

Largo
♩ = 60

Boaz:

My Lord and God, you know I am in your hands. My life a-waits one word

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to - mor-row. Since Ruth came here she's be - come ve - ry dear

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and my love is sin-cere. But a hur-dle could still block our way: I am not the

13 **A** **Più mosso maestoso**
♩ = 70

man who has first say. O Lord, I ask this grace: Please let him give

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up his place. Lis-ten, Lord, to my plea, sure-ly this is meant to be.

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What he de-cides could change my life, I can't i-ma-gine a - ny o - ther wife.

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Please teach me, Lord, what I should say when I en-coun-ter him at break of day.

B **B1** **Andante**
♩ = 100

Allegro con brio
♩ = 130

Molto rit.
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C

Boaz:

Un - cle when he died left pro - per - ty.

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The field is being sold by Na-o-mi. It goes to you, or it could come to me. In

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ei-ther case, we're both fa - mi-ly. For you may re - deem this land, you have first say.

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The el-ders here will at-test the fact. But please de-clare it now if you're un - a - ble:

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♩ = 126
Allegro giocoso D
Tov:

A - fter you, I am free to act. It sounds like a good deal! Na-o-

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mi has now no son. For the fami - ly hol - dings, the gain would be most wel - come!

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It sounds like a good deal! Na-o - mi has now no son. For the fami - ly hol -

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Molto rit. **Andante**
♩ = 100

- dings, the gain would be most wel - come! the gain would be most wel - come!

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E
Boaz:

If you buy this field you should al - so know that you have to wed

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Ruth the wi-dow. The son she bears will be the suc - ces - sion of E - li - me - lech and

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of Mah-lon. The field is his he - ri - tage when he's of age. Think be-fore you make

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a so-lemn pledge. While in his fa - ther's name he will get the land, I'm rea-dy now

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F
♩ = 80 **Adagio pesante**
Tov:

to ask Ruth's hand! My right of re - demp - tion I shall have to pass to you.

121 *Boaz:*

If not I stand to lose much too much in this af - fair. You have heard what Tov

126 **G** *Maestoso*

has just said, now it is I who will re-deem this land. Our kins-man's wi-dow

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I shall wed, in ma-tri-mo-ny I shall take Ruth's hand! You have heard what Tov

134 **G1**

has just said, now it is I who will re-deem this land. Our kins-man's wi-dow

138 *Rall.*

I shall wed, in ma - tri - mo - ny I shall take Ruth's hand!

142 **H** *Adagio affettuoso* **I** $\text{♩} = 76$
4 *The elders:*

May Ruth be blessed now like Le - ah and Ra - chel,

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who were to be the mo - thers of our peo - ple. And Bo - az may your house

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con - ti - nue e - ver-more; may your des - cen - dants hold your name in ho-nour.

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God loved the out - si - der Ta - mar and wel - comed her wi - thin: She

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bore Pe - rez our fore - fa - ther and his twin. God loves to wel - come now the wo - man

159 *Rit.*

you are ta - king to wife. May she bring you love and joy all your life.