



Worship Service
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RUTH: Finding Hope in a Fallen World

Lesson Two • Ruth 1:1-6

The Road to Nowhere

Theme of the Book of Ruth

To find hope in a fallen world _____
because He is at work in the worst of times.

The X-Factor

The _____ of God is the defining X-factor in our lives,
which is always working according to God's sovereign purposes!

The Road to Nowhere

1. The Choice: _____ to Moab! Ruth 1:1-2

Elimelech's Choice

Instead of turning back to the Lord, Elimelech turned
_____ on the Lord to live in Moab.

The Sad Irony of Elimelech's Choice

Elimelech's name means "_____" yet
he made a life-defining decision that revealed God wasn't his king.

2. The Consequences: _____ in Moab! Ruth 1:3-5

Trading Famine for Funerals

Elimelech _____ in Moab and then ten years later
both sons _____ in Moab.

What are the consequences of wrong choices?

- Wrong choices often bring _____ in life.
- Wrong choices often limit God's _____ in life.
- Wrong choices often cause _____ toward God.

3. The Circumstances: _____ in Moab! Ruth 1:6

The Devastating Grief of Three Widows

Naomi is an _____ widow in a foreign land while
Ruth and Orpah are _____ widows without any hope.

The Road Home: Where Hope Is Found!

No matter how far you roam from God, the road home
begins by _____ to God!

*Then she [Naomi] arose with her daughters-in-law to return from the country of Moab,
for she had heard in the fields of Moab that the Lord had visited His people
and given them food. Ruth 1:6*

*"Even now," declares the LORD, "return to Me with all your heart, with fasting and weeping
and mourning." Rend your heart and not your garments. Return to the LORD your God, for
He is gracious and compassionate, slow to anger and abounding in love. Joel 2:12-13*