## **The Long and Winding Road**

## **Ruth – A Love Story**











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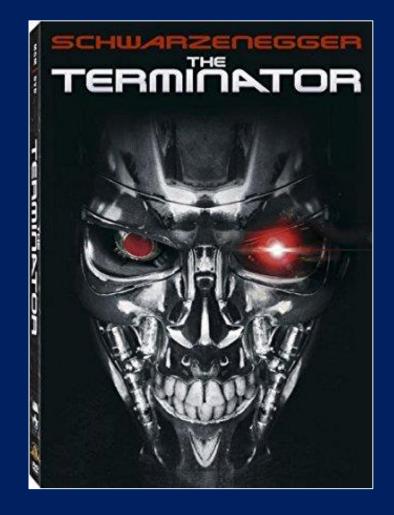
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## Love is an amazing reality and gift



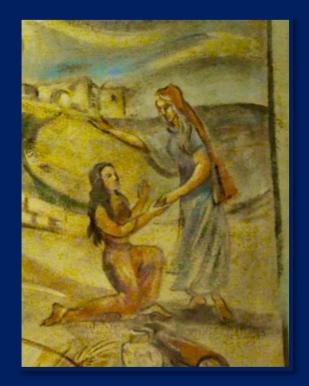




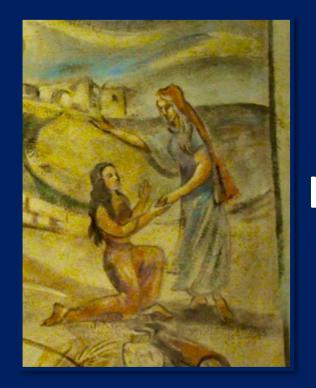






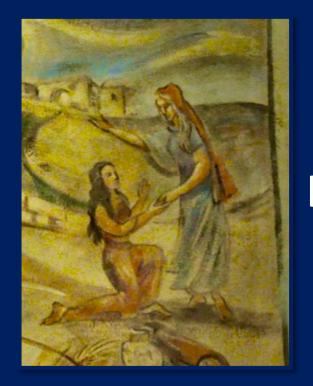


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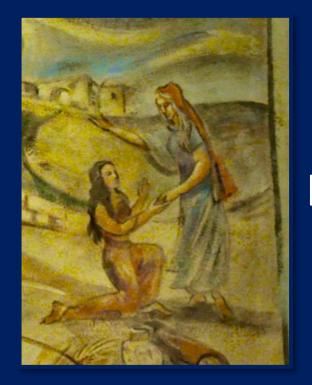
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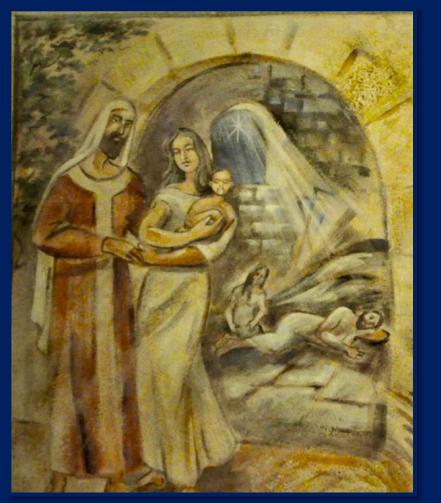
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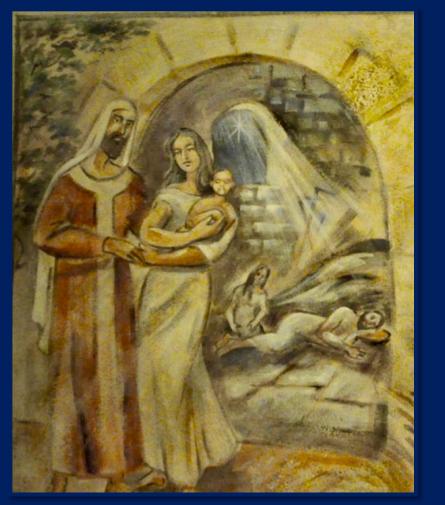
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## Live as a loved people!

