

Reasoning out of the Scriptures

by Allegory and Type



class 4 – Uncovering (chapter 3 – part 2)

series 07 – THE BOOK OF RUTH

Ruth

Uncovering

Pt 2

Name

- And he said, Who art thou? And she answered, I am Ruth thine handmaid: spread therefore thy skirt over thine handmaid; for thou art a near kinsman. (Rth 3:9 KJV)
- 1st time name directly given
 - Then said Boaz unto his servant that was set over the reapers, Whose damsel is this? And the servant that was set over the reapers answered and said, It is the Moabitish damsel that came back with Naomi out of the country of Moab: (Rth 2:5-6 KJV)
- His known by name | opp Mat 7:23
 - And the LORD said unto Moses ... I know thee by name. (Exo 33:17 KJV)
 - To him the porter openeth; and the sheep hear his voice: and he calleth his own sheep by name, and leadeth them out ... My sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow me: (Jhn 10:3, 27 KJV)
 - He that overcometh, the same shall be clothed in white raiment; and I will not blot out his name out of the book of life, but I will confess his name before my Father, and before his angels. (Rev 3:5 KJV)
 - These be the names of the mighty men whom David had.... (2Sa 23:8 KJV)

Covered

- And he said, Who art thou? And she answered, I am Ruth thine handmaid: **spread therefore thy skirt over** thine handmaid; for thou art a near kinsman. (Rth 3:9 KJV)
- Marriage covenant
 - Now when I passed by thee, and looked upon thee, behold, thy time was the time of love; and I **spread my skirt over** thee, and covered thy nakedness: yea, I swear unto thee, and entered into a covenant with thee, saith the Lord GOD, and thou becamest mine. (Eze 16:8 KJV)
- Atonement | Isa 64:6
 - For this corruptible must **put on** incorruption, and this mortal must **put on** immortality. (1Co 15:53 KJV)
 - For as many of you as have been baptized into Christ have **put on** Christ. There is neither Jew nor **Greek**, there is neither bond nor free, there is neither male nor **female**: for ye are all one in Christ Jesus. And if ye be Christ's, then are ye **Abraham's seed**, and heirs according to the promise. (Gal 3:27-29 KJV)
- Finds “covering” - “uncovering” Christ | Rut 3:7 | 2 Cor 3:14
- Beyond Naomi’s guidance | Rut 3:4 | Act 13:32-33, 38

Skirt

- And he said, Who art thou? And she answered, I am Ruth thine handmaid: spread therefore thy **skirt** over thine handmaid; for thou art a near kinsman. (Rth 3:9 KJV)
- Refuge under the skirt (= “wings” | Rut 2:12) | Heb 9:1-12 | Exo 40:3,21 | Mal 4:2
 - And the cherubims shall stretch forth their **wings** on high, **covering** the mercy seat with their **wings**, and their faces shall look one to another; toward the mercy seat shall the faces of the cherubims be. (Exo 25:20 KJV)
 - But now the righteousness of God without the law is manifested...Whom God hath set forth to be a **propitiation** through faith in his blood, to declare his righteousness **for** the remission of sins... (Rom 3:21, 25 KJV)
 - Be merciful unto me, O God, be merciful unto me: for my soul trusteth in thee: yea, in the shadow of thy **wings** will I make my refuge, until these calamities be overpast. (Psa 57:1 KJV)
- Gentiles seeking Jewish God | “for” (Heb “ki”)
 - Thus saith the LORD of hosts; In those days it shall come to pass, that ten men shall take hold out of all languages of the nations, even shall take hold of the **skirt** of him that is a Jew, saying, We will go with you: **for** we have heard that God is with you. (Zec 8:23 KJV)

Maid-Servant

- And he said, Who art thou? And she answered, I am Ruth thine **handmaid**: spread therefore thy skirt over thine **handmaid**; for thou art a near kinsman. (Rth 3:9 KJV)
- “Handmaid” - maidservant, bondservant
 - And she arose, and bowed herself on her face to the earth, and said, Behold, let thine **handmaid** be a servant to wash the feet of the servants of my lord. And Abigail hasted, and arose, and rode upon an ass, with five damsels of hers that went after her; and she went after the messengers of David, and became **his wife**. (1Sa 25:41-42 KJV)
- Ruth (= “friend”) | humble submission - with understanding
 - Ye are my **friends**, if ye do whatsoever I **command you**. Henceforth I call you not servants; for the servant knoweth not what his lord doeth: but I have called you **friends**; for all things that I have heard of my Father I have made known unto you. (Jhn 15:14-15 KJV)
 - Wives, **submit yourselves** unto your own husbands, as unto the Lord. For the husband is the head of the wife, even as Christ is the head of the church: and he is the **saviour** of the body. (Eph 5:22-23 KJV)

