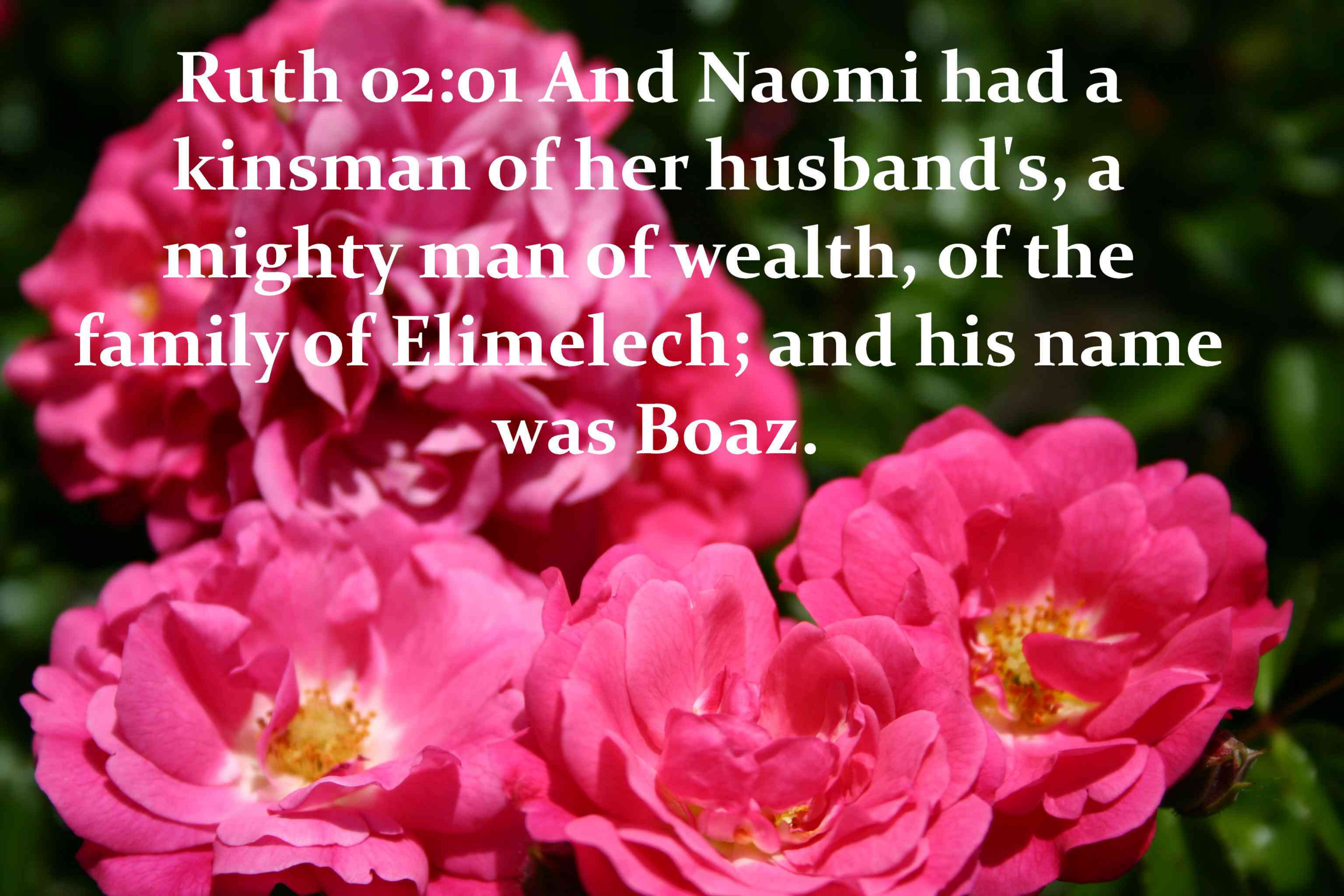


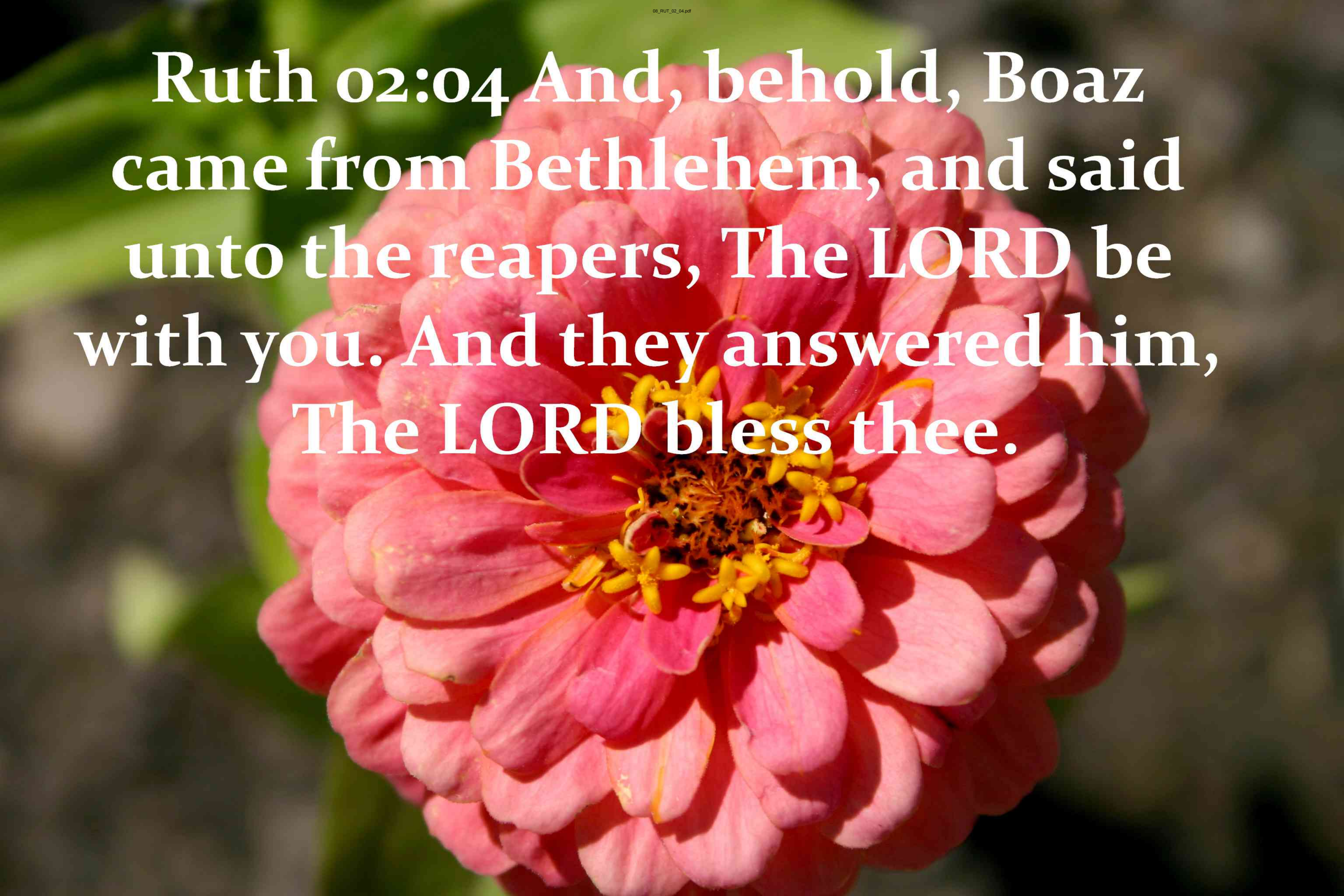
A close-up photograph of several vibrant pink roses in full bloom, set against a dark, blurred background of green foliage. The roses have many layers of petals, with some showing yellow centers. The lighting is bright, highlighting the texture of the petals.

