A close-up photograph of a person's hand holding a large quantity of golden-brown wheat grains. The hand is positioned in the lower right quadrant, with the fingers slightly curled. The background is a dark, textured brown, possibly soil or a wooden surface, which is softly blurred. The lighting is warm and directional, highlighting the texture of the grains and the skin of the hand.

When God writes your story
there is nothing about your
story that is wasted.

1 One day Naomi said to Ruth, “My daughter, it’s time that I found a permanent home for you, so that you will be provided for. 2 Boaz is a close relative of ours, and he’s been very kind by letting you gather grain with his young women. Tonight he will be winnowing barley at the threshing floor. 3 Now do as I tell you—take a bath and put on perfume and dress in your nicest clothes. Then go to the threshing floor, but don’t let Boaz see you until he has finished eating and drinking.

Ruth 3:1-3 NLT

4 Be sure to notice where he lies down; then go and uncover his feet and lie down there. He will tell you what to do.”5 “I will do everything you say,” Ruth replied. 6 So she went down to the threshing floor that night and followed the instructions of her mother-in-law. 7 After Boaz had finished eating and drinking and was in good spirits, he lay down at the far end of the pile of grain and went to sleep. Then Ruth came quietly, uncovered his feet, and lay down.

Ruth 3:4-8 NLT

9 “Who are you?” he asked. “I am your servant Ruth,” she replied. “Spread the corner of your covering over me, for you are my family redeemer.”¹⁰ “The Lord bless you, my daughter!” Boaz exclaimed. “You are showing even more family loyalty now than you did before, for you have not gone after a younger man, whether rich or poor.

Ruth 3:9-10 NLT

11 Now don't worry about a thing, my daughter. I will do what is necessary, for everyone in town knows you are a virtuous woman. 12 But while it's true that I am one of your family redeemers, there is another man who is more closely related to you than I am. 13 Stay here tonight, and in the morning I will talk to him. If he is willing to redeem you, very well. Let him marry you. But if he is not willing, then as surely as the Lord lives, I will redeem you myself! Now lie down here until morning."

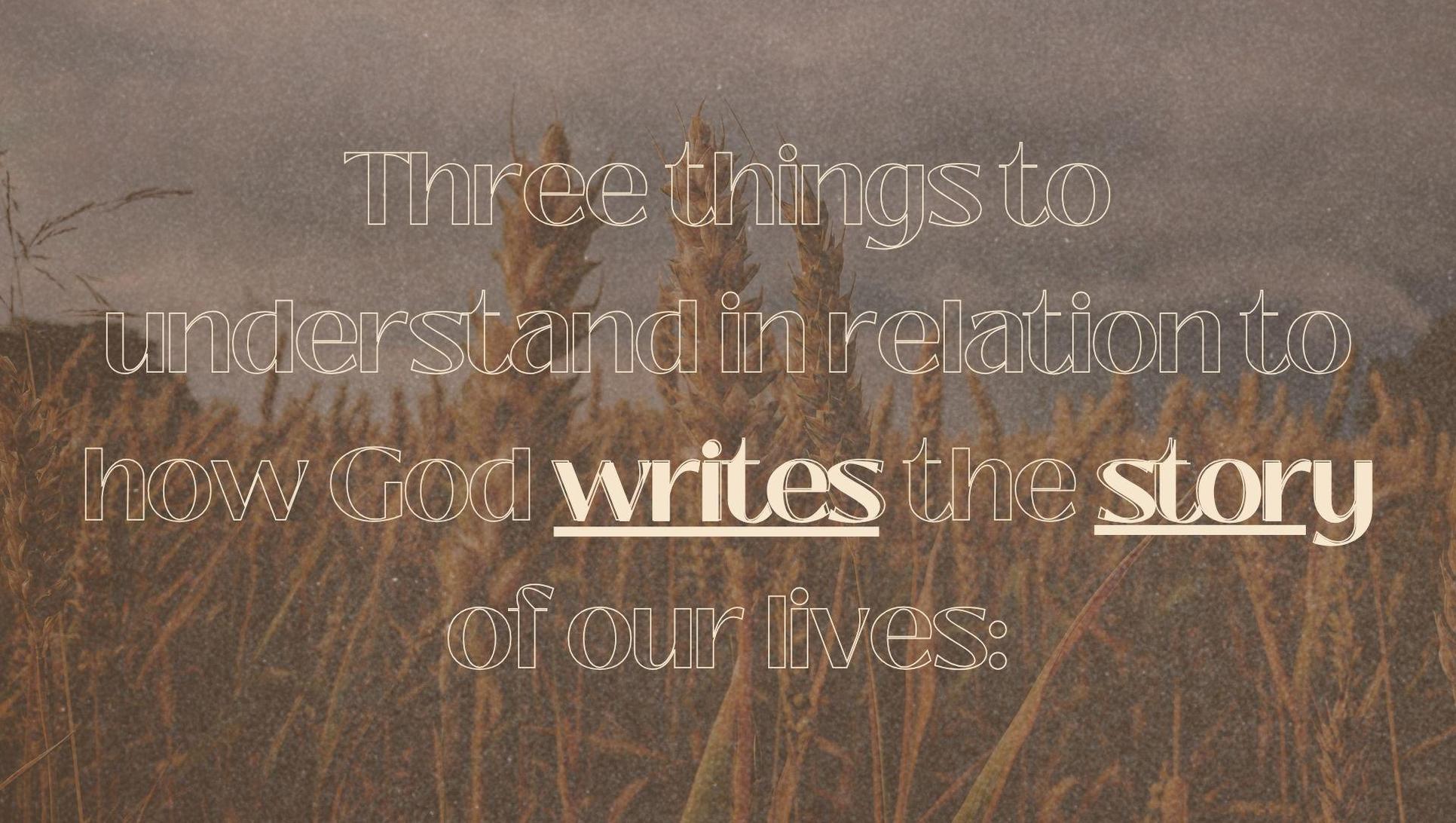
Ruth 3:11-13 NLT

14 So Ruth lay at Boaz's feet until the morning, but she got up before it was light enough for people to recognize each other. For Boaz had said, "No one must know that a woman was here at the threshing floor." 15 Then Boaz said to her, "Bring your cloak and spread it out." He measured six scoops of barley into the cloak and placed it on her back. Then he returned to the town. 16 When Ruth went back to her mother-in-law, Naomi asked, "What happened, my daughter?" Ruth told Naomi everything Boaz had done for her,

