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RUTE 1	RUTH 1
1:1 Ke kaloku kwathi ngemihla yokulawula kwabagwebi, kwabakho indlala elizweni. Yahamba indoda yaseBhetelehem yakwaYuda, yaza yaphambukela elizweni lakwaMowabhi, yona nomkayo, noonyana bayo bobabini.	1:1 In the days when the judges ruled, there was a famine in the land, and a man from Bethlehem in Judah, together with his wife and two sons, went to live for a while in the country of Moab.
1:2 Ke igama laloo ndoda lalinguElimeleki, igama lomkayo linguNahomi; amagama oonyana bayo babengooMalon noKiliyon, bengamaEfrata aseBhetelehem yakwaYuda. Baya ke elizweni lakwaMowabhi, baba khona.	1:2 The man's name was Elimelech, his wife's name Naomi, and the names of his two sons were Mahlon and Kilion. They were Ephrathites from Bethlehem, Judah. And they went to Moab and lived there.
1:3 Wafa uElimeleki indoda kaNahomi; washiywa ke yena noonyana bakhe bobabini.	1:3 Now Elimelech, Naomi's husband, died, and she was left with her two sons.
1:4 Bazeka abafazi abangamaMowabhikazi; igama lomnye lalinguOrpa, igama lomnye lalinguRute; bahlala khona iminyaka eseshumini.	1:4 They married Moabite women, one named Orpah and the other Ruth. After they had lived there about ten years,
1:5 Bafa kananjalo bobabini ooMalon noKiliyon; washiywa ke loo mfazi ngoonyana bakhe bobabini nayindoda yakhe.	1:5 both Mahlon and Kilion also died, and Naomi was left without her two sons and her husband.
1:6 Wesuka yena noomolokazana bakhe, ebuya elizweni lakwaMowabhi; ngokuba weva eselizweni lakwaMowabhi, ukuba uYehova ubavelele abantu bakhe ngokubanika isonka.	1:6 When she heard in Moab that the Lord had come to the aid of his people by providing food for them, Naomi and her daughters-in-law prepared to return home from there.
1:7 Waphuma kuloo ndawo abekuyo, enoomolokazana bakhe bobabini; wahamba ngendlela ebuyela ezweni lakwaYuda.	1:7 With her two daughters-in-law she left the place where she had been living and set out on the road that would take them back to the land of Judah.
1:8 Wathi uNahomi koomolokazana bakhe bobabini, Hambani, nibuyele elowo endlwini yonina; uYehova makanenzele inceba, njengoko nenze ngako kubafi nakum.	1:8 Then Naomi said to her two daughters-in-law, "Go back, each of you, to your mother's home. May the Lord show kindness to you, as you have shown to your dead and to me.
1:9 UYehova makaninike nifumane indawo yokuphumla, elowo endlwini yendoda yakhe. Wabanga; baliphakamisa ilizwi labo, balila.	1:9 May the Lord grant that each of you will find rest in the home of another husband." Then she kissed them and they wept aloud.
1:10 Bathi kuye, Hayi, siya kubuyela nawe kubantu bakowenu.	1:10 and said to her, "We will go back with you to your people."
1:11 Wathi uNahomi, Buyani, zintombi zam; kungani na ukuba nihambe nam? Ndisenoonyana yini na embilinini wam, ukuze babe ngamadoda kuni?	1:11 But Naomi said, "Return home, my daughters. Why would you come with me? Am I going to have any more sons, who could become your husbands?

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1:12 Buyani, zintombi zam; hambani, ngokuba sendikwaluphalele ukuba nendoda. Khona ukuba ndibe ndisithi, Ndisenethemba, nokuba bendithe ndaba ngonendoda ngobu busuku, nokuba bendithe ndazala oonyana,	1:12 Return home, my daughters; I am too old to have another husband. Even if I thought there was still hope for me—even if I had a husband tonight and then gave birth to sons—
1:13 beniya kuthi ngenxa yoko nilinde bade bakhule, yini na? Beniya kuthi ngenxa yoko nizibambe ningabi namadoda, yini na? Hayi, zintombi zam; ngokuba kukrakra kunene kum ngenxa yenu, kuba isandla sikaYehova siphumelene nam.	1:13 would you wait until they grew up? Would you remain unmarried for them? No, my daughters. It is more bitter for me than for you, because the Lord's hand has gone out against me!"
