

Customized reading

[Ruth]

(3)1: Naomi her mother-in-law said to her, My daughter, shall I not seek rest for you, that it may be well with you?

2: Now isn't Boaz our kinsman, with whose maidens you was?

Behold, he winnows barley tonight in the threshing floor.

3: Wash yourself therefore, and anoint yourself, and put your clothing on you, and get you down to the threshing floor, but don't make yourself known to the man, until he shall have done eating and drinking. 4: It shall be, when he lies down, that you shall mark the place where he shall lie, and you shall go in, and uncover his feet, and lay you down; and he will tell you what you shall do. 5: She said to her,

All that you say to me I will do. 6: She went down to the threshing floor, and did according to all that her mother-in-law bade her.

7: When Boaz had eaten and drunk, and his heart was merry, he went to lie down at the end of the heap of grain: and she came softly, and uncovered his feet, and laid her down.

8: It happened at midnight, that the man was afraid, and turned himself; and behold, a woman lay at his feet.

9: He said, Who are you? She answered, I am Ruth your handmaid: spread therefore your robe over your handmaid; for you are a near kinsman. 10: He said, Blessed be you of the LORD, my daughter:

you have showed more kindness in the latter end than at the beginning, inasmuch as you didn't follow young men, whether poor or rich. 11: Now, my daughter, don't be afraid; I will do to you all that you say;

for all the city of my people does know that you are a worthy woman.

12: Now it is true that I am a near kinsman; however there is a kinsman nearer than I.

13: Stay this night, and it shall be in the morning, that if he will perform to you the part of a kinsman, well; let him do the kinsman's part: but if he will not do the part of a kinsman to you, then will I do the part of a kinsman to you, as the LORD lives: lie down until the morning.

וַתֹּאמֶר לָהּ נְעָמִי חֲמוּתָהּ בְּתִי הֲלֹא אֲבַקֶּשׁ לָךְ מְנוּחַ

אֲשֶׁר יֵיטֵב לָךְ׃ וְעַתָּה הֲלֹא בְעֵז מִדַּעְתָּנוּ אֲשֶׁר הָיִית

אֶת־נַעֲרוֹתַי הַנֶּהֱהָהוּא זָרָה אֶת־גֶּרֶן הַשְּׁעָרִים הַלַּיְלָה׃

וַרְחֲצִיתִי וְסָכַתִּי וְשָׁמַתִּי שְׁמִלְתֶיךָ עָלַיךָ וְיָרַדְתִּי הַגֶּרֶן

אֶל־תְּוֹדְעֵי לְאִישׁ עַד כִּלְתּוֹ לֶאֱכֹל וְלִשְׁתּוֹת׃ וַיְהִי בְשָׁכְבוֹ

וַיִּדְעַתִּי אֶת־הַמָּקוֹם אֲשֶׁר יִשְׁכַּב־שָׁם וּבָאתִי וְגִלִיתִי מַרְגְּלֹתַי

וְשָׁכַבְתִּי וְהוּא יִגִּיד לָךְ אֵת אֲשֶׁר תַּעֲשִׂין׃ וַתֹּאמֶר אֵלֶיהָ

כֹּל אֲשֶׁר־תֹּאמְרִי אֵלַי אַעֲשֶׂה׃ וַתֵּרֶד הַגֶּרֶן וַתַּעַשׂ כְּכֹל

אֲשֶׁר־צִוְתָהּ חֲמוּתָהּ׃ וַיֹּאכַל בְּעֵז וַיִּשְׁתַּי וַיֵּיטֵב לְבוֹ וַיִּבֵּא

לְשָׁכָב בְּקִצֵּה הָעֵרְמָה וַתִּבֵּא בַלַּט וַתִּגַּל מַרְגְּלֹתַי וַתִּשְׁכַּב׃

וַיְהִי בַחֲצֵי הַלַּיְלָה וַיִּיחַר־דַּלְתֵי הָאִישׁ וַיִּלְפַּת וַהֲנִה אִשָּׁה שֹׁכֶבֶת

