

## **The Book of Ruth: Set Up**

*Series:* Romance of Redemption

Ruth 1:1-5

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The first five verses of the book of Ruth reveal the bleak circumstances surrounding this beautiful story through which we see God's providence, love and grace on display.

**Why start off by mentioning this took place during the time of the judges?**

**Who were the Ephrathites?**

**Who were the Moabites?**

**Observations and Applications:**

1. God works through **O**\_\_\_\_\_ people.
2. We live in an age that is not much **D**\_\_\_\_\_ from the time of the judges.
3. Decisions of other people unavoidably **A**\_\_\_\_\_ you, sometimes adversely.
4. It is not unusual for God's people to have **D**\_\_\_\_\_ nights of the soul.
5. The point to it all is what happens **N**\_\_\_\_\_.