



Ruth's Moabite Heritage and David's Line

The story of Ruth stands as one of the most remarkable accounts in the Bible, not only for its narrative beauty but also for its theological depth. Ruth, a Moabitess, became the great-grandmother of King David and part of the Messianic line leading to Christ. Her heritage seemed disqualifying: the Moabites originated from Lot's incestuous relationship with his daughter (Genesis 19:37), and the law declared, "An Ammonite or Moabite shall not enter into the congregation of the LORD; even to their tenth generation" (Deuteronomy 23:3). Yet Ruth's faith and loyalty overcame these barriers, illustrating God's grace and the inclusion of Gentiles in His redemptive plan.