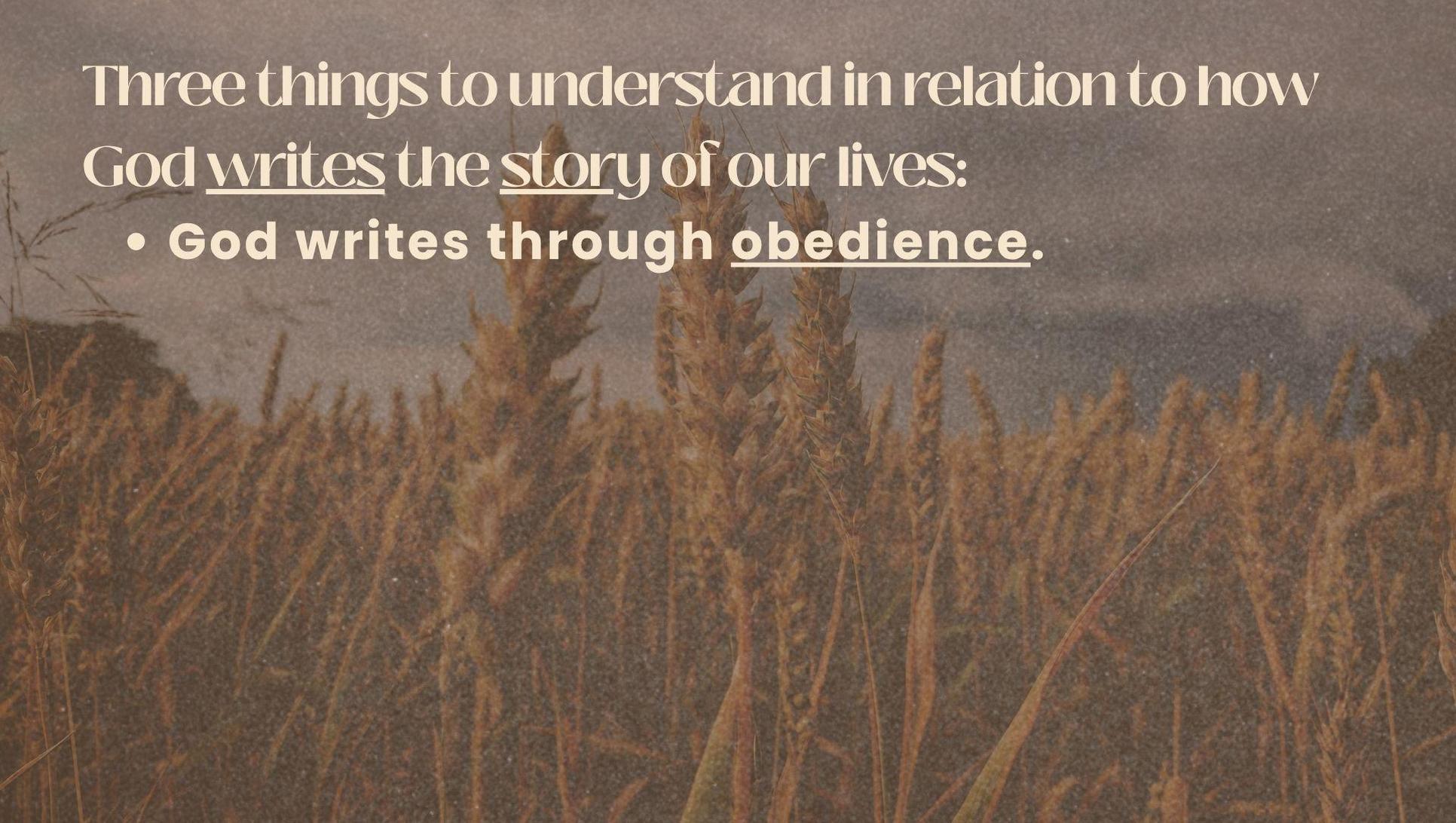
Ruth 3:14-16 NLT

17 and she added, "He gave me these six scoops of barley and said, 'Don't go back to your mother-in-law empty-handed.'" 18 Then Naomi said to her, "Just be patient, my daughter, until we hear what happens. The man won't rest until he has settled things today."

Ruth 3:17-18 NLT

A field of golden wheat stalks under a soft, hazy sky. The text is overlaid on the image.

Three things to
understand in relation to
how God writes the story
of our lives:

A field of golden wheat stalks under a dark, overcast sky. The wheat is in the foreground, with some stalks in sharp focus and others blurred in the background. The sky is a deep, dark grey, suggesting a cloudy or overcast day. The overall mood is somber and contemplative.

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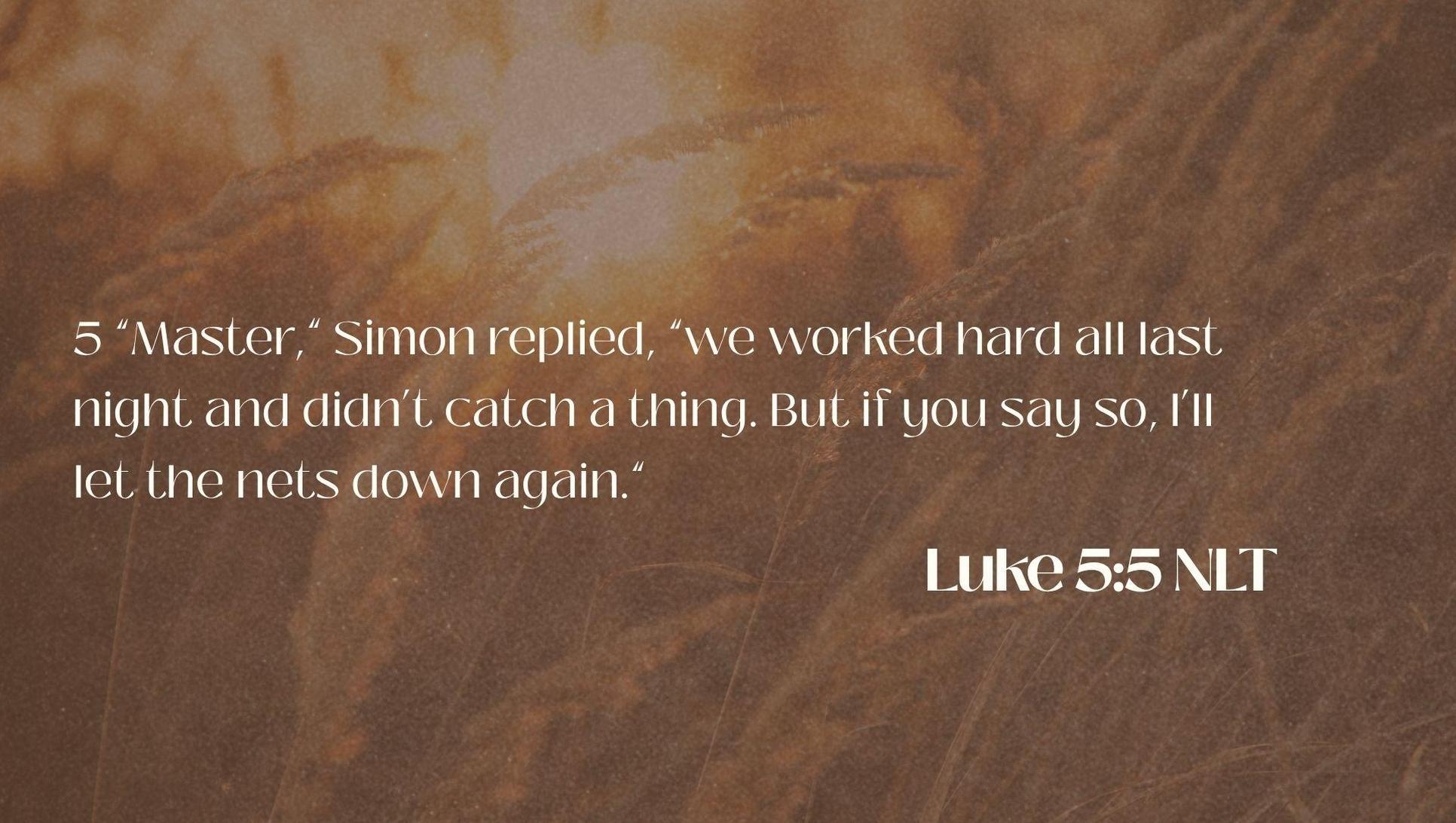
- God writes through obedience.

