

Anticipation

1. the act of anticipating or the state of being anticipated
2. realization in advance; foretaste
3. expectation or hope
4. previous notion; slight previous impression
5. intuition, foreknowledge, or prescience

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When you reap your harvest in your field and forget a sheaf in the field, you shall not go back to get it. It shall be for the sojourner, the fatherless, and the widow, that the LORD your God may bless you in all the work of your hands.

—Deuteronomy 24:19 ESV

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Now Naomi had a relative of her husband's, a worthy man of the clan of Elimelech, whose name was Boaz.

—Ruth 2:1 ESV

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Scene 1—Ruth 2:2-7

The Happening

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Scene 2—Ruth 2:8-13

The Meeting

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⁸Then Boaz said to Ruth, "Now, listen, my daughter, do not go to glean in another field or leave this one, but keep close to my young women. ⁹Let your eyes be on the field that they are reaping, and go after them. Have I not charged the young men not to touch you? And when you are thirsty, go to the vessels and drink what the young men have drawn."

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¹⁰Then she fell on her face, bowing to the ground, and said to him, “Why have I found favor in your eyes, that you should take notice of me, since I am a foreigner?” ¹¹But Boaz answered her, “All that you have done for your mother-in-law since the death of your husband has been fully told to me, and how you left your father and mother and your native land and came to a people that you did not know before.

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¹²The LORD repay you for what you have done, and a full reward be given you by the LORD, the God of Israel, under whose wings you have come to take refuge!” ¹³Then she said, “I have found favor in your eyes, my lord, for you have comforted me and spoken kindly to your servant, though I am not one of your servants.” —Ruth 2:8-13 ESV

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“Our society has purposefully raised two generations on ‘moral relativism’ and the news media is asking, ‘Where are the morals in our country?’ ... The sexual harassment responses have rightfully proven (once again) that humans have a conscience and there are moral absolutes.”

—Clay Smith, Pastor
First Baptist Church, Matthews, NC

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Scene 3—Ruth 2:19-20

The Enlightening

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¹⁹And her mother-in-law said to her, “Where did you glean today? And where have you worked? Blessed be the man who took notice of you.” So she told her mother-in-law with whom she had worked and said, “The man’s name with whom I worked today is Boaz.”

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²⁰And Naomi said to her daughter-in-law, “May he be blessed by the LORD, whose kindness has not forsaken the living or the dead!” Naomi also said to her, “The man is a close relative of ours, **one of our redeemers.”**

—Ruth 2:19-20 ESV

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Levirate Marriage

⁵If brothers dwell together, and one of them dies and has no son, the wife of the dead man shall not be married outside the family to a stranger. Her husband's brother shall go in to her and take her as his wife and perform the duty of a husband's brother to her. ⁶And the first son whom she bears shall succeed to the name of his dead brother, that his name may not be blotted out of Israel.

—Deuteronomy 25:5-6 ESV

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“Kinsman-Redeemer”

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The LORD redeems the life of His servants; none of those who take refuge in Him will be condemned.

—Psalm 34:22 ESV

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⁶⁸Blessed be the Lord God of Israel, for He has visited and redeemed His people ⁶⁹and has raised up a horn of salvation for us in the house of His servant David.

—Luke 1:68-69 ESV

And because of Him you are in Christ Jesus, who became to us wisdom from God, righteousness and sanctification and redemption. —I Corinthians 1:30 ESV

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... who gave Himself for us to redeem us from all lawlessness and to purify for Himself a people for His own possession who are zealous for good works. —Titus 2:14 ESV

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²²And Naomi said to Ruth, her daughter-in-law, “It is good, my daughter, that you go out with his young women, lest in another field you be assaulted.” ²³So she kept close to the young women of Boaz, gleaning until the end of the barley and wheat harvests. And she lived with her mother-in-law. —Ruth 2:22-23 ESV

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Scene 4—Ruth 3:18

The Waiting

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She replied, “Wait, my daughter, until you learn how the matter turns out, for the man will not rest but will settle the matter today.”

—Ruth 3:18 *ESV*

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¹How long, O LORD? Will You forget me forever? How long will You hide Your face from me? ²How long must I take counsel in my soul and have sorrow in my heart all the day? How long shall my enemy be exalted over me? —Psalm 13:1-2 *ESV*

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Indeed, none who wait for You shall be put to shame; they shall be ashamed who are wantonly treacherous. —Psalm 25:3 *ESV*

The LORD is good to those who wait for Him, to the soul who seeks Him.

—Lamentations 3:25 *ESV*

⁵For God alone, O my soul, wait in silence, for my hope is from Him. ⁶He only is my rock and my salvation, my fortress; I shall not be shaken. ⁷On God rests my salvation and my glory; my mighty rock, my refuge is God.

—Psalm 62:5-7 *ESV*

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²⁸Have you not known? Have you not heard? The LORD is the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth. He does not faint or grow weary; His understanding is unsearchable. ²⁹He gives power to the faint, and to him who has no might He increases strength. ³⁰Even youths shall faint and be weary, and young men shall fall exhausted; ³¹but they who wait for the LORD shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings like eagles; they shall run and not be weary; they shall walk and not faint.

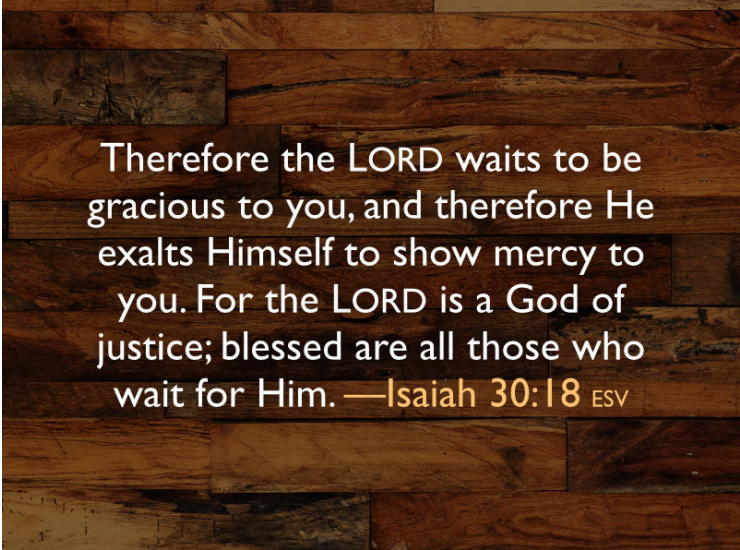
—Isaiah 40:28-31 *ESV*

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Hope deferred makes the heart sick, but a desire fulfilled is a tree of life.

—Proverbs 13:12 *ESV*

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Therefore the LORD waits to be gracious to you, and therefore He exalts Himself to show mercy to you. For the LORD is a God of justice; blessed are all those who wait for Him. —Isaiah 30:18^{ESV}

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