

Structure of whole book of Ruth

- A Introduction: Ten years at Moab with death (1:1-6)
- B Naomi is too old to conceive (1:7-22)
- C The possible redeemer is introduced (2:1)
- D Ruth and Naomi make a plan (2:2)
- E Ruth and Boaz' field (2:3)
- F Boaz comes from Bethlehem (2:4)
- G Boaz asks: "Whose is that young woman?" (2:5-7)
- H Ruth becomes part of the Boaz household (2:8-16)
- I Naomi blesses Boaz (2:17-19)
- J Boaz, the one who is in position to redeem (2:20)
- K Ruth joins Boaz' workers (2:21-23)

THE PLAN LAID BY NAOMI AND RUTH (3:1-8)

- K' Ruth identifies herself as Boaz' handmaid (3:9a)
- J' Ruth challenges Boaz to act as a redeemer (3:9b)
- I' Boaz blesses Ruth (3:10)
- H' Boaz promises to marry Ruth (3:11-15)
- G' Naomi asks: "Who are you?" (3:16-18)
- F' Boaz goes to Bethlehem (4:1)
- E' Ruth and a field (4:2-12)
- D' Ruth and Naomi's plan is fulfilled (marriage) (4:13)
- C' The redeemer was not denied (4:14-16)
- B' A son was born to Naomi! (4:17)
- A' Epilogue: Ten generations of births (4:18-22)