Redeemer Needed

Proclamation Life Groups; Week of Sunday, January 17, 2016; Steve Thiel

Sermon Theme: We are all in desperate need of a Redeemer, One who is willing and able to deliver us from our desperate situation and purchase, provide, and protect us from all future bitterness and calamity.

I. <u>Overview Questions – The Book of Ruth</u>

- A. Reading through the book of Ruth with the overview outline, what are the repeated words? <u>Repeated words from Ruth</u> <u>Verse References</u>
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- B. Reading through the book of Ruth with the overview outline, what are the repeated themes? <u>Repeated themes from Ruth</u> <u>Verse References</u>
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II. Questions About the Reality of Bitterness – Ruth 1:1-5

- A. Ruth happens "in the days of the judges" (v.1). What do you know about the time of the judges?
- B. List the things that happened to Naomi that cause her collapse into bitterness.

III. Questions About the Reason for Bitterness – Ruth 1:6-18

- A. What are Naomi's reasons (vv.11-13) for why Orpah and Ruth should return to their homes?
- B. Read Deuteronomy 25:5-10. How do these verses help us understand Naomi's reasons?
- C. According to verses 16-17, how does Ruth demonstrate that she is a woman of faith?

IV. Questions About the Response of Bitterness – Ruth 1:19-22

- A. What is Naomi's summary of what happened to her during her time in Moab?
- B. What do you think of Naomi's theology? What is she clear on? What is she unclear about?

V. <u>Application Questions</u>

A. How would you like to grow in trusting God's sovereignty in the routine details of life?

B. How does Christ redeeming you from your sin free you to do whatever God calls you to do?