

## The Sign of the Messiah pt1

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E-52 She turned, seen she's persistent, on she went, back to the land. And as she came in to Bethlehem of Judaea, when she came in, the people of Bethlehem said, "Here comes Naomi."

She said, "Don't call me Naomi (which is pleasant)," said, "call me Mara (which is bitter), "for the Lord has dealt thus with me."

Now, the beautiful part to look, that when she came back, being the type of the--of the Jewish church, **when she came back she brought Ruth with her**, and came (listen, get it), she came in barley season. Just at the time of the thrashing of the grain. And that's exactly the way the Church is going back today, just the begin of barley season. She'd seen a season before. But this was a new season after a long, stay of drought. A type of the Gentile or the Jewish church...

E-53 In the beginning when Pentecost fell, it fell on the Jews. **And the Jewish church died out, and the Gentile Church come in, and then all signs and wonders ceased.** Now, notice, that was the former rain. **Then the church, the Jewish church is returning just in the latter rain, when the Holy Spirit is just being poured out again, and the Jews now, returning by the thousands back to Palestine.** Oh, I wish we... That's a sermon in itself. Time won't permit much longer. I've got to hurry. Notice, a sermon in itself, **of the return of the Jews now, bringing with them the Gentile.**

And when they got there, it was barley season; the great thrashing was on. And they had a near kinsman named Boaz. And Ruth went out to glean in the field, **and was directed to Boaz's field, which was the kinsman.** When she went out to glean, **a type of the Gentile Church taking up the Bible, the Old Testament, to learn of God, being heathen, now, comes to learn of God.**

E-54 And while she was a gleaning in the field, **directed by the Holy Spirit, to go into that field to glean**, then up come Boaz. **Boaz was a representative Christ**, for he was the **lord of the harvest. He was over all the harvest.** And notice, as soon as he looked out in the field and **saw that Gentile girl, he fell in love with her. Why? She was gleaning behind the reapers. That's what the Church has had to do: Pick up a little bit here, and a little bit there, gleaning.** Reading over there, and seeing what Job done, and what the rest of them done, and how the way of redemption was laid, **picking up these little gleanings, behind the Jewish church.** See what I mean? **That grain that they were reaping represented Life, Immortal Life, Eternal Life to us out of the Word.** The

Word of God, "Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every Word that proceedeth out of the mouth of God."

**E-55 And here she was gleaning behind, picking up these little gleanings.** And the lord of the harvest fell in love with her, her being an alien. What a picture. My, I just love that. And then, he said, "Whose damsel is this?"

And they begin to speak, and said, "It's the Moabite that come in with Naomi."

**And he went out to her, and spoke peace to her. And said, "Don't you leave this field."** God be merciful. Stay put. Don't be tossed about with every wind of doctrine; stay in the Word.

**E-56** All these things coming up like little saucers--flying saucers is going to come to the church, and little wee men coming through testing the power of God, all this fanaticism, stay in the Word. Said, "Stay right there." Don't you go from every tossed about here, and there. Stay right with the Word; believe the Word. All right.

**And then he went over and commissioned, and said, "Now, when you're tired, come over and drink out of the bucket." I like that, don't you? Then he said--commanded the young men that was going forth with the sickles, he said, "Now, let her glean anywhere she wants to. And ever once in a while, drop just a little handful on purpose."** I like that. "Just a little handful on purpose..." A little old fashioned revival that stirs up the water a little bit. "Drop a little on purpose." Don't you like to find those little handfuls along the road? My, the promises of God, just kinda jerks you up a little bit, gives you a little of that Life that come out of the field of God. The Lord of the harvest has commanded it.

**E-57** And notice. There at the end of the season, after she'd took her wheat and so forth, **at the end of the season, she went back out, then that night, and here's where a beautiful type of the Gentile Church coming, I mean the true, Gentile Church.** When she went out there that night, and found Boaz laying on the heap of wheat... **What is it? In Him dwells all the Fulness of God, and the powers of God. Laying on the whole heap of the harvest.** And she moved up, and absolutely exposed herself by laying down on his feet.

