

"The Book of Ruth" Second Most Important Decision
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Leviticus 19:9-10

"When you reap the harvest of your land, do not reap to the very edges of your field or gather the gleanings of your harvest. ¹⁰ Do not go over your vineyard a second time or pick up the grapes that have fallen. Leave them for the poor and the foreigner. I am the Lord your God."

**What a woman is looking for-
Her Boaz**

□ **Strength**

Ruth 2:1

*"Now Naomi had a relative on her husband's side, a **man of standing** from the clan of Elimelek, whose name was Boaz."*

□ **Kindness**

Ruth 2:13

*"May I continue to find favor in your eyes, my lord," she said. "You have put me at ease by **speaking kindly** to your servant—though I do not have the standing of one of your servants."*

□ **Provider**

Ruth 2:15-16

"As she got up to glean, Boaz gave orders to his men, "Let her gather among the sheaves and don't reprimand her. ¹⁶ Even pull out some stalks for her from the bundles and leave them for her to pick up, and don't rebuke her."

□ **Protector**

Ruth 2:9

"Watch the field where the men are harvesting, and follow along after the women. I have told the men not to lay a hand on you."

□ **Pray-er**

Ruth 2:4

"Just then Boaz arrived from Bethlehem and greeted the harvesters, "The Lord be with you!" "The Lord bless you!" they answered.."

Genesis 1:27

"So God created mankind in His own image, in the image of God He created them; male and female He created them."

What a man is looking for- His Ruth

□ **Close to God**

Ruth 2:12

"The Lord repay your work, and a full reward be given you by the Lord God of Israel, under whose wings you have come for refuge."

□ **Respectful**

Ruth 2:10

"At this, she bowed down with her face to the ground. She asked him, "Why have I found such favor in your eyes that you notice me—a foreigner?"

□ **Loyal**

Ruth 2:11

"Boaz replied, "I've been told all about what you have done for your mother-in-law since the death of your husband—how you left your father and mother and your homeland and came to live with a people you did not know before."

What we all are looking for

Ruth 2:20

"The Lord bless him!" Naomi said to her daughter-in-law. "He has not stopped showing his kindness to the living and the dead." She added, "That man is our close relative; he is one of our guardian-redeemers."

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