

Redeemed to an Enduring Name

1. The Promised Land *Represented* All God's Promises.

2. This Land Grounded His People's Permanence.

3. Christ Has Secured Us as His Co-Heirs.

Conclusion: Boaz redeems Ruth and her family by marrying her in obedience to God's Word. This beautiful demonstration of love for God and others ties together a host of legal requirements from the Old Testament that turn out *not* to be antiquated or irrelevant ritual, but lifegiving context in which we can better understand Christ's redemption of His people. May the Holy Spirit enable us to drink deeply of this lifegiving stream that is His sacred Scriptures.

John 20:30-31

Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of the disciples, which are not written in this book; but these are written so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that *by believing you may have life in his name*.

Genesis 28:13-15

And behold, the LORD stood above it and said, “I am the LORD, the God of Abraham your father and the God of Isaac. *The land on which you lie I will give to you and to your offspring*. Your offspring shall be like the dust of the earth, and you shall spread abroad to the west and to the east and to the north and to the south, and *in you and your offspring shall all the families of the earth be blessed*. Behold, I am with you and will keep you wherever you go, and *will bring you back to this land*. For I will not leave you until I have done what I have promised you.”

Exodus 12:25-27

And *when you come to the land that the LORD will give you, as he has promised*, you shall keep this service. And when your children say to you, ‘What do you mean by this service?’ you shall say, ‘It is the sacrifice of the LORD’s Passover, for he passed over the houses of the people of Israel in Egypt, when he struck the Egyptians but spared our houses.’” And the people bowed their heads and worshiped.

Exodus 32:13

Remember Abraham, Isaac, and Israel, your servants, *to whom you swore* by your own self, and said to them, ‘I will multiply your offspring as the stars of heaven, and *all this land that I have promised I will give to your offspring, and they shall inherit it forever*.’”

Acts 3:22-26

Moses said, ‘*The Lord God will raise up for you a prophet like me* from your brothers. You shall listen to him in whatever he tells you. And it shall be that every soul who does not listen to that prophet shall be destroyed from the people.’ And all the prophets who have spoken, from Samuel and those who came after him, also proclaimed these days. You are the sons of the prophets and of the covenant that God made with your fathers, saying to Abraham, ‘And in your offspring shall all the families of the earth be blessed.’ God, having raised up his servant, sent him to you first, to bless you by turning every one of you from your wickedness.” (*Quoting Deuteronomy 18:15*)

Philippians 2:9-11

Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him *the name that is above every name*, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.