strong="H4124", she|strong="H1931" heard|strong="H8085"
someone|strong="H5414" say|strong="H7725" that|strong="H3588"
Yahweh|strong="H3068" had|strong="H3068" helped|strong="H5826"
his|strong="H5414" people|strong="H5971" in|strong="H3068"
Israel|strong="H5971" and|strong="H6965" that|strong="H3588"
now|strong="H3588" there|strong="H7725" was|strong="H3068"
plenty|strong="H7647" of|strong="H3068" food|strong="H3899"
to|strong="H7725" eat|strong="H3899". So|strong="H5414"
she|strong="H1931" prepared|strong="H6965" to|strong="H7725"
return|strong="H7725" w to|strong="H7725"w* w
Bethlehem|strong="H1035"w*. [7] She|strong="H8147"
left|strong="H3318" the|strong="H4480" place|strong="H4725"
where|strong="H8033" she|strong="H8147" had|strong="H1961"
been|strong="H1961" living|strong="H1870" and|strong="H3063"
started|strong="H1961" to|strong="H7725" walk|strong="H3212" w
with|strong="H5973"w* w her|strong="H3318"w* w
daughters-in-law|strong="H3618"w* along|strong="H5973"
the|strong="H4480" road|strong="H1870" back|strong="H7725"
to|strong="H7725" Judah|strong="H3063". [8] Then|strong="H6213"
as|strong="H6213" the|strong="H6213" three|strong="H7969"
of|strong="H1004" them|strong="H7725" were|strong="H8147"
walking|strong="H3212", Naomi|strong="H5281" said|strong="H0559"
to|strong="H7725" her|strong="H7725" two|strong="H8147"
daughters-in-law|strong="H3618", "Each|strong="H8147"
of|strong="H1004" you|strong="H7725" should|strong="H3068"
turn|strong="H7725" around|strong="H7725" and|strong="H3068"
go|strong="H3212" back|strong="H7725" to|strong="H7725"
your|strong="H3068" mother's|strong="H0517" home|strong="H1004".
You|strong="H7725" treated|strong="H6213" w your|strong="H3068"w*
w husbands|strong="H5973"w* kindly|strong="H2617" w
before|strong="H5973"w* they|strong="H3068" died|strong="H4191",
and|strong="H3068" you|strong="H7725" have|strong="H3068"

treated|strong＝"H6213" me|strong＝"H7725" kindly|strong＝"H2617". [9]
Now|strong＝"H5414" I|strong＝"H5414" desire|strong＝"H5375"
that|strong＝"H3068" Yahweh|strong＝"H3068" will|strong＝"H3068"
enable|strong＝"H7980" each|strong＝"H5414" of|strong＝"H1004"
you|strong＝"H5414" to|strong＝"H3068" have|strong＝"H3068"
another|strong＝"H0312" husband|strong＝"H0376" in|strong＝"H3068"
whose|strong＝"H0834" home|strong＝"H1004" you|strong＝"H5414"
will|strong＝"H3068" w feel|strong＝"H4184"w* secure|strong＝"H4496"."
Then|strong＝"H5375" she|strong＝"H1931" kissed|strong＝"H5401"
both|strong＝"H8147" of|strong＝"H1004" them|strong＝"H5414",
and|strong＝"H3068" they|strong＝"H3068" cried|strong＝"H5414"
aloud|strong＝"H6963". [10] They|strong＝"H3588" each|strong＝"H5971"
said|strong＝"H0559", "No|strong＝"H3808", we|strong＝"H3588"
want|strong＝"H4270" to|strong＝"H7725" go|strong＝"H7725"
with|strong＝"H5971" you|strong＝"H3588" as|strong＝"H3588"
you|strong＝"H3588" return|strong＝"H7725" to|strong＝"H7725"
your|strong＝"H7725" relatives|strong＝"H0251"."

11But|strong＝"H1961" Naomi|strong＝"H5281" said|strong＝"H0559",
"No|strong＝"H1961", my|strong＝"H7725" daughters|strong＝"H1323",
return|strong＝"H7725" home|strong＝"H7725". ☐It|strong＝"H7725"
will|strong＝"H1961" not|strong＝"H1961" do|strong＝"H4100"
any|strong＝"H5750" good|strong＝"H4100" for|strong＝"H1121"
you|strong＝"H7725" to|strong＝"H7725" come|strong＝"H1961"
with|strong＝"H5973" me|strong＝"H7725"!/What|strong＝"H4100"
good|strong＝"H4100" will|strong＝"H1961" it|strong＝"H7725"
do|strong＝"H4100" for|strong＝"H1121" you|strong＝"H7725"
to|strong＝"H7725" come|strong＝"H1961" with|strong＝"H5973"
me|strong＝"H7725"?☐ [RHQ] Do|strong＝"H4100" you|strong＝"H7725"
think|strong＝"H2803" I|strong＝"H4100" will|strong＝"H1961"
get|strong＝"H3212" married|strong＝"H3947" again|strong＝"H7725"
and|strong＝"H1121" have|strong＝"H1961" more|strong＝"H5750"
sons|strong＝"H1121" who|strong＝"H1121" could|strong＝"H4100"
become|strong＝"H1961" your|strong＝"H7725"
husbands|strong＝"H5973"? [12] Even|strong＝"H1571" if|strong＝"H3588"
I|strong＝"H3588" thought|strong＝"H0559" I|strong＝"H3588"
could|strong＝"H1571" have|strong＝"H1961" another|strong＝"H1571"
husband|strong＝"H0376", and|strong＝"H1121" even|strong＝"H1571"
if|strong＝"H3588" I|strong＝"H3588" got|strong＝"H6965"
married|strong＝"H3947" today|strong＝"H3117" and|strong＝"H1121"
became|strong＝"H3205" pregnant|strong＝"H2030" [EUP]
tonight|strong＝"H3915" and|strong＝"H1121" later|strong＝"H1961"
gave|strong＝"H3205" birth|strong＝"H3205" to|strong＝"H7725"
sons|strong＝"H1121", [13] would|strong＝"H3068" you|strong＝"H3588"
remain|strong＝"H1961"