1:14 Baliphakamisa ilizwi labo, babuya balila. UOrpa wamanga uninazala; ke yena uRute wanamathela kuye.	1:14 At this they wept again. Then Orpah kissed her mother-in-law good-by, but Ruth clung to her.
1:15 Wathi yena, Uyabona, umkhuluwakazi wakho ubuyele kubantu bakowabo, nakoothixo bakowabo; buya nawe, ulandele umkhuluwakazi wakho.	1:15 "Look," said Naomi, "your sister-in-law is going back to her people and her gods. Go back with her."
1:16 Wathi uRute, Musa akundibongoza ngokuthi mandikushiye, ndibuye, ndingakulandeli; ngokuba apho uya khona, ndiya kuya nam; apho uya kuthi vu khona, ndiya kuthi vu khona; abantu bakowenu baya kuba ngabantu bam, uThixo wakho abe nguThixo wam;	1:16 But Ruth replied, "Don't urge me to leave you or to turn back from you. Where you go I will go, and where you stay I will stay. Your people will be my people and your God my God.
1:17 apho ufela khona, ndiya kufela khona, ndingcwatyelwe khona. Makenjenje uYehova kum, aphinde ukwenjenje: kukufa kodwa okuya kundahlula nawe.	1:17 Where you die I will die, and there I will be buried. May the Lord deal with me, be it ever so severely, if anything but death separates you and me."
1:18 Wabona ukuba uzimisele ukuhamba naye, wayeka ukuthetha kuye.	1:18 When Naomi realized that Ruth was determined to go with her, she stopped urging her.
1:19 Bahamba ke bobabini, bada bafika eBhetelehem. Kwathi, xa bangenayo eBhetelehem, wazamazama wonke umzi ngenxa yabo, bathi, NguNahomi na lo?	1:19 So the two women went on until they came to Bethlehem. When they arrived in Bethlehem, the whole town was stirred because of them, and the women exclaimed, "Can this be Naomi?"
1:20 Wathi kubo, Musani ukuthi ndinguNahomi; yithini ndinguMara, ngokuba uSomandla undenze ndakrakra kunene.	1:20 "Don't call me Naomi," she told them. "Call me Mara, because the Almighty has made my life very bitter.
1:21 Ndemka mna ndizele; ke uYehova undibuyisa ndilambatha. Yini na ukuba nithi ndinguNahomi; uYehova engqinile nje ngam, uSomandla endenzele ububi nje.	1:21 I went away full, but the Lord has brought me back empty. Why call me Naomi? The Lord has afflicted me; the Almighty has brought misfortune upon me."

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1:22 Wabuya ke uNahomi enoRute umMowabhikazi, umolokazana wakhe, owabuya elizweni lakwaMowabhi; bafika bona eBhetelehem ekuqalekeni kokuvunwa kwerhasi.	1:22 So Naomi returned from Moab accompanied by Ruth the Moabitess, her daughter-in-law, arriving in Bethlehem as the barley harvest was beginning.
RUTE 2	RUTH 2
2:1 Ke kaloku uNahomi ebenesihlobo sendoda yakhe, indoda esisityebi emzalwaneni kaElimeleki; igama layo libe linguBhohazi.	2:1 Now Naomi had a relative on her husband's side, from the clan of Elimelech, a man of standing, whose name was Boaz.
2:2 Wathi uRute umMowabhikazi kuNahomi, Makhe ndiye entsimini, ndibhikice izikhwebu emva kwalowo ndiya kubabalwa nguye. Wathi kuye, Hamba, ntombi yam.	2:2 And Ruth the Moabitess said to Naomi, "Let me go to the fields and pick up the leftover grain behind anyone in whose eyes I find favor." Naomi said to her, "Go ahead, my daughter."