**Ruth 02:01 And Naomi had a
kinsman of her husband's, a
mighty man of wealth, of the
family of Elimelech; and his name
was Boaz.**

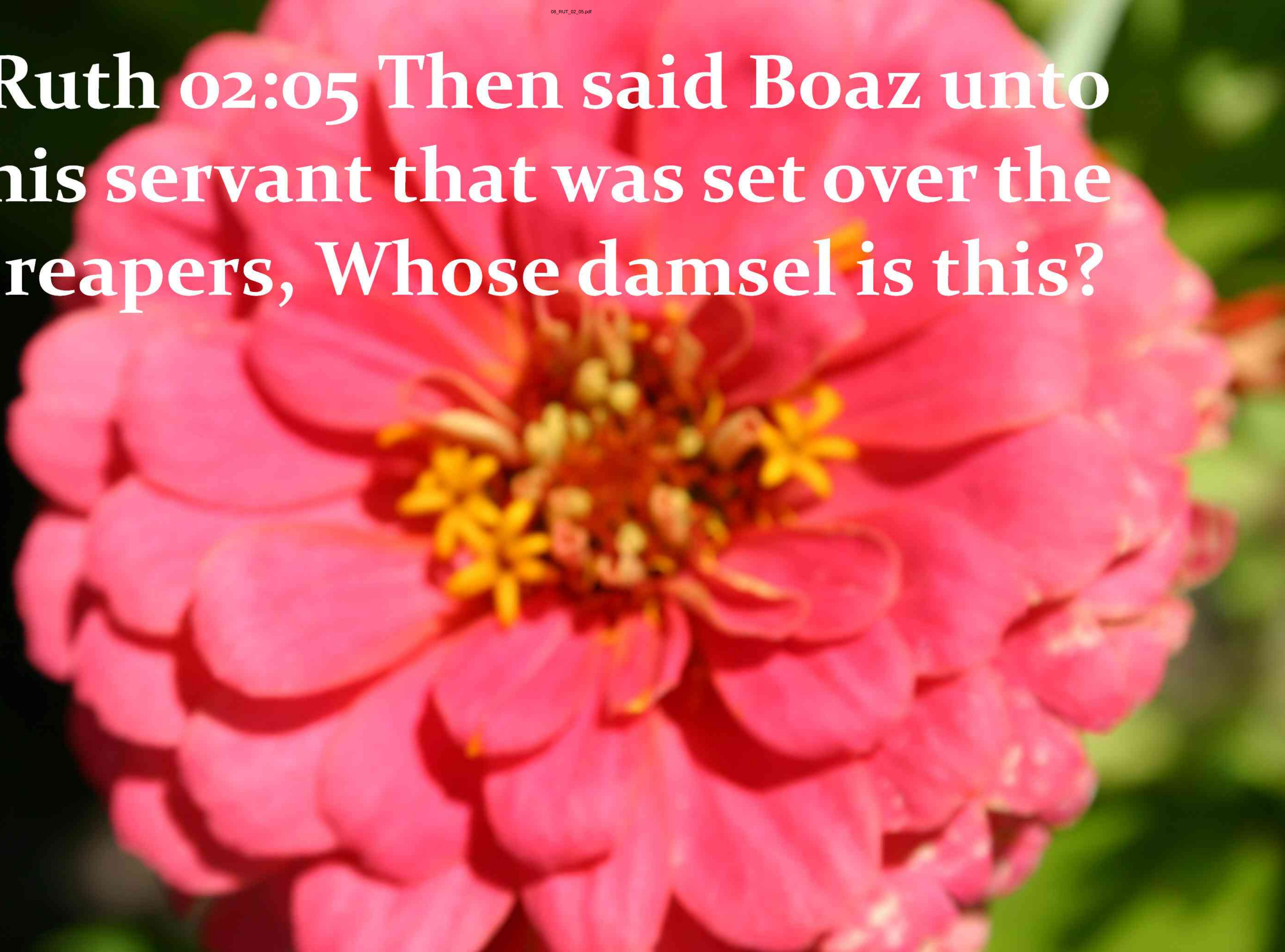
Ruth 02:02 And Ruth the Moabite said unto Naomi, Let me now go to the field, and glean ears of corn after him in whose sight I shall find grace. And she said unto her, Go, my daughter.

