



**The House Don't Fall
July 18-19, 2020**

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Ruth – A childless, foreign widow

Boaz – An aging, unmarried man

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Ruth 2-3

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Ruth 3:12 (MSG)

(Boaz): "You're right, I am a close relative to you, but there is one even closer than I am."

Ruth 4:1-11

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