2:3 Wahamba waya, wabhikica entsimini emva kwabavuni. Ithamsanqa lakhe lawela phezu kwesahlulo sentsimi kaBhohazi, obengowomzalwane kaElimeleki.	2:3 So she went out and began to glean in the fields behind the harvesters. As it turned out, she found herself working in a field belonging to Boaz, who was from the clan of Elimelech.
2:4 Wathi gqi uBhohazi, evela eBhetelehem, wathi kubavuni, UYehova makabe nani. Bathi kuye, UYehova makakusikelele.	2:4 Just then Boaz arrived from Bethlehem and greeted the harvesters, "The Lord be with you!" "The Lord bless you!" they called back.
2:5 Wathi uBhohazi kwindodana yakhe ephethe abavuni, Yekabani na le nkazana?	2:5 Boaz asked the foreman of his harvesters, "Whose young woman is that?"
2:6 Yaphendula indodana ephethe abavuni, yathi. Yinkazana engumMowabhikazi, efike noNahomi, bevela elizweni lakwaMowabhi;	2:6 The foreman replied, "She is the Moabitess who came back from Moab with Naomi.
2:7 yathi ke, Makhe ndibhikice, ndibuthe phakathi kwezithungu emva kwabavuni; yeza ke, yema kwakusasa kwada kwangoku; ukuhlala kwayo endlwini kukancinane.	2:7 She said, 'Please let me glean and gather among the sheaves behind the harvesters.' She went into the field and has worked steadily from morning till now, except for a short rest in the shelter."
2:8 Wathi uBhohazi kuRute, Uyeva na, ntombi yam? Musa ukuya kubhikica ntsimini yimbi; kananjalo uze ungadluli apha; namathela wenjenje kumthinjana wam lo;	2:8 So Boaz said to Ruth, "My daughter, listen to me. Don't go and glean in another field and don't go away from here. Stay here with my servant girls.
2:9 amehlo akho makabe sentsimini oyivunayo wona, uwulandele; yabona, abafana bakwam ndibawisele umthetho wokuba bangakuchukumisi; xa unxaniweyo, yiya ezityeni, usele into ekhiwe ngabafana.	2:9 Watch the field where the men are harvesting, and follow along after the girls. I have told the men not to touch you. And whenever you are thirsty, go and get a drink from the water jars the men have filled."

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2:10 Wawa ngobuso bakhe, waqubuda emhlabeni, wathi kuye, Kutheni na ukuba ndibabalwe nguwe, undibuke, ndiyinkazana yolunye uhlanga nje?	2:10 At this, she bowed down with her face to the ground. She exclaimed, "Why have I found such favor in your eyes that you notice me—a foreigner?"
2:11 Waphendula uBhohazi, wathi kuye, Ndiyixelelwe kakuhle yonke into oyenzileyo kunyokozala, emva kokufa kwendoda yakho; ukuba ushiye uyihlo nonyoko, nelizwe owazalelwa kulo, weza ebantwini obungabazi ngaphambili.	2:11 Boaz replied, "I've been told all about what you have done for your mother-in-law since the death of your husband—how you left your father and mother and your homeland and came to live with a people you did not know before.
2:12 UYehova makakubuyekeze ukwenza kwakho, uzaliseke umvuzo wakho ovela kuYehova uThixo kaSirayeli, oze wazimela phantsi kwamaphiko akhe wena.	2:12 May the Lord repay you for what you have done. May you be richly rewarded by the Lord, the God of Israel, under whose wings you have come to take refuge."
2:13 Wathi yena, Mandibabalwe nguwe, nkosi yam; ngokuba undithuthuzele, ngokuba uthethe kakuhle nomkhonzazana wakho, ndingenjengomnye wabakhonzazana bakho nje.	2:13 "May I continue to find favor in your eyes, my lord," she said. "You have given me comfort and have spoken kindly to your servant—though I do not have the standing of one of your servant girls."
2:14 Wathi uBhohazi kuye, Ngexesha lokudla sondela apha, udle isonka, uncinde iviniga ngeqhekeza lakho. Wahlala phantsi ngasecaleni labavuni. Wamnika ikhweba; wadla, wahlutha, washiya.	2:14 At mealtime Boaz said to her, "Come over here. Have some bread and dip it in the wine vinegar." When she sat down with the harvesters, he offered her some roasted grain. She ate all she wanted and had some left over.