Ruth 02:03 And she went, and came, and gleaned in the field after the reapers: and her hap was to light on a part of the field belonging unto Boaz, who was of the kindred of Elimelech.

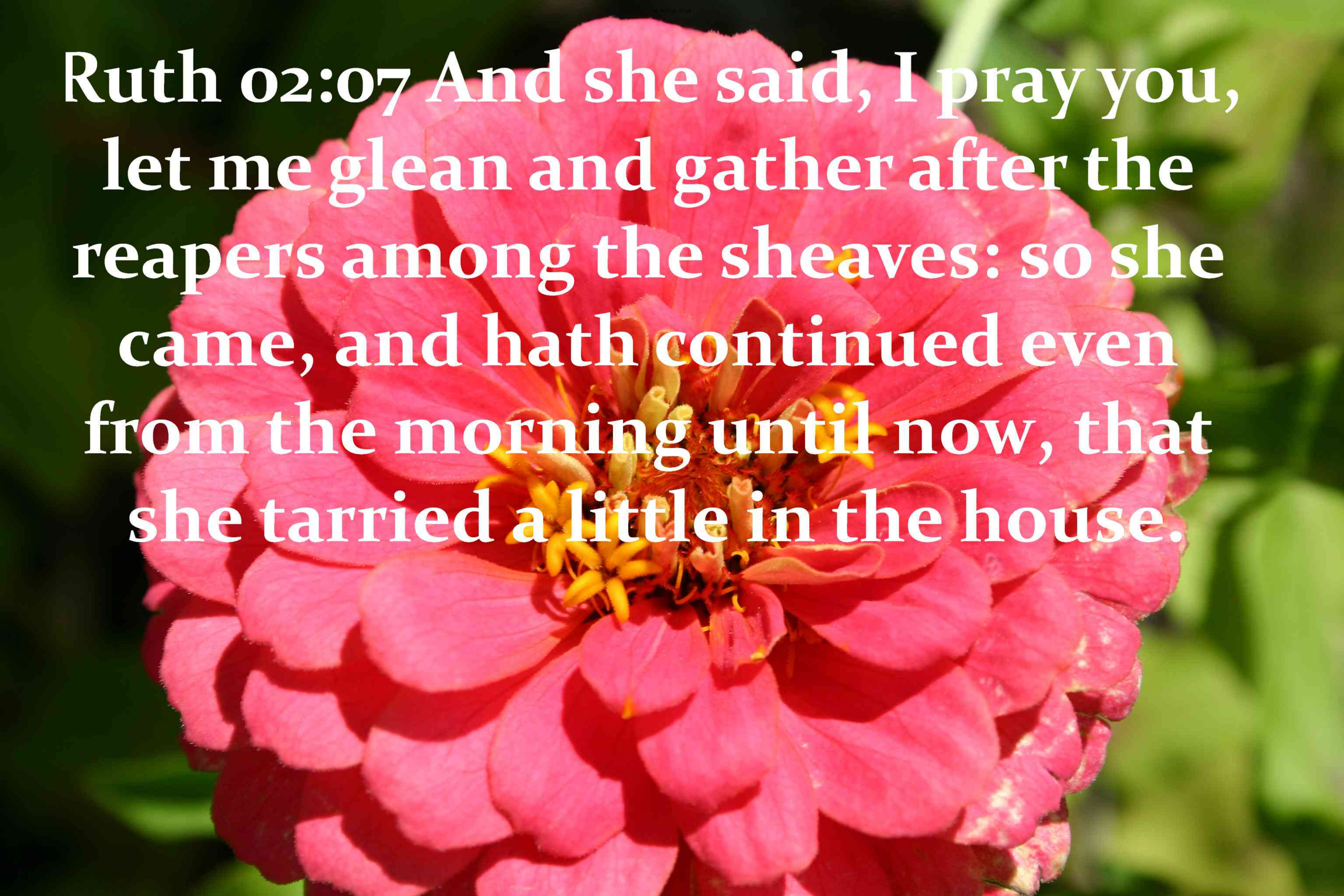
Ruth 02:04 And, behold, Boaz
came from Bethlehem, and said
unto the reapers, The LORD be
with you. And they answered him,
The LORD bless thee.



