



FROM RUIN TO REDEMPTION

RUTH 1:1-6 - RUIN





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Ruth is a book that's written to show us that God is present even when our circumstances scream that he is absent. It's a book that's written to show us God's hidden hand at work in our lives, behind the scenes and underneath the surface, where we cannot see it. It's written to show us a very particular quality of the character of God, and it's the quality of his hesed love; His loyal, faithful covenantal kindness. That love is going to bleed through all the pages of this story.



RUTH 1:1-6

¹ In the days when the judges ruled, there was a famine in the land. So a man from Bethlehem in Judah, together with his wife and two sons, went to live for a while in the country of Moab. ² The man's name was Elimelek, his wife's name was Naomi, and the names of his two sons were Mahlon and Kilion.



They were Ephrathites from Bethlehem, Judah. And they went to Moab and lived there. ³ Now Elimelek, Naomi's husband, died, and she was left with her two sons. ⁴ They married Moabite women, one named Orpah and the other Ruth. After they had lived there about ten years, ⁵ both Mahlon and Kilion also died, and Naomi was left without her two sons and her husband.





⁶ When Naomi heard in Moab that the Lord had come to the aid of his people by providing food for them, she and her daughters-in-law prepared to return home from there.



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2 CHRONICLES 7:14

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WHY?

God whispers to us in our pleasures, speaks in our conscience, but shouts in our pains; it is His megaphone to rouse a deaf world.

C.S. Lewis

We were crushed and overwhelmed beyond our ability to endure, and we thought we would never live through it. In fact, we expected to die. But as a result, we stopped relying on ourselves and learned to rely only on God, who raises the dead.

2 Corinthians 1:8-9

