

From the Mouth of God

Lesson Sixteen

1. In what way do editorial comments like the one at the beginning of chapter two serve as “signposts,” helping us to appreciate the significance of what follows?

2. Ferguson tell us that learning to cope with being in need does not mean that believers become passive and inactive. Explain.

3. What was it about Boaz that made him an especially suitable partner for a young widow who had recently consecrated herself to the Lord and His people?

4. According to Ferguson, why is it helpful to step back from the immediate action to trace the plan which God has been pursuing in the life of Ruth? How might we benefit from this in our own lives?

5. What is a “kinsman redeemer”? What can we learn about this individual which will help us to better understand God’s provision for the family in need?

6. What was the law of “levirate marriage”? How did this actually work out in the case of Boaz and Ruth?

7. What else can we learn about Boaz and Ruth that might be applicable to our own approach to family life?

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