5 "I will do everything you say," Ruth replied. 6
So she went down to the threshing floor that
night and followed the instructions of her
mother-in-law.

Ruth 3:5-6 NLT

1 The Lord had said to Abram, "Leave your native country, your relatives, and your father's family, and go to the land that I will show you. 4 So Abram departed as the Lord had instructed, and Lot went with him.

Genesis 12:1, 4a NLT

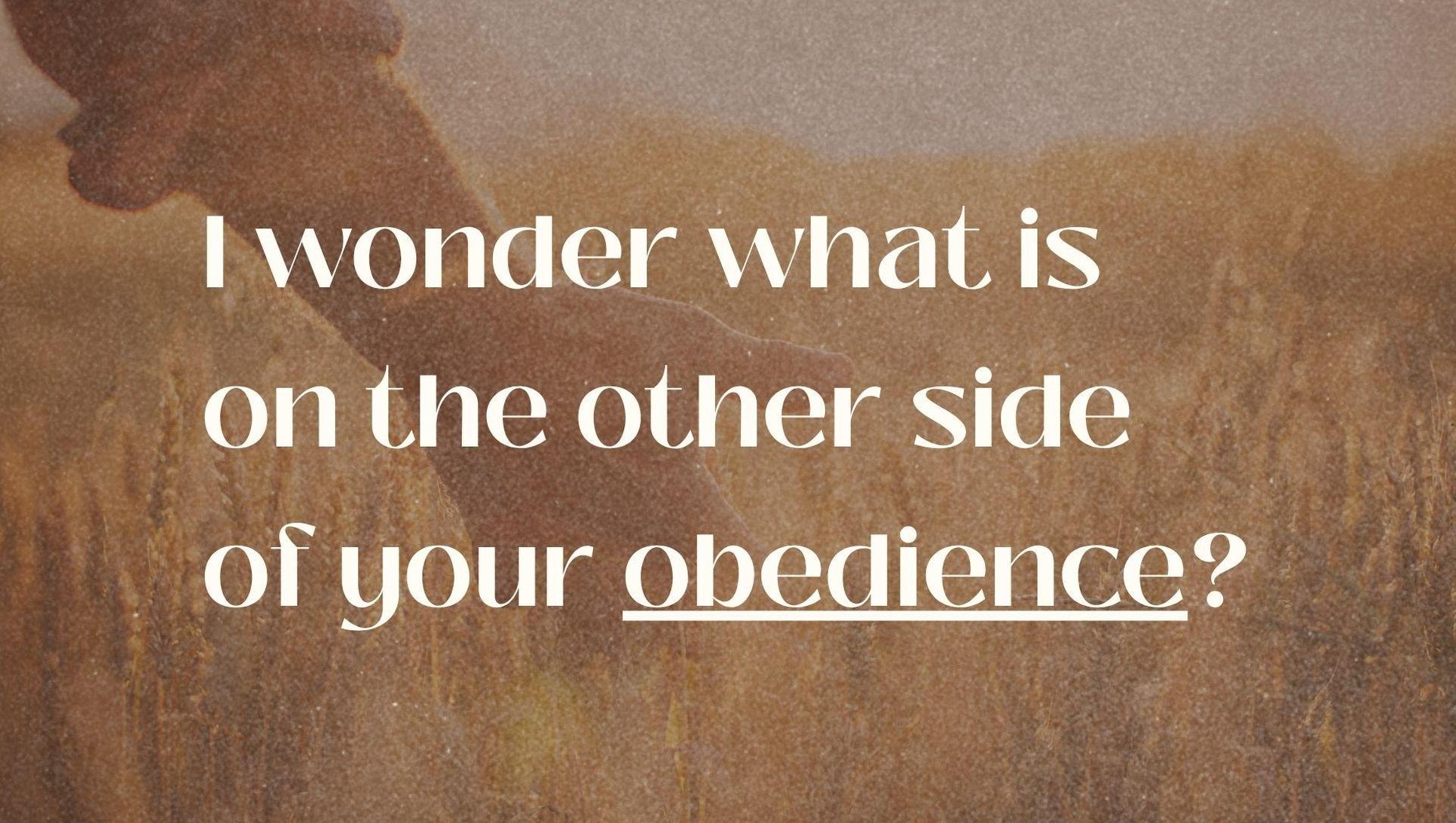


5 “Master,” Simon replied, “we worked hard all last night and didn’t catch a thing. But if you say so, I’ll let the nets down again.”

