## "What Happened in Bethlehem (And it's not what you think)" – Ruth 1:1-19

The book of Ruth mentions Bethlehem S times
Ruth bridges two E in Israel's history
Ruth was King David's G G (remember that Bethlehem was in the tribal territory of J)
Ruth (a M) married Boaz (an I)
but the coming together of Ruth and Boaz is the "reuniting of A and L"  – a "tikkum" (repair or C)
CONCLUSION: It took BOTH G and J to birth the line of Jesus
Some amazing prophesies in Ruth chapter verse  • C H (drawing near to the Kingdom AND it's connection to Jewish sacrifice)  • E some B (see John 6:35)  • D you piece into the W V (the S of the Messiah)—the Last Supper and the C end had some L over (the F miracle in Matthew 14:20)
The story of Ruth and Boaz is a L SRuth ties us back to R (Genesis 35) and forward to D and JAnd Ruth H Gentiles being part of Jesus' L

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## SHALOM BAPTIST CHURCH

## December 7, 2025 ~ 11:00 AM

Gather. Glorify. Grow. Go.

**Second Sunday of Advent-Peace** 

Welcome Rev. Mark Miller

Prelude Still, Still, Still Traditional

Call to Worship For He Alone Is Worthy Wade

Invocation Russ Hoffman

\*Carol of Praise #93 It Came Upon the Midnight Clear CAROL

Lighting of the Advent Candle of Peace

Pastoral Prayer Rev. Mark Miller

\*Carol of Offering #98 I Heard the Bells on Christmas Day WALTHAM

\*Offertory Prayer Kenny Taylor
Deacon of the Month

Offertory Music One Bright Star Jarvis

\*The Doxology OLD 100TH

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen. Musical Meditation Red is the Color of Love
Chancel Choir

Scripture Ruth 1:1-19

Message Rev. Mark Miller

Chopin

"What Happened in Bethlehem (And it's not what you think)"

Lord's Supper

\*Carol of Invitation #86 O Little Town of Bethlehem ST. LOUIS

Benediction Rev. Mark Miller

\*Closing Response Blest Be the Tie DENNIS

Blest be the tie that binds Our hearts in Christian love; The fellowship of kindred minds Is like to that above.

Postlude There's a Song in the Air Holland

\*Please stand if you are able