Florence Reed and Pedro de Cordoba Illustrating "The Love Story of Ruth"

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You can search through many volumes without finding a more exquisite love story than the one of Ruth and Boaz—told in the greatest of Books.

Ruth's father had died in a famine in which his father and his mother also perished. And Ruth, with her mother-in-law, Naomi, and the other son's wife started to find a place where bread was plentiful.

On the way Naomi said: "Go, return each to her mother's house: The Lord deal kindly with you, as ye have dealt with the dead, and with me."

So the other son's wife went away. But Ruth said: "Whither thou goest I will go; and where thou lodgest, I will lodge: Thy people shall be my people, and thy God my God."

Then they came into the country of Boaz—"a mighty man of wealth." And he saw Ruth. And he heard of her kindness to her mother-in-law. And he was gentle and gracious and told his servants to help her as she was working in the fields. So she went home with an abundance of barley.

And their courtship ripened with the harvest, until Boaz called all the elders before him and told them that Ruth was to be his wife.

Take down your Bible now and read that story. It has more beauty than anything you have read for a very long time.