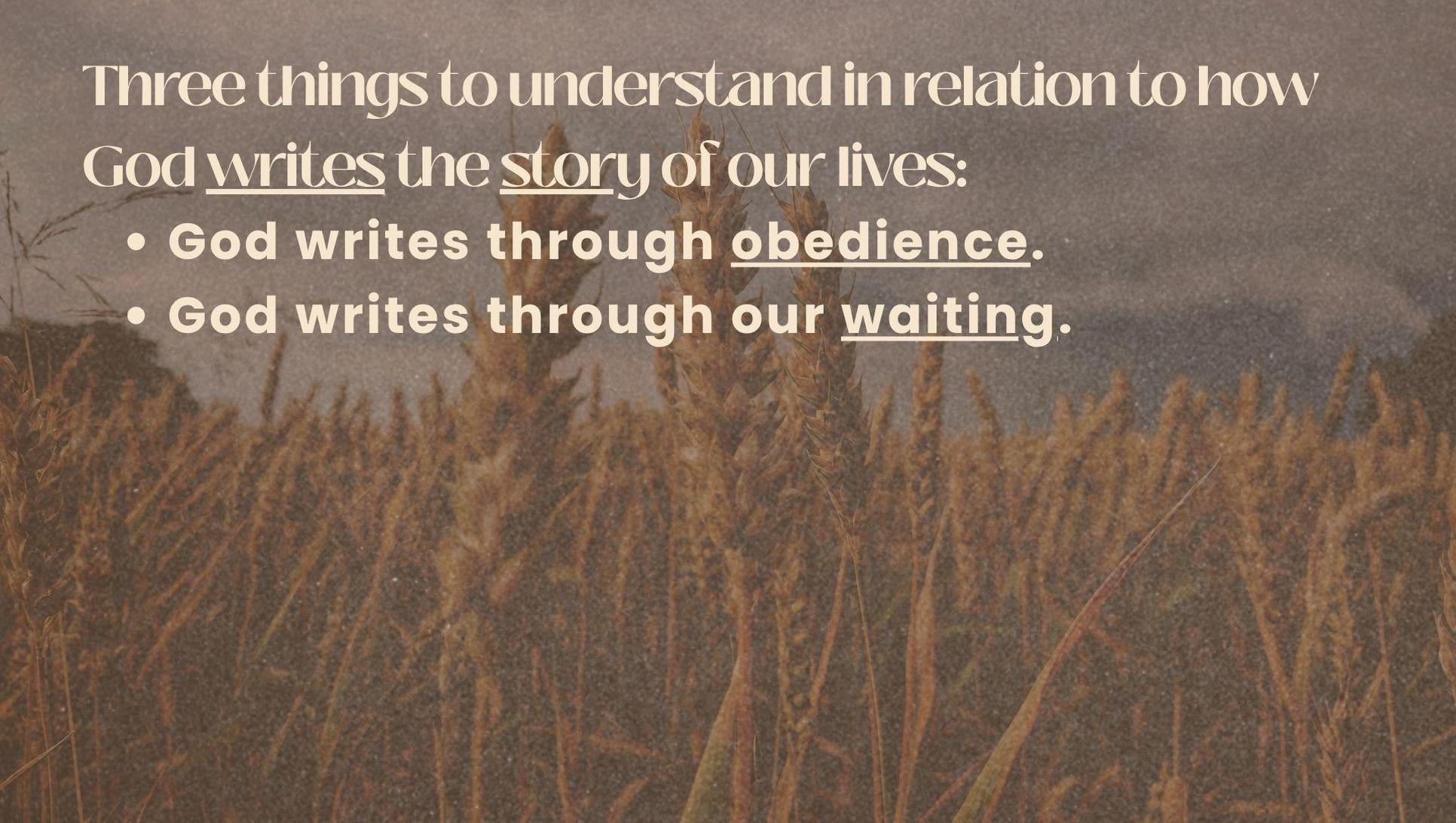
Luke 5:5 NLT

8 he humbled himself in obedience
to God and died a criminal's death
on a cross.

Philippians 2:8 NLT

The background is a dark, textured surface, possibly a piece of wood or stone, with a silhouette of a hand pointing towards the text. The text is white and reads: "I wonder what is on the other side of your obedience?"

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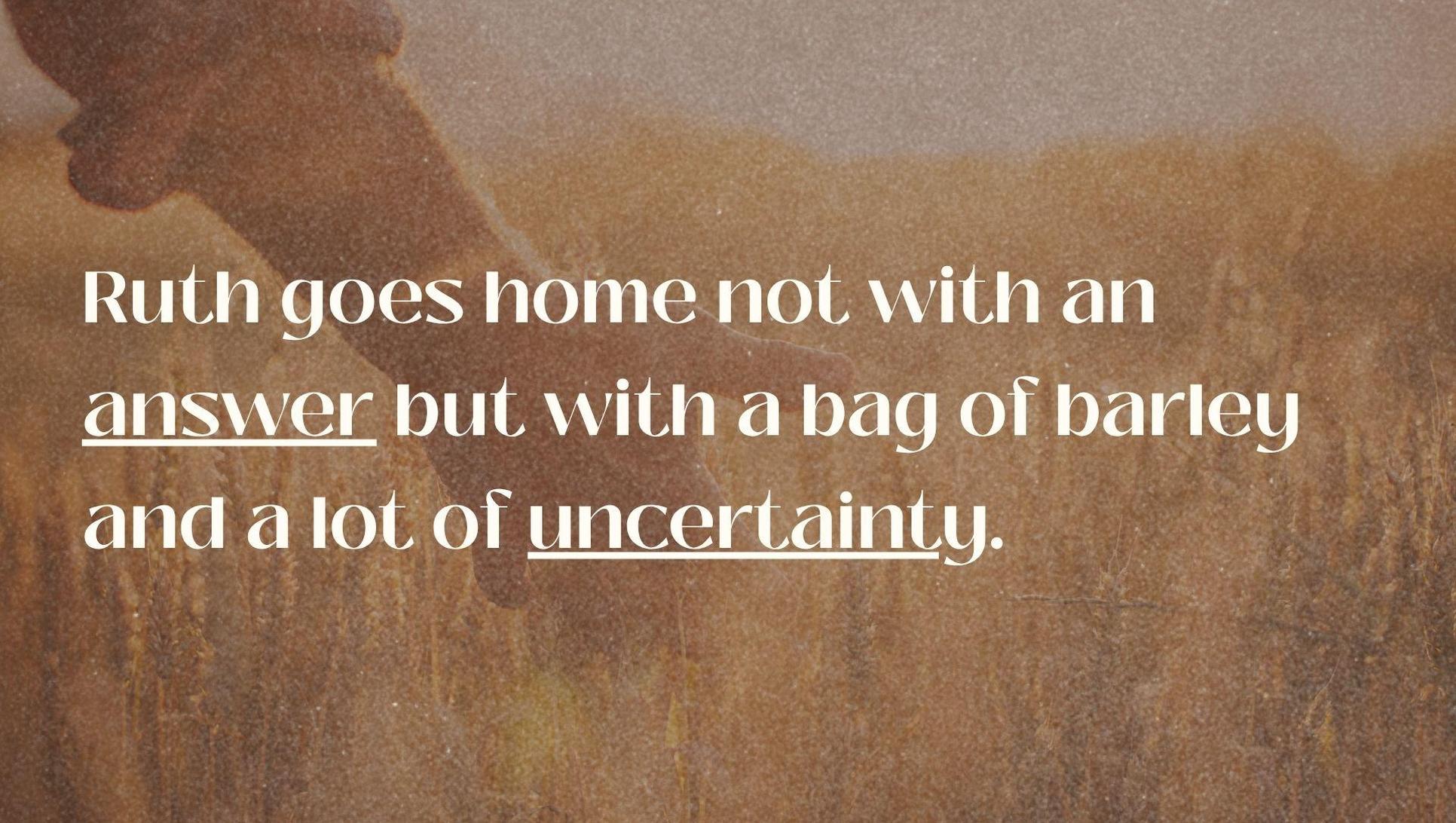
A field of golden wheat stalks under a dark, overcast sky. The wheat is in the foreground, slightly out of focus, with a few stalks in sharp focus. The background is a dense field of similar wheat stalks. The sky is a dark, muted blue-grey color.