single|strong="H0259"/unmarried|strong="H0408" until|strong="H5704"
they|strong="H3588" grew|strong="H1431" up|strong="H1431" w
and|strong="H3068"w* w became|strong="H1961"w* w
old|strong="H1323"w* w enough|strong="H3027"w* for|strong="H3588"
you|strong="H3588" to|strong="H5704" marry|strong="H1961"?
No|strong="H1115", my|strong="H3068" daughters|strong="H1323", w
you|strong="H3588"w* w would|strong="H3068"w* w
not|strong="H1115"w* w do|strong="H3068"w* w
that|strong="H3588"w*. Your|strong="H3068" situations
are|strong="H3027" bad|strong="H7451" w because|strong="H3588"w*
w your|strong="H3068"w* w husbands|strong="H1167"w* w
have|strong="H1961"w* w died|strong="H4191"w*, w
but|strong="H3588"w* w it|strong="H3588"w* w is|strong="H3068"w*
possible w that|strong="H3588"w* w you|strong="H3588"w* w
will|strong="H3068"w* w each|strong="H0376"w* w
marry|strong="H1961"w* w again|strong="H1961"w*.
My|strong="H3068" situation|strong="H4186" is|strong="H3068"
much|strong="H3966" worse|strong="H7489", because|strong="H3588"
Yahweh|strong="H3068" [SYN] has|strong="H3068"
opposed|strong="H5975" me|strong="H4480", w and|strong="H3068"w*
w now|strong="H1961"w* w I|strong="H3588"w* w
am|strong="H1961"w* w too|strong="H4480"w* w
old|strong="H1323"w* w to|strong="H5704"w* w get|strong="H3318"w*
w married|strong="H3947"w* w again|strong="H1961"w*."

14Then|strong="H5375" Ruth|strong="H7327" and|strong="H6963"
Orpah|strong="H6204" cried|strong="H1058" again|strong="H5750" w
because|strong="H3588"w* w of|strong="H6963"w* w
what|strong="H6963"w* w Naomi|strong="H5281"w* w
said|strong="H0559"w*. Then|strong="H5375" Orpah|strong="H6204"
kissed|strong="H5401" her|strong="H5375"
mother-in-law|strong="H2545" goodbye, w and|strong="H6963"w* w
left|strong="H5750"w*, but|strong="H5750" Ruth|strong="H7327"
clung|strong="H1692" to|strong="H5375" Naomi|strong="H5281". [15]
Naomi|strong="H5281" said|strong="H0559" to|strong="H7725"
her|strong="H7725", "Look|strong="H2009"! Your|strong="H7725"
sister-in-law|strong="H2994" is|strong="H2009" going|strong="H7725"
back|strong="H7725" to|strong="H7725" her|strong="H7725"
relatives|strong="H0251" and|strong="H7725" to|strong="H7725"
her|strong="H7725" gods|strong="H0430"! Go|strong="H7725"
back|strong="H7725" with|strong="H5971" her|strong="H7725"!" [16]
But|strong="H3588" Ruth|strong="H7327" replied|strong="H0559",
"No|strong="H3808"! Don't|strong="H0408" urge|strong="H6293"
me|strong="H7725" to|strong="H7725" leave|strong="H5800"
you|strong="H3588"! I|strong="H3588" w want|strong="H4270"w* w

to|strong="H7725"w* go|strong="H3212" with|strong="H3212"
you|strong="H3588". Where|strong="H0834" you|strong="H3588"
go|strong="H3212", I|strong="H3588" will|strong="H5971"
go|strong="H3212". Where|strong="H0834" you|strong="H3588"
stay|strong="H3885", I|strong="H3588" will|strong="H5971"
stay|strong="H3885". Your|strong="H7725" relatives|strong="H0251"
will|strong="H5971" be|strong="H5971" my|strong="H7725"
relatives|strong="H0251", and|strong="H7725" the|strong="H3588"
God|strong="H0430" you|strong="H3588" w worship|strong="H7812"w*
will|strong="H5971" be|strong="H5971" the|strong="H3588"
God|strong="H0430" I|strong="H3588" w worship|strong="H7812"w*.
[17] Where|strong="H8033" you|strong="H3588" die|strong="H4191",
I|strong="H3588" will|strong="H3068" die|strong="H4191".
Where|strong="H8033" you|strong="H3588" are|strong="H3068"
buried|strong="H6912", I|strong="H3588" will|strong="H3068"
be|strong="H4191" buried|strong="H6912". May|strong="H3068"
Yahweh|strong="H3068" punish|strong="H6213" me|strong="H6213"
severely|strong="H5953" if|strong="H3588" I|strong="H3588"
separate|strong="H6504" from|strong="H3068" you|strong="H3588".
I|strong="H3588" will|strong="H3068" be|strong="H4191"
separated|strong="H6504" from|strong="H3068" you|strong="H3588"
only|strong="H3588" w when|strong="H3588"w* w
one|strong="H6213"w* w of|strong="H3068"w* w us|strong="H6213"w*
dies|strong="H4191"." [18] When|strong="H3588" Naomi|strong="H5281"
realized|strong="H7200" that|strong="H3588" Ruth|strong="H7327"
was|strong="H1931" very|strong="H3966" determined|strong="H2782"
to|strong="H1696" go|strong="H3212" with|strong="H1696"
her|strong="H7200", she|strong="H1931" stopped|strong="H2308"
urging|strong="H6680" her|strong="H7200" w to|strong="H1696"w* w
return|strong="H7725"w* w home|strong="H3212"w*.

