13 So Boaz took Ruth, and she became his wife. And he went in to her, and the Lord gave her conception, and she bore a son. **14** Then the women said to Naomi, "Blessed be the Lord, who has not left you this day without a redeemer, and may his name be renowned in Israel! **15** He shall be to you a restorer of life and a nourisher of your old age, for your daughter-in-law who loves you, who is more to you than seven sons, has given birth to him." **16** Then Naomi took the child and laid him on her lap and became his nurse. **17** And the women of the neighborhood gave him a name, saying, "A son has been born to Naomi." They named him Obed. He was the father of Jesse, the father of David.

The Genealogy of David

18 Now these are the generations of Perez: Perez fathered Hezron, **19** Hezron fathered Ram, Ram fathered Amminadab, **20** Amminadab fathered Nahshon, Nahshon fathered Salmon, **21** Salmon fathered Boaz, Boaz fathered Obed, **22** Obed fathered Jesse, and Jesse fathered David.

<u>Intro</u>

- Review.
- Great story. Story w/in a story.
- **<u>1 Sam 12:22</u>** For the Lord will not forsake his people, for his great name's sake, because it has pleased the Lord to make you a people for himself.
- This morning: Redemption. Both Near & Far.
 - Trusting God for Redemption in This Life.
 - Trusting God for Redemption for Eternity.

Redemption of Ruth--4:13

- Back to 1:8-9--"May the Lord deal kindly with you...the Lord grant that you may find rest."
- Lord HAS dealt kindly with her. HAS granted rest to her.
- Redemption in this life or Ruth by the Providence, Care, Love of God. By Grace.

Redemption of Naomi--4:14-17

- Look at what God has done from chapter 1 to chapter 4:
- **<u>Ruth 1:20-21</u>** She said to them, "Do not call me Naomi; call me Mara, for the Almighty has dealt very bitterly with me. I went away full, and the Lord has brought me back empty. Why call me Naomi, when the Lord has testified against me and the Almighty has brought calamity upon me?"
- Now she has provision. Protection. Family. Heritage. No longer empty, but full. No longer bitter. Joy.
- Redemption in this life for Naomi by the Providence, Care, Love of God. By Grace.

Redemption of You & I--Genealogy--4:18-22

- Chosen line IS preserved!
- Redemption for us for ETERNITY by the Providence, Care, Love of God. By Grace.

<u>Summary</u>

- <u>Contrast</u>
 - This is the Amazing Grace of God on display. Ruth is a story Redemption by God's grace.

• Trust God for Redemption in this life.

- God redeems Ruth & Naomi in THIS life--life they live now.
- God does not simply care about your life eternal-but deeply cares about your life NOW.

• Trust God for Redemption in Eternity.

- God cares about your life now AND Thankfully God ALSO cares about your life eternal.
- God redeems Ruth/Naomi--You & I--for eternity.
- Pointing to David. Really pointing through & past David to redemption by Jesus!

Benediction--Romans 3:21-24

But now the righteousness of God has been manifested apart from the law, although the Law and the Prophets bear witness to it— the righteousness of God through faith in Jesus Christ for all who believe. For there is no distinction: for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, and are justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus