

## Summary of what we have learned from this book

- 1) “From the strands of seemingly disparate and mundane events—a famine that leads to exile, ten years of barrenness, bereavement, the persistence of the Moabite girl, the field in which she happens to glean—Yahweh has woven a magnificent tapestry of mercy.... Boaz arrives as an unexpected redeemer from the line of Judah who righteously takes a Gentile bride through whom the seed is raised up. Salvation has come through the various judgments, and God’s surprising providence wins him praise.” (James M. Hamilton, *God’s Glory in Salvation Through Judgment*, 309)
- 2) God is concerned for people in need, and He expects believers to reflect His concern by selflessly and loyally ministering to other image bearers. Cf. Psalm 146:9
- 3) God longs to reward those who are faithful to their God-ordained relationships to which they have committed themselves. Cf. Psalm 18:25
- 4) God often enables His blessings to His people to extend beyond the lifetime of the original recipient.