

OPEN HEAVEN 7 OCTOBER 2025 TODAY DEVOTIONAL

TOPIC: LEVELS OF BREAKTHROUGHS

MEMORISE:

Delight thyself also in the LORD; and he shall give thee the desires of thine heart. Psalms 37:4

READ: Ruth 3:1-18:

- 1 Then Naomi her mother in law said unto her, My daughter, shall I not seek rest for thee, that it may be well with thee?
- 2 And now is not Boaz of our kindred, with whose maidens thou wast? Behold, he winnowethbarley to night in the threshingfloor.
- 3 Wash thyself therefore, and anoint thee, and put thy raiment upon thee, and get thee down to the floor: but make not thyself known unto the man, until he shall have done eating and drinking.
- 4 And it shall be, when he lieth down, that thou shalt mark the place where he shall lie, and thou shalt go in, and uncover his feet, and lay thee down; and he will tell thee what thou shalt do.
- 5 And she said unto her, All that thou sayest unto me I will do.
- 6 And she went down unto the floor, and did according to all that her mother in law bade her.

- 7 And when Boaz had eaten and drunk, and his heart was merry, he went to lie down at the end of the heap of corn: and she came softly, and uncovered his feet, and laid her down.
- 8 And it came to pass at midnight*, that the man was afraid, and turned himself: and, behold, a woman lay at his feet.
- 9 And he said, Who art thou? And she answered, I am Ruth thine handmaid: spread therefore thy skirt over thine handmaid; for thou art a near kinsman.
- 10 And he said, Blessed be thou of the LORD, my daughter: for thou hast shewed more kindness in the latter end than at the beginning, inasmuch as thou followedst* not young men, whether poor or rich.
- 11 And now, my daughter, fear not; I will do to thee all that thou requirest: for all the city of my people doth know that thou art a virtuous woman.
- 12 And now it is true that I am thy near kinsman: howbeit there is a kinsman nearer than I.
- 13 Tarry this night, and it shall be in the morning, that if he will perform unto thee the part of a kinsman, well; let him do the kinsman's part: but if he will not do the part of a kinsman to thee, then will I do the part of a kinsman to thee, as the LORD liveth: lie down until the morning.
- 14 And she lay at his feet until the morning: and she rose up before one could know another. And he said, Let it not be known that a woman came into the floor.
- 15 Also he said, Bring the vail that thou hast upon thee, and hold it. And when she held it, he measured six measures of barley, and laid it on her: and she went into the city.
- 16 And when she came to her mother in law, she said, Who art thou, my daughter? And she toldher all that the man had done to her.
- 17 And she said, These six measures of barley gave he me; for he said to me, Go not empty unto thy mother in law.
- 18 Then said she, Sit still, my daughter, until thou know how the matter will fall: for the man will not be in rest, until he have finished the thing this day.

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There are different levels of breakthroughs. In Genesis 18:9-14, Abraham had a breakthrough, but it was a breakthrough that took 25 years to manifest. In Genesis 41:38-44, Joseph had a breakthrough, but that breakthrough took several years to manifest the way God showed him several years earlier in a dream. Moses also had a breakthrough that had been promised over a long period of time before its manifestation (Exodus 3:1-15). He had known long before then that God had chosen him to deliver the Israelites (Acts 7:22-25), but the manifestation took years.

There is, however, another level of breakthrough like the one recorded in 1 Samuel 16:11-13, where a shepherd boy was anointed as the king of Israel without prior notice. In Esther 2:15-18, a slave girl became a queen in a foreign land; that is also a new level of breakthrough.

When you read the book of Ruth, you will see certain lessons that will help you experience a new level of breakthrough. After experiencing sadness and sorrow, Ruth decided to follow her mother-in-law, Naomi, from Moab – her own country – to Bethlehem. Moab was a nation of idol worshippers, but she decided to forsake the idols she had grown up with to worship the God of Israel. She must have also left many childhood friends and close relatives behind – she practically left her old life to start a new one. You cannot keep holding on to the past if you want to experience a new level of breakthrough.

You must let go of your past life and old habits to receive the new things God has for you.

Remember ye not the former things, neither consider the things of old. Behold, I will do a new thing; now it shall spring forth; shall ye not know it? I will even make a way in the wilderness, and rivers in the desert.

Isaiah 43:18-19

Ruth found her breakthrough in Bethlehem because she served and followed the good advice she often received from her mother-in-law. She was a hardworking woman, and her diligence made Boaz notice her among the other workers on his field and show her favour (Ruth 2:1-16). In today's Bible reading, you will also see that it was Ruth's obedience to Naomi's advice that led to her becoming Boaz's wife.

Beloved, if you want to experience new breakthroughs in your life, you must obey the word of God completely. You must also seek and follow godly counsel while ensuring that you are diligent in all you do.