Three things to understand in relation to how
God writes the story of our lives:

- God writes through obedience.
- God writes through our waiting.

18 Then Naomi said to her, “Just be patient, my daughter, until we hear what happens. The man won’t rest until he has settled things today.”

Ruth 3:18 NLT



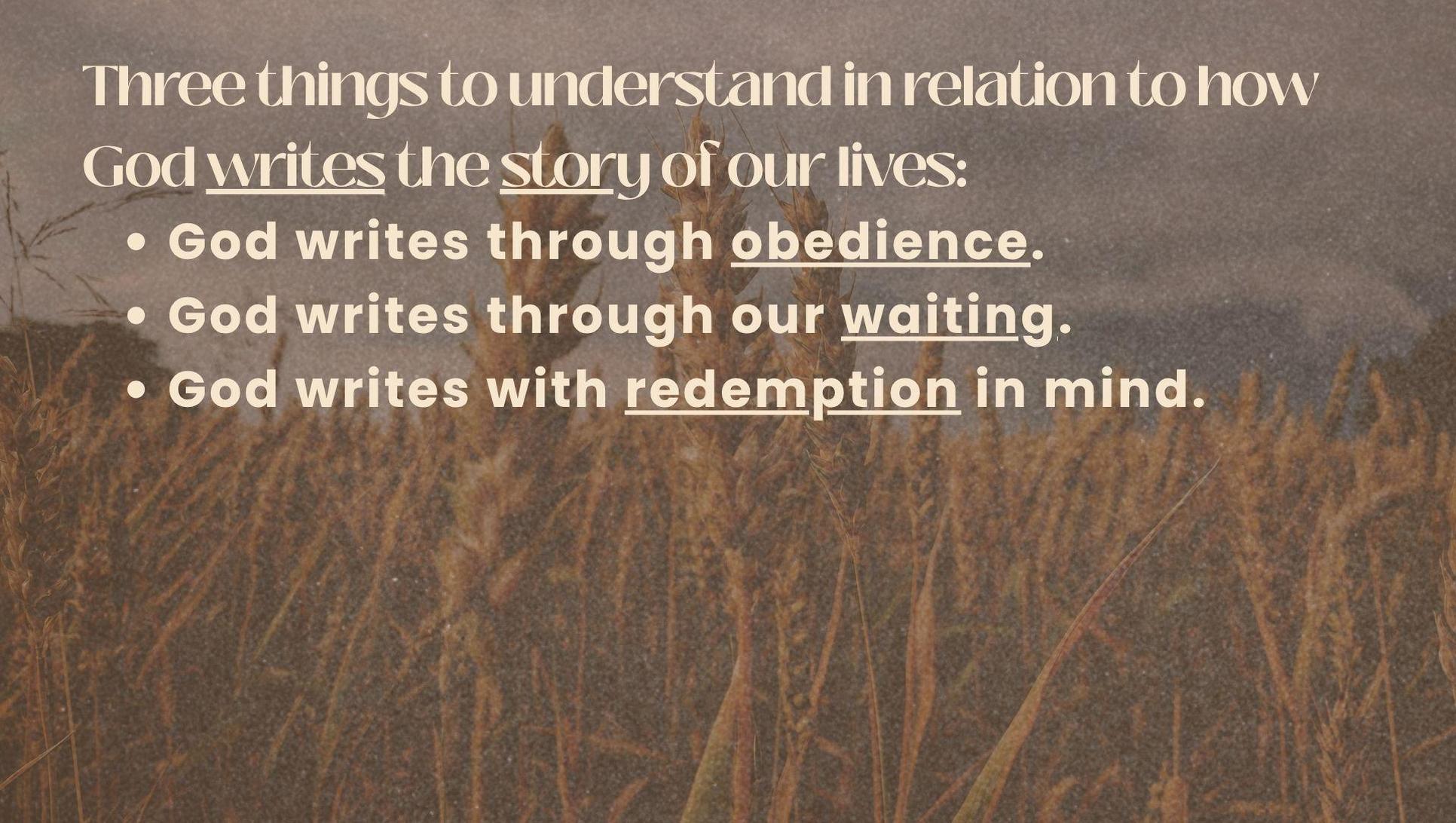
Ruth goes home not with an answer but with a bag of barley and a lot of uncertainty.

4 David was thirty years old when he began to reign, and he reigned forty years in all.

2 Samuel 5:4 NLT

In the time between the
anointing and the
appointing David at
times thought God
was silent. However
with God, silence is
not absence.



A field of golden wheat stalks under a soft, hazy sky. The wheat is in the foreground, slightly out of focus, with a few stalks in sharp focus. The background is a vast field of similar wheat, stretching to the horizon under a pale, overcast sky.