2:15 Wesuka ke waya kubhikica; uBhohazi waluwisela umthetho ulutsha olulolwakhe, wathi, Makabhikice naphakathi kwezithungu, ningamdanisi;	2:15 As she got up to glean, Boaz gave orders to his men, "Even if she gathers among the sheaves, don't embarrass her.
2:16 nimrholele nokumrholela inxenye ezithungwini, nishiye, abhikice, ningamkhalimeli.	2:16 Rather, pull out some stalks for her from the bundles and leave them for her to pick up, and don't rebuke her."
2:17 Wabhikica entsimini leyo kwada kwahlwa; wayibhula into abeyibhikicile, yanga yiefa yerhasi.	2:17 So Ruth gleaned in the field until evening. Then she threshed the barley she had gathered, and it amounted to about an ephah.
2:18 Wathwala, waya ekhaya; wayibona uninazala into ayibhikicileyo; wakurhola, wamnika abekushiyile akuba ehluthi.	2:18 She carried it back to town, and her mother- in-law saw how much she had gathered. Ruth also brought out and gave her what she had left over after she had eaten enough.
2:19 Wathi uninazala kuye, Ubhikice phi na namhla? Ubusebenza phi na? Makasikelelwe okubukileyo wena. Wamxelela uninazala umntu abesebenza kuye, wathi, Igama lendoda endisebenze kuyo namhla nguBhohazi.	2:19 Her mother-in-law asked her, "Where did you glean today? Where did you work? Blessed be the man who took notice of you!" Then Ruth told her mother-in-law about the one at whose place she had been working. "The name of the man I worked with today is Boaz," she said.

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2:20 Wathi uNahomi kumolokazana wakhe, Makasikelelwe yena nguYehova, ongayekelelanga ukwenza inceba yakhe kwabaphilileyo nakwabafileyo. Wathi uNahomi kuye, Indoda leyo iyalamana nathi; ingowabakhululi bethu.	2:20 "The Lord bless him!" Naomi said to her daughter-in-law. "He has not stopped showing his kindness to the living and the dead." She added, "That man is our close relative; he is one of our kinsman-redeemers."
2:21 Wathi uRute umMowabhikazi, Kananjalo ithe yona kum, Uze unamathele kulutsha olulolwam, lude lulugqibe lonke uvuno olulolwam.	2:21 Then Ruth the Moabitess said, "He even said to me, 'Stay with my workers until they finish harvesting all my grain."
2:22 Wathi uNahomi kuRute umolokazana wakhe, Kulungile, ntombi yam, ukuba uphume nomthinjana wakhe, ukuze ungafikelwa mntu ukwenye intsimi.	2:22 Naomi said to Ruth her daughter-in-law, "It will be good for you, my daughter, to go with his girls, because in someone else's field you might be harmed."
2:23 Wanamathela kumthinjana kaBhohazi, wabhikica, kwada kwagqitywa ukuvunwa kwerhasi nokuvunwa kwengqolowa; wahlala noninazala.	2:23 So Ruth stayed close to the servant girls of Boaz to glean until the barley and wheat harvests were finished. And she lived with her mother-inlaw.
RUTE 3	RUTH 3
3:1 Wathi uNahomi uninazala kuye, Ntombi yam, ndingakufuneli na ukuphumla okokulungela?	3:1 One day Naomi her mother-in-law said to her, "My daughter, should I not try to find a home for you, where you will be well provided for?
3:2 Kaloku akasihlobo sethu na uBhohazi, lowo umthinjana ubunawo? Nanko esela irhasi ngobu busuku esandeni.	3:2 Is not Boaz, with whose servant girls you have been, a kinsman of ours? Tonight he will be winnowing barley on the threshing floor.
3:3 Zihlambe, uthambise, unxibe iingubo zakho, uhle uye esandeni. Uze ungazazisi endodeni leyo, ide igqibe ukudla nokusela.	3:3 Wash and perfume yourself, and put on your best clothes. Then go down to the threshing floor, but don't let him know you are there until he has finished eating and drinking.
