

Message Notes

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The Book of Ruth
Dark Night of the Soul (Ruth 1)
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- *Ruth*: God's _____ through ordinary _____ & _____.

A Tragic Beginning

- Ruth takes place _____ the time of the _____. (Rth 1:1)
- In the " _____ of _____ " there is a _____. (Rth 1:1)
- To avoid _____, they move to the _____ of their _____. (Rth 1:2)
- Alone, Naomi is _____ upon the _____ of a _____ society.
- Everythings seems _____ & God is _____ to be _____.
- The main _____ in *Ruth* is how will these _____ women _____?

From Pleasant to Bitter

- Orpah did the _____ thing; Ruth did the _____!
- Ruth leaves _____: her _____, _____, & _____. (Rth 1:16-17)

"Don't urge me to leave you or to turn back from you. Where you go I will go, and where you stay I will stay. Your people will be my people and your God my God. Where you die I will die, and there I will be buried. May the LORD deal with me, be it ever so severely, if even death separates you and me." Ruth 1:16-17

- Ruth _____ profound _____ & _____.
- Returning _____, Naomi feels _____ & _____ by God.

So Naomi returned from Moab accompanied by Ruth the Moabite, her daughter-in-law, arriving in Bethlehem as the barley harvest was beginning. Ruth 1:22

- We can be _____ about our " _____ of the _____."
- But even in our _____ God is _____. (Rom 8:28)
- As _____, God is _____ over _____. (Gen 50:20)
- Even at our _____, we can have _____ in God's _____. (Rth 1:22)