

## Freedom From Present Problems

Ruth 1,2

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Three common sentiments that come with problems:

- 1) **Woe** is me Lord! Verse 1-5
  - a. Sometimes trouble is **public** and you suffer with everyone else.
  - b. Sometimes trouble is **private** and you seem to suffer alone.
  
- 2) **Why** me Lord? Verse 6-18
  - a. We show a preference for **solitude** (verse 8,11)
  - b. We show a presence of **bitterness**
    - i. Doubting God's **plan** (verse 13)
    - ii. Doubting God's **goodness** (verse 20-21)
    - iii. Rejecting God's **comfort**; "Go Away"
    - iv. Giving bad **counsel** (verse 15)
  
- 1) **What now** Lord? Verse 19-22, Chapter 2
  - a. See how God is providing **comfort**; "people"
  - b. See how God is providing **hope** (verse 6, 22)
  - c. See how God is providing **help** (chapter 2, verse 1)
  - d. See how God is providing a **redeemer**;

19b "The name of the man I worked with today is Boaz," she said.

20 "The LORD bless him!" Naomi said to her daughter-in-law. "He has not stopped showing his kindness to the living and the dead." She added, "That man is our close relative; he is one of our kinsman-redeemers."

Life lessons:

- a) Trouble comes without **prejudice**.
- b) Trouble comes without **preview**.
- c) Trouble comes by **providence**.
- d) Trouble comes without **purpose**.