**Ruth 02:05 Then said Boaz unto
his servant that was set over the
reapers, Whose damsel is this?**



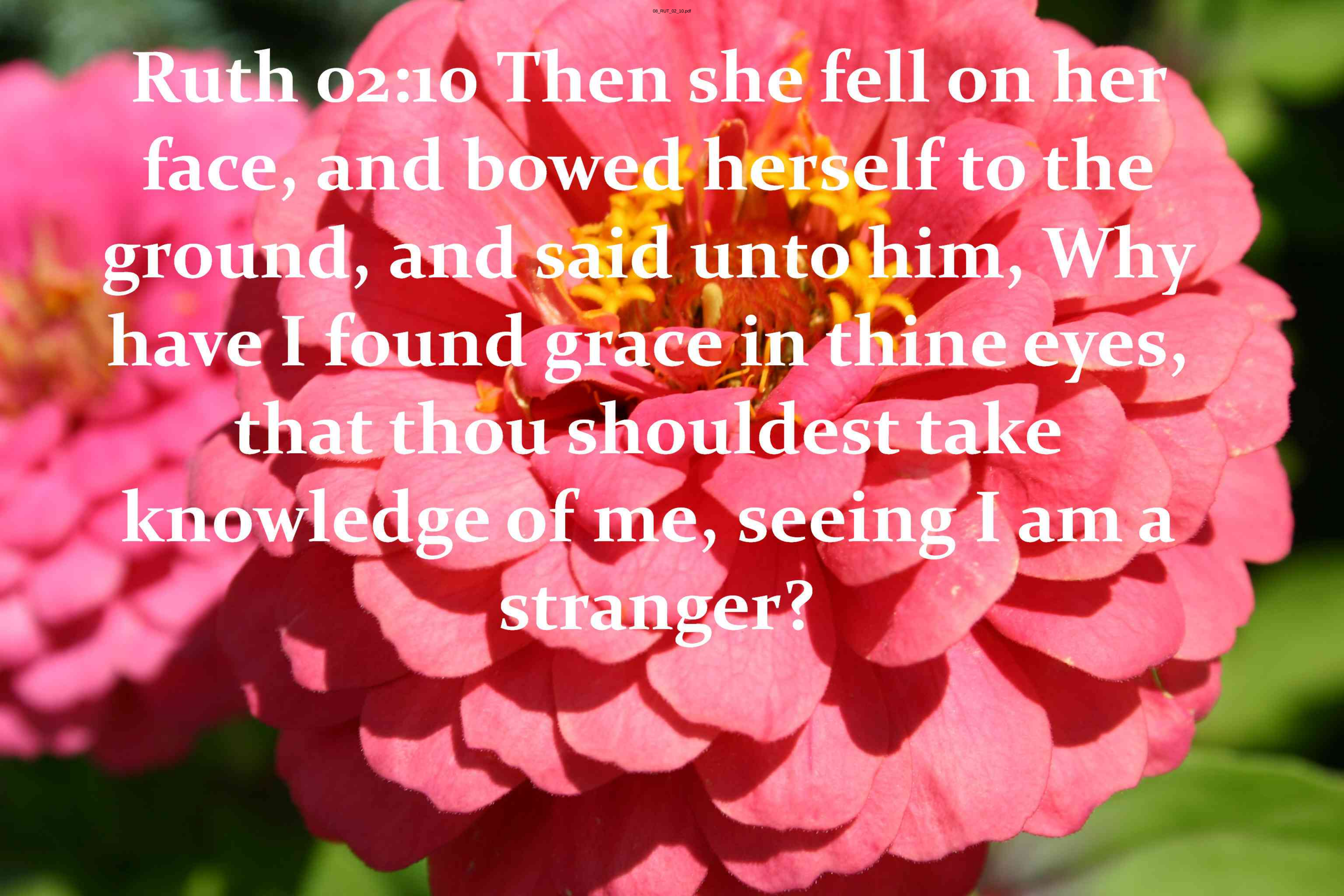
Ruth 02:06 And the servant that
was set over the reapers answered
and said, It is the Moabitish
damsel that came back with
Naomi out of the country of Moab:



Ruth 02:07 And she said, I pray you,
let me glean and gather after the
reapers among the sheaves: so she
came, and hath continued even
from the morning until now, that
she tarried a little in the house.

Ruth 02:08 Then said Boaz unto
Ruth, Hearst thou not, my
daughter? Go not to glean in
another field, neither go from
hence, but abide here fast by my
maidens:

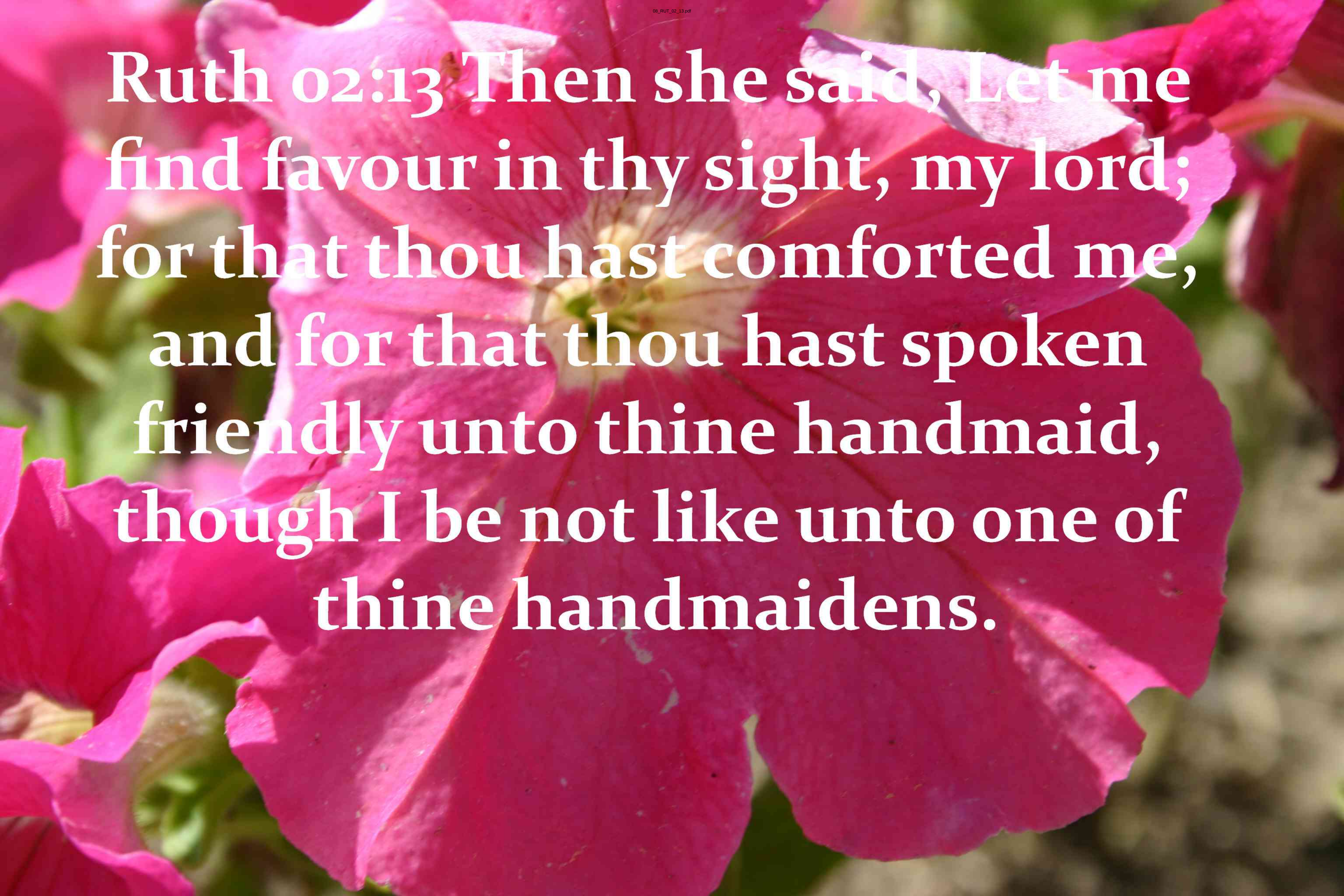
Ruth 02:09 Let thine eyes be on the field that they do reap, and go thou after them: have I not charged the young men that they shall not touch thee? and when thou art athirst, go unto the vessels, and drink of that which the young men have drawn.



