



#### Introduction

Ruth and Boaz at the threshing floor.

# Questions

- 1. What does Naomi tell Ruth to do?
- 2. What does Ruth ask Boaz to do for her?
- 3. What does Boaz tell Ruth about him doing the duty of a kinsman?

# Summary Points

- v 1 to 5 Naomi tells Ruth to go to the threshing floor and lie down at Boaz's feet. He will then tell her about acting as a near kinsman or near relative
- v 6 to 13 Boaz agrees to act as a kinsman (redeemer see information) but points out that there is a closer relative who must be asked first
- v 14 to 18 In the morning Boaz sends a gift of barley to Naomi, who tells Ruth to wait and see what will happen

**Timeline** 1100 BC (see below)



### Information

#### Redeeming

A redeemer is someone who delivers someone else from a problem by paying a price. The concept is found in both Old and New Testaments.

In the Old Testament, the property of anyone in financial difficulties can be redeemed:

Leviticus 25 verse 25

Anyone who has sold himself to another can also be redeemed:

Leviticus 25 verses 47 to 49

In the days of the judges, Boaz redeems the land that Naomi's husband sold and also agrees to marry Naomi's daughter-in-law:

Ruth 4 verses 3 to 5

In the New Testament, the apostle Paul talks of us being delivered from the effects of sin by the sacrifice of Jesus Christ:

> Romans 3 verse 24 Ephesians 1 verse 7 Colossians 3 verses 12 and 13

## **Answers to questions**

Verses which answer the questions:

Q 1: v 3 and 4, Q 2: v 9, Q 3: v 12 and 13



### **Bible timeline**

