

THE CONNECTION - (Part 1)
(God's Faithfulness To Us)
Sunday, May 28th, 2018
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Lamentations 3:22-23 (NIV)

22 Because of the Lord's great love we are not consumed, for his compassions never fail.

23 They are new every morning; great is your faithfulness.

1. We know we can depend on God's faithfulness in the trying times of life.

Ruth 1:1a (NIV)

1 In the days when the judges ruled,...

They were the times of famine...1:1-5

Ruth 1:1-2 (NIV)

1 In the days when the judges ruled, **there was a famine in the land**, and 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.

Bethlehem in Judah - Beth-lehem - means "house of bread," and Judah means "praise."

Moab – "Wash basin"...

Psalm 108:9-ERV

Moab will be the bowl for washing my feet...

Passion - Moab will become my lowly servant!

Elimelek - *el-ee-meh'-lek* – "my God is King" or "the King is my God"

Naomi - *to be agreeable: it means- enjoyable and pleasurable; pleasant, being sweet.*

Mahlon – *makh-lone'*-means-"sickly," "un-healthy"

Chilion – *kil-yone'*-means-"pining"- *physical and mental decline; a wasting disease.*

Orpah – "gazelle"- "deer"

Ruth – "friendship" – *beauty, personality.*

Ruth 1:6 (NIV)

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

2. We know that God wants to deliver us out of what we got ourselves into.

Psalm 34:19-CJB

19 The righteous person suffers many evils, but Adonai rescues him out of them all.

Ruth's clinging (1:14b,16), "But Ruth clung to her."

Proverbs 18:24-Passion

24 Some friendships don't last for long, but there is one loving friend who is joined to your heart closer than any other!

KJV - ...and there is a friend *that sticketh closer* than a brother.

sticketh closer - "joined together," "stick close," "to cleave," "to pursue," or "to overtake."

Ruth 1:16 (NIV)

16 But Ruth replied, *"Don't urge me to leave you or to turn back from you. Where you go I will go, and where you stay I will stay. Your people will be my people and your God my God."*

Deuteronomy 7:9 (NIV)

9 Know therefore that the LORD your God is God; he is the faithful God, keeping his covenant of love to a thousand generations of those who love him and keep his commands.

1 Corinthians 1:9 (NIV)

9 God, who has called you into fellowship with his Son Jesus Christ our Lord, is faithful.

1 Corinthians 10:13 (NIV)

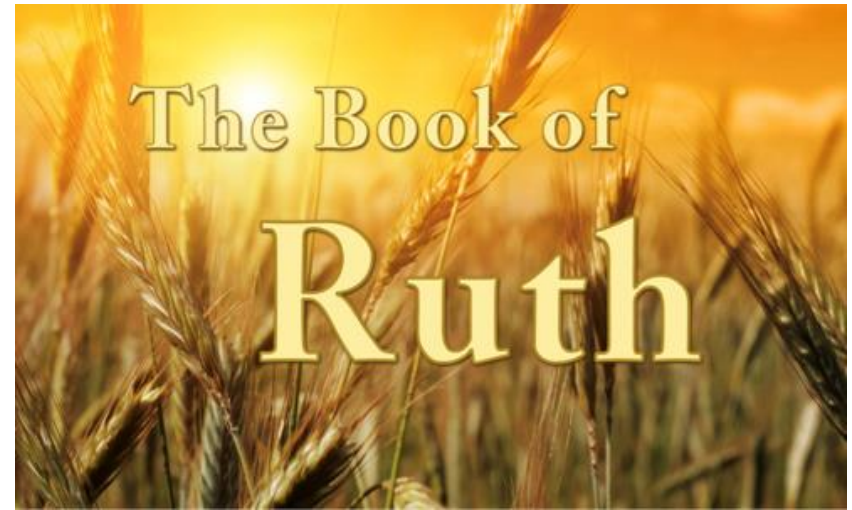
13 No temptation has seized you except what is common to man. And God is faithful; he will not let you be tempted beyond what you can bear. But when you are tempted, he will also provide a way out so that you can stand up under it.

2 Thessalonians 3:3 (NIV)

3 But the Lord is faithful, and he will strengthen and protect you from the evil one.

1 John 1:9 (NIV)

9 If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness.



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