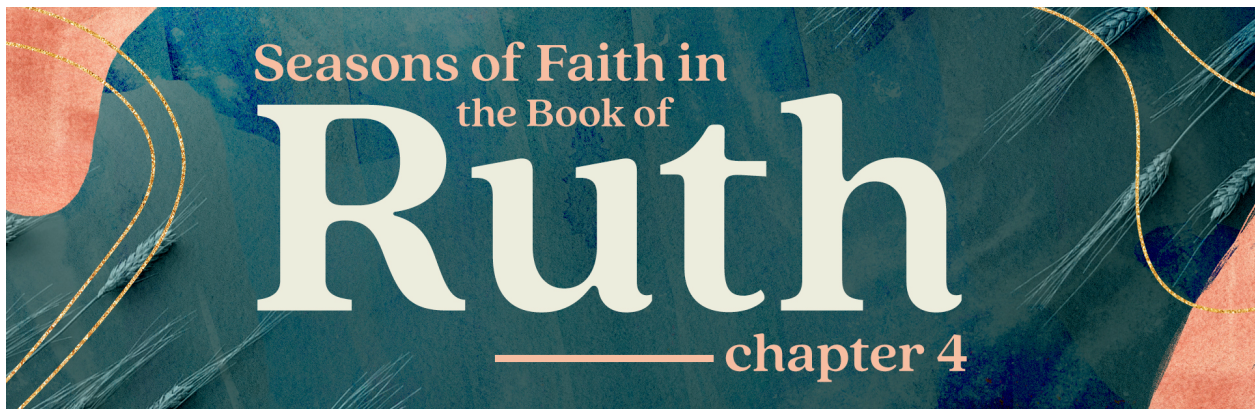




On the surface, the book of Ruth seems chapter-by-chapter to be a series of setbacks.

Ruth 4:

- ◆ Boaz does the _____ thing and seems to have lost his opportunity (4:1-4).
- ◆ "So Boaz took Ruth, and she became his wife... and she bore a _____" (4:5-13).
- ◆ Ruth 4:14-17 shifts the focus to Naomi. Why?
 - The story began with Naomi's _____; it ends with Naomi's _____.
 - It began with _____ and ends with _____.
 - She felt completely _____; now she is _____ in a completely new way.
- ◆ "They named him Obed" (4:17a) - _____ or _____.

Takeaways for Today from Ruth 4:

- ◆ Thank God for _____ into the reality that so much more is going on than we can see on the surface (4:17b-22).
- ◆ God is able to accomplish his _____ in glorious ways (Judg 21:25; Ruth 4:22; Matt 1).
- ◆ May the Redeemer be _____ (Matt 22:41-46; Gal 3:13-14; Tit 2:14; Rev 5:9).
- ◆ The _____ is yet to come (Rom 8:23; Rev 21:4).