Elder Husband

- And he said, Blessed be thou of the LORD, my daughter: for thou hast shewed more kindness in the latter end than at the beginning, inasmuch as thou **followedst** not **young men**, whether poor or rich. (Rth 3:10 KJV)
- Naomi indirectly says | 1 Pet 1:20
 - Turn again, my daughters, go your way; for I am too old to have an husband. If I should say, I have hope, if I should have an husband also to night, and should also bear sons; Would ye tarry for them till **they were grown**? would ye **stay for them from having husbands**? nay, my daughters; for it grieveth me much for your sakes that the hand of the LORD is gone out against me. (Rth 1:12-13 KJV)
- Boaz directly says
 - Let thine eyes be on the field that they do reap, and **go thou after them**: have I not charged the **young men** that they shall not touch thee? ... (Rth 2:9 KJV)
- Young men | young women (feminine in Heb)
 - And Ruth the Moabitess said, He said unto me also, Thou shalt keep fast by my **young men**, until they have ended all my harvest. And Naomi said unto Ruth her daughter in law, It is good, my daughter, that thou go out with his **maidens**, that they meet thee not in any other field. So she kept fast by the **maidens** of Boaz ... (Rth 2:21-23 KJV)

Following

- And he said, **Blessed be thou** of the LORD, my daughter: for thou hast shewed more kindness in the latter end than at the beginning, inasmuch as thou **followedst not** young men, whether poor or rich. (Rth 3:10 KJV)
- Follow (= “walk”) not flesh
 - There is therefore now no condemnation to them which are in Christ Jesus, who **walk not after** the flesh, but after the Spirit. ...And if **children**, then heirs; heirs of God, and joint-heirs with Christ; if so be that we suffer with him, that we may be also glorified together. (Rom 8:1, 17 KJV)
- But follow Christ
 - Therefore we are buried with him by baptism into death: that like as Christ was raised up from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should **walk** in newness of life. (Rom 6:4 KJV)
 - For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus unto good works, which God hath before ordained that we should **walk** in them. (Eph 2:10 KJV)
 - As ye have therefore received Christ Jesus the Lord, so **walk** ye in him: (Col 2:6 KJV)

Her Faithfulness

- And he said, Blessed be thou of the LORD, my daughter: for thou hast shewed more kindness in the **latter end than at the beginning**, inasmuch as thou **followedst not** young men, whether poor or rich. (Rth 3:10 KJV)
- Contrast 'Orpah' type | Rut 1:15
 - For if after they have escaped the pollutions of the world through the knowledge of the Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, they are again entangled therein, and overcome, the **latter end is worse with them than the beginning**. For it had been better for them not to have known the way of righteousness, than, after they have known it, to turn from the holy commandment delivered unto them. (2Pe 2:20-21 KJV)

Redeemer

- And now, my daughter, **fear not**; **I will do** to thee all that thou requirest: for all the city of my people doth know that thou art a virtuous woman.

... Tarry this night, and it shall be in the morning, that if he will perform unto thee the part of a kinsman, well; let him do the kinsman's part: but if he will not do the part of a kinsman to thee, then **will I do** the part of a kinsman to thee, as the LORD liveth: lie down until the morning. (Rth 3:11, 13 KJV)

- Words of a true redeemer
 - Thou drewest near in the day that I called upon thee: thou saidst, **Fear not**. O Lord, thou hast pleaded the causes of my soul; thou hast **redeemed** my life. (Lam 3:57-58 KJV)

Why?

- And now, my daughter, fear not; **I will do** to thee all that thou requirest: **for** all the city of my people doth know that thou art a virtuous woman. (Rth 3:11 KJV)
- Why redeem her? | “For” she is VISIBLY virtuous
 - ...if he will not do the part of a kinsman to thee, then **will I do** the part of a kinsman to thee, **as the LORD liveth**: lie down until the morning. (Rth 3:13 KJV)
- Purpose? | Declaration of God’s righteousness (“YHWH liveth”)
 - Therefore by the deeds of the law there shall no flesh be justified in his sight: for by the law is the knowledge of sin. But now the righteousness of God without the law is **manifested**, being witnessed by the law and the prophets; Even the righteousness of God which is by faith of Jesus Christ unto all and upon all them that believe: for there is no difference: For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God; Being justified freely by his grace through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus: Whom God hath set forth to be a propitiation through faith in his blood, **to** declare his righteousness for the remission of sins that are past, through the forbearance of God; **To** declare, I say, at this time his righteousness: that he might be just, and the justifier of him which believeth in Jesus. (Rom 3:20-26 KJV)

