

AS IT TURNS OUT

Ruth 2:1-5

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INTRO

As it turned out...

A. THE PROVIDENCE OF GOD

1. Defining providence
2. Differentiating providence and miracles

B. THE PROCESS OF GOD'S PROVIDENCE

1. Providence works in the affairs of nations. (Psalm 22:8; Ruth 1:1)
2. Providence works in the laws of the universe. (Job 38:33; Ruth 1:1)
3. Providence works in our success and our failures.
(Psalm 75:6-7; Ruth 1:3-5)
4. Providence works in our thoughts, words and decisions.
(Psalm 139:2-4; Ruth 1:14-18)
5. Providence works in the accidental and the insignificant.
(Proverbs 16:9; Ruth 2:3)
6. Providence works all things together for good (Romans 3:23; Ruth 4:14-15)
7. Providence always points us to Christ. (Matthew 1:1,5)

CONCLUSION:

"Trust the past to the mercy of God, the present to the love of God, and the future to the providence of God." (St. Augustine)