19So|strong="H1961" the|strong="H3605" two|strong="H8147"
women|strong="H0802" continued|strong="H1961"
walking|strong="H3212" until|strong="H5704" they|strong="H5921"
came|strong="H1961" to|strong="H5704" Bethlehem|strong="H1035".
When|strong="H1961" they|strong="H5921" arrived|strong="H0935"
there|strong="H1961", everyone|strong="H3605" in|strong="H5921"
town|strong="H5892" was|strong="H1961" excited|strong="H7264" w
to|strong="H5704"w* w see|strong="H7200"w* them|strong="H5921".
The|strong="H3605" women|strong="H0802" w of|strong="H5892"w* w
the|strong="H3605"w* w town|strong="H5892"w*
exclaimed|strong="H0559", "☐Can|strong="H8147" this|strong="H2063"
be|strong="H1961" Naomi|strong="H5281"?/It|strong="H5921"
is|strong="H3605" difficult|strong="H6381" to|strong="H5704"
believe|strong="H0539" that|strong="H3605" this|strong="H2063"

is|strong = "H3605" Naomi|strong = "H5281"!▢" [RHQ] [20]
Naomi|strong = "H5281" said|strong = "H7121" to|strong = "H7121"
them|strong = "H7121", "Don't|strong = "H0408" call|strong = "H7121"
me|strong = "H7121" Naomi|strong = "H5281", w which|strong = "H3588"w*
w means|strong = "H3027"w* 'pleasant'. Instead|strong = "H3588",
call|strong = "H7121" me|strong = "H7121" Mara|strong = "H4755", w
which|strong = "H3588"w* w means|strong = "H3027"w* 'bitter',
because|strong = "H3588" God|strong = "H0430" Almighty|strong = "H7706"
has|strong = "H3588" made|strong = "H4843" my|strong = "H3588"
life|strong = "H5315" very|strong = "H3966" unpleasant|strong = "H7451".
[21] When|strong = "H7725" I|strong = "H4100" left|strong = "H1980"
here|strong = "H6311", I|strong = "H4100" w felt|strong = "H4959"w*
rich|strong = "H6223", w because|strong = "H3068"w* w
I|strong = "H4100"w* w had|strong = "H3068"w* w a|strong = "H7121"w* w
family|strong = "H4940"w*. But|strong = "H6030" Yahweh|strong = "H3068"
has|strong = "H3068" brought|strong = "H7725" me|strong = "H7725"
back|strong = "H7725" here|strong = "H6311" and|strong = "H1980"
now|strong = "H7121" I|strong = "H4100" w feel|strong = "H4184"w*
poor|strong = "H6041", w because|strong = "H3068"w* w
I|strong = "H4100"w* w have|strong = "H3068"w* w no|strong = "H1980"w*
w family|strong = "H4940"w*. Do|strong = "H7489" not|strong = "H7725"
call|strong = "H7121" me|strong = "H7725" Naomi|strong = "H5281" [RHQ].
w I|strong = "H4100"w* w feel|strong = "H4184"w* w as|strong = "H3068"w*
w though|strong = "H3588"w* Yahweh|strong = "H3068"
has|strong = "H3068" spoken|strong = "H7121" against|strong = "H3068"
(OR|strong = "H3068", afflicted|strong = "H7489") me|strong = "H7725".
Almighty|strong = "H7706" w God|strong = "H3068"w* has|strong = "H3068"
caused|strong = "H5414" me|strong = "H7725" to|strong = "H1980"
experience|strong = "H7200" a|strong = "H7121" great|strong = "H1419"
tragedy|strong = "H7451"."

22That|strong = "H7725" summarizes w the|strong = "H7725"w* w
account|strong = "H5921"w* of|strong = "H7704" Naomi|strong = "H5281"
returning|strong = "H7725" home|strong = "H7725" along|strong = "H5973"
with|strong = "H5973" her|strong = "H7725"
daughter-in-law|strong = "H3618" Ruth|strong = "H7327",
the|strong = "H7725" woman|strong = "H0802" from|strong = "H7725"
Moab|strong = "H4124". And|strong = "H7725" w it|strong = "H7725"w* w
happened|strong = "H1961"w* w that|strong = "H7725"w*
when|strong = "H7725" they|strong = "H1992" arrived|strong = "H0935"
in|strong = "H7725" Bethlehem|strong = "H1035", the|strong = "H7725"
barley|strong = "H8184" w grain|strong = "H1715"w*
harvest|strong = "H7105" was|strong = "H4124" just|strong = "H3512"
beginning|strong = "H8462".
Ruth met Boaz

2There|strong＝"H3045" was|strong＝"H8034" a|strong＝"H3045"
man|strong＝"H1368" in|strong＝"H8034" Bethlehem|strong＝"H1035"
who|strong＝"H1368" belonged|strong＝"H1961" to|strong＝"H3045"
the|strong＝"H3045" clan|strong＝"H4940" of|strong＝"H8034" w
Naomi's|strong＝"H5281"w* w dead|strong＝"H4191"w* w
husband|strong＝"H0376"w*, Elimelech|strong＝"H0458".
He|strong＝"H3045" was|strong＝"H8034" rich|strong＝"H6223"
and|strong＝"H3045" well-known/influential. His|strong＝"H3045"
name|strong＝"H8034" was|strong＝"H8034" Boaz|strong＝"H1162".