3:4 Wothi, ukulala kwayo phantsi, uqonde indawo eye kulala kuyo, uye uyityhile ingubo ngasezinyaweni zayo, ulale phantsi; yokuxelela ke yona into owoyenza.	3:4 When he lies down, note the place where he is lying. Then go and uncover his feet and lie down. He will tell you what to do."
3:5 Wathi kuye, Yonke into oyithethayo ndoyenza.	3:5 "I will do whatever you say," Ruth answered.
3:6 Wehla ke waya esandeni, wenza ngako konke abemwisele umthetho ngako uninazala.	3:6 So she went down to the threshing floor and did everything her mother-in-law told her to do.
3:7 Wadla uBhohazi, wasela, yachwayitha intliziyo yakhe; waya walala phantsi ekupheleni kwentlaba. Waya ke ecotha, wamtyhila ingubo ngasezinyaweni zakhe, walala phantsi.	3:7 When Boaz had finished eating and drinking and was in good spirits, he went over to lie down at the far end of the grain pile. Ruth approached quietly, uncovered his feet and lay down.

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3:8 Kwathi phakathi kobusuku, yothuka indoda leyo, yaguquka, yabona kulele inkazana ngasezinyaweni zayo.	3:8 In the middle of the night something startled the man, and he turned and discovered a woman lying at his feet.
3:9 Yathi, Ungubani? Wathi, NdinguRute, umkhonzazana wakho; twabulula isondo lengubo yakho phezu komkhonzazana wakho, ngokuba ungumkhululi wena.	3:9 "Who are you?" he asked. "I am your servant Ruth," she said. "Spread the corner of your garment over me, since you are a kinsman-redeemer."
3:10 Yathi, Usikelelwe nguYehova, ntombi yam. Inceba yakho yamva nje ingaphezu kweyokuqala, ungalandelanga madodana nje, nokuba ngasweleyo nokuba nganobutyebi.	3:10 "The Lord bless you, my daughter," he replied. "This kindness is greater than that which you showed earlier: You have not run after the younger men, whether rich or poor.
3:11 Kaloku ke, ntombi yam, musa ukoyika; konke okuthethileyo ndokwenzela; ngokuba bonke abantu bomzi wakowethu bayazi ukuba uyinkazana enesidima.	3:11 And now, my daughter, don't be afraid. I will do for you all you ask. All my fellow townsmen know that you are a woman of noble character.
3:12 Ewe! Kuyinene, ndingumkhululi inyaniso. Ke kukho umkhululi osondeleyo kuwe kunam.	3:12 Although it is true that I am near of kin, there is a kinsman-redeemer nearer than I.
3:13 Lala ngobu busuku; kothi kusasa, ukuba uthe wakukhulula ngentlawulelo, kulunge, makakukhulule ngentlawulelo; ke ukuba akathanga akunanze ukukukhulula ngentlawulelo, ndokukhulula ngentlawulelo mna, ehleli nje uYehova. Lala kude kuse.	3:13 Stay here for the night, and in the morning if he wants to redeem, good; let him redeem. But if he is not willing, as surely as the Lord lives I will do it. Lie here until morning."
3:14 Walala ke ngasezinyaweni zakhe kwada kwasa; wavuka bengekanakanani abantu. Yathi, Makungaziwa ukuba bekuze inkazana esandeni.	3:14 So she lay at his feet until morning, but got up before anyone could be recognized; and he said, "Don't let it be known that a woman came to the threshing floor."
3:15 Yathi, Ethe ingubo yakho yokwaleka, ukhongozele. Wakhongozela ke ngayo. Yalinganisa izilinganiso zerhasi ezithandathu, yamthwalisa; wagoduka.	3:15 He also said, "Bring me the shawl you are wearing and hold it out." When she did so, he poured into it six measures of barley and put it on her. Then he went back to town.
