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Ruth 1:1-5, Judges 21:25, Leviticus 26: 3-4

- The story begins with ruin- a terrible situation
- Naomi- from fulness to emptiness
- Elimelech made a terrible decision
- 13 different judges ruled over 450 years, an evil period
- Israel did evil in the sight of the Lord
- The face of the Lord would be against them and it would be a famine
- The people of Israel turned their back on the commandments of God
- The house of bread became the house of no bread because of the sin that gripped the land
- Don't deny your faith
- Spiritual famine in their lives
- Where there should be provision, there was only desolation
- Sin always changes your fruitfulness and turns your blessing to a curse
- Elimelech turned to Moab
- He turned a famine of food into a famine of spirituality
- Don't turn away from the house of God in your time of need
- Remain separate from the rest of the world
- The real test of a man's faith is what he does when he's put under the stress of tough circumstances