



Worship Service
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RUTH: Finding Hope in a Fallen World

Lesson Four • Ruth 1:14-18

Grace at the Bottom of the Barrel

Universal Principle

Our response to disappointment in life will determine our walk with the Lord.

What Does Orpah and Ruth's Response Show Us?

Their response shows us that our devotion to the Lord is seen in what we DO and what we SAY.

Our Response to Disappointment in Life

1. Like Orpah, We Can Respond with DESERTION! *Ruth 1:14-15*

Shedding Orpah Tears

Orpah shows us that it's possible to HEAR of God's grace and yet turn our backs on God's grace.

2. Like Ruth, We Can Respond with DEVOTION! *Ruth 1:16-18*

Ruth's Act of Devotion

Orpah kissed her mother-in-law, but Ruth CLUNG to her.

Ruth's Pledge of Devotion

Ruth pledged to ABANDON all her prior allegiances and ADOPT Naomi's family and faith as her own in life, for life, and beyond life.

Ruth Found Grace at the Bottom of the Barrel

- Ruth found a new DIRECTION in life.

- Ruth found a new PLACE to belong.

- Ruth found a new PEOPLE to love.

- Ruth found a new GOD to worship.

- Ruth found a new PEACE in her heart.

Ruth Is Proof

God is neither dead nor distant, but is at WORK in the worst of times to accomplish His purposes for our good and His glory.

Finding Grace at the Bottom of the Barrel

Respond to your disappointments in life with FAITH IN GOD that sees beyond present bitter setbacks.

"For I know the plans I have for you," declares the LORD, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future." Jeremiah 29:1

And we know that for those who love God all things work together for good, for those who are called according to His purpose. Romans 8:28