

NAOMI - RUTH CONNECTION

LESSON SEVENTY-ONE COMMENTS

Dear Loved Ones,

What is your goal in life? You probably have a goal of making it through the day without too much stress. Hopefully, you have some plan to accomplish a few things. Sometimes, it is just to be able to pay a few bills, have a few good meals, and maybe take care of someone besides ourselves. A happy ending may mean ending the day with a few minutes to relax, or it could mean a Happy Ending ice cream Sundae at Friendly's since that is their signature advertisement.

Ruth's daily happy ending was just to provide for her mother-in-law, Naomi. Yes, she may have had some hope of a future husband and child even though she didn't feel like she deserved it, but it was not her primary effort each day. Sometimes God gives us a vision of what He wants us to do, but He mostly looks for daily selfless faithfulness in our daily lives. What efforts do we make to seek God and His will daily? How faithful are we?

Our ultimate goal should be to have a Happy Ending of seeing Jesus someday. As we look forward to that wedding day, like Ruth did for her wedding to Boaz, we can faithfully make each day count for Jesus, our Redeemer. We can serve our Master. We can care for others as Ruth did for Naomi. Boaz waited for Ruth to let him know that she wanted him. God will reveal His plan for our good and His glory as we fall in love with Him and show Him that we desire to be close to Him.

Let's review the verse that Sandy shared:

"And whatsoever ye do in word or deed, do all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God and the Father by him." Colossians 3:17

Our desire for a Happy Ending becomes clearer when we start with our words, our deeds, and our thanks to our Heavenly Father who is the only one who can truly give us the Happy Ending that truly matters.

Have a great week filled with good words, deeds, and thanks to God who desires to give us each the Happiest Ending imaginable. We don't deserve it, but because of Jesus, our Redeemer, we have hope, and a bright future here on earth as well as someday in the greatest wedding ever when Jesus comes for as the Bride of Christ.

Love and Prayers,
Sandy Yates