

OUR KINSMAN REDEEMER
Deut. 25:5-10; Ruth 3:10-4:12; Isa. 59:20

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INTRODUCTION:

- A. Contrast Between Picture and Reality
- B. Application in the Case of the Kinsman-Redeemer
Proposition: Let us see Jesus Christ as our Kinsman-Redeemer and adequately appreciate Him.

I. THE LAW OF THE KINSMAN-REDEEMER:

- A. Seen in Deut. 25:5-10
 - 1. Death of a husband without leaving sons
 - 2. Wife not free to marry a stranger
 - 3. Kinsman's duty to marry her if free and willing
 - 4. Children will be accounted to the dead man
 - 5. If a Kinsman refuses...
- B. Kinsman-Redeemer Concept in Scripture:
 - 1. Hebrew GOEL translated "Redeemer"
 - used in Lev. 25:47-49
 - "the one who pays"
 - Picture form in Boaz with Ruth
 - 2. Reality form in Jesus Christ
 - Isa. 59:20
 - Quoted in Rom. 11:26 to this effect
 - Authoritative!

II. THE HISTORIC EXAMPLE OF A KINSMAN-REDEEMER:

- A. The Narrative Record: (Book of Ruth)
- B. The RIGHT to REDEEM – A NEAR Kinsman: (Lev. 25:48-49; Ruth 2:1)
- C. The POWER to REDEEM – A FREE Kinsman:
 - 1. Any prior commitment would disqualify
 - 2. A closer-related Kinsman had a prior right
 - 3. Boaz was then free to redeem
- D. The ABILITY to REDEEM – A WILLING Kinsman:
 - 1. Resources
 - 2. Willing – Ruth 3:12-13
 - 3. Fulfillment – Ruth 4:9-10

III. THE HISTORIC FULFILLMENT OF THE KINSMAN-REDEEMER:

- A. The Narrative
 - 1. In prophecy in anticipation
 - 2. In history recording Jesus Christ's coming

3. In doctrine explaining Christ's coming
 4. OUR Kinsman-Redeemer
- B. Jesus' RIGHT to Redeem – A NEAR Kinsman:
1. The holiness and righteousness of God had to be satisfied
 2. Jesus Christ – Our True and near Kinsman
 - Heb. 2:14-15; Gal. 4:4-5; I Tim. 2:5
 3. No one with a prior claim or subsequent right
- C. Jesus' POWER to Redeem – A FREE Kinsman:
1. No mere man could redeem – Ps. 49:7
 2. He is free from sin – I John 3:5; 2 Cor. 5:20; I Pet. 2:22; Heb. 4:15
 3. His power is unlimited! Matt. 28:18; John 10:18
 4. Only Jesus Christ has the power to redeem – UNIQUE!
- D. Jesus' ABILITY to Redeem – A WILLING Kinsman:
1. Compassion – Matt. 9:36
 2. Voluntarily giving Himself – John 10:11, 17-18a
 3. Ability to Redeem – John 15:12-13
 4. Price to be paid – I Pet. 1:18-19

CONCLUSION:

- A. Reminder – The METHOD is God's:
1. Redemption from barrenness and bondage
 2. Redemption from sin
- B. What is God's Method?
1. Redeemer Who has the RIGHT to redeem
 2. Redeemer Who has the POWER to redeem
 3. Redeemer Who has the ABILITY to redeem
- C. Our Response:
1. Understanding
 2. Receive this living Savior
 3. Thank Him
 4. Share Him