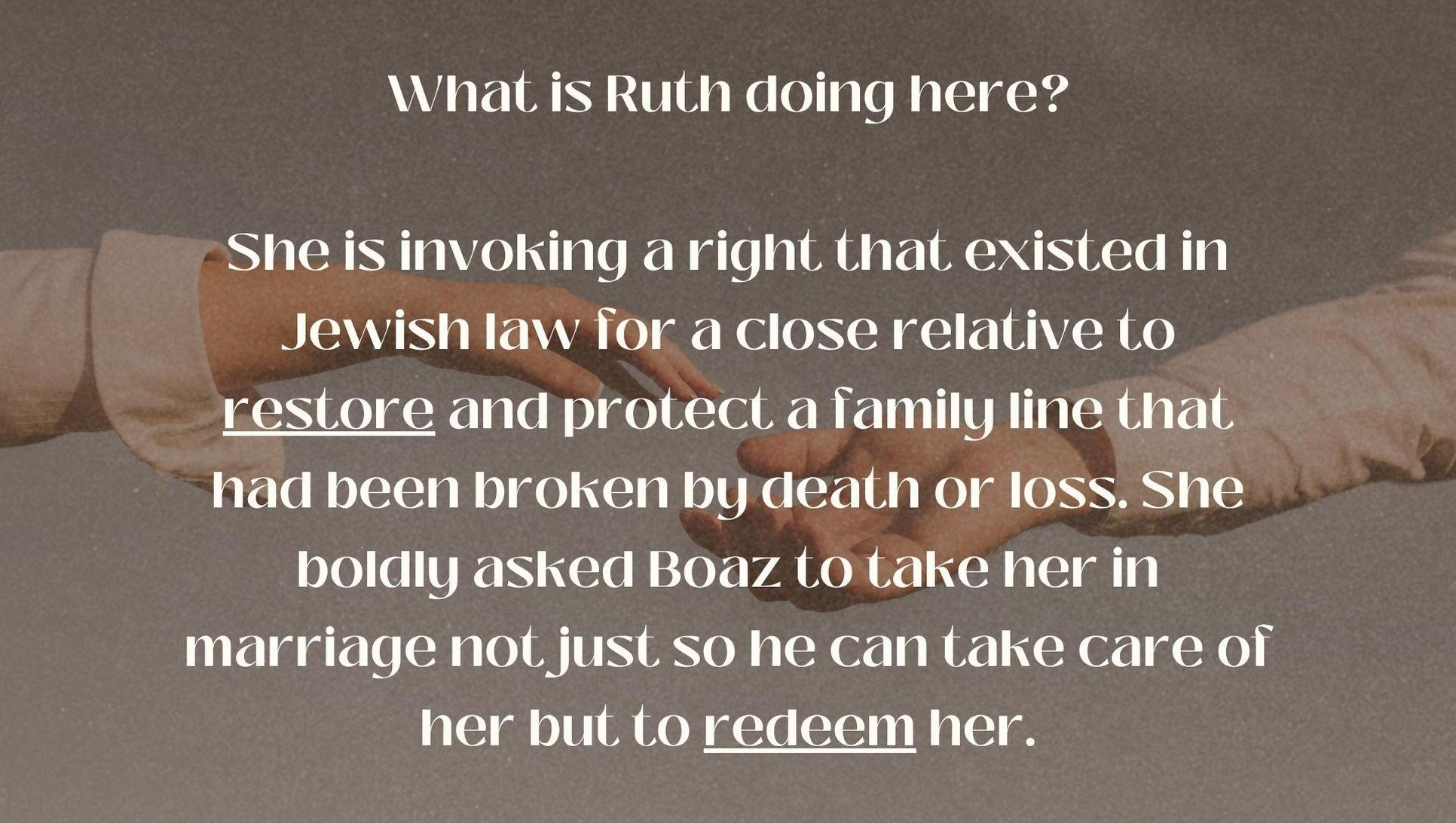
Three things to understand in relation to how
God writes the story of our lives:

- God writes through obedience.
- God writes through our waiting.
- God writes with redemption in mind.

8 Around midnight Boaz suddenly woke up and turned over. He was surprised to find a woman lying at his feet! 9 “Who are you?” he asked “I am your servant Ruth,” she replied. “Spread the corner of your covering over me, for you are my family redeemer.”

Ruth 3:8-9 NLT

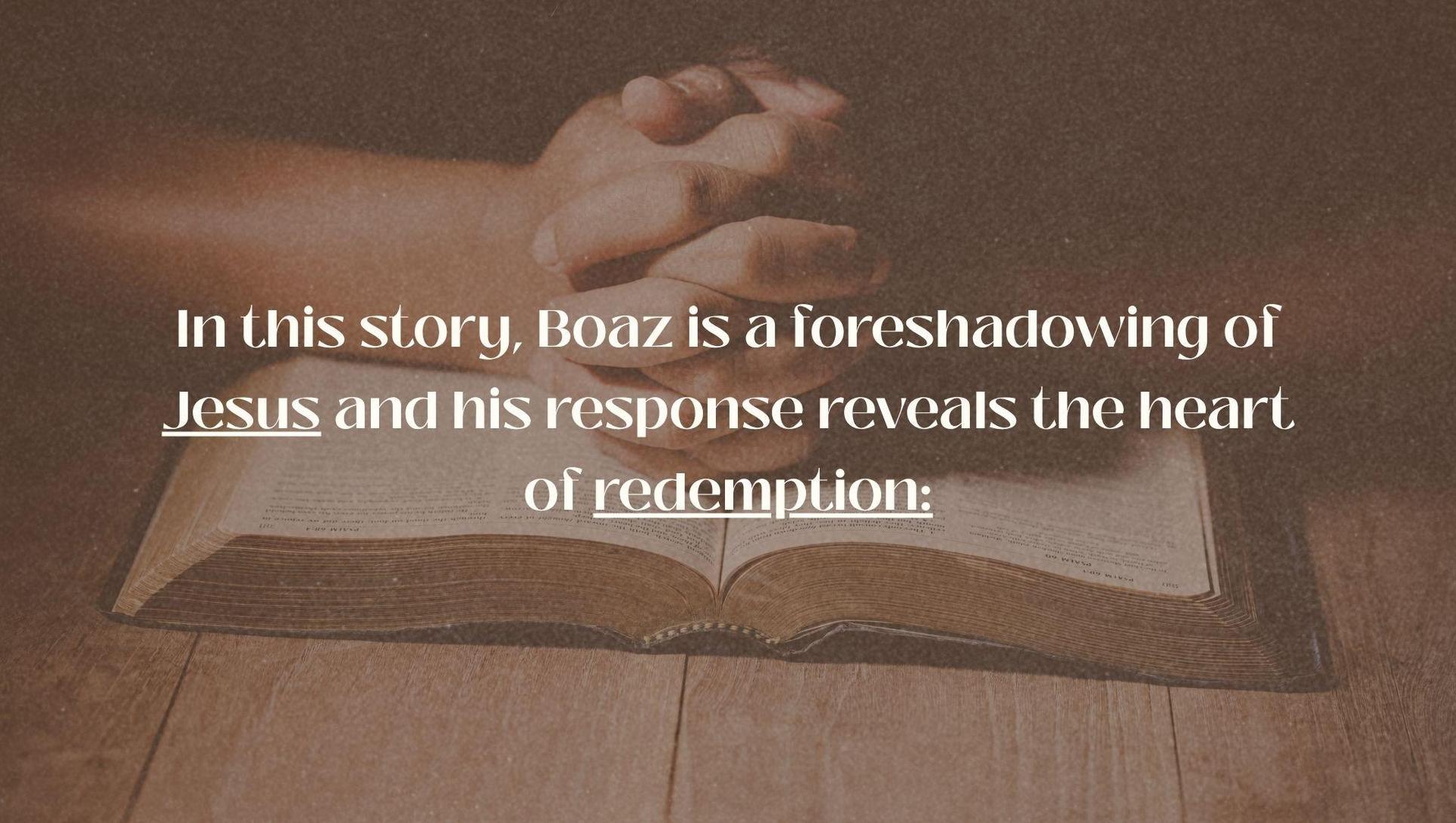
What is Ruth doing here?