Her Virtue

- And now, my daughter, fear not; I will do to thee all that thou requirest: for all **the city** of my people doth know that thou art a **virtuous woman**. (Rth 3:11 KJV)
- “virtuous” = “worthily” | “city” = “gate” (public place/protected fortress)
 - And all the people that were in **the gate**, and the elders, said, We are witnesses. The LORD make the woman that is come into thine house like Rachel and like Leah, which two did build the house of Israel: and do thou **worthily** in Ephratah, and be famous in Bethlehem: (Rth 4:11 KJV)
- Only woman specifically called “virtuous” in Bible | Pro 12:4 | Pro 31:29
 - **Who can find** a virtuous woman? for her price is far above rubies. (Pro 31:10 KJV)

Beauty of Biblical Women

Woman	Example	Hebrew	Translation
Sarah	Gen 12:11	yape, mar'e	"fair to look upon"
	Gen 12:14	ra'a, yape	"beheld...fair"
Rebekah	Gen 24:16	tob, mar'e	"fair to look upon"
	Gen 26:7	tob, mar'e	"fair to look upon"
Rachel	Gen 29:17	yape-to'ar, yape-mar'e	"beautiful and well favoured"
Ruth	?	?	?
Abigail	1 Sam 25:3	tob, sekel yape, to'ar	"good understanding" "of a beautiful countenance"
Bathsheba	2 Sam 11:2	tob, mar'e	"beautiful to look upon"
Esther	Est 2:7	yape-to'ar, tob-mar'e	"fair and beautiful"
Shullamite	Son 1:8	yape	"fairest"

- **Yape** (H3303) - fair, beautiful
Used of men & objects
- **To'ar** (H8389) - form, shape, figure
Used in negative (eg Isa 52:14, 53:2)
- **Tob** (H2896) - good, best, pleasant
Used in creation (eg "it was GOOD")
- **Mar'e** (H4758) - look upon, sight, appear
Used of men & animals
- **Ra'a** (H7200) - beheld, look at, inspect
Used in creation (eg "God SAW")

Sarah's Beauty

- And it came to pass, when he was come near to enter into Egypt, that he said unto Sarai his wife, Behold now, I know that thou art a **fair** woman to **look upon**: Therefore it shall come to pass, when the Egyptians **shall see** thee, that they shall say, This is his wife: and **they will kill** me, but they will save thee alive. Say, I pray thee, thou art my sister: that it may be well with me **for thy sake**; and my soul shall live because of thee. And it came to pass, that, when Abram was come into Egypt, the Egyptians **beheld** the woman that she was **very fair**. The princes also of Pharaoh **saw** her, and **commended** her before Pharaoh: and the woman was taken into Pharaoh's house. And he entreated Abram well **for her sake**... (Gen 12:11-16 KJV)
- “fair” = yape | “look upon” = mar’e | “shall see”/”beheld”/”saw” = ra’a | “commend” = halal (praise, boast)
- Abraham is 10 years older
 - Gen 17:17
- @ 65+ years old
 - Gen 12:4
- @ 90 years old
 - Gen 20:11-21:5

Her Virtue

- And now, my daughter, fear not; I will do to thee all that thou requirest: for all the city of my people doth know that thou art a **virtuous woman**. (Rth 3:11 KJV)
- Ruth NOT specifically called “beautiful”
- Assumed outward beauty | because inward character
 - And Boaz answered and said unto her, It hath **fully been shewed** me, all that thou hast **done** unto thy mother in law since the death of thine husband: and how thou hast left thy father and thy mother, and the land of thy nativity, and art come unto a people which thou knewest not heretofore. (Rth 2:11 KJV)
- Proverbs woman - all character
 - Many daughters have done virtuously, but thou excellest them all. Favour is deceitful, and **beauty is vain**: but a woman that feareth the LORD, she shall be praised. (Pro 31:29-30 KJV)
 - As a jewel of gold in a swine's snout, so is **a fair woman** which is without discretion. (Pro 11:22 KJV)
- Character yields beauty | “great price” (2 other occs - Mar 14:3 | 1 Tim 2:9)
 - But let it be the hidden man of the heart, in that which is not corruptible, even the ornament of a meek and quiet **spirit**, which is in the **sight** of God of great price. (1Pe 3:4 KJV)

