

The story of Boaz and Ruth meeting and becoming a couple illustrates God's love and salvation. Boaz's love is expressed as "Hesed" (steadfast love) and "Inneh" (kindness), reflecting God's love, while "hen" (grace) represents God's grace. In today's passage, verse 9, Boaz's cloak is described with the term "kanaph," which means "wings," symbolizing how Boaz's protection, blessing, and love represent God's protection, blessing, and love.

When we view today's passage through this lens, we see an important aspect of faith that God reveals through Ruth's actions. A crucial element in the story of salvation is that Ruth courageously surrendered herself, entering into Boaz's love, protection, and blessing.

In today's passage, Ruth courageously makes a decision and entrusts her life to Boaz. Just imagine how much courage she needed! She had to summon the bravery to approach Boaz, obey her mother-in-law's advice, and trust in God's promises. There must have been fear of rejection as well. Despite these fears, she boldly risked her life by placing her trust in Boaz.

For Ruth, meeting and getting to know Boaz was truly precious. However, if she had merely met and known him without taking further action, she would not have experienced the true blessing. It was her courage to act, her obedience to her mother-in-law's advice, and her willingness to commit her life that became the greatest blessing in her life.

A key element in faith is the need to courageously surrender oneself. When you first believe in Jesus, it involves the process of hearing the gospel and accepting Him. Even after believing, you still need to courageously commit yourself in various ways. Obeying God in daily life is an act of boldly surrendering yourself to His Word. Committing yourself to the Lord also involves courageously offering yourself. Obeying His call is similarly a process of boldly surrendering.

Sometimes it can be frightening and worrisome. However, the ability to courageously surrender oneself comes from believing in God. Therefore, this act of courage is closely connected to faith. Being able to offer yourself to God's promises and Word is possible when you trust that God will take responsibility for you, protect you, and bless you. It is when you know that God will shield you with His cloak and His wings that you can confidently surrender yourself.

Ruth believed that through Boaz, God would take responsibility for her, save her, protect her, and bless her. The most important decision in life is to choose God above all else. This includes a decision to trust in His promises and His calling.

The object of whom you entrust your life to is very important. When you courageously surrender yourself, the person or thing you commit to matters greatly. Boaz, whom Ruth entrusted her life to, was a person full of consideration and love. He was someone who had the qualifications, the ability, and the heart to provide salvation.

God is a worthy object of our trust. If you are hesitant about receiving Jesus, try courageously surrendering yourself and accepting Him with faith. If you are uncertain about obeying God, take a step of courage and commit yourself to obedience. If you are hesitant about dedicating yourself, try surrendering yourself in faith. If you are reluctant to respond to God's calling, offer yourself in faith. You will experience God's protection and blessing, and you will see Him work through you

**Bible Memorization**

A VERSE FOR THIS WEEK

“O Israel, trust in the LORD; He is their help and their shield.” (Psalm 115:9)

**Bible Reading**

7/29(Mon)	7/30(Tue)	7/31(Wed)	8/1(Thur)	8/2(Fri)	8/3(Sat)	8/4(Sun)
Song of Songs 7-8 Isaiah 1-2	Isaiah 3-6	Isaiah 7-10	Isaiah 11-14	Isaiah 15-19	Isaiah 20-23	Isaiah 24-27

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Quiet Time Passage

7/29(Mon)	7/30(Tue)	7/31(Wed)	8/1(Thur)	8/2(Fri)	8/3(Sat)	8/4(Sun)
2 Kings 17:13-23	2 Kings 17:24-33	2 Kings 17:34-41	2 Kings 18:1-12	2 Kings 18:13-25	2 Kings 18:26-37	2 Kings 19:1-13

**Sharing Questions**

1. Please share any new realizations or grace you received through today's message.
  
2. Please share if there is a part where you are hesitant or fearful in surrendering yourself to God—whether it's in acceptance, commitment, obedience, or making a decision.
  
3. Please pray for each other.