

# THE COVENANT OF MERCY: THE KINSMAN-REDEEMER

Ruth 4:1-13

*Sin comes when we take a perfectly natural desire or longing or ambition and try desperately to fulfill it without God. Not only is it sin, it is a perverse distortion of the image of the Creator in us. All these good things, and all our security, are rightly found only and completely in him.*

**Augustine, The Confessions of Saint Augustine**

I. **THE NEED FOR REDEMPTION:** Why is it necessary?

II. **THE COST OF REDEMPTION:** What does it require?

III. **THE WORK OF REDEMPTION:** How is it accomplished?