2w One|strong＝"H0259"w* w day|strong＝"H3117"w*
Ruth|strong＝"H7327" said|strong＝"H0559" to|strong＝"H3212"
Naomi|strong＝"H5281", "Let|strong＝"H4994" me|strong＝"H4994"
go|strong＝"H3212" to|strong＝"H3212" the|strong＝"H4672"
fields|strong＝"H7704" and|strong＝"H3212" pick|strong＝"H5375"
up|strong＝"H3950" the|strong＝"H4672" grain|strong＝"H7641"
left|strong＝"H4672" behind|strong＝"H0310" by|strong＝"H3212"
the|strong＝"H4672" workers|strong＝"H6466"." Naomi|strong＝"H5281"
replied|strong＝"H0559", "Go|strong＝"H3212" ahead|strong＝"H6440",
my|strong＝"H4672" daughter|strong＝"H1323"." ³ So|strong＝"H3651"
Ruth|strong＝"H7327" went|strong＝"H3212" to|strong＝"H3212"
the|strong＝"H3212" fields|strong＝"H7704" and|strong＝"H3212"
began|strong＝"H2490" to|strong＝"H3212" pick|strong＝"H5375"
up|strong＝"H3950" some|strong＝"H4480" of|strong＝"H7704"
the|strong＝"H3212" left-over grain|strong＝"H1715".
And|strong＝"H3212" it|strong＝"H3212" happened|strong＝"H7136"
that|strong＝"H4940" she|strong＝"H1931" was|strong＝"H4940"
working|strong＝"H4639" in|strong＝"H3212" a|strong＝"H4940"
field|strong＝"H7704" that|strong＝"H4940" belonged|strong＝"H1961"
to|strong＝"H3212" Boaz|strong＝"H1162", w the|strong＝"H3212"w* w
man|strong＝"H0376"w* from|strong＝"H3212" the|strong＝"H3212"
clan|strong＝"H4940" of|strong＝"H7704" w her|strong＝"H3212"w* w
dead|strong＝"H4191"w* w father-in-law|strong＝"H2860"w*,
Elimelech|strong＝"H0458"!

4Just|strong＝"H3512" then|strong＝"H2009", Boaz|strong＝"H1162"
arrived|strong＝"H0935" from|strong＝"H3068"
Bethlehem|strong＝"H1035". He|strong＝"H3068" greeted|strong＝"H1288"
the|strong＝"H3068" men|strong＝"H0376" who|strong＝"H3068"
were|strong＝"H2009" harvesting|strong＝"H7105" the|strong＝"H3068"
grain|strong＝"H1715", saying|strong＝"H0559", "I|strong＝"H2009"
want|strong＝"H4270" Yahweh|strong＝"H3068" to|strong＝"H3068"
bless|strong＝"H1288" you|strong＝"H5973"!" They|strong＝"H3068"
replied|strong＝"H0559", "We|strong＝"H2009" want|strong＝"H4270"
Yahweh|strong＝"H3068" to|strong＝"H3068" bless|strong＝"H1288"

you|strong="H5973", w too|strong="H4480"w*!"

5Then|strong="H0227" Boaz|strong="H1162" saw|strong="H7200"
Ruth|strong="H7327", and|strong="H5288" asked|strong="H7592"
the|strong="H5921" ☐foreman/man|strong="H5288" in|strong="H5921"
charge|strong="H5921" of|strong="H5921" the|strong="H5921"
other|strong="H2063" workmen|strong="H4399"☐,
"Whose|strong="H4310" w daughter|strong="H1323"w*
is|strong="H4310" that|strong="H5288" young|strong="H5288"
woman|strong="H5291"?" ⁶ The|strong="H5921" foreman
replied|strong="H6030", "She|strong="H1931" is|strong="H1931"
the|strong="H5921" woman|strong="H5291" from|strong="H7725"
Moab|strong="H4124" who|strong="H1931" returned|strong="H7725"
from|strong="H7725" there|strong="H7725" with|strong="H5973" w
her|strong="H5921"w* w mother-in-law|strong="H2545"w*
Naomi|strong="H5281". ⁷ She|strong="H1242" said|strong="H0559"
to|strong="H5704" me|strong="H4994", 'Please|strong="H4994"
let|strong="H4994" me|strong="H4994" walk|strong="H1980"
behind|strong="H5975" the|strong="H5704" men|strong="H0376"
who|strong="H3427" are|strong="H1004" harvesting|strong="H7105"
the|strong="H5704" grain|strong="H1715" and|strong="H1004"
pick|strong="H5375" up|strong="H5975" some|strong="H4592"
of|strong="H1004" the|strong="H5704" grain|strong="H1715"
they|strong="H5704" leave|strong="H5800" behind|strong="H5975".' w
I|strong="H5704"w* w gave|strong="H5414"w* w her|strong="H5975"w*
w permission|strong="H7971"w*, w and|strong="H1004"w*
she|strong="H1242" went|strong="H1004" into|strong="H5704"
the|strong="H5704" field|strong="H7704", and|strong="H1004"
she|strong="H1242" has|strong="H2088" been|strong="H4592"
working|strong="H4639" from|strong="H5704" this|strong="H2088"
morning|strong="H1242" until|strong="H5704" now|strong="H6258".
The|strong="H5704" only|strong="H5704" time|strong="H6258"
she|strong="H1242" did|strong="H6213" not|strong="H2088"
work|strong="H4399" was|strong="H1004" when|strong="H5704"
she|strong="H1242" rested|strong="H5117" for|strong="H5704"
a|strong="H5975" short|strong="H7114" time|strong="H6258"
in|strong="H3427" the|strong="H5704" shelter|strong="H1004"."