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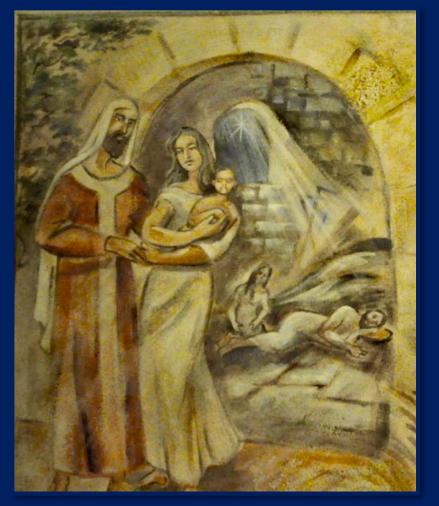


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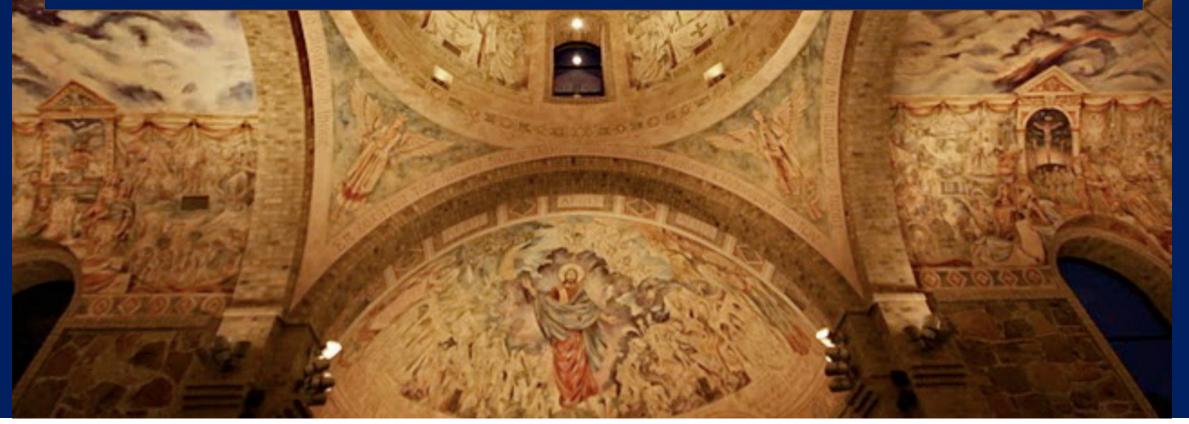
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**But you, O Bethlehem** Ephrathah, who are too little to be among the clans of Judah, from you shall come forth for me one who is to be ruler in Israel, whose coming forth is from of old, from ancient days (Micah 5:2)

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"We know that for those who love God all things work together for good, for those who are called according to his purpose" (Romans 8:28)







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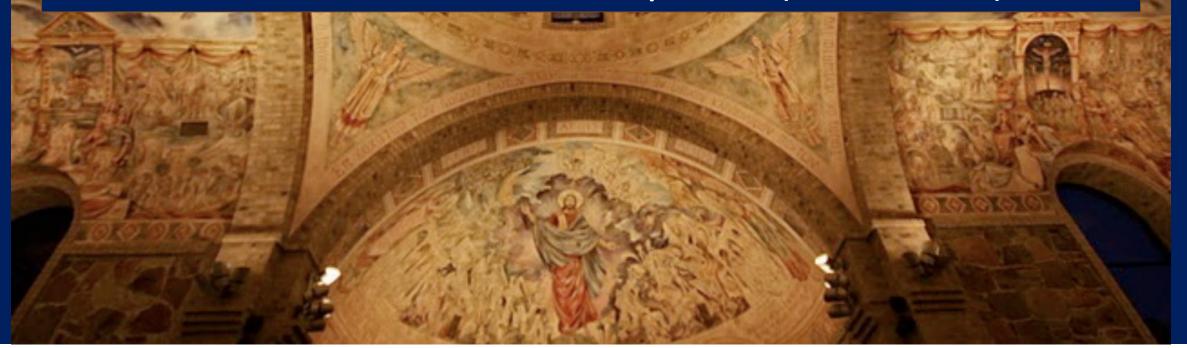
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## Let the Redeemed of the Lord say so!