מַרְגְּלֹתַי׃ וַיֹּאמֶר מִי־אַתְּ וַתֹּאמֶר אָנֹכִי רוֹת אִמְתְּךָ וּפְרִשְׁתָּ

כְּנַפְךָ עַל־אִמְתְּךָ כִּי גֹאֵל אַתָּה׃ וַיֹּאמֶר בְּרוּכָה אַתְּ לַיהוָה

בְּתִי הֵיטֵבְתְּ חֲסִדְךָ הָאֲחֵרוֹן מִן־הָרֵאשׁוֹן לְבִלְתִּי־לָקַת אַחֲרַי

הַבְּחוּרִים אִם־דָּל וְאִם־עָשִׁיר׃ וְעַתָּה בְּתִי אֶל־תִּירָאִי כֹל

אֲשֶׁר־תֹּאמְרִי אַעֲשֶׂה־לָּךְ כִּי יוֹדַע כָּל־שַׁעַר עִמִּי כִּי אִשְׁת

חֵיל אַתְּ׃ וְעַתָּה כִּי אָמַנְם כִּי גֹאֵל אָנֹכִי וְגַם יֵשׁ גֹּאֵל

קָרוֹב מִמֶּנִּי׃ לִינִי הַלַּיְלָה וְהָיָה בְּבֹקֶר אִם־יִגְאָלְךָ טוֹב

יִגְאָל וְאִם־לֹא יִחְפֹּץ לְגֹאֵלְךָ וְגֹאֲלֶיךָ אָנֹכִי חִי־יְהוּהוּ שֹׁכְבִי

14: She lay at his feet until the morning. She rose up before one could discern another.
For he said, Let it not be known that the woman came to the threshing floor.

15: He said, Bring the mantle that is on you, and hold it;

and she held it; and he measured six measures of barley, and laid it on her: and he went into the city.

16: When she came to her mother-in-law, she said, Who are you, my daughter? She told her all that the man had done to her.

17: She said, These six measures of barley gave he me;

for he said to me, Don't go empty-handed to your mother-in-law.

18: Then said she, Sit still, my daughter, until you know how the matter will fall; for the man will not rest, until he has finished the matter this day.

עַד-הַבֶּקֶר׃ ¹⁴וַתִּשְׁכַּב מִרְגְּלוֹתָיו מִרְגְּלוֹתָיו עַד-הַבֶּקֶר וַתִּקָּם בְּטָרוֹם
בְּטָרוֹם יָכִיר אִישׁ אֶת-רֵעֵהוּ וַיֹּאמֶר אֶל-יְוֹדֵעַ כִּי-בָאָה
הָאִשָּׁה הַגֵּרָוָה׃ ¹⁵וַיֹּאמֶר הֲבִי הַמְטַפַּחַת אֲשֶׁר-עָלֶיךָ וְאַחֲזִי-בָהּ
וַתֹּאחֲזֵ בָהּ וַיִּמַּד שֵׁשׁ-שְׁעָרִים וַיִּשֶׁת עָלֶיהָ וַיָּבֵא הָעִיר׃
¹⁶וַתָּבוֹא אֶל-חַמּוֹתָהּ וַתֹּאמֶר מִי-אַתְּ בְּתִי וַתַּגִּד-לָהּ אֵת
כָּל-אֲשֶׁר עָשָׂה-לָּהּ הָאִישׁ׃ ¹⁷וַתֹּאמֶר שֵׁשׁ-הַשְּׁעָרִים הָאֵלֶּה
נָתַן לִי כִּי אָמַר אֵלַי אֶל-תָּבוֹאִי רִיקָם אֶל-חַמּוֹתֶךָ׃
¹⁸וַתֹּאמֶר שְׁבִי בְּתִי עַד אֲשֶׁר תִּדְעִין אֵיךְ יִפֹּל דְּבַר כִּי לֹא
יִשְׁקֹט הָאִישׁ כִּי-אִם-כָּלָה הַדָּבָר הַיּוֹם׃