

Kinsman Redeemer (C)

Instrumental: Am F G-G# (Repeat)

City Elder:

All Right everyone welcome, today we determine
who perform the role of the Kinsman Redeemer,
but first there are a few things we need to establish...

Verse 1 (City Elder):

We have gathered at the gate for this thing to take place
A close relative can buy Eli's estate
Since Naomi has returned with no husband or sons
Someone can step in to get the job done.

We have two relatives that can fill this role
to buy back the land according to the scroll
Boaz the Nephew and Ruth's husbands cousin,
And Mr. Relative of whom we really know nothin...

So let's get started, you each present your case
Mr. Relative's first, the claim is his to make
But if he concedes because he can't afford
Then Boaz you're up- the land is yours.

Verse 2 (Mr. Relative):

I'm Mr. Relative, and it's good to be
You know I want the land, so sure I'll redeem
Sorry Boaz, but that land is a must
It's too good an opportunity for me to pass up.

Verse 3 (Boaz):

All right Mr. Relative show us the money,
Wait. That's it. Hah. Real funny!
Your not just buying land, it's a full inheritance
So when you see the real cost, you might be hesitant

Naomi had a son with a wife named Ruth,
She's part of the inheritance and that's the truth
You'll have to take her as your wife and give her a son
The commitment is growing and I'm not done...

You'll have to care for them, and treat them like your own
New family, new life- that's what your taking home!
So give up, walk away- just land? You're a dreamer
I'll assume the role of Kinsman Redeemer.

Verse 4: (Mr. Relative):

Well Boaz, you're right- there's no need to fight!
You can have the land, and a bride- I'm all right!
Elder's for the record- I concede...
Let Boaz intercede and redeem!

Verse 5 (Chief Elder):

Then matter is settled, Boaz will be the Kinsman Redeemer... He will purchase the land from Naomi and take Ruth to be his wife... He will take care of them and raise their children to be his own. He will provide for them an inheritance and who knows... Maybe their descendants will accomplish something great!