Ruth 02:10 Then she fell on her face, and bowed herself to the ground, and said unto him, Why have I found grace in thine eyes, that thou shouldest take knowledge of me, seeing I am a stranger?

Ruth 02:11 And Boaz answered and said unto her, It hath fully been showed me, all that thou hast done unto thy mother in law since the death of thine husband: and how thou hast left thy father and thy mother, and the land of thy nativity, and art come unto a people which thou knewest not

**Ruth 02:12 The LORD recompense
thy work, and a full reward be
given thee of the LORD God of
Israel, under whose wings thou art
come to trust.**



Ruth 02:13 Then she said, Let me
find favour in thy sight, my lord;
for that thou hast comforted me,
and for that thou hast spoken
friendly unto thine handmaid,
though I be not like unto one of
thine handmaidens.

Ruth 02:14 And Boaz said unto her,
At mealtime come thou hither,
and eat of the bread, and dip thy
morsel in the vinegar. And she sat
beside the reapers: and he reached
her parched corn, and she did eat,
and was sufficed, and left.

Ruth 02:15 And when she was risen
up to glean, Boaz commanded his
young men, saying, Let her glean
even among the sheaves, and
reproach her not:

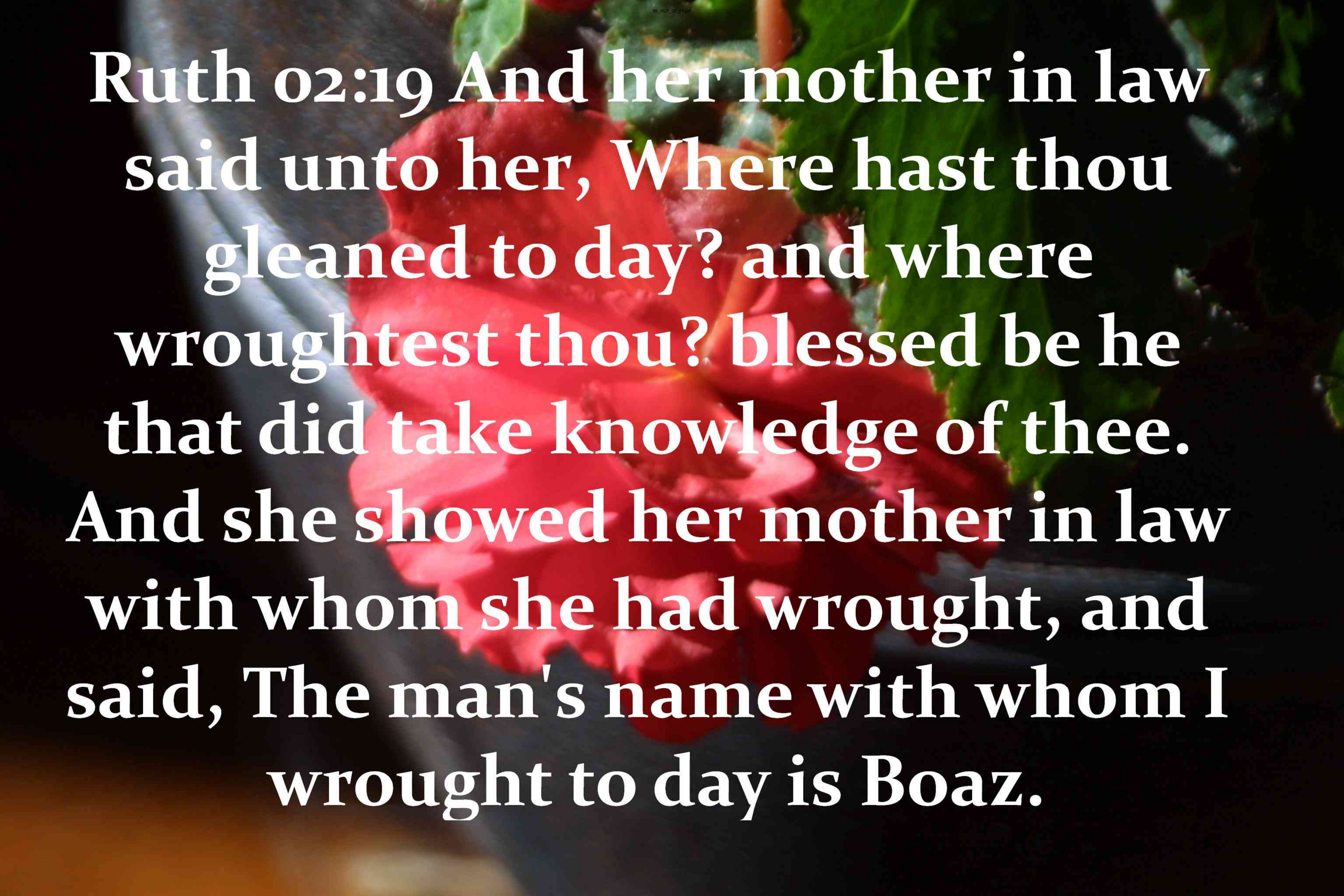


**Ruth 02:16 And let fall also some of
the handfuls of purpose for her,