The Gentile Church, the real, true Church of God has exposed herself to public persecution by taking God at His Word, and saying, "I believe that Divine healing and the power of the resurrection. I believe that Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today, and forever." When all these old, cold, formal morgues say, "The days of miracles is past," we expose ourselves and lay it at His feet." Hallelujah!

**E-58** Right in the darkest of hour, when midnight time, he woke up and looked around, and he seen Ruth, a virtuous woman, **not ashamed of the Gospel, laying at**

his feet. He reaches up and gets his robe, and spreads it over her. You know what I mean, don't you? The Holy Spirit, threw the Holy Spirit, as it was, being a type of Christ, over her, and sent her into the place and said, "Now, wait a minute. I've got to do a certain law. There's a law of the land of redemption, and I am thy near kinsman. And I know that you're a virtuous woman." God knows your heart, doesn't He? He said, "Now, in the morning, I will go down, and see if I can do the order of the kinsman."

**E-59** Now, here's a great picture. The first: a redeemer, someone who can redeem a lost estate in Israel (you preachers know this), the man must first be a kinsman. He must be close kinfolks, not a way off kinsman, a near kinsman. And how could God ever become a close Kinsman? **When God Himself was made flesh and dwelt among us, He become Kinfolks to the human race.** That's right. The only way it could be. When God was made flesh here among us, He become Kinfolks, not to Angels, but to human beings. He never come in the form of Angel, but He humiliated Himself, and stripped Himself from all of His heavenly glories, and come down, and was made Kinfolks with man, **in order to fulfill the law of kinsman redeemership.** Oh, what precious love the Father had for Adam's fallen race. Gave His only Son to suffer and redeem us by His grace. There He is, a near Kinsman, God made flesh and dwelled among us, becoming Kinfolks to the human being, a Kinsman.

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**E-48** Now, it's advising us to read the Old Testament. It advises us back there, when man done wrong, God may punish them for it. When man done right, God blessed them for it.

So Ruth was being advised by Naomi, the old church, **what she must do.** So when it come time for the great feast, **right after harvest...** And that's what's on now, the great feast. And watch what Ruth did. She goes down, and fixes herself all up, and makes herself look pretty and clean, and when Boaz laid on the floor at night, young woman, beautiful, morally righteous, **she had to put her confidence in Boaz, without knowing him. No matter what anybody had to say, she trusted him as a righteous man. She had to.**

**And every one that comes to Christ must do likewise. You've got to lay yourself at disposal of Christ.** No matter what mother says, what dad says, what anybody else says, lay yourself at His feet. **Ruth showed her confidence by laying her head upon his feet while he was a sleeping.**

**E-49** Notice then, I remember the time when I got saved. I remember the time when the Angel of the Lord came and told me, "Go pray for sick people." And a great friend

of mine in the denomination I belonged to said, "Billy, you're going to be a holy-roller as sure as the world."

My mother said, "Why Billy, you've lost your mind."

My poor old dad that died on my arm said, "Billy, you can't bring that stuff around this house here." They thought I was crazy. The people... My... I was a single man. My girlfriends that I'd been going with, thought I was crazy. **But I knowed something happened. I knowed that I could trust Him. No matter what taken place, I believed Him. And you have to believe Him. Sometimes He calls a total separation from friends and associates. But separate yourself from the things of the world and walk with Christ.**

**E-50** Ruth wasn't ashamed. She could trust him. I'm not ashamed. Someone said, "Billy, aren't you afraid some night that somebody will come up there, and you'll make a mistake on the discernment?" **Never, no, sir, never afraid.** "And aren't you afraid to make statements like that up on the platform, when you're afraid something will take place?" No, He promised it. "Why, you know, it'll ruin your whole ministry." **It's not my ministry to begin with; it's His. It's up to Him to take care of it. It's not me. I can't take care of it; it's He that take care of it.**

