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The Bible Was Written Primarily to Reveal God to the World.

John 5:39, You search the Scriptures, for in them you think you have eternal life; and these are they which testify of Me.

The Story of Ruth Takes Place During the Time When Judges Ruled Israel.

Five Lessons We Can Learn About God From the Book of Ruth:

1. The Mercy of God to Listen to <u>SINFUL MAN</u>.

Ruth 1:1, Now it came to pass, in the days when the judges ruled, that there was a famine in the land.

Judges 17:6; 21:25, In those days there was no king in Israel; everyone did what was right in his own eyes.

Judges 2:16, Nevertheless, the LORD raised up judges who delivered them out of the hand of those who plundered them.

2. Like God, Naomi Gives Orpah and Ruth an Opportunity to Make the Decision <u>FOR THEMSELVES</u>.

Ruth 1:8, And Naomi said to her two daughters-in-law, "Go, return each to her mother's house. The LORD deal kindly with you, as you have dealt with the dead and with me.

John 6:66, From that time many of his disciples went back, and

walked no more with him. Then said Jesus unto the twelve, Will ye also go away?

3. God Demands That We Leave All to FOLLOW HIM.

Ruth 1:16, "Entreat me not to leave you, or to turn back from following after you; for wherever you go, I will go; and wherever you lodge, I will lodge; your people shall be my people, and your God, my God. Where you die, I will die, and there will I be buried. The LORD do so to me, and more also, if anything but death parts you and me".

Matthew 16:24, Then Jesus said to His disciples, "If anyone desires to come after Me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross, and follow Me.

4. God Wants Us to Be Obedient to Him and to Those Who Are <u>OVER US</u>.

Ruth 3:5, And she said to her, "All that you say to me I will do."

1 Samuel 15:22, So Samuel said: "Has the LORD as great delight in burnt offerings and sacrifices, as in obeying the voice of the LORD? Behold, to obey is better than sacrifice, and to heed than the fat of rams.

5. God Is No Respecter of PERSONS.

Ruth 4:17, Also the neighbor women gave him a name, saying, "There is a son born to Naomi." And they called his name Obed. He is the father of Jesse, the father of David.

Isaiah 60:3, The Gentiles shall come to your light, and kings to the brightness of your rising.

Acts 10:34, Then Peter opened his mouth and said, "In truth I perceive that God shows no partiality. But in every nation whoever fears Him and works righteousness is accepted by Him.

Conclusion: Ruth Has Qualities That Attracted God to Her:

- Loyalty
- Commitment
- Love
- Hardworking

• Obedience

When You Have These Characteristics, You Attract God to Yourself.

James 4:8, Draw near to God and He will draw near to you.