

# **The Midnight Meeting**

**Ruth, A Woman of Faith 3**

# I Intro

- Proposal



# Exotic Vacation



# Jumbotron



# Sign / banner





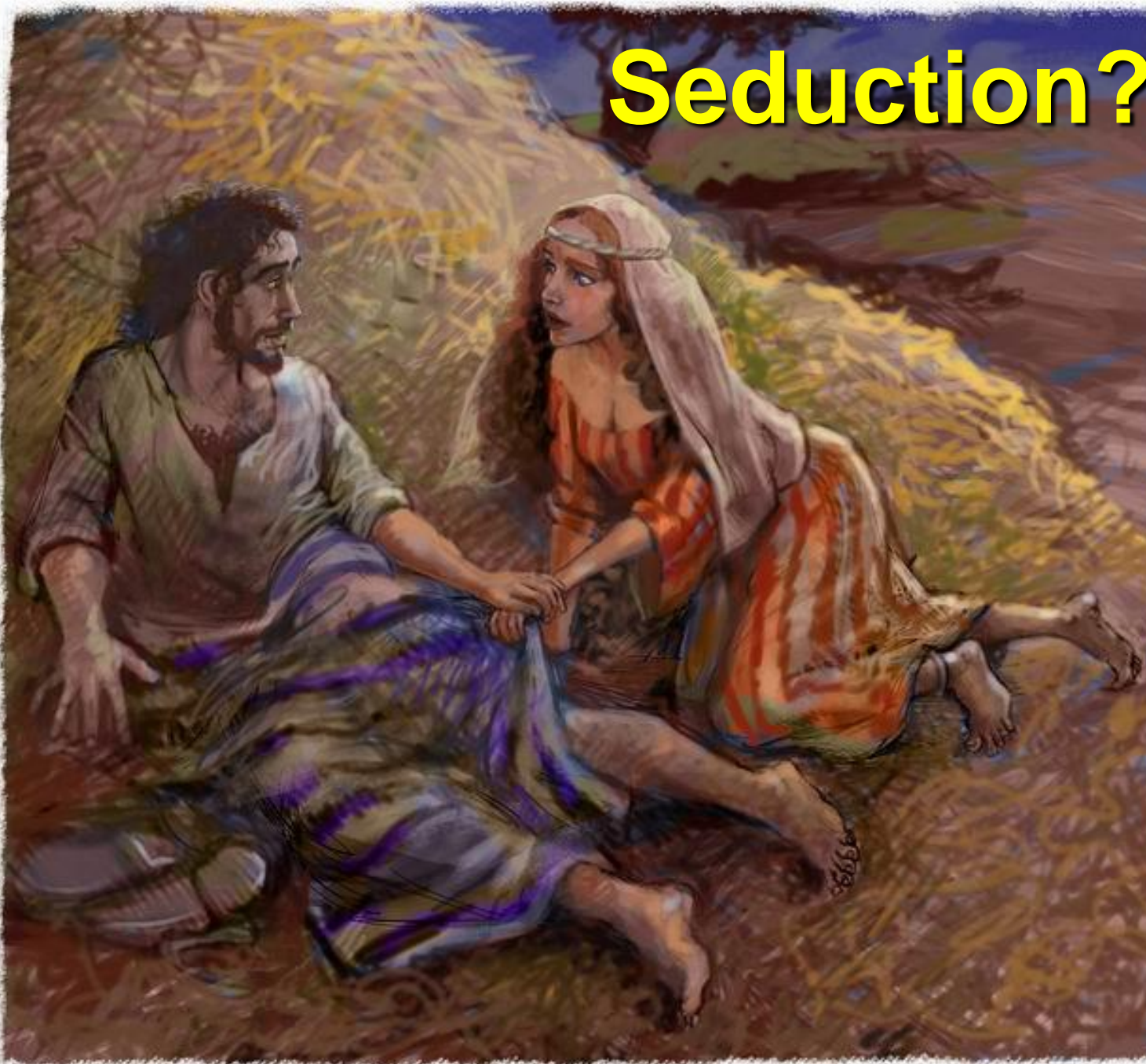
## II Text

- 1-5 The Plan
- Naomi initiated

# 6-13 Plan Execution



# Seduction?



**Feet, lie  
down  
euphemism**



# Threshing Floor



- Winnowing fork
- Threshing board
- Sieve





# Character

- Naomi : model mother
- Ruth : noble
- Boaz : integrity



# Ruth

- Kind
- Knew God
- Respectful
- Hard-working
- Humble
- Obedient
- Not superficial
- Noble

# Boaz

- Diligent
- Integrity
- Proper
- Generous



# Culture



***KINSMAN***

***REDEEMER***



# III Background

## RUTH FAITH IN TROUBLED TIMES

The Power of a Kinsman Redeemer





# Protection for the Poor

A banner with the text "Anti POVERTY" is strung across the frame. The banner is made of colorful fabric strips (yellow, green, orange, purple) with the letters written in black. The background is a grayscale image of a city skyline with tall buildings and a cloudy sky. A small white object, possibly a bird or a plane, is visible in the upper left corner.

Anti POVERTY

# Two Types of Ownership



Estate in fee simple

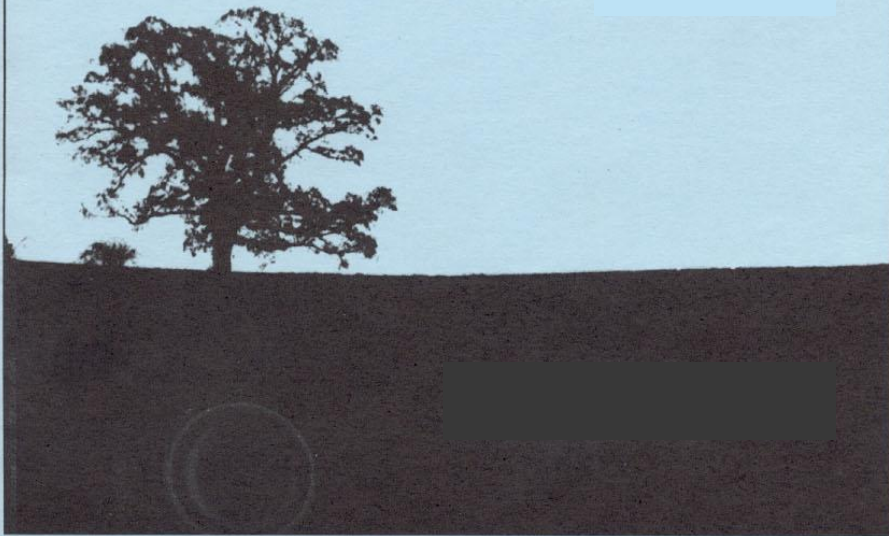
**Freehold**



Term of years

**Leasehold**

# *Biblical Economics*



## Freehold

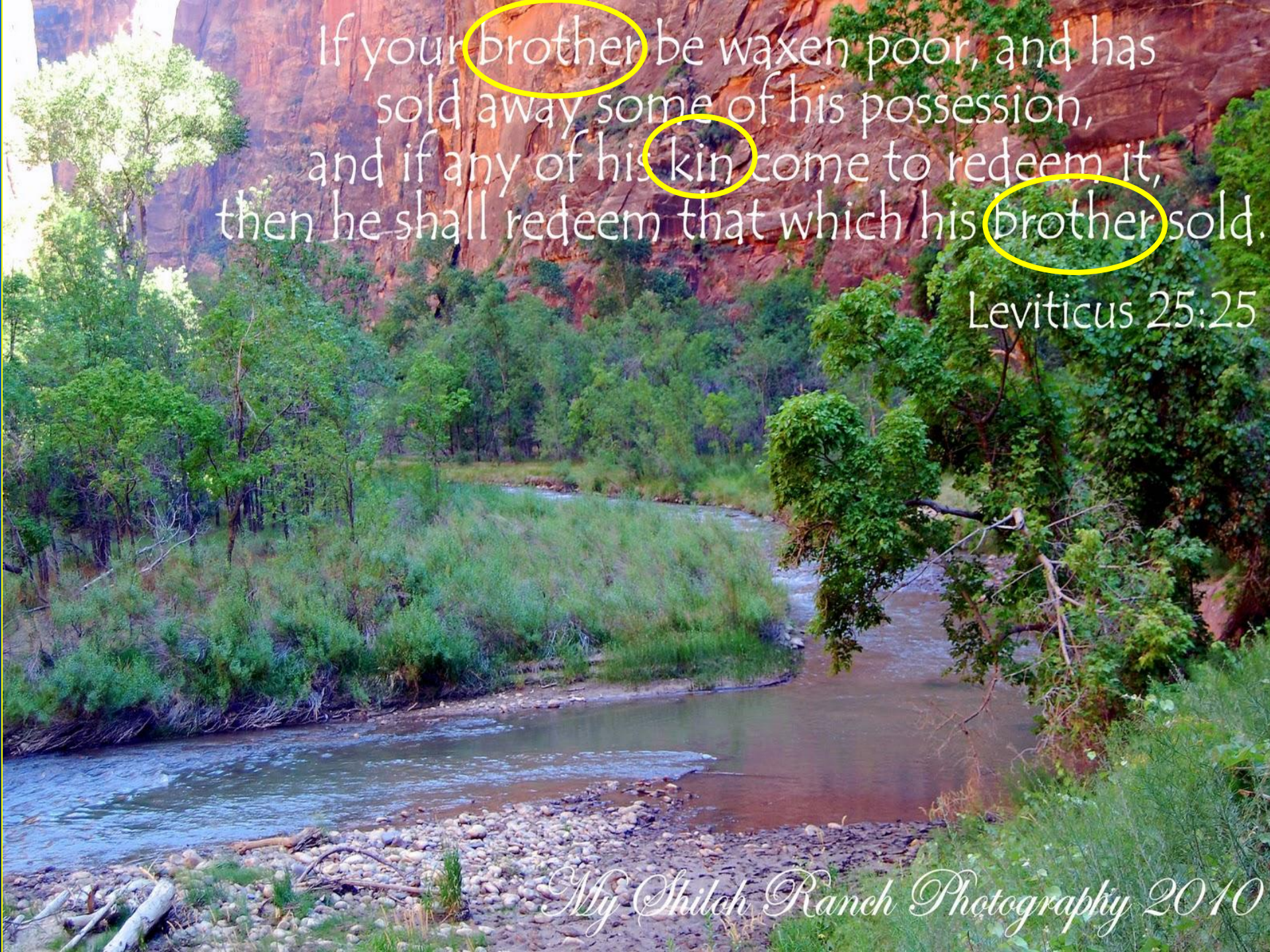
- Man is owner
- Accumulate land
- Bid up price
- Wide wealth gap

# BIBLICAL ECONOMICS



## Leasehold

- Man is tenant
- Term: 50 years
- Price lower
- Narrow wealth gap



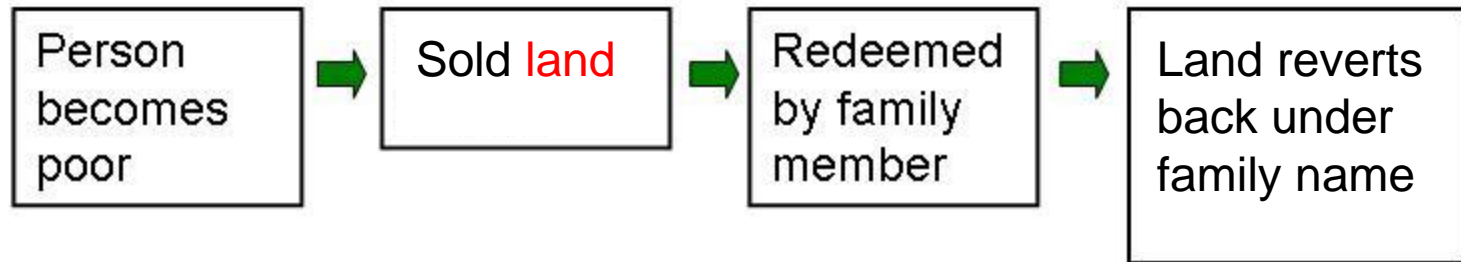
If your brother be waxen poor, and has  
sold away some of his possession,  
and if any of his kin come to redeem it,  
then he shall redeem that which his brother sold.

Leviticus 25:25

*My Shiloh Ranch Photography 2010*

# Kinsman Redeemer Concept

Old Testament

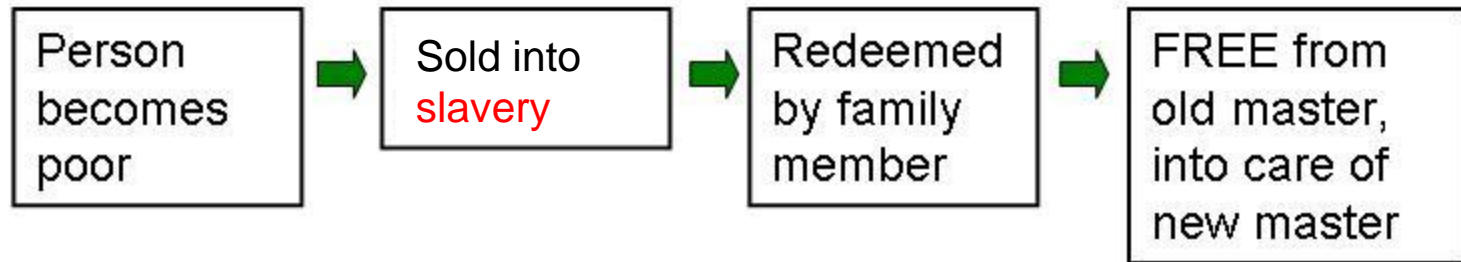


Lev 25:25 If one of your countrymen becomes poor and sells some of his **property**, his **nearest relative** is to come and **redeem** what his countryman has sold.

28 But if he does not acquire the means to repay him, what he sold will remain in the possession of the buyer until the **Year of Jubilee**. It will be returned in the Jubilee, and he can then go back to his property.

# Kinsman Redeemer Concept

Old Testament



Lev 25:47 If ... one of your countrymen becomes poor and sells **himself** to the alien living among you or to a member of the alien's clan,

48 he retains the right of redemption after he has sold himself. One of his **relatives** may **redeem** him:

49 An uncle or a cousin or any **blood relative** in his clan may **redeem** him.

# Blood Avenger

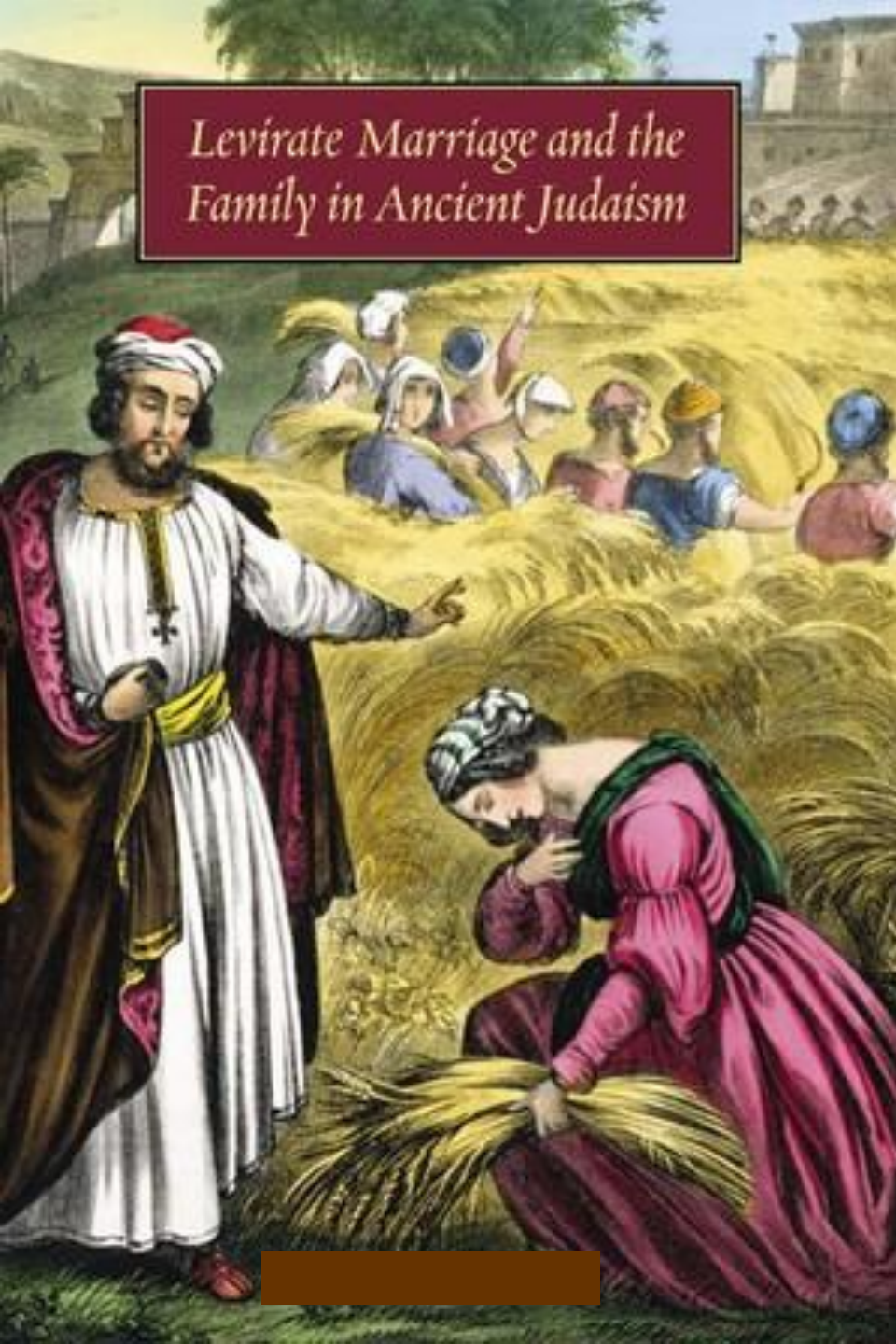
- Num 35:19 The **avenger of blood** shall put the murderer to death; when he meets him, he shall put him to death.

THE  
**AVENGER**  
OF  
**BLOOD**



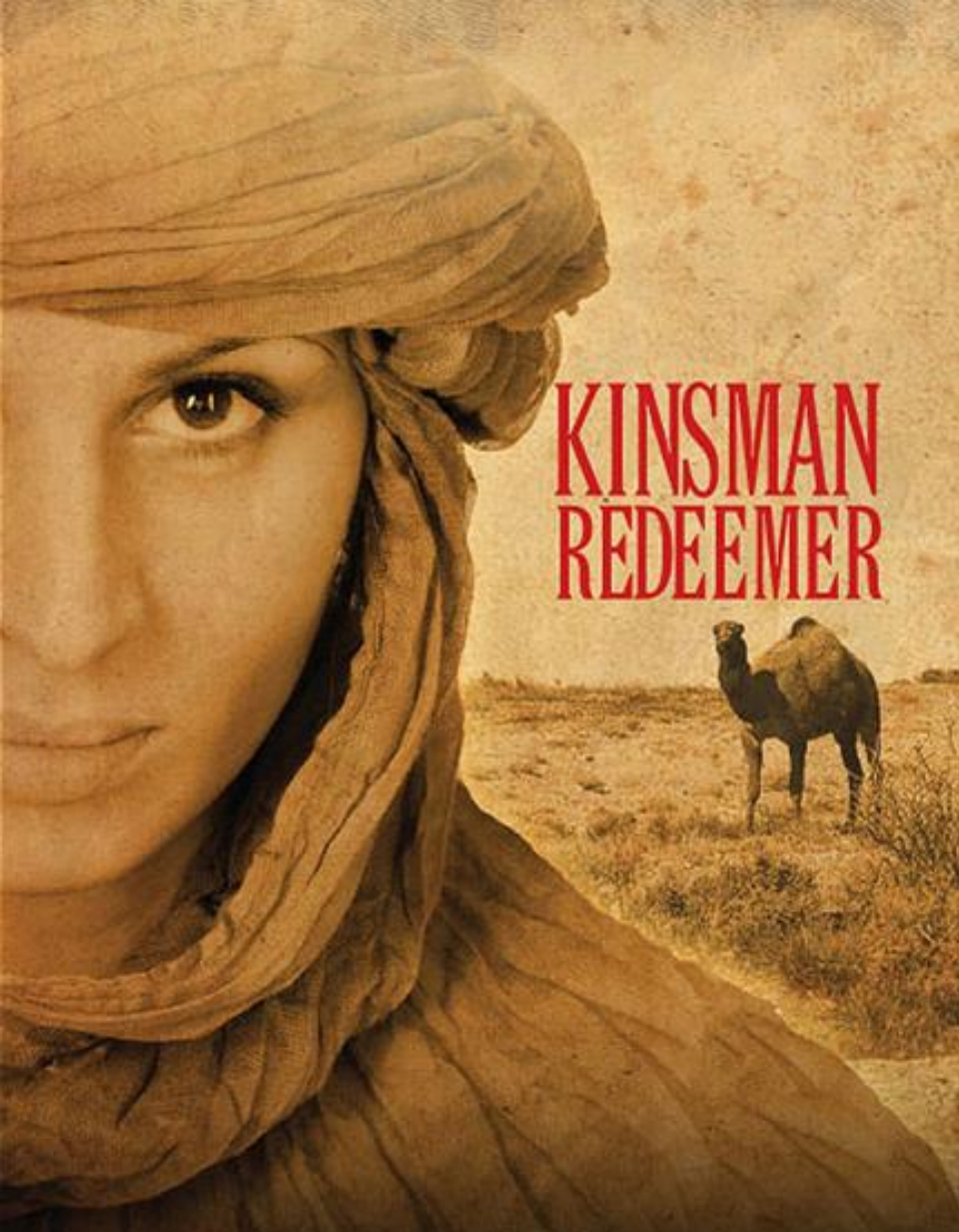


*Levirate Marriage and the  
Family in Ancient Judaism*



# Marries Widow

- Marry brother's widow
- Name first son after dead brother



# Qualifications

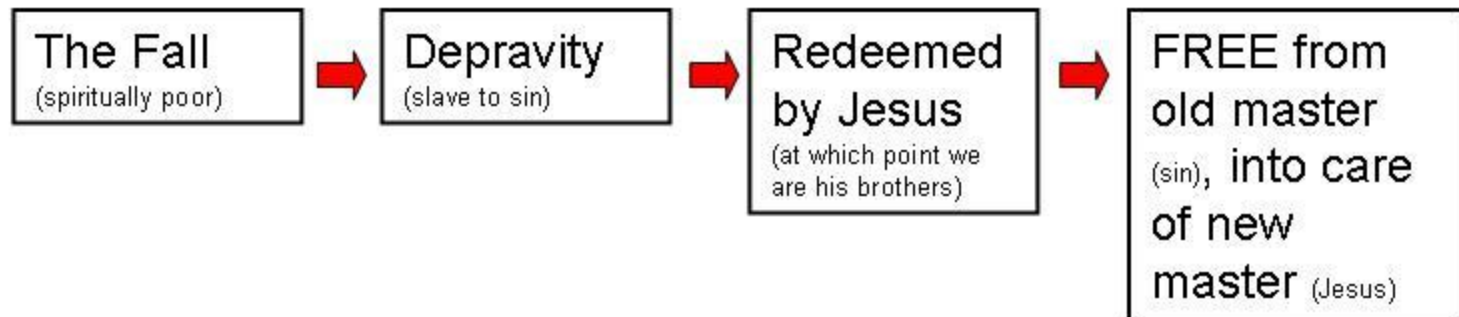
He must be :

1. A kinsman
2. Free himself
3. Able to redeem
4. Willing to redeem

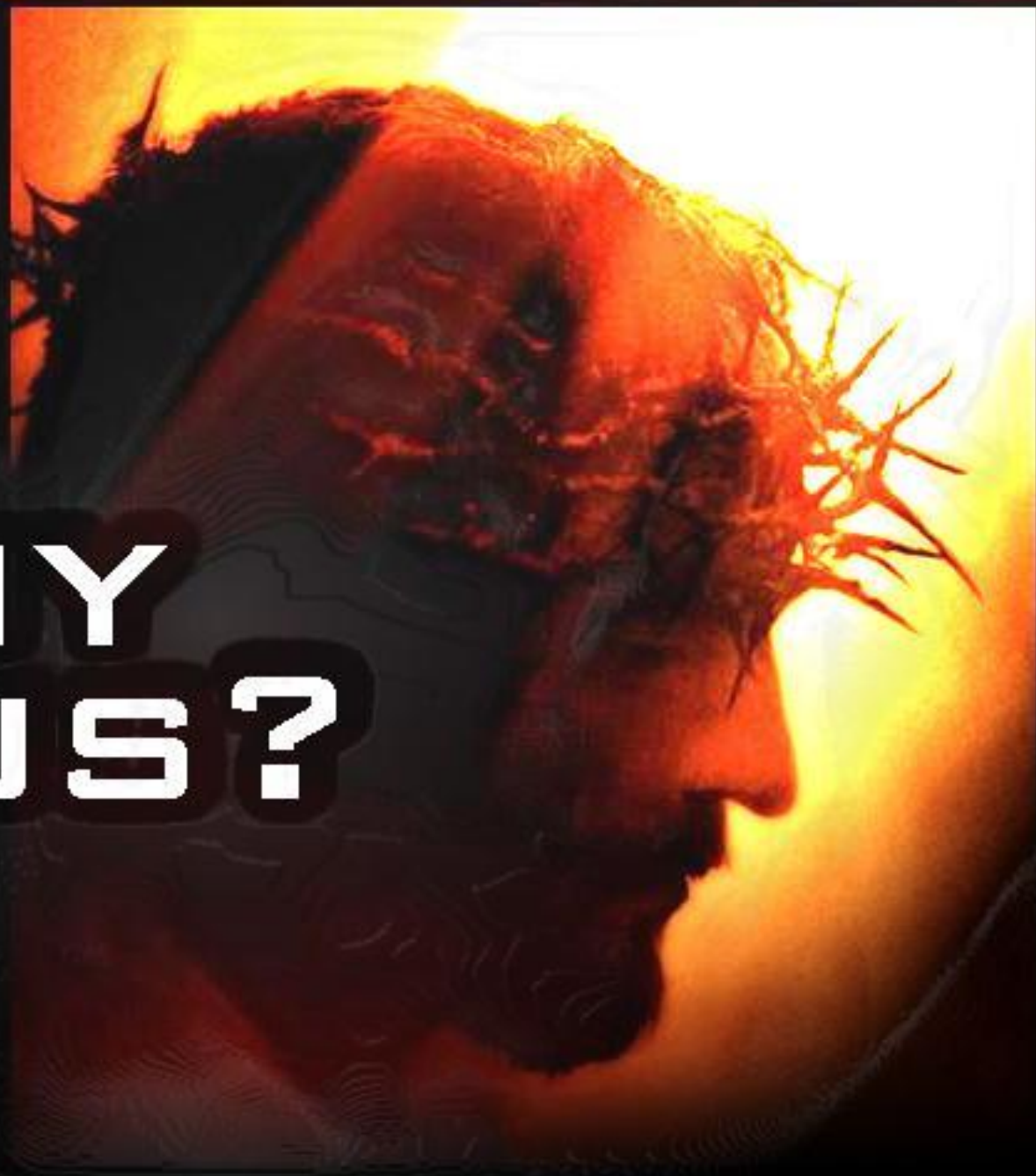
# Kinsman Redeemer Concept

- We are :
  - Morally bankrupt,
  - Bondage to sin,
  - Spiritually dead.
- We need a Kinsman-Redeemer.

## New Testament

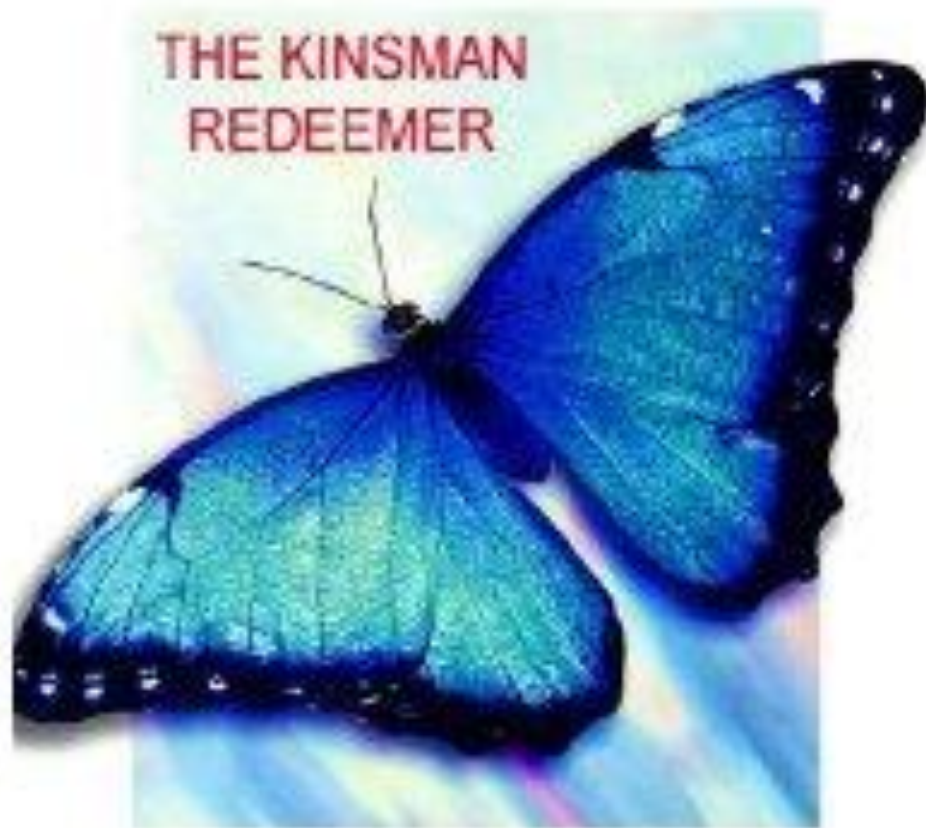


**WHY  
JESUS?**



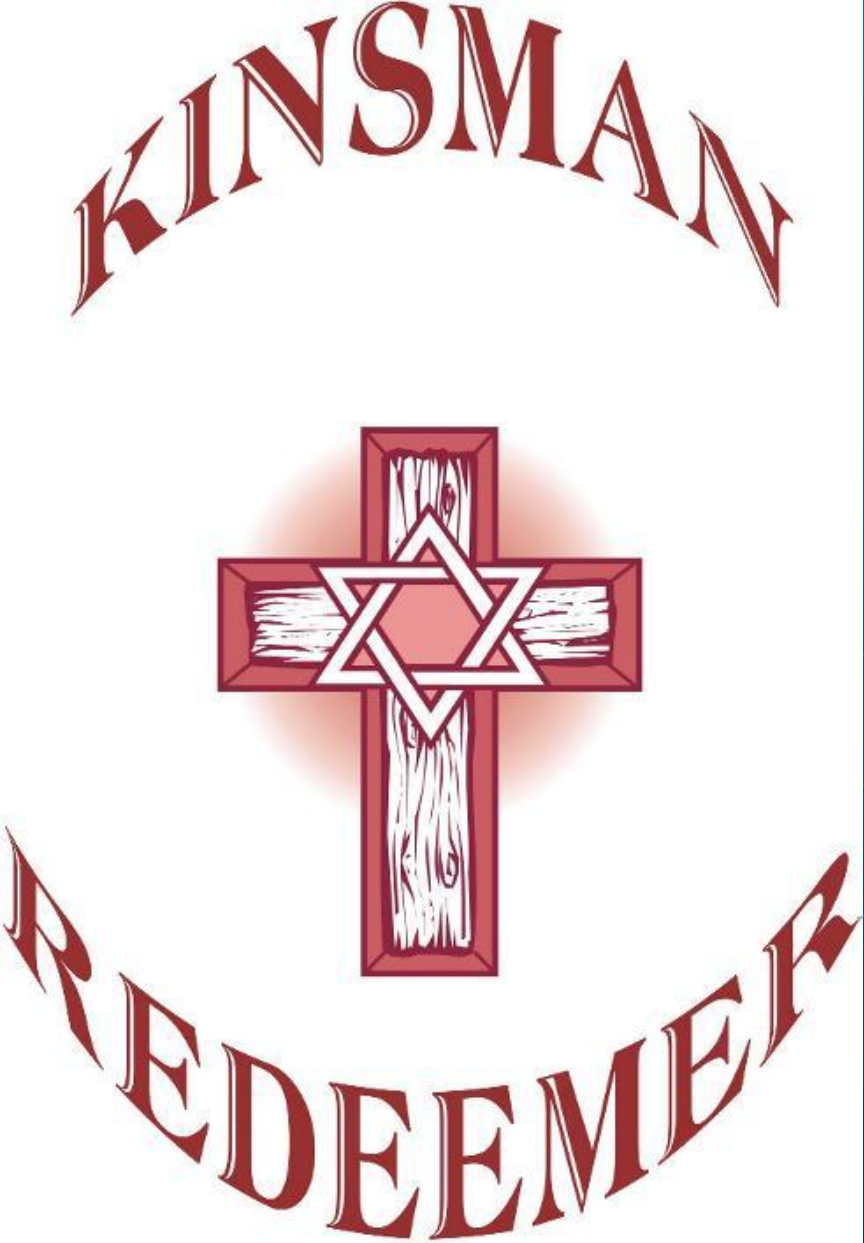
Discovering Christ in

# RUTH



## Christ

1. Kinsman  
(Heb 2:11)
2. Free –  
no sin



# Christ

3. Able to save (Heb 7:25)
4. Willing to pay the price (Heb 12:2)

# No Other Person

REDEMPTION

# Review

1. Historical-Cultural Grammatical Method
2. Laws of Redemption & Levirate Marriage
3. Kinsman-Redeemer

redeem



**1. Are you a brother?**

**2. Are you free?**

**3. Are you able?**

**4. Are you willing?**

# **Challenge**

**REDEEMED TO  
REDEEM**