and leave them , that she may
glean them , and rebuke her not.**



Ruth 02:17 So she gleaned in the field until even, and beat out that she had gleaned: and it was about an ephah of barley.

Ruth 02:18 And she took it up, and went into the city: and her mother in law saw what she had gleaned: and she brought forth, and gave to her that she had reserved after she was sufficed.



Ruth 02:19 And her mother in law
said unto her, Where hast thou
gleaned to day? and where
wroughtest thou? blessed be he
that did take knowledge of thee.
And she showed her mother in law
with whom she had wrought, and
said, The man's name with whom I
wrought to day is Boaz.

Ruth 02:20 And Naomi said unto
her daughter in law, Blessed be he
of the LORD, who hath not left off
his kindness to the living and to
the dead. And Naomi said unto her,
The man is near of kin unto us,
one of our next kinsmen.

Ruth 02:21 And Ruth the Moabite said,
He said unto me also, Thou shalt keep fast by my young men,
until they have ended all my harvest.

Ruth 02:22 And Naomi said unto
Ruth her daughter in law, It is
good, my daughter, that thou go
out with his maidens, that they
meet thee not in any other field.

Ruth 02:23 So she kept fast by the
maidens of Boaz to glean unto the
end of barley harvest and of wheat
harvest; and dwelt with her
mother in law.