She is invoking a right that existed in Jewish law for a close relative to restore and protect a family line that had been broken by death or loss. She boldly asked Boaz to take her in marriage not just so he can take care of her but to redeem her.

10 "The Lord bless you, my daughter!" Boaz exclaimed. "You are showing even more family loyalty now than you did before, for you have not gone after a younger man, whether rich or poor. 11 Now don't worry about a thing, my daughter. I will do what is necessary, for everyone in town knows you are a virtuous woman."

Ruth 3:10-11 NLT

A pair of hands is clasped in prayer, resting on an open Bible. The Bible is lying flat on a wooden surface. The text is overlaid on the image in a white, serif font. The text reads: "In this story, Boaz is a foreshadowing of Jesus and his response reveals the heart of redemption:"

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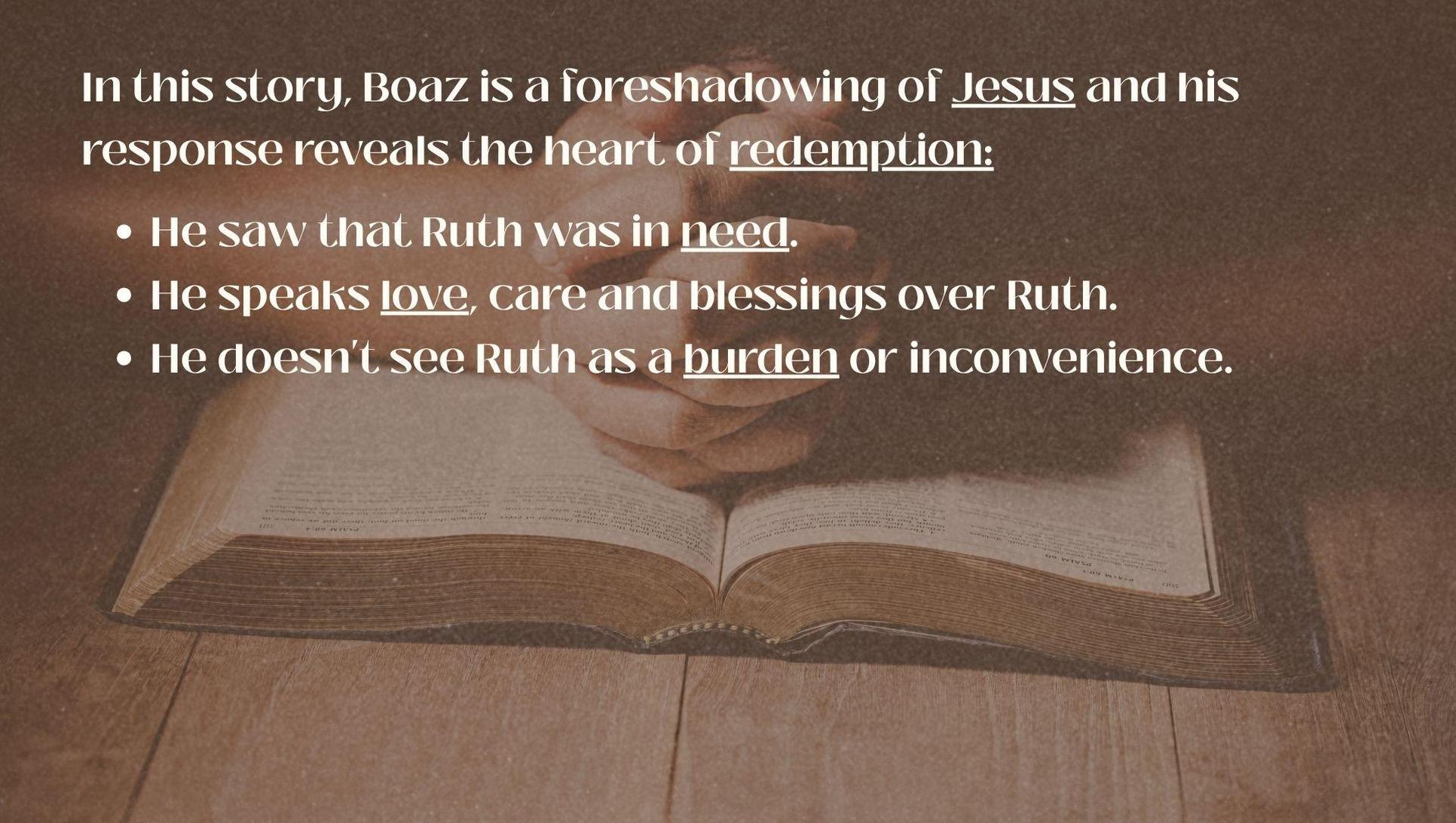
- He saw that Ruth was in need.



In this story, Boaz is a foreshadowing of Jesus and his response reveals the heart of redemption:

- He saw that Ruth was in need.
- He speaks love, care and blessings over Ruth.



