

Three Customs Behind the Story of Ruth

1. The law of _____ (Deut. 24:19-21)

Practical purpose: provide food for the poor

Theological purpose: remember and display God's _____

2. The restoration of _____ (Lev. 25:8-34)

Practical purpose: maintain the inheritance and prevent enslavement

Theological purpose: remember and display God's _____

3. The provision of an _____ through _____ (Deut. 25:5-10)

Practical purpose: perpetuate and provide for the family

Theological purpose: remember and display God's _____

SUSTAINING GRACE

Ruth 2

Perspective #1: Ruth (_____ the _____ of sustaining grace)

- Risky _____ (2-3)
- Humble _____ (7, 10, 13)
- Sacrificial _____ (11, 18)

The secret of humble, risk-taking love: enjoy the _____ of God.

Perspective #2: Boaz (_____ the _____ of sustaining grace)

- He makes space for _____. (7-9, 14)
- He connects _____ with lavish _____. (9, 14-17)
- He points to _____ as the ultimate _____. (12)
"repay" = make _____, _____

Hospitality: making space for strangers to experience God's _____, so they will find their ultimate hope in _____.

Perspective #3: Naomi (_____ the _____ of sustaining grace)

Naomi's view (20) -

God's view -

God's sustaining grace is always _____ to His _____ purposes.