3:16 Waya kuninazala, wathi yena, Utheni, ntombi yam? Wamxelela konke emenzele khona indoda leyo.	3:16 When Ruth came to her mother-in-law, Naomi asked, "How did it go, my daughter?" Then she told her everything Boaz had done for her
3:17 Wathi, Indinike ezi zilinganiso zerhasi; ngokuba yayisithi, Musa ukuya kunyokozala ulambatha.	3:17 and added, "He gave me these six measures of barley, saying, 'Don't go back to your mother-in-law empty-handed.'"
3:18 Wathi, Hlala, ntombi yam, ude wazi okuya kuhla; kuba indoda leyo ayiyi kuphumla, ingakuphelisanga oku namhla.	3:18 Then Naomi said, "Wait, my daughter, until you find out what happens. For the man will not rest until the matter is settled today."

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RUTE 4	RUTH 4
4:1 Ke kaloku wenyuka uBhohazi, waya esangweni lomzi, wahlala khona; nanko egqitha umkhululi lowa abethetha yena uBhohazi; wathi, Wa, Nantsi, khawuphambukele apha, uhlale phantsi.	4:1 Meanwhile Boaz went up to the town gate and sat there. When the kinsman-redeemer he had mentioned came along, Boaz said, "Come over here, my friend, and sit down." So he went over and sat down.
4:2 Waphambuka, wahlala. Wathabatha ishumi lamadoda kumadoda amakhulu omzi, wathi, Hlalani apha; ahlala ke.	4:2 Boaz took ten of the elders of the town and said, "Sit here," and they did so.
4:3 Wathi kumkhululi lowo, Isahlulo somhlaba obungowomzalwana wethu uElimeleki, uthengise ngaso uNahomi, obuye elizweni lakwaMowabhi;	4:3 Then he said to the kinsman-redeemer, "Naomi, who has come back from Moab, is selling the piece of land that belonged to our brother Elimelech.
4:4 ndathi ke mna, mandivule indlebe yakho, ndithi, Wuthenge ngaphambi kwaba bahleliyo apha, phambi kwamadoda amakhulu abantu bakowethu. Ukuba uyawukhulula ngentlawulelo, wukhulule ngentlawulelo; ukuba akuwukhululi ngentlawulelo, ndixelele ndazi; ngokuba akukho bani unokuwukhulula ngentlawulelo, ingenguwe; ndisemva kwakho mna. Wathi, Ndowukhulula ngentlawulelo mna.	4:4 I thought I should bring the matter to your attention and suggest that you buy it in the presence of these seated here and in the presence of the elders of my people. If you will redeem it, do so. But if you will not, tell me, so I will know. For no one has the right to do it except you, and I am next in line." "I will redeem it," he said.
4:5 Wathi uBhohazi, Mhlenikweni uwuzuzayo umhlaba esandleni sikaNahomi, uwuzuza nakuRute, umMowabhikazi, umkamfi, ukuba uvuse igama lomfi elifeni lakhe.	4:5 Then Boaz said, "On the day you buy the land from Naomi and from Ruth the Moabitess, you acquire the dead man's widow, in order to maintain the name of the dead with his property."
4:6 Wathi umkhululi lowo, Andinakuzikhululela ngentlawulelo ngokwam, hleze ndilonakalise elam ilifa. Zikhululele ngentlawulelo isilunga sam eso; ngokuba andinako mna ukuwukhulula ngentlawulelo.	4:6 At this, the kinsman-redeemer said, "Then I cannot redeem it because I might endanger my own estate. You redeem it yourself. I cannot do it."
4:7 Ke kaloku kwakusithiwa kudala kwaSirayeli, ukukhulula ngentlawulelo nokwanana, ukuze yonke into ibe iqiniselwe, ubani anyothule imbadada yakhe ayinike ummelwane wakhe; oko kwaye kububungqina kwaSirayeli.	4:7 (Now in earlier times in Israel, for the redemption and transfer of property to become final, one party took off his sandal and gave it to the other. This was the method of legalizing transactions in Israel.)
4:8 Wathi umkhululi lowo kuBhohazi, Zithengele. Wanyothula imbadada yakhe.	4:8 So the kinsman-redeemer said to Boaz, "Buy it yourself." And he removed his sandal.