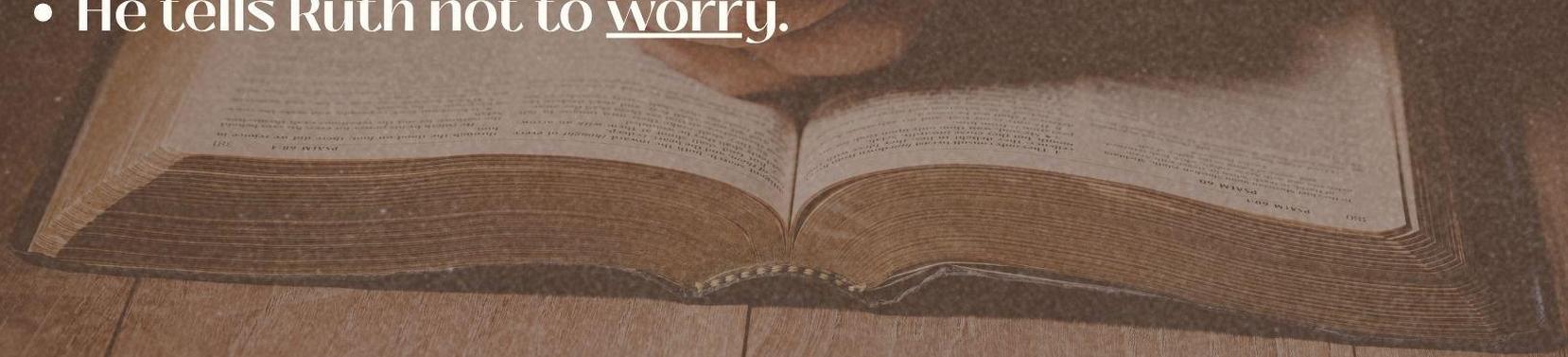
A close-up photograph of a person's hand resting on an open Bible. The hand is positioned in the center, with fingers slightly curled. The Bible is open to two pages, showing dense text in two columns. The background is a dark, textured surface, possibly a book cover or a wooden table. The lighting is soft, highlighting the texture of the paper and the skin of the hand.

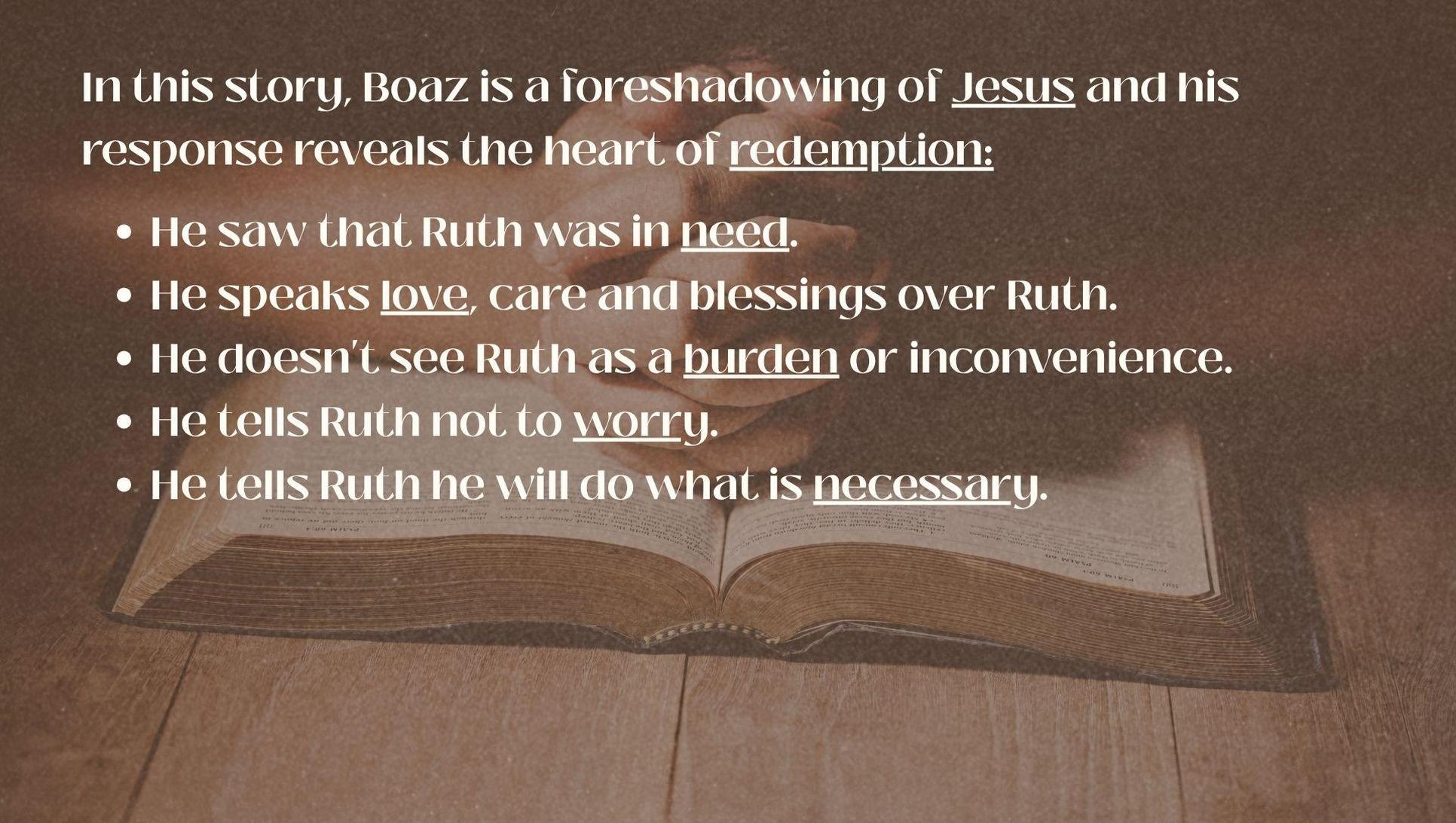
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A pair of hands is shown resting on an open book. The hands are positioned in the center of the frame, with fingers slightly curled. The book is open, showing two pages with text. The background is a dark, textured surface, possibly a wooden table. The overall lighting is soft and focused on the hands and the book.

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- He tells Ruth not to worry.
- He tells Ruth he will do what is necessary.

14 He gave his life to free us from every kind of sin,
to cleanse us, and to make us his very own people,
totally committed to doing good deeds.

Titus 2:14 NLT

God doesn't
erase your story,
He redeems it.



The background is a dark, textured brown with a subtle, lighter brown silhouette of a person's arm and hand writing on a scroll. The text is overlaid in a white, serif font.

Will you trust God
with the pen?