

Ruth and Esther – Study Questions for January 15, 2023

Ruth stands out as a shining light amid the depravity of her world.

1. What can we do in our lives as Christians to combat the darkness of our world? What can we as a church do to shine a light in our community?
2. In the beginning of Ruth 1 Naomi's life is full. However, she left her people to live in Moab due to the famine in Judah. What are the pros and cons of that decision to remove themselves to a land of idolatry?
3. Naomi states, "Lord's hand is against her" about the loss of her husband and sons. Have you ever felt that way during the trials of life? How do we accept the trials of life as part of our spiritual journey?
4. Naomi was on the road back to her people, when she told her daughters-in-law to return to their people. Why do you think Ruth refused to leave Naomi?
5. What does this chapter tell you about the pattern of our lives and the effect it can have on those around us?