8So|strong="H3541" Boaz|strong="H1162" went|strong="H3212"
over|strong="H5674" to|strong="H3212" Ruth|strong="H7327"
and|strong="H3212" said|strong="H8085" to|strong="H3212"
her|strong="H1571", "Young|strong="H5291" lady|strong="H5291",
listen|strong="H8085" to|strong="H3212" me|strong="H5674".
Don't|strong="H3808" go|strong="H3212" and|strong="H3212"
pick|strong="H5375" up|strong="H3950" grain|strong="H1715"

in|strong="H8085" another|strong="H2088" field|strong="H7704".
Do|strong="H8085" not|strong="H3808" go|strong="H3212"
away|strong="H5674" from|strong="H8085" here|strong="H2088".
Stay|strong="H1692" here|strong="H2088" with|strong="H5973"
my|strong="H8085" servant|strong="H5650" girls|strong="H5291". ⁹
Watch|strong="H5869" where|strong="H3808" the|strong="H6680"
men|strong="H5288" are|strong="H5869" harvesting|strong="H7105",
and|strong="H1980" follow|strong="H1980" along|strong="H1980"
behind|strong="H1980" the|strong="H6680" w
servant|strong="H5288"w* girls|strong="H3207". I|strong="H6680"
will|strong="H5869" tell|strong="H5046" the|strong="H6680"
men|strong="H5288" w who|strong="H5288"w* w are|strong="H5869"w*
w working|strong="H4639"w* not|strong="H3808" to|strong="H1980"
touch|strong="H5060"/molest you|strong="H6680". And|strong="H1980"
whenever|strong="H3605" you|strong="H6680" are|strong="H5869"
thirsty|strong="H6770", go|strong="H1980" and|strong="H1980"
get|strong="H1980" some|strong="H4480" water|strong="H7579"
to|strong="H1980" drink|strong="H8354" from|strong="H1980"
the|strong="H6680" jars|strong="H3627" that|strong="H5288"
the|strong="H6680" men|strong="H5288" have|strong="H5869"
filled|strong="H4390"."

10When|strong="H5307" he|strong="H5921" said|strong="H0559"
that|strong="H5307", she|strong="H5921" knelt|strong="H5234"
down|strong="H5307" in|strong="H5921" front|strong="H6440"
of|strong="H6440" him|strong="H6440" w in|strong="H5921"w* w
respect|strong="H5234"w*, with|strong="H5921" her|strong="H5921"
face|strong="H6440" touching|strong="H5921" the|strong="H6440"
ground|strong="H6440". She|strong="H5921" exclaimed|strong="H0559",
"Why|strong="H4069" are|strong="H5869" you|strong="H6440"
acting|strong="H4603" so|strong="H4672" kindly|strong="H6440"
toward|strong="H5921" me|strong="H6440", by|strong="H5921"
paying|strong="H1576" attention|strong="H6440" to|strong="H5921"
me|strong="H6440"? w I|strong="H5921"w* w am|strong="H1961"w* w
not|strong="H5234"w* w even|strong="H5869"w* w
a|strong="H4672"w* w Jew|strong="H3064"w*; w I|strong="H5921"w*
w am|strong="H1961"w* a|strong="H4672" foreigner|strong="H5237"!"
¹¹ Boaz|strong="H1162" replied|strong="H6030",
"People|strong="H5971" have|strong="H5971" told|strong="H5046"
me|strong="H5046" all|strong="H3605" about|strong="H6213"
what|strong="H3045" you|strong="H3605" have|strong="H5971"
done|strong="H6213" for|strong="H6213" your|strong="H3605"
mother-in-law|strong="H2545". They|strong="H3808"
told|strong="H5046" me|strong="H5046" that|strong="H3045"
you|strong="H3605" left|strong="H5800" your|strong="H3605"

parents|strong="H0001" and|strong="H6030" your|strong="H3605" homeland, and|strong="H6030" you|strong="H3605" came|strong="H3212" here|strong="H6311" to|strong="H3212" live|strong="H3427" among|strong="H5971" people|strong="H5971" whom|strong="H5971" you|strong="H3605" did|strong="H6213" not|strong="H3808" know|strong="H3045" before|strong="H3808". ¹² I|strong="H8478" hope|strong="H2620"/desire|strong="H8378" that|strong="H3068" Yahweh|strong="H3068" will|strong="H3068" repay|strong="H7999" you|strong="H5973" for|strong="H8478" what|strong="H6467" you|strong="H5973" have|strong="H1961" done|strong="H1961". You|strong="H5973" have|strong="H1961" put|strong="H3068" yourself|strong="H5973" in|strong="H3478" the|strong="H3068" care|strong="H3027" of|strong="H3068" Yahweh|strong="H3068", w like|strong="H1961"w* w a|strong="H1961"w* w little|strong="H4592"w* w bird|strong="H3671"w* w puts|strong="H7760"w* w itself|strong="H0905"w* under|strong="H8478" w its|strong="H8478"w* w mother's|strong="H0517"w* wings|strong="H3671" [MET|strong="H6298"]. I|strong="H8478" desire|strong="H8378" that|strong="H3068" he|strong="H3068" will|strong="H3068" reward|strong="H7999" you|strong="H5973" very|strong="H3966" greatly|strong="H3966"."

13She|strong="H3588" replied|strong="H1696", "Sir|strong="H0113", I|strong="H3588" hope|strong="H3176" you|strong="H3588" will|strong="H1961" continue|strong="H1961" to|strong="H1696" act|strong="H1961" kindly|strong="H3820" toward|strong="H5921" me|strong="H5921". You|strong="H3588" have|strong="H1961" comforted|strong="H5162"/encouraged|strong="H2388" me|strong="H5921", even|strong="H3588" though|strong="H3588" I|strong="H3588" am|strong="H1961" lower|strong="H8481" in|strong="H5921" status|strong="H6256" than|strong="H3808" any|strong="H1961" of|strong="H5869" your|strong="H5921" servant|strong="H8198" girls|strong="H3207"."

