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Yahveh, Boaz & Yeshua our Go'el our Kinsman Redeemers

"Noach was a man righteous and wholehearted; Noach walked with Yahveh" who established a covenant with him, to never again destroy all living things, and as long as the Earth and 'Time' exists. Sowing time and harvest, cold and heat, summer and winter, and day and night will never cease. A covenant promise that no human or spiritual being can change or sabotage. Yahveh has redeemed mankind and all living things, He saved a remnant, who experienced a catastrophic ending and learned that after an ending always comes a new beginning, so don't despair when you experience an ending, don't become discouraged, don't give up, because out of it will come a new day, a new beginning, as promised in the covenant.

Na'omi experienced this principle when her husband died along her two sons, for her life seemed to be over, a spiritual and physical catastrophe, a famine, a time to go home to Beit Lechem (House of Bread) with no hope or future. But one of her two daughters in law Rut surprised her by insisting on going with her. As a Moabitess a gentile, she wanted a new beginning stating "your people will be my people, your God will be my God" she absolutely refused to just curl up in a ball of anger and bitterness and give up. So she freely chose to enter in to a covenant relationship with Yahveh and Na'omi, and as a result met her Go'el her Kinsman Redeemer Boaz in Beit Lechem, at the time of the Barley Harvest, and had a child Oved who was King David's Grandfather, followed 28 generations later (42 from Noach) in Beit Lechem at Sukkot by Yeshua Ha Maschiach our own personal Hag' Go'el The Kinsman Redeemer, born at Sukkot in a sukkah. to redeem us from spiritual slavery. Light out of darkness, hope out of despair, new beginnings out of tragic endings. A harvest out of hard seemingly impenetrable barren lifeless seeds.

So what is a Go'el a kinsman redeemer and what significance does he have for us as messianic believers? The four criteria for Go'el or Kinsmen Redeemers established in Vayikra (Lev) are that 1. They must be related to us 2. They must be able and qualified 3. They must be willing (Free Choice) and 4. They must pay the price of the redemption in full, the debt. As a Go'el (from Gal'al to redeem) their responsibilities include the duty to redeem relatives from slavery, if the latter had been obliged to sell themselves to another. To repurchase the property of a relative who had had to sell it because of poverty. To avenge the blood of his relatives. To marry his brother's widow in order to provide a son

and heir for his brother, in case the brother had not got any son to pass his name to. And finally to receive restitution on behalf of an injured relative who had died. The Kinsman part is an English addition and means Kings-man a role carried out during the Maypole or Mary's pole by Morris men or Mary's men who danced at the festival.

Vayikra (Lev) 25:48-49 gives the criteria for the nearest relative to be considered the official Go'el, tasked with redeeming a slave. Starting with a brother, uncle, male cousin and then any other relatives. The same order was probably observed in the other cases, except in marrying a sister-in-law, something only a brother could do. Jewish tradition has also ascribed extra responsibilities to the blood avenger (Go'el) a role performed in modern times by a prosecuting attorney, who presents the facts and pleads on behalf of the victim in a criminal case. Making him responsible for bringing the offender to justice, finding evidence against him, presenting the case to the court, and claiming restitution from the offender. It is also his task to argue against any attempts to pardon the sinner.

Our Abba (Father) is Yahveh who created and fashioned Man and Woman in His own likeness, His own character and then breathed His life into us; therefore we are brothers and sisters of Yeshua, full blood relatives, fully meeting all of the criteria to be redeemed by him from our slavery to sin, by paying all of our debts in full, and bringing us back into our Fathers household. He was certainly able and qualified, certainly willing, and certainly paid the price in full at Golgota. Our Kinsman Redeemer because of Rut and King David was Born in Beit Lechem (House of Bread), went in and out of Egypt as a baby, was acknowledged by star gazing Eastern Kings and scholars and those who had studied all the prophesies in Torah (Mat 2:3-6), So it was and still is absolutely incontrovertible and obvious to any Torah scholar honest, willing and bold enough to acknowledge the truth of who He really was and is and will continue to be. Maschiach! Just as his first coming was prophesied and fulfilled. Completely obvious, with signs in the sky (The star) so will His second coming.

The first time people were divided over who he was and where He came from saying, "Doesn't the Tanakh (OT) say the Messiah is from the seed of David and comes from Beit Lechem? So how can the Messiah come from the Galil?" Ignoring the fact that Natzeret in the Galil was where he lived, not where he was born and therefore came from. The second time there will be no confusion or division because He is coming straight from Heaven and directly to Yerushalyim, straight from the throne room, no donkey this time, but as King of Kings leading Heavens armies riding a white horse, with Shofars louder than thunder announcing His arrival back to Earth, from the East to the West the sky will be lit up for the whole Earth to see and then mourn as they recognize him and acknowledge on bended knees that they have rejected Him. Every tribe, people group, religious entity and world leader will also bow the knee and either confess with their tongue that He was, He Is, and always will be who He says He is, or as all slaves had the right to do, nail their ears to the doorposts of the house they were in bondage to (Satan's) and choose to stay as voluntary slaves in it, thereby rejecting and renouncing their birthright through him at the cost of their eternal lives.

Anyone can 'save' someone, from drowning over and over again, or from poverty or danger; it doesn't require a relationship or any ongoing involvement. But redemption is once only and permanent, and involves a close relative, who wipes our debts and takes us back into his household. Only he can do it because a slave can't redeem another slave, ruling out the rest of mankind. Only Yeshua by virtue of his birth, his sinless life, his freedom from debt, and his bloodline connection with us and with Yahveh can and does fulfil the criteria, and at Har Megiddo (Armageddon) he will fulfil his other role as blood avenger.

Baruch Haba Ba Shem Yahveh, Blessed is He who comes in the name of Yahveh.

Shalom Mish'pachah – Family Shalom