a story of love, redemption, and faithfulness

The Book of Ruth… so far

The dreaded sandal exchange…

Ruth 4:7-8

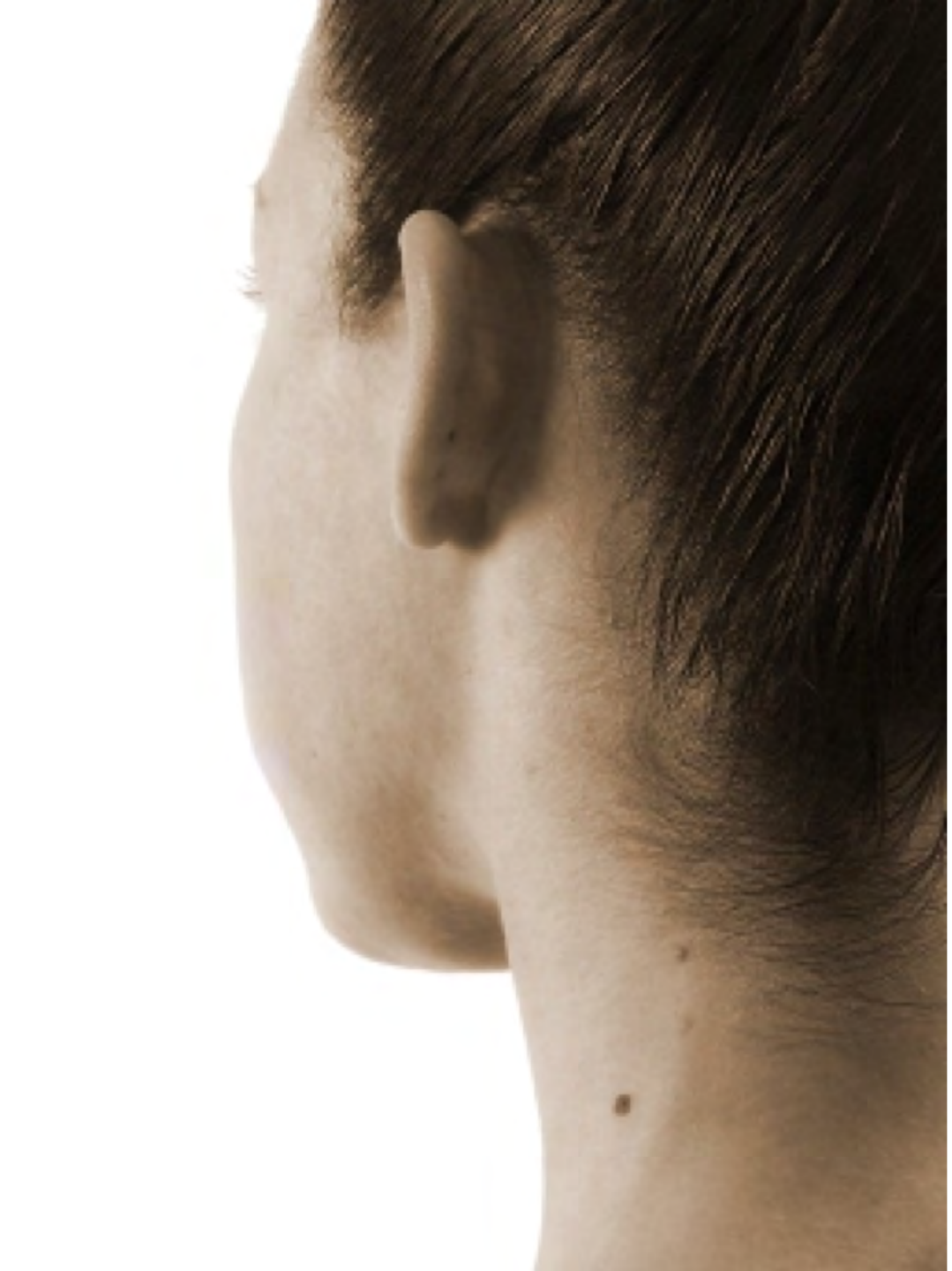
7 Now this was the custom in former times in Israel concerning redeeming and exchanging: to confirm a transaction, the one drew off his sandal and gave it to the other, and this was the manner of attesting in Israel. 8 So when the redeemer said to Boaz, "Buy it for yourself," he drew off his sandal.

"It's a done deal!"

Ruth 4:9

9 Then Boaz said to the elders and all the people, "You are witnesses this day that I have bought from the hand of Naomi all

that belonged to Elimelech and all that belonged to Chilion and to Mahlon.



The real prize!

