

In today's passage, we meet a new main character in the book of Ruth. He becomes the source of the greatest blessing and grace in Ruth's life. Throughout the book, he is the one who supplies Ruth with God's love. His name is Boaz. Examining how he channels God's grace to Ruth, we see that he protects her, abundantly provides for her needs, and extends love she could never earn. The immense, inexplicable love and favor flowing from Boaz to Ruth is described in the Bible as grace.

Grace signifies God's unconditional love. From our perspective, it is the grace given to those who are neither deserving nor meritorious. It is the incomprehensible great love referred to as grace. Every action Boaz takes in today's passage can only be described as grace. Thus, Ruth also calls Boaz's love grace. Look at verses 10 and 13.

This grace is a manifestation of God's love. In Boaz's actions, we see the grace of God that we have received. God helps and protects us. When we are tired, struggling, or in our lowest moments, God comforts and encourages us through His word, giving us strength and filling us with joy. We recognize God's abundant provision in our lives. Ruth acknowledging Boaz's favor as grace signifies that she had neither the qualification nor reason to receive such favor. Particularly, sitting at the same table and eating together was a grace. Similarly, becoming children of God and participating in worship and God's kingdom is grace.

Isn't it strange? Why does Boaz extend such grace? In the genealogy in Matthew 1, we find the names of Ruth and Boaz. Matthew 1:5-6 says, "Salmon the father of Boaz, whose mother was Rahab, Boaz the father of Obed, whose mother was Ruth, Obed the father of Jesse, and Jesse the father of King David." Boaz's mother was Rahab. Who was Rahab? She was a foreign woman and a prostitute living in Jericho. Rahab received grace. Being saved and becoming one of God's people, despite being a foreign woman and a prostitute, was grace upon grace. Her son became a prominent figure in Bethlehem. How great a grace is this?

Boaz, the son of Rahab, surely understood God's grace. Hence, he became someone who extended grace to his field, his servants, and the foreigner before him. Among the Israelites, Rahab and Boaz were people who knew the magnitude of the grace they received, and that grace overflowed from them.

We are all recipients of God's grace. However, are we letting this grace overflow? Are we showing and sharing grace with those around us like Boaz did? Are we forgiving, giving, helping, serving, and building others up with God's love? Those who recognize the great and abundant grace they have received will let it flow to others. This is a life overflowing with grace (Romans 5:20). May we be reminded of God's grace within us. May God's grace overflow in us and spread to those around us.

**Bible
Memorization**

A VERSE FOR THIS WEEK

“From his fullness we have all received, grace upon grace.” (John 1:16)

**Bible
Reading**

7/15(Mon)	7/16(Tue)	7/17(Wed)	7/18(Thur)	7/19(Fri)	7/20(Sat)	7/21(Sun)
Psalms 140-145	Psalms 146-150 Proverbs 1-2	Proverbs 3-6	Proverbs 7-10	Proverbs 11-14	Proverbs 15-17	Proverbs 18-21

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Quiet Time Passage

7/15(Mon)	7/16(Tue)	7/17(Wed)	7/18(Thur)	7/19(Fri)	7/20(Sat)	7/21(Sun)
2 Kings 11:1-12	2 Kings 11:13-21	2 Kings 12:1-8	2 Kings 12:9-21	2 Kings 13:1-13	2 Kings 13:14-25	2 Kings 14:1-16

**Sharing
Questions**

1. Share any new insights or grace you have received from today's message.
2. Discuss whether you feel God's grace is overflowing in your life and what is needed to fully recognize God's grace.
3. Share if you are extending grace to others. How and to whom should you let God's grace flow?