14At|strong="H3427" mealtime|strong="H6256", Boaz|strong="H1162" said|strong="H0559" to|strong="H6256" her|strong="H6642", "Come|strong="H5066" over|strong="H3498" here|strong="H1988". Take|strong="H3427" some|strong="H4480" bread|strong="H3899" and|strong="H3899" dip|strong="H2881" it|strong="H6256" in|strong="H3427" the|strong="H4480" wine|strong="H3196" vinegar|strong="H2558" w and|strong="H3899"w* w eat|strong="H3899"w* w it|strong="H6256"w*." Then|strong="H5066" when|strong="H6256" she|strong="H6256" sat|strong="H3427" down|strong="H3427" with|strong="H7646" the|strong="H4480"

men|strong="H0376" who|strong="H3427" had|strong="H7646"
been|strong="H1961" harvesting|strong="H7105", he|strong="H4480"
offered|strong="H5066" her|strong="H6642" some|strong="H4480"
roasted|strong="H7039" grain|strong="H7039". She|strong="H6256"
ate|strong="H0398" all|strong="H4480" the|strong="H4480"
grain|strong="H7039" she|strong="H6256" wanted|strong="H2654",
and|strong="H3899" had|strong="H7646" some|strong="H4480"
left|strong="H3498" over|strong="H3498". [15] As|strong="H1571"
she|strong="H1571" stood|strong="H6965" up|strong="H6965"
to|strong="H6965" start|strong="H1870" gathering|strong="H3950"
grain|strong="H1715" w again|strong="H6965"w*, Boaz|strong="H1162"
ordered|strong="H6680" his|strong="H6680" workers|strong="H6466",
"Even|strong="H1571" if|strong="H0518" she|strong="H1571"
gathers|strong="H6908" some|strong="H4480" grain|strong="H1715"
near|strong="H3808" the|strong="H6680" bundles|strong="H6872"
of|strong="H5288" grain|strong="H1715" that|strong="H5288"
have|strong="H1571" been|strong="H3808" cut|strong="H3772",
do|strong="H6680" not|strong="H3808" scold her|strong="H1571". [16]
Instead|strong="H3808", pull|strong="H7997" out|strong="H4480"
some|strong="H4480" stalks|strong="H6086" of|strong="H4480"
grain|strong="H1715" from|strong="H4480" the|strong="H4480"
bundles|strong="H6653", and|strong="H1571" leave|strong="H5800"
them|strong="H4480" on|strong="H4480" the|strong="H4480"
ground|strong="H0776" for|strong="H3808" her|strong="H1571"
to|strong="H4480" pick|strong="H5375" up|strong="H3950",
and|strong="H1571" do|strong="H6213" not|strong="H3808"
rebuke|strong="H1605" her|strong="H1571"."

17So|strong="H1961" Ruth|strong="H7327" gathered|strong="H3950"
grain|strong="H1715" in|strong="H1961" the|strong="H5704"
field|strong="H7704" until|strong="H5704" evening|strong="H6153".
Then|strong="H1961" she|strong="H6153"
☐threshed|strong="H2251"/beat|strong="H2251" with|strong="H1961"
a|strong="H1961" stick|strong="H6086"☐ the|strong="H5704"
barley|strong="H8184" that|strong="H5704" she|strong="H6153"
had|strong="H1961" gathered|strong="H3950", w to|strong="H5704"w*
w separate|strong="H0914"w* w the|strong="H5704"w* w
kernels|strong="H2785"w* w from|strong="H5704"w* w
the|strong="H5704"w* w stalks|strong="H6086"w*, and|strong="H7704"
the|strong="H5704" barley|strong="H8184" filled|strong="H4390"
a|strong="H1961" large|strong="H1419" basket|strong="H5536". [18]
She|strong="H5892" carried|strong="H5375" it|strong="H5414"
back|strong="H3318" to|strong="H3318" town|strong="H5892",
and|strong="H5892" showed|strong="H7200" to|strong="H3318"
her|strong="H5414" mother-in-law|strong="H2545" how|strong="H4100"