I purposed a long time ago, if the job that was... And all things work together for the good to them that love Him. I know I could love Him; that's one thing I could do. And if the... I committed all things to Him. And if the job's too big for Him, what's the use of me trying? **Sure. He's the One. He's the One Who sent it; It's His Word. I don't want to preach my word; I want to preach His Word.** I don't want to say something about myself; I want to say something about Him. So therefore, it's His Word, His power. That's the reason that I don't believe that one man can heal another. No such stuff in the Scripture. But I believe that Jesus Christ the Son of God's healed every sick person that ever was sick, if they could only accept it, and saved every sinner, if they'd only accepted it. But it's your personal faith in Him, that you accept and confess.

**E-51** **She laid at Boaz's feet, and when he woke and seen the confidence. My, one of these days, He will see the confidence that His Church has got in Him.** When He seen the confidence, He taken His own robe, Holy Spirit, spread it over her. It was getting cool, and he spread the--his robe over her, and sent her on her road. And so did the people on the day of Pentecost, the new Church, when they went out there and--out there, wasn't ashamed, and stood under there waiting for ten days according to His Word. **Christ spread His Robe, the Holy Ghost, over the Church, to protect her and warm her, to keep your heart right, warmed up in fellowship until the full time of redemption.**

He said, "Now, there's one thing has to happen yet. Before you fall heir to everything, the whole harvest and all," he said, **"I have to do the work of a kinsman, before I can call you mine."**

And so, the work of a kinsman, most every scholar knows what it was to do. The first thing, it had to be a relative, had to be kinfolks, had to be a close relation.

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**51 Now, our Kinsman is handed the seven sealed Book of Redemption from the original Owner.** Amen. Who was--we find was the original Owner? God Himself. "And the Lamb came and took the Book out of the right hand of Him that set upon a throne." Who was the Lamb? The Redeemer, our Kinsman Redeemer, the Kinsman to the Church Who come and redeemed Israel.

Now, we're going to get into that this morning. Israel was redeemed, but it was not applied to them, 'cause they rejected Him. But the Church received their redemption. And He is our Kinsman Redeemer. **As Boaz had to redeem Naomi in order to get Ruth the Moabite, an alien, a Gentile, so Christ redeemed Israel, applied the redemption, and was rejected.**

**53** You remember the pardon that the man was shot, that I sometimes tell, during the civil war when he was a good man? He was innocent, and they found him guilty, although he was guilty in a way, that he run away in time of battle. And they found him guilty and was going to shoot him. And a man went to President Lincoln and said, "Mr. Lincoln, this is a Christian man. He was scared, the boy. I know his people. He was just afraid. He didn't mean no harm. He run away." Said, "Mr. Lincoln, it's in your hands. You're the only one can pardon him." Mr. Lincoln picked up a piece of paper and his pen and signed, "Pardon this So-and-so. Abraham Lincoln."

He ran back to the jail, and he said, "Here it is. I got your pardon."

**54** And the man said, "I refuse to look at it. It would have a big seal on it. It would be everything. You're only trying to make me a laughing stock. It is not Abraham Lincoln. Anybody could sign his name, but it would have to be documented by his seal and so forth if it comes from him." And the man persuaded him, though the man in the prison thought he was kidding, and just walked away. The next morning he was shot. And then after he was shot, then there was a Federal Court trial, because Abraham Lincoln, twenty-four hours before the man was shot, signed his name that this man was pardoned. And then the government shot him anyhow. Then what? Then the Federal Court of the United States said--come to this decision of the Federal Court, said, "A pardon is not a pardon unless it be received as a pardon."

55 And Jesus redeemed Israel at Calvary, **but it was not a pardon to them, because they did not receive it as a pardon.** But in our lesson now on these seventy weeks, we find they come back and receive their pardon. But He redeemed the Church. **Then we are pardoned, because we have received the Blood of Jesus Christ as our pardon.**