



Order of Worship 10 September 2023 Fifteenth Sunday of Ordinary Time

We Gather to Worship God

Welcome Worship in Song Call to Worship Baptism Worship in Song

We Listen to the Word

Prayer Sermon Series: The Bachlorette Sermon: "Episode 1 - Going Home"

We Come to the Table

Prayer of Confession and Consecration The Lord's Prayer We Eat and Drink Together We Celebrate the Eucharist in Song Prayer

We Go to Live in the Reign of God

Community Life Gossiping the Good Stuff Doxology Blessing and Sending

Words to music, responsive readings and The Lord's Prayer will be on the screen MIND 🚧 BODY 🚧 SOLE



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Doggy Bag-Some questions to chew on:



- 1. What part of this message resonated the most with you? What is one thing that you learned?
- 2. What are some dangers that come with doing what's "right in [our] own eyes? How can you practice looking to God for wisdom?
- 3. When have you been tempted to control your own situation without God? What was the outcome, and what did you learn?
- 4. Why do we often rationalize doing the wrong thing when we know the right thing?
- 5. How would you describe repentance? Why is repentance a crucial part of both initially turning to follow Jesus and continually in a life of faith?
- 6. Who in the story so far do you identify with in some way—Elimelek, who rationalized moving to Moab;
- 7. Naomi—who suffered great loss, decided to return to her roots and to God; Ruth—who didn't grow up with God, left things behind to follow God; Orpah—who saw no need to stay with Naomi and did what was best for herself? Why?



If you'd like to talk personally and confidentially w/Pastor Kris about your relationship with Christ, please email *pastorkris@tablelifechurch.org* or call 717-774-6444 to set up an appointment.

The Bachelorette "Episode #1- Going Home" Pastor Kris Beckert

What is your favorite TV show genre?

I. The Reality of the Book of Ruth:

- Who wrote it? traditionally by _____ but modern scholars question that because of mention of David
- When was it written? _____ BC but was part of oral tradition by storytellers before then
- Only book in the Bible to have two
 _____ in leading roles
- No _____ by God

Ruth 1:1-2 In the days when the judges ruled, there was a famine in the land. So a man from Bethlehem in Judah, together with his wife and two sons, went to live for a while in the country of Moab. ² The man's name was Elimelek, his wife's name was Naomi, and the names of his two sons were Mahlon and Kilion. They were Ephrathites from Bethlehem, Judah. And they went to Moab and lived there.

Judges 21:25 In those days Israel had no king; all the people did whatever seemed right in their own eyes.

II. The People in the of the Book of Ruth:

- Elimelech —
- Naomi —
- Mahlon
- Kilion •

III. The Move to _____:

- _____ mile journey from Bethlehem
- God had strictly forbidden his people from living in
- Moabites worshiped god Chemosh and sacrificed
- When times get tough, _____ looks tempting

Ruth 1:3-5 Now Elimelek, Naomi's husband, died, and she was left with her two sons. ⁴ They married Moabite women, one named Orpah and the other Ruth. After they had lived there about ten years, ⁵ both Mahlon and Kilion also died, and Naomi was left without her two sons and her husband.

IV. The Three :

1. Naomi decides to

Ruth 1:8-9 Then Naomi said to her two daughters-in-law, "Go back, each of you, to your mother's home. May the Lord show you kindness, as you have shown kindness to your dead husbands and to me. 9 May the Lord grant that each of you will find rest in the home of another husband."

2. Orpah decides to

Ruth 1:14 At this they wept aloud again. Then Orpah kissed her mother-in-law goodbye, but Ruth clung to her.

3. Ruth decides to

Ruth 1:16-18 But Ruth replied, "Don't urge me to leave you or to turn back from you. Where you go I will go, and where you stay I will stay. Your people will be my people and your God my God. ¹⁷ Where you die I will die, and there I will be buried. May the Lord deal with me, be it ever so severely, if even death separates you and me." ¹⁸ When Naomi realized that Ruth was determined to go with her, she stopped urging her.

V. The Reality of _____

- 1. We repent when _____
- 2. We repent when _____
- 3. We repent when

Ruth 1:22