much|strong="H3498" she|strong="H5892" had|strong="H5414"
gathered|strong="H3950". Ruth|strong="H7327" also|strong="H3318"
showed|strong="H7200" to|strong="H3318" her|strong="H5414"
the|strong="H7200" grain|strong="H1715" w that|strong="H7200"w* w
was|strong="H5892"w* w left|strong="H3498"w* w
over|strong="H5414"w* w after|strong="H3318"w* she|strong="H5892"
had|strong="H5414" eaten|strong="H0398" enough|strong="H3498"
from|strong="H3318" w what|strong="H7200"w* w
Boaz|strong="H1162"w* w had|strong="H5414"w* w
given|strong="H5414"w* w her|strong="H5414"w* w
at|strong="H7200"w* lunchtime. [19] Her|strong="H5046"
mother-in-law|strong="H2545" asked|strong="H7592"
her|strong="H5046", "Where|strong="H0834" did|strong="H6213"
you|strong="H3117" gather|strong="H3950" grain|strong="H1715"
today|strong="H3117"? In|strong="H6213" whose|strong="H8034" w
field|strong="H7704"w* did|strong="H6213" you|strong="H3117"
work|strong="H6213"? w God|strong="H0430"w* w
will|strong="H1961"w* surely|strong="H6213" bless|strong="H1288"
the|strong="H6213" man|strong="H0376" who|strong="H6213"
was|strong="H8034" kind|strong="H4327" to|strong="H1961"
you|strong="H3117"." Then|strong="H1961" Ruth|strong="H5234"
told|strong="H5046" her|strong="H5046" about|strong="H1961"
the|strong="H6213" man|strong="H0376" in|strong="H6213"
whose|strong="H8034" field|strong="H7704" she|strong="H5973"
had|strong="H1961" been|strong="H1961" working|strong="H6213".
She|strong="H5973" said|strong="H0559", "The|strong="H6213"
name|strong="H8034" of|strong="H3117" the|strong="H6213"
man|strong="H0376" w who|strong="H6213"w* w
owns|strong="H3426"w* w the|strong="H6213"w* w
field|strong="H7704"w* where|strong="H0834" I|strong="H3117"
worked|strong="H6213" today|strong="H3117" is|strong="H3117"
Boaz|strong="H1162"." [20] Naomi|strong="H5281" said|strong="H0559"
to|strong="H4191" her|strong="H3618" daughter-in-law|strong="H3618",
"I|strong="H3808" hope|strong="H3176"/desire|strong="H8378"
that|strong="H1931" Yahweh|strong="H3068" will|strong="H3068"
bless|strong="H1288" him|strong="H4191"! He|strong="H1931"
has|strong="H3068" not|strong="H3808" stopped|strong="H5800"
acting|strong="H4603" kindly|strong="H2617" toward|strong="H3068" w
us|strong="H5800"w*, w who|strong="H1931"w* w
are|strong="H3068"w* w still|strong="H1288"w* living|strong="H2416",
and|strong="H3068" to|strong="H4191" w our|strong="H3068"w* w
husbands|strong="H1167"w* who|strong="H1931" have|strong="H3068"
died|strong="H4191"." Then|strong="H3068" she|strong="H1931"
added|strong="H3254", "That|strong="H1931" man|strong="H4191"
is|strong="H3068" a|strong="H3068" close|strong="H7138"
relative|strong="H1350" w of|strong="H3068"w* w

Elimelech|strong=”H0458”w*; he|strong=”H1931” is|strong=”H3068”
one|strong=”H3808” of|strong=”H3068” those|strong=”H1931”
who|strong=”H1931” has|strong=”H3068” a|strong=”H3068”
responsibility|strong=”H6486” to|strong=”H4191” help|strong=”H5800”
those|strong=”H1931” who|strong=”H1931” are|strong=”H3068”
his|strong=”H3068” relatives|strong=”H1350”.”

21Then|strong=”H1571” Ruth|strong=”H7327” said|strong=”H0559”,
“He|strong=”H3588” also|strong=”H1571” said|strong=”H0559”
to|strong=”H5704” me|strong=”H5973”, ‘Stay|strong=”H1692”
with|strong=”H5973” my|strong=”H3605” workers|strong=”H6466”
until|strong=”H5704” they|strong=”H3588” have|strong=”H1571”
finished|strong=”H3615” harvesting|strong=”H7105” all|strong=”H3605”
my|strong=”H3605” grain|strong=”H3605”.’”

22Naomi|strong=”H5281” replied|strong=”H0559”,
“My|strong=”H3318” daughter|strong=”H1323”, it|strong=”H3588”
will|strong=”H3808” be|strong=”H3808” good|strong=”H2896”
for|strong=”H3588” you|strong=”H3588” to|strong=”H3318”
go|strong=”H3318” w to|strong=”H3318”w* w his|strong=”H3588”w* w
field|strong=”H7704”w* with|strong=”H5973” his|strong=”H3588” w
servant|strong=”H5650”w* girls|strong=”H5291”,
because|strong=”H3588” if|strong=”H3588” you|strong=”H3588”
go|strong=”H3318” to|strong=”H3318” someone|strong=”H0376”
else’s|strong=”H0312” field|strong=”H7704”, someone|strong=”H0376”
might|strong=”H1323” harm|strong=”H7463”/molest
you|strong=”H3588”.”

23So|strong=”H3427” Ruth|strong=”H7327” stayed|strong=”H3427”
close|strong=”H1692” to|strong=”H5704” Boaz’s w
servant|strong=”H5650”w* girls|strong=”H5291” w
while|strong=”H5704”w* w she|strong=”H5704”w* w
was|strong=”H5291”w* w working|strong=”H4639”w*.
She|strong=”H5704” gathered|strong=”H3950” stalks|strong=”H6086”
of|strong=”H3427” grain|strong=”H2406” until|strong=”H5704”
the|strong=”H5704” barley|strong=”H8184” harvest|strong=”H7105”
and|strong=”H3427” the|strong=”H5704” wheat|strong=”H2406”
harvest|strong=”H7105” were|strong=”H3427” finished|strong=”H3615”.
During|strong=”H3117” that|strong=”H5704” time|strong=”H5704”
she|strong=”H5704” lived|strong=”H3427” with|strong=”H3427”
Naomi|strong=”H5281”.
Ruth asked Boaz to marry her so she would have a home and other things she
needed

