

“NOW WHAT?”

RUTH 3:14-18

An inordinate number of choices arise every day that are in your control. And yet, despite that multitude, there are so many more choices that remain entirely beyond your power. Many would prefer that to not be true! Thankfully, God remains in control and His will ... will be done!

WHEN YOU’VE DONE ALL YOU CAN DO

① W _____ on His P _____ (3:14,18)

It’s the _____ we don’t prefer to play.

Though two different speakers address Ruth in these two different verses, the similarities are substantial.

1. The same verb for “to _____” occurs in both
2. Both verses emphasis _____ to _____ movement by Ruth
3. In both verses, Ruth _____ to and heeds the counsel

② W _____ His P _____ (3:15,17)

When someone is in _____, God’s Word isn’t quiet. You have a duty, an obligation to do something (Matthew 19:16-22; 25:34-40; Acts 20:35; Romans 12:20; James 1:27; 1 John 3:17).

Meeting _____ must be that important for those who claim to follow Christ.

God never does anything half way or bare bones. He never simply offers _____ coverage.

Caution: His providence may not always unfold the way you think it will (e.g. in the timing or the supply or the delivery).

③ W _____ His P _____ (3:16)

These _____ are powerful expressions of amazing truths that incredibly impact our Christian walk (Genesis & Revelation; Matthew & Luke; Acts & 2 Corinthians; 1 Timothy & 2 Timothy; 1 Corinthians & Colossians; John & 1 John)

This verse rests at the center of two brackets (3:14 & 3:18; 3:15 & 3:17).

The translators have smoothed out the grammar. Instead of, “How did it go?” Naomi asks, “_____ are you?” That answer is quite revealing.

As long as you root yourself in earthy markers, your life will resemble a _____.

Yet such _____ descriptors take a huge back seat to your _____ identification as a child of God. This is the foundation you drop anchor in both now and forever.

Ruth does not identify herself to Naomi with earthy identifiers but from the vantage point of Boaz’s actions. And since Boaz is a picture of _____, here is Ruth ultimately placing her identity in the Redeemer Himself.