



Ruth 1

Land of Israel was a promise land.

Naomi leaves her promise land because there is a famine

- Don't abandon your dream of business, career, family, marriage, healing, quest for freedom because you are in a difficult moment now.
- Don't leave your church because its going through the famine.

(Moses) choosing rather to suffer affliction with the people of God than to enjoy the passing pleasures of sin Heb 11:25

What do you do in famine?

- Pray
- Fast
- Seek God's face
- He will heal the land to produce a harvest again

if my people, who are called by my name, will humble themselves and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven, and I will forgive their sin and will heal their land. 2 Chronicle 7:14

Call me Mara - for God made my life bitter

V20 - "Don't call me Naomi," she responded. "Instead, call me Mara, for the Almighty has made life very bitter for me.

When we experience loss in our life we get disappointed. Disappointment will turn into bitterness if we dwell on it.

Don't meditate on what God has not done in your life.
Don't stop living because something has died in your life.

Release God from the the wrong doing. He is not responsible.
He has no sickness, death, setback, poverty to give.

All good and perfect gifts come from Him.

Job refused to curse God. He said instead blessed be the name of the lord.

Don't stay in the land of negativity, in the land where things died. Go to the land of the promise. God is visiting his people again. He will visit you!

If God has visited your neighbor, be happy for them because that means God is in the neighborhood and He will visit you next!

Go back to God, to His presents, go back to your promise. Go back to Bethlehem, the house of bread.

Don't build memorials to what God hasn't done, build monuments to what He has done.
Don't build doctrines to justify your disappointment.

- Don't focus on what you lost, work with what you have left.

What you have left is Ruth!

Don't abandon Ruth because you lost your husband and 2 sons.

God will use your Ruth to restore you to greater glory than before.

God can do more with less when it's surrendered to Him.

Gideon with 300 man defined an entire army.

Widow of the son of a prophet had only small jar of oil left.

Jesus feed multitudes with 5 loaves of bread and 2 fish.

- It was time for the harvest but they had nothing to harvest. Glean from others.

Don't starve to death just because you don't have any harvest in your spiritual life, ministry, family, business.

Listen to testimonies of what God is doing in the life of others and glean faith to believe for a miracle for yourself.

- Naomi send Ruth to glean from other fields - when you don't have much to offer yourself send your youth to be inspired and glean from other ministries

Don't be insecure pastor or leader. Inspire/send your youth to learn from other man of God and ministries. They will come back and bring bread to your house.

- The threshing floor - place of intimacy. Boaz Christ, ruth church.

Sit at his feet. Like Martha minister to Jesus by sitting at his feet.

- Boaz will redeem your field. Intimacy will produce harvest in your life(in your ministry, in your fields. (career, business, family marriage).

The best days are ahead of you! Don't give up hope! Jesus is the great Redeemer. He will redeem everything about you. Say with Job "My Redeemer lives!"

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