

THE CHURCH 230
KENOSIS 107

RECONCILIATION THROUGH

RUTH 3:1

1 ¶ Then Naomi her mother in law said unto her, My daughter, shall I not seek rest for thee, that it may be well with thee?

RUTH 3:2

2 And now is not Boaz of our kindred, with whose maidens thou wast? Behold, he winnoweth barley to night in the threshingfloor.

RUTH 3:3

3 Wash thyself therefore, and anoint thee, and put thy raiment upon thee, and get thee down to the floor: but make not thyself known unto the man, until he shall have done eating and drinking.

RUTH 3:4

4 And it shall be, when he lieth down, that thou shalt mark the place where he shall lie, and thou shalt go in, and uncover his feet, and lay thee down; and he will tell thee what thou shalt do.

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123....."Now, put thy garments upon thee." Not take thy garments off of thee. How contrary to today. "Gird thy garments upon thee when you go to meet him. He's going to winnow barley, tonight. Go down and put your garments on you. Cover yourself up to meet him."

Today, they want to uncover themselves. Cover yourself. "Go down because he winnows barley. **And then mark the place where he lieth down.**" Did you do it? On Golgotha. Many years ago **I marked in my heart where He laid down His life**, that He might take me. Mark the place that he lieth down. Watch where He laid. That's what every believer should do.....

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126 She said, "Mark where he lieth down. Then when he lieth down to sleep (to rest), **you go lie down by his feet, not his head; his feet: unworthy.** "And take the blanket that he was covered with and pull it over you." You see it? Oh, my. I know you may think I'm a fanatic. But that just suits me just right, that Spirit of God.

Mark where He lay at Calvary, where He laid down in the tomb in Gethsemane. **Mark, and crawl up to His feet, and lie down there and die yourself** to... [Blank.spot.on.tape--Ed.] There you are. Cover yourself over with His skirt. She said, "The skirt..." she called it.

And Ruth said, "What you say, that I'll do.".....

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129 Now, remember, that was a disgrace for that young widow woman to be laying by the side of this man at his feet: a disgrace to the outside world. **Oh, can you stand it? Here it is.** Look. Look, this is it. The church, the young woman, the young man, the old or young, is asked to separate themselves from the world and come into a place, **a Kingdom of the Holy Ghost, that's disgraceful to the world.** In their own heart they know what it's all about. But to the world they become a fanatic; they become a holy-roller or something on that idea, some disgraceful name. But the church is asked to do it. **Are you willing to mark the place, and lie down?.....**

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142 Mark the place where he laid down and lie down there with him. Are you ready to go to Calvary this morning, as I said last Sunday? **Have you marked the place in your life? Have you brought yourself to that place where Jesus was crucified?**

"Oh, we appreciate that." But what about your crucifixion? Are you ready to take the way with the disgraceful name, as being a holy-roller, or a religious fanatic, or whatever, whatever the price is? **Have you marked the place, so you go there and lie down with Him, say, "Lord, here I am"? Then what? Pull the same cover that was on Him, over you.**

MATTHEW 10:38

38 And he that taketh not **HIS CROSS**, and followeth after me, is not worthy of me.

MATTHEW 27:32

32 And as they came out, they found a man of Cyrene, Simon by name: him they compelled to bear his cross.

MATTHEW 10:38

38 And he that taketh not his cross, and ***FOLLOWETH** after me, is not worthy of me.

FOLLOWETH: GREEK LEXICON -- STRONG'S NUMBER 190

akoloutheo {ak-ol-oo-theh'-o}

to follow one who precedes, join him as his attendant, accompany him, to join one as a disciple, become or be his disciple, side with his party

MATTHEW 16:24

24 ¶ Then said Jesus unto his disciples, If any man will come after me, let him deny himself, **and take up his cross, and follow me.**

ACTS 5:41

41 And they departed from the presence of the council, rejoicing that they were counted worthy to suffer shame for his name.

ACTS 20:22

22 And now, behold, I go bound in the spirit unto Jerusalem, not knowing the things that shall befall me there:

ACTS 20:23

23 Save that the Holy Ghost witnesseth in every city, saying that bonds and afflictions abide me.

ACTS 20:24

24 But none of these things move me, neither count I my life dear unto myself, so that I might finish my course with joy, and the ministry, which I have received of the Lord Jesus, to testify the gospel of the grace of God.

MARK 8:34

34 And when he had called the people unto him with his disciples also, he said unto them, Whosoever will come after me, **let him deny himself, and take up his cross, and follow me.**

When the Roman Empire crucified a criminal or captive, the victim was often forced to carry his cross part of the way to the crucifixion site.

Carrying his cross through the heart of the city was supposed to be an admission that the Roman Empire was correct in the sentence of death imposed on him, an admission that Rome was right and he was wrong.

So when Jesus told His followers to carry their crosses and follow Him, He was referring to a public display before others that Jesus was right and that the disciples were following Him even to their deaths.

LUKE 9:22

22.....The Son of man must suffer many things, and be rejected of the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be slain, and be raised the third day.

LUKE 9:23

23 And he said to them all, If any man will come after me, let him ***DENY** himself, and take up his cross daily, and follow me.

DENY: GREEK LEXICON -- STRONG'S NUMBER 533

aparneomai {ap-ar-neh'-om-ahee}

to affirm that one has no acquaintance or connection with someone, to forget one's self, lose sight of one's self and one's own interests

LUKE 14:27

27 And whosoever doth not bear his cross, and come after me, **cannot be my disciple.**

GALATIANS 2:20

20 I am crucified with Christ: nevertheless I live; yet not I, but Christ liveth in me: and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by the faith of the Son of God, who loved me, and gave himself for me.

I CORINTHIANS 15:31

31 I protest by your rejoicing which I have in Christ Jesus our Lord, **I die daily.**

RUTH 3:4

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RUTH 3:5

5 And she said unto her, All that thou sayest unto me I will do.

RUTH 3:6

6 ¶ And she went down unto the floor, **and did according to all that her mother in law bade her.**

RUTH 3:7

7 And when Boaz had eaten and drunk, and his heart was merry, he went to lie down at the end of the heap of corn: and she came softly, and uncovered his feet, and laid her down.

RUTH 3:8

8 And it came to pass at midnight, that the man was afraid, and turned himself: and, behold, a woman lay at his feet.

RUTH 3:9

9 And he said, Who art thou? And she answered, I am Ruth thine handmaid: spread therefore thy skirt over thine handmaid; for thou art a near kinsman.

RUTH 3:10

10 And he said, Blessed be thou of the LORD, my daughter: for thou hast shewed more kindness in the latter end than at the beginning, inasmuch as thou followedst not young men, whether poor or rich.