FROM BARRENNESS TO BLESSEDNESS

(The Story of Ruth and Boaz)

Ruth 1 – 4

I.	God works even in times of sorrow.	1:1-22
	1. Be careful not to despair.	1:1-14
	2. Be clear to show your devotion.	1:15-22
II.	God honors faithfulness when things are tough.	2:1-23
	1. Trust God to preserve you.	2:1-7
	2. Trust God to prosper you.	2:8-13
	3. Trust God to protect you.	2:14-17
	4. Trust God to provide for you.	2:18-23
III.	God leads in ways that are sometimes unusual.	3:1-18
	1. Act with transparency.	3:1-9
	2. Act with integrity.	3:10-13
	3. Act with expectancy.	3:14-18
IV.	God redeems those He chooses to use.	4:1-22
	1. God may use us to answer our own petitions.	4:1-12
	2. God may bless us beyond our expectations.	4:13-17
	3. God may do through us what transcends our imaginations.	4:18-22