3One|strong="H3808" day|strong="H3117", Naomi|strong="H5281"
said|strong="H0559" to|strong="H1245" Ruth|strong="H7327",
"My|strong="H1245" daughter|strong="H1323", I|strong="H3808"
think|strong="H2803" that|strong="H3808" I|strong="H3808"
should|strong="H1323" [RHQ] try|strong="H0974" to|strong="H1245"
arrange|strong="H6186" for|strong="H1245" you|strong="H3808"
to|strong="H1245" have|strong="H1323" a|strong="H1245"
husband|strong="H0376" [MTY] who|strong="H1323"
will|strong="H3808" □take|strong="H3947" care|strong="H3027"
of|strong="H1323"/provide|strong="H6213" for|strong="H1245"□
you|strong="H3808". ² Boaz|strong="H1162", the|strong="H1961"
man|strong="H0376" with|strong="H1961" whose|strong="H0834" w
servant|strong="H5650"w* girls|strong="H5291" you|strong="H3808"
have|strong="H1961" been|strong="H1961" w
gathering|strong="H4723"w* w grain|strong="H1715"w*,
is|strong="H1931" a|strong="H1961" close|strong="H5980"
relative|strong="H1350" w of|strong="H1637"w* w
our|strong="H1961"w* w dead|strong="H4191"w* w
husbands|strong="H1167"w*. Listen|strong="H2009" w
carefully|strong="H3808"w*. Tonight|strong="H3915"
he|strong="H1931" will|strong="H1961" be|strong="H1961"
at|strong="H1961" the|strong="H1961" ground|strong="H0776"
where|strong="H3808" w the|strong="H1961"w* w
barley|strong="H8184"w* w has|strong="H1961"w*
been|strong="H1961" threshed|strong="H1758". He|strong="H1931"
will|strong="H1961" be|strong="H1961" separating|strong="H5144"
the|strong="H1961" barley|strong="H8184" grain|strong="H1715"
from|strong="H1961" the|strong="H1961" chaff|strong="H4671". ³
Bathe|strong="H7364" yourself|strong="H5921" and|strong="H3381"
put|strong="H7760" on|strong="H5921" some|strong="H4480"
perfume|strong="H7004". Put|strong="H7760" on|strong="H5921"
your|strong="H5921" w best|strong="H2459"w* clothes|strong="H8071".
Then|strong="H3045" go|strong="H3381" down|strong="H3381"
to|strong="H5704" the|strong="H5921" ground|strong="H0776"
where|strong="H5921" they|strong="H5921" have|strong="H3045"
threshed|strong="H1758" w the|strong="H5921"w* w
grain|strong="H1715"w*. But|strong="H5921" do|strong="H3381"
not|strong="H3045" let|strong="H3381" Boaz|strong="H1162"
know|strong="H3045" that|strong="H3045" you|strong="H5921"
are|strong="H3045" there|strong="H3045" while|strong="H5704"
he|strong="H5704" is|strong="H0369" eating|strong="H0398" supper
and|strong="H3381" drinking|strong="H8354". ⁴ w
When|strong="H1961"w* w he|strong="H1931"w* w
has|strong="H1961"w* w finished|strong="H3615"w* w
eating|strong="H0398"w*, notice|strong="H3045" where|strong="H8033"
he|strong="H1931" lies|strong="H7901" down|strong="H7901"

to|strong="H1961" sleep|strong="H7901". Then|strong="H1961" w
when|strong="H1961"w* w he|strong="H1931"w* w
is|strong="H1931"w* w asleep|strong="H3463"w*, take|strong="H6213"
the|strong="H6213" blanket|strong="H4541" off|strong="H1540"
his|strong="H3045" feet|strong="H4772" and|strong="H8033"
lie|strong="H7901" w close|strong="H5980"w* w to|strong="H1961"w*
w his|strong="H3045"w* w feet|strong="H4772"w*. w
When|strong="H1961"w* w he|strong="H1931"w* wakes w
up|strong="H6213"w*, he|strong="H1931" will|strong="H1961"
tell|strong="H5046" you|strong="H6213" what|strong="H3045"
to|strong="H1961" do|strong="H6213"."

5Ruth|strong="H7327" replied|strong="H0559", "I|strong="H3605"
will|strong="H6213" do|strong="H6213" everything|strong="H3605"
that|strong="H3605" you|strong="H3605" have|strong="H3605"
told|strong="H6213" me|strong="H6213" w to|strong="H6213"w* w
do|strong="H6213"w*." ⁶ So|strong="H6213" she|strong="H1931"
went|strong="H3381" down|strong="H3381" to|strong="H3381"
the|strong="H3605" ground|strong="H0776" where|strong="H0834"
they|strong="H6213" had|strong="H6680" threshed|strong="H1758" w
the|strong="H3605"w* w barley|strong="H8184"w* w
grain|strong="H3605"w*. There|strong="H3605" she|strong="H1931"
did|strong="H6213" everything|strong="H3605" that|strong="H3605"
her|strong="H3605" mother-in-law|strong="H2545" had|strong="H6680"
told|strong="H6680" her|strong="H3605" w to|strong="H3381"w* w
do|strong="H6213"w*.

7When|strong="H7901" Boaz|strong="H1162" finished|strong="H3615"
eating|strong="H0398" supper and|strong="H8354"
drinking|strong="H8354" w wine|strong="H3196"w*, he|strong="H8354"
felt|strong="H4959" happy|strong="H3190". Then|strong="H0227"
he|strong="H8354" went|strong="H1540" over|strong="H5921"
to|strong="H3820" the|strong="H1540" far|strong="H5704"
end|strong="H7097" of|strong="H3820" the|strong="H1540"
pile|strong="H1530" of|strong="H3820" grain|strong="H6194".
He|strong="H8354" lay|strong="H7901" down|strong="H7901" w
and|strong="H8354"w* w went|strong="H1540"w* w
to|strong="H3820"w* w sleep|strong="H7901"w*. Then|strong="H0227"
Ruth|strong="H7327" approached|strong="H5066" him|strong="H7097"
quietly|strong="H3909". She|strong="H3820" took|strong="H3947"
the|strong="H1540" blanket|strong="H4541" off|strong="H1540"
his|strong="H1540" feet|strong="H4772" and|strong="H8354"
lay|strong="H7901" down|strong="H7901" w there|strong="H8033"w*.
⁸ In|strong="H7901" the|strong="H1961" middle|strong="H2677"
of|strong="H2677" the|strong="H1961" night|strong="H3915",