Virtuous Woman | Ruth

Character	Proverbs Woman	Ruth
● Motivated	31:13 31:27	2:2
● Giving	31:14 31:15	2:17 2:18
● Hardworking	31:17 31:18	2:7 2:17
● Compassionate	31:20	1:14 1:16 1:17 2:18
● Glorifying	31:23	4:1 4:2 4:11
● Honorable	31:25	3:9 3:18 4:13
● Well-spoken	31:26	1:16 1:17 2:10 2:13 3:9
● Praised	31:28 31:31	2:11 2:12 3:10 3:11 4:11
● Virtuous	31:29	3:11 4:11
● Inwardly	31:30	Book of Ruth

Inward Jew

- And now, my daughter, fear not; I will do to thee all that thou requirest: **for all** the city of my people **doth know** that thou art a virtuous woman. (Rth 3:11 KJV)
- Gentile outwardly
 - And the servant that was set over the reapers answered and said, It is **the Moabitish damsel** that came back with Naomi out of the country of Moab: (Rth 2:6 KJV)
 - Then said Boaz, What day thou buyest the field of the hand of Naomi, thou must buy it also of **Ruth the Moabite**, the wife of the dead, to raise up the name of the dead upon his inheritance. And the kinsman said, I cannot redeem it for myself, **lest I mar** mine own inheritance: redeem thou my right to thyself; for I cannot redeem it. (Rth 4:5-6 KJV)
 - An Ammonite or **Moabite** shall not enter into the congregation of the LORD; even to their tenth generation shall they not enter into the congregation of the LORD for ever: (Deu 23:3 KJV)
- Jew inwardly
 - For he is not a Jew, which is one **outwardly**; neither is that circumcision, which is outward in the flesh: But he is a Jew, which is one **inwardly**; and circumcision is that of the heart, in the spirit, and not in the letter; whose praise is not of men, but of God. (Rom 2:28-29 KJV)
- Boaz sees it

Law Fulfilled

- And now it is true that I am thy near kinsman: **howbeit** there is a kinsman nearer than I. Tarry this night, and it shall be in the morning, that if he will perform unto **thee** the part of a kinsman, **well**; let him do the kinsman's part: but if he will not do the part of a kinsman to **thee**, **then** will I do the part of a kinsman to **thee**, as the LORD liveth: lie down until the morning. (Rth 3:12-13 KJV)
- “Thee” | His concern - Her redemption
- He respects Law | must fulfill first
 - Think not that I am come to destroy the law, or the prophets: I am not come to destroy, but to **fulfil**. For verily I say unto you, Till heaven and earth pass, one jot or one tittle shall in no wise pass from the law, till all be **fulfilled**. (Mat 5:17-18 KJV)
 - For they being ignorant of God's righteousness, and going about to establish their own righteousness, have not submitted themselves unto the righteousness of God. For Christ is the **end of the law** for righteousness to every one that believeth. (Rom 10:3-4 KJV)
- The Law primary option | until revealed it “cannot”
 - And the kinsman said ... redeem thou my right to thyself; for I **cannot** redeem it. (Rth 4:6 KJV)

Wait

- **Tarry this night**, and it shall be in the morning, that if he will perform unto thee the part of a kinsman, well; let him do the kinsman's part: but if he will not do the part of a kinsman to thee, then will I do the part of a kinsman to thee, as the LORD liveth: lie down **until the morning**. (Rth 3:13 KJV)
- **Gentile night** | a betrothed state | 2 Cor 11:2
 - Ye are all the children **of light**, and the children **of the day**: we are not of the night, nor of darkness. Therefore let us **not sleep, as do others**; but let us watch and be sober. (1Th 5:5-6 KJV)
 - This I say therefore, and testify in the Lord, that ye henceforth walk not **as other** Gentiles walk, in the vanity of their mind, Having the understanding darkened, being alienated from the life of God through the ignorance that is in them, because of the blindness of their heart: (Eph 4:17-18 KJV)
- **Till new day** | Mal 4:2 | Rev 22:16
 - And that, knowing the time, that now it is high time to **awake** out of sleep: for now is our salvation nearer than when we believed. The **night** is far spent, the **day** is at hand: let us therefore cast off the works of darkness, and let us put on the armour of light. Let us walk honestly, as in the **day**; not in rioting and drunkenness, not in chambering and wantonness, not in strife and envying. (Rom 13:11-13 KJV)
 - We have also a more sure word of prophecy; whereunto ye do well that ye take heed, as unto a light that shineth in a dark place, **until the day dawn**, and the day star arise in your hearts: (2Pe 1:19 KJV)

Hidden Bride

- And she lay at his feet until the **morning**: and she **rose up** before one could know another. And he said, **Let it not be known** that a woman came into the floor. (Rth 3:14 KJV)
- “morning” - return of day star | “rose” - resurrection
- “a” woman = “the” woman
 - But Christ as a son over his own house; whose house are we, if we **hold fast** the confidence and the rejoicing of the hope firm **unto the end**. (Heb 3:6 KJV)
- She’s not yet revealed
 - For ye are **dead**, and your life is **hid** with Christ in God. When Christ, who is our life, shall appear, **then** shall ye also appear with him in glory. (Col 3:3-4 KJV)
 - Thy dead men shall live, ~~together with~~ [as] my dead body shall they arise. Awake and sing, ye that dwell in dust: for thy dew is as the dew of herbs, and the earth shall cast out the dead. Come, my people, enter thou into thy chambers, and shut thy doors about thee: **hide** thyself as it were for a **little moment**, **until** the indignation be overpast. (Isa 26:19-20 KJV)
- “know” - take knowledge, discern | blindness of Israel
 - And Joseph **knew** his brethren, but they **knew** not him. (Gen 42:8 KJV)

Appearance in Book

Name	Occurrences	Ruth Refs	Other Appearances
Naomi	20	1:2,8,11,19,20,21,22; 2:1,2,6,20(x2),22; 3:1; 4:3,5,9,14,16,17	only in book of Ruth
Ruth	12	1:4,14,16,22; 2:2,8,21,22; 3:9; 4:5,10,13	Mat 1:5
Boaz	20	2:1,3,4,5,8,11,14,15,19,23; 3:2,7; 4:1(x2),5,8,9,13,21(x2)	1 Kin 7:21; 1 Chr 2:11,12; 2 Chr 3:17; Mat 1:5; Luk 3:32

- “Book of” Ruth? | Naomi & Boaz mentioned more | Rom 11:25
 - Likewise, ye younger, **submit** yourselves unto the elder. Yea, all of you be **subject** one to another, and be clothed with **humility**: for God resisteth the proud, and giveth grace to the **humble**. **Humble** yourselves therefore under the mighty hand of God, that he may exalt you in **due time**: (1Pe 5:5-6 KJV)

Her Quietness

- And she [Ruth] said, These six measures of barley gave he me; for he said to me, Go not empty unto thy mother in law. Then said she [Naomi], **Sit still**, my daughter, until thou know how the matter will fall: for the man will not be in rest, until he have finished the thing this day. (Rth 3:17-18 KJV)
- Last recorded words of Ruth & Naomi
 - Zero dialogue in ch 4
- Ch 3 exercise
 - Highlight (diff colors) dialogue of all 3 characters
 - Note Ruth's few words
- Her "hearing over speaking"
 - Jam 1:19 | Solomon's writings (Pro & Ecc)

Character	Dialogue #
Naomi	12
Ruth	10
People of Bethlehem	2
Boaz	15
Reapers + Lead	2
Nearer Kinsman	3
Women of Bethlehem	2
counting: "said" "saying" "answered"	

Ruth talks least!

Be Still

- Then said she, **Sit still**, my daughter, until thou know how the matter will fall: for the man will not be in rest, until he have finished the thing this day. (Rth 3:18 KJV)
- Patient waiting
 - And Moses said unto the people, Fear ye not, **stand still**, and see the salvation of the LORD, which he will shew to you to day: for the Egyptians whom ye have seen to day, ye shall see them again no more for ever. (Exo 14:13 KJV)
 - **Wait** on the LORD: be of good courage, and he shall strengthen thine heart: **wait**, I say, on the LORD. (Psa 27:14 KJV)

His Persistence

- Then said she, Sit still, my daughter, until thou know how the matter will fall: for the man will **not be in rest**, until he have finished the thing this day. (Rth 3:18 KJV)
- Christ's "straightway" character | no rest till all accomplished
 - But Jesus answered them, My Father worketh hitherto, and I **work**. (Jhn 5:17 KJV)
 - ... Christ that died, yea rather, that is risen again, who is even at the right hand of God, who also maketh intercession for us. ... For I am persuaded, that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor powers, nor things present, nor things to come, Nor height, nor depth, nor any other creature, shall be able to separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord. (Rom 8:34, 38-39 KJV)
 - But this man, because he **continueth ever**, hath an unchangeable priesthood. Wherefore he is able also to save them to the uttermost that come unto God by him, seeing he ever liveth **to** make intercession for them. (Heb 7:24-25 KJV)
 - Let not your heart be troubled: ye believe in God, believe also in me. ... And if I go and **prepare a place for you**, I will come again, and receive you unto myself; that where I am, there ye may be also. (Jhn 14:1, 3 KJV)

Ruth

Redeemed