4:9 Wathi ke uBhohazi kumadoda amakhulu nakubantu bonke, Ningamangqina namhla, ukuba ndikuthengile konke okukaElimeleki, nako konke okukaKiliyon noMalon, esandleni sikaNahomi;	4:9 Then Boaz announced to the elders and all the people, "Today you are witnesses that I have bought from Naomi all the property of Elimelech, Kilion and Mahlon.

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4:10 noRute umMowabhikazi, umkaMalon, ndimzuzile ukuba abe ngumkam, ukuze kuvuswe igama lomfi elifeni lakhe, linganqanyulwa igama lomfi ebazalwaneni bakhe, nasesangweni lendawo yakhe: ningamangqina namhla.	4:10 I have also acquired Ruth the Moabitess, Mahlon's widow, as my wife, in order to maintain the name of the dead with his property, so that his name will not disappear from among his family or from the town records. Today you are witnesses!"
4:11 Bathi bonke abantu abasesangweni namadoda amakhulu, Singamangqina. UYehova makamenze lo mfazi ungenayo endlwini yakho, abe njengoRakeli nanjengoLeya, abayakhayo indlu kaSirayeli bobabini, avelise amandla e-Efrata, akwenzele udumo eBhetelehem;	4:11 Then the elders and all those at the gate said, "We are witnesses. May the Lord make the woman who is coming into your home like Rachel and Leah, who together built up the house of Israel. May you have standing in Ephrathah and be famous in Bethlehem.
4:12 indlu yakho ibe njengendlu kaPeretse, awamzalayo uTamare kuYuda, ngembewu leyo aya kukunika uYehova ngale ntombazana.	4:12 Through the offspring the Lord gives you by this young woman, may your family be like that of Perez, whom Tamar bore to Judah."
4:13 UBhohazi wamzeka ke uRute waba ngumkakhe, wamngena; waza uYehova wamnika ukuzala; wazala unyana.	4:13 So Boaz took Ruth and she became his wife. Then he went to her, and the Lord enabled her to conceive, and she gave birth to a son.
4:14 Bathi abafazi kuNahomi, Makabongwe uYehova ongakuyekelanga uswele umkhululi namhla; igama lakhe malivakale kwaSirayeli;	4:14 The women said to Naomi: "Praise be to the Lord, who this day has not left you without a kinsman-redeemer. May he become famous throughout Israel!
4:15 abe ngumbuyisi womphefumlo kuwe, nomnqaki wezimvi zakho; ngokuba umolokazana wakho okuthandayo, lowo ulungileyo kuwe ngaphezu koonyana abasixhenxe, umzele.	4:15 He will renew your life and sustain you in your old age. For your daughter-in-law, who loves you and who is better to you than seven sons, has given him birth."
4:16 UNahomi wamthabatha umntwana lowo, wambeka esifubeni sakhe, waba ngumondli wakhe.	4:16 Then Naomi took the child, laid him in her lap and cared for him.
4:17 Lwamthiya igama ummelwanekazi, lwathi, UNahomi uzalelwe unyana, lwathi igama lakhe nguObhedi; yena nguyise kaYese, uyise kaDavide.	4:17 The women living there said, "Naomi has a son." And they named him Obed. He was the father of Jesse, the father of David.
4:18 Yiyo le ke inzala kaPeretse: uPeretse wazala uHetseron;	4:18 This, then, is the family line of Perez: Perez was the father of Hezron,
4:19 uHetseron wazala uRam; uRam wazala uAminadabhi;	4:19 Hezron the father of Ram, Ram the father of Amminadab,
4:20 uAminadabhi wazala uNashon; uNashon wazala uSalemon;	4:20 Amminadab the father of Nahshon, Nahshon the father of Salmon,
4:21 uSalemon wazala uBhohazi; uBhohazi wazala uObhedi;	4:21 Salmon the father of Boaz, Boaz the father of Obed,

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4:22 UObhedi wazala uYese; uYese wazala uDavide.	4:22 Obed the father of Jesse, and Jesse the father of David.