Ruth 4:10

10 Also Ruth the Moabite, the widow of Mahlon, I have bought to be my wife, to perpetuate the name of the dead in his inheritance, that the name of the dead may not be cut off from among his brothers and from the gate of his native place. You are witnesses this day."

The Elders Speak…and Bless Boaz

Ruth 4:11a

11 Then all the people who were at the gate and the elders said, "We are witnesses. May the Lord make the woman, who is coming into your house, like Rachel and Leah, who together built up the house of Israel.

The Elders Speak…and Bless Boaz

Ruth 4:11b-12
May you act worthily in Ephrathah and be renowned in Bethlehem, [12]and may your house be like the house of Perez, whom Tamar bore to Judah, because of the offspring that the Lord will give you by this young woman."

First comes LOVE…

Ruth 4:13

[13]So Boaz took Ruth,

…then comes MARRIAGE…

Ruth 4:13

and she became his wife.

…then something about a BABY CARRIAGE…

Ruth 4:13

And he went in to her, and the Lord gave her conception, and she bore a son.

The transformation from *Mara* to *Grandmara!*

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Ruth 1:19b-20

And the women said, “Is this Naomi?” 20She said to them, “Do not call me Naomi; call me Mara, for the Almighty has dealt very bitterly with me. 21I went away full, and the Lord has brought me back empty. Why call me Naomi, when the Lord has testified against me and the Almighty has brought calamity upon me?”

The transformation from *Mara* to *Grandmara!*

Ruth 4:14-15

14 Then the women said to
Naomi, "Blessed be the Lord,
who has not left you this day
without a redeemer, and may
his name be renowned in Israel!

The transformation from *Mara* to *Grandmara!*

Ruth 4:14-15

[15]He shall be to you a restorer of life and a nourisher of your old age, for your daughter-in-law who loves you, who is more to you than seven sons, has given birth to him."

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Ruth 4:16-17a

16Then Naomi took the child and laid him on her lap and became his nurse.

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Ruth 4:16-17a

16 Then Naomi took the child and laid him on her lap and became his nurse.

17 And the women of the neighborhood gave him a name, saying, "A son has been born to Naomi."

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Ruth 4:17b

They named him Obed.

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He was the father of Jesse, the father of David.

A closing thought…

[18]Now these are the
generations of Perez: Perez
fathered Hezron, [19]Hezron
fathered Ram, Ram fathered
Amminadab, [20]Amminadab
fathered Nahshon, Nahshon
fathered Salmon, [21]Salmon
fathered Boaz, Boaz fathered
Obed, [22]Obed fathered Jesse,
and Jesse fathered David.

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Matthew 1:1-17

[1]A record of the genealogy of Jesus
Christ the son of David, the son of
Abraham: [2]Abraham was the father
of Isaac, Isaac the father of Jacob,
Jacob the father of Judah and his
brothers, [3]Judah the father of Perez
and Zerah, whose mother was
Tamar, Perez the father of Hezron,
Hezron the father of Ram, [4]Ram the
father of Amminadab, Amminadab
the father of Nahshon, Nahshon the
father of Salmon, [5]Salmon the father
of Boaz, whose mother was Rahab,
Boaz the father of Obed, whose
mother was Ruth, Obed the father of
Jesse, [6]and Jesse the father of King
David.

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Matthew 1:1-17

David was the father of Solomon,
whose mother had been Uriah's
wife, [7]Solomon the father of
Rehoboam, Rehoboam the father of
Abijah, Abijah the father of Asa,
[8]Asa the father of Jehoshaphat,
Jehoshaphat the father of Jehoram,
Jehoram the father of Uzziah,
[9]Uzziah the father of Jotham, Jotham
the father of Ahaz, Ahaz the father
of Hezekiah, [10]Hezekiah the father of
Manasseh, Manasseh the father of
Amon, Amon the father of Josiah,
[11]and Josiah the father of Jeconiah
and his brothers at the time of the
exile to Babylon.

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Matthew 1:1-17

12 After the exile to Babylon: Jeconiah
was the father of Shealtiel, Shealtiel
the father of Zerubbabel,
13 Zerubbabel the father of Abiud,
Abiud the father of Eliakim, Eliakim
the father of Azor, 14 Azor the father
of Zadok, Zadok the father of Akim,
Akim the father of Eliud, 15 Eliud the
father of Eleazar, Eleazar the father
of Matthan, Matthan the father of
Jacob, 16 and Jacob the father of
Joseph, the husband of Mary, of
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Tamar - (Genesis 38)

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Rahab - (Joshua 2 & 6)

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Ruth - (Book of Ruth)

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Uriah's Wife (Bathsheba)
- (2 Samuel 11-12)

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Mary - (Matthew 1, 2 Luke 1 ,2)

The goodness, faithfulness, sovereignty