PRAYER POINT

Father, please help me to obey your instructions on the things I must do to experience ne w breakthroughs in my life, in Jesus' name.

BIBLE IN ONE YEAR

Matthew 14-17

HYMN 30: WHEN WE WALK WITH THE LORD

OPEN HEAVEN DEVOTIONAL 7 OCTOBER 2025 COMMENTARY

MEMORISE: Psalm 37:4

"Delight thyself also in the LORD; and he shall give thee the desires of thine heart."

This verse is the key to unlocking divine breakthroughs. It promises that when God Himself becomes the source of our deepest joy and satisfaction, He sovereignly places His desires within us and orchestrates events to bring them to pass in His perfect timing.

BIBLE READING: Ruth 3:1-18

This passage details the pivotal moment Ruth's breakthrough was secured through:

• **Obedience:** She heeded Naomi's wise and strategic counsel exactly (v. 5-6).

- Initiative: She positioned herself at the threshing floor, a place of harvest and judgment (v. 6-7).
- Virtue: She conducted herself with humility and integrity, earning Boaz's praise (v. 9-11).
- Patience: She waited for Boaz to fulfill his legal and righteous role as kinsman-redeemer (v. 18).

Positioning for a New Level of Breakthrough

Pastor E.A. Adeboye outlines the pathway to experiencing unprecedented divine acceleration. While some breakthroughs are cultivated over time (Abraham, Joseph, Moses), others are sudden and sovereign (David, Esther). Ruth's story provides a masterclass in the attitudes and actions that position us for the latter.

The Two Timelines of Breakthrough

- Cultivated Breakthroughs: These are promises that require a process of character refinement, testing, and patience. They are not delayed but are being prepared in the unseen realm for the appointed time (Genesis 18:14, Hebrews 6:15).
- Sudden Breakthroughs: These are sovereign acts of God where He bypasses natural timelines to elevate a person in a moment for His divine purpose (1 Samuel 16:11-13). They often come to those who, like Ruth, have unknowingly been prepared through faithfulness.

The Ruth Protocol for Sudden Breakthrough

Ruth's story provides a blueprint for positioning oneself for a new level of favor.

1. Make a decisive break with the past.

Ruth left Moab—her nation, her gods, and her old identity (Ruth 1:16-17). You cannot receive new wine in an old wineskin (Matthew 9:17). Breakthrough requires forsaking idolatrous attachments, sinful habits, and soulish dependencies that belong to your "Moab."

2. Align yourself with God's covenant people.

Ruth's declaration, "Thy people shall be my people, and thy God my God," was her covenant alignment (Ruth 1:16). Breakthrough is often found in "Bethlehem" (the house of bread)—the place of God's presence and His people. Commit to a local assembly and spiritual covering.

3. Embrace diligence and excellence.

Ruth didn't wait for her breakthrough; she worked for it with all her might in a foreign field (Ruth 2:2, 7, 17). Diligence makes you visible to your "Boaz" (divine connection) and attracts favor (Proverbs 22:29). Be excellent where you are with what you have.

4. Heed godly counsel.

Ruth's obedience to Naomi's unconventional strategy was the direct catalyst for her marital breakthrough (Ruth 3:5-6). Humility to submit to spiritual authority and wise counsel is a non-negotiable for acceleration (Proverbs 11:14, 15:22).

5. Walk in virtue and integrity.

Ruth was known as a "virtuous woman" (Ruth 3:11). Her integrity in a vulnerable situation caused Boaz to act honorably on her behalf. Your character must be able to sustain your breakthrough without

corruption.

Activating the Principle

Pray this:

"Father, I delight myself in You today. You are my exceeding joy. I break every attachment to my spiritual 'Moab'—every idol, sin, and weight that holds me back. I align myself with Your will and Your people. Grant me the diligence of Ruth, the humility to heed godly counsel, and the integrity to sustain the sudden breakthrough You have ordained for me. According to Your word, give me the desires You have placed in my heart, in Jesus' name."

Action Steps:

- 1. **Identify Your Moab:** Write down one thing God is asking you to leave behind to embrace your new season.
- 2. **Commit to Diligence:** Choose one area of your life (work, study, ministry) where you will commit to exceptional excellence this week.
- 3. **Seek Counsel:** Identify a spiritual mentor or leader and ask for prayerful advice on a current situation.
- 4. **Declare God's Word:** Confess Isaiah 43:18-19 daily: "I forget the former things; I do not dwell on the past. God is doing a new thing in my life now!"

Remember: Your sudden breakthrough is not about luck; it is about divine positioning. God is ready to do a new thing. Let go of the old, embrace the process of preparation, and position yourself in obedience. Your Bethlehem is waiting.

"Behold, I will do a new thing; now it shall spring forth; shall ye not know it? I will even make a way in the wilderness, and rivers in the desert." (Isaiah 43:19). Your new thing is springing forth.

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