

Decide a better destiny

Ruth 1:15-18

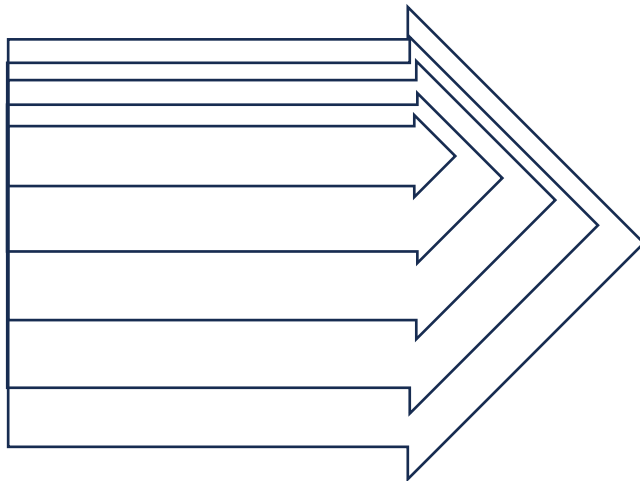
¹⁵ “Look,” said Naomi, “your sister-in-law has gone back to her people and her gods; follow her back home.”

¹⁶ But Ruth replied: “Do not urge me to leave you or to turn from following you. For wherever you go, I will go, and wherever you live, I will live; your people will be my people, and your God will be my God.

¹⁷ Where you die, I will die, and there I will be buried.

May the LORD punish me, and ever so severely, if anything but death separates you and me.”

¹⁸ When Naomi saw that Ruth was determined to go with her, she stopped trying to persuade her.



Galatians 6:7, We reap what we sow

My determines my destination

My god/God is at my 15

2 Corinthians 4:4, The god of this age has...

My god/God sets my 16

‘Come and see’ > ‘Follow Me’

My determine my direction

Choose for , more than for others 16

Luke 10:27, Love... as yourself

Choose for , more than for time, 17

2 Timothy 3:16, All Scripture is...

My determine my decisions

Proverbs 4:23, Matthew 12:34

My commitment to the viewpoint

My commitment above viewpoint

Isaiah 55:9, My ways are higher

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Thought starters for personal reflection or group discussion.

1. Ruth’s speech, in v 16-17, is sometimes used in weddings. What would be some other contexts where those words would be appropriate?
2. What do you think were Orpah’s reasons for going back to Moab?
3. What do you think was Ruth’s motivation, even though everyone else was against her?
4. What do you think was Naomi’s heart for sending the younger women back to Moab?
5. Both Naomi, v15, and Ruth, v16, emphasised the place of God in decision-making. How can we include God in our own decision-making?
6. Finally, Naomi stopped trying to persuade Ruth to turn back, v18. When do you start, and when do you stop, trying to persuade someone from their course of action?

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