



## **Getting More from the Message – Ruth 1:1-5**

### **Community Group Questions – Week of October 20<sup>th</sup>, 2023**

**Getting Started:** Read this week's passage out loud & pray the Holy Spirit will help you understand.

**Ice Breaker:** Moab seems to represent the pull of the world. What makes Moab look so attractive when things are tough in the Christian Life?

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- 1) Can you share a time when Moab attracted you and turned out to be a massive disappointment?  

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  - 2) Have you had a time or times in your life when God used sadness and/or emptiness to bring you back to Christ? If yes, are you willing to share with the group?  

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  - 3) Are there certain situations in life when you find it challenging to live what the Bible teaches us? Why is it important we pray for one another to return daily to Christ and resist the world's pull?  

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  - 4) How does our own suffering (past or current) help us care for others who are suffering?  

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  - 5) Do you think we need to be careful how we speak to others who are suffering? Please explain.  

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  - 6) Did anyone ever speak to you when you were suffering, thinking they were encouraging you, but it hurt more? Can you give an example of what they said?  

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  - 7) Can you give an example of how God used suffering in your life that you saw as helping you become a better person after a while?  

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  - 8) Have you ever had something in your life you knew God wanted to change? Maybe your conscience bothered you, yet the more you continued in it, the easier it was to do? What was that like?  

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  - 9) Was there anything you wanted to ask or say to the group this week?  

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  - 10) Was there anything specific you think God wanted you to take away or change from this passage?  

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  - 11) How can we pray for you in regard to what we studied this week? Other prayer requests are fine, but we are also looking for a specific prayer request for you in regard to this week's passage.  

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