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Making good decisions in tough times

Ruth 1:8-14

Plan, v6. Do, v7. Review, v8-14 (Continuous Improvement)

Good decisions are first attended by
...as they wept aloud. 9

Good decisions are the result of group
May the Lord... 8. May the Lord... 9
good counsel... wise advice. Proverbs 20:18
Naomi said... 8. They said... 10. Naomi replied... 11.
with many counsellors... Proverbs 15:22
Let us... Let us not... Let us... Hebrews 10:24-25

Good decisions are checked by reality
Why would you... Are there... 11.
Ask. Seek. Knock. Matthew 7:7-8, Luke 11:9-10

Good decisions are explorations of
Even if... 12. Would you... 13
The Lord gives... Proverbs 2:6-13

Good decisions are expressions of good
The hand of the Lord has gone out against me. 13
The sum of Your Word is truth. Psalm 119:160
Take notice of... and... Romans 11:22

Good decisions are sealed with definite
...wept aloud... goodbye... clung to... 14
Choose this day, either... or... As for me... Joshua 24:15
I know the plans... prosper... hope... future. Jeremiah 29:11
We know... Romans 8:28-30

My prayer priorities for this week

S 26 Aileen & George. Mission Focus

M 27 Ray & Helen

T 28 Geoff & Joy

W 29 Steve & Jenni

T 30 Oldies and shut-ins

F 31 Moses & Sharon, Elizabeth, Ruth, Joseph

S 1 Val A. Lorraine B.

S 2 Stuart & Kaye. Communion

Thought starters for personal reflection or group discussion.

1. Imagine you are planning to go on vacation. What are some steps you need take in order to make your vacation a success?
2. Naomi, Orpah, and Ruth, were planning a permanent international move, with zero help and zero dollars. What do you think were their priorities?
3. The three women had a plan, v6, that they were putting into practice, v7. Then Naomi called for a review of the plan, v8. Suggest three benefits of interrupting a functioning plan.
4. Also suggest three difficulties of interrupting a functioning plan. What are some strategies that move the interruption to more successful outcomes.
5. The women's Review Meeting resulted in one of them leaving the group, v14. Could that be described as a win:win outcome?
6. We Christians make our plans for our future. Is that a Godly thing to do? Jesus will soon return and interrupt our plans. Does that suggest we should not plan at all?

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