

## Title: Integrity, Character, and Waiting on God's Plan: Lessons from Ruth and Boaz

Sermon Summary: This sermon explores the book of Ruth, focusing on the themes of integrity, character, and trusting in God's timing. It emphasizes how serving others can soften hearts and change lives, as demonstrated through Ruth's devotion to Naomi and Boaz's honorable actions. The sermon draws parallels between the ancient story and modern Christian living, encouraging believers to cultivate noble character, maintain integrity, and wait patiently for God's plan to unfold.

### Key Points:

- Service to others can melt hardened hearts and lead to personal transformation
- Integrity and character are built over time and are crucial for a Christian witness
- Waiting on God's timing, though difficult, is essential for experiencing His blessings

- Holiness and moral behavior are important, even in challenging or tempting situations
- Our reputation and character reflect our relationship with God and impact others

### Scripture Reference:

- Book of Ruth, chapters 3 and 4

### Stories:

- The story of Ruth and Naomi, focusing on Ruth's loyalty and service to her mother-in-law
- The account of Boaz redeeming Ruth, highlighting his integrity in following proper procedures
- A brief mention of Charlie Kirk's tragedy and its impact on spreading the Gospel
- Personal anecdotes about breaking into Christmas presents early and the disappointment that followed