

**God's At Work Even When We Don't See It: An Exposition
of Ruth and Esther #5**

Have I Got A Deal For You, But...With Strings
Ruth 4:1-12

I. Boaz Sets It Up VS 1-10

- A.** Coincidence?
- B.** The "nameless" redeemer
- C.** Crossing the "t's" and dotting the "i's"
- D.** The opportunity
- E.** Sure, as long as it's good for me I'll fulfill the responsibility
- F.** The strings
 - Ruth
 - Her children get the property
 - And some of yours too
 - This will cost you
- G.** Let me reconsider
- H.** The opportunity is all yours
- I.** Take my shoe
- J.** Witnesses
- K.** Boaz's vows

II. The Blessing of the Elders VS 11-12

- A.** Approval with no conditions
- B.** Only blessing
 - Speaks to Boaz and Ruth's character
 - This is God's Will

C. Rachel and Leah and Tamar

D. Perez and Judah - Boaz

III. Thoughts

- A.** The principle of being honorable
 - Dignity
 - Integrity
 - Morality
 - Responsibility
- B.** Leads to blessing
 - Not short-term
 - Hard work
 - Commitment to principle
 - Trust in God
- C.** God working behind the scene is the concept of the incarnation for believers
- D.** The Lord's Supper