



Main point: Our God is a Redeemer

1st Redeemer = Mr. So-and-So (vs. 1-6)

2nd Redeemer = Boaz (vs. 7-12)

3rd Redeemer = Baby born in Bethlehem (vs. 13-16)

4th Redeemer = Jesus (vs. 17-18)

#1:

“Amazing, isn’t it, that the infinite God who created the entire heavens merely by His spoken word would condescend to intervene in the life of a cross-eyed, half-deaf young man and literally open up to him a future he could never have dreamed of. But this is the way God often works. He sometimes chooses the weak and lowly to accomplish His purposes so that He may be glorified in their weakness.”

Jerry Bridges

#2: Matthew 1:5-6

And Salmon the father of Boaz by Rahab, and Boaz the father of Obed by Ruth, and Obed the father of Jesse, and Jesse the father of David the king.

#3:

“Who can help but see here the work of a sovereign God who never gives up on his people in spite of their sin? And who cannot see here the *great, reassuring, shining* truth that chaos is not all-powerful, but God is? Genesis 1, 2 are about God bringing order and life and beauty out of the chaos of unformed matter. The rest of the Bible is about him bringing order out of the moral and spiritual chaos caused by human sin, and the end result is the new heavens and new earth of Revelation 21 and 22, where there is no more chaos. And the *key to it all* is a **Redeemer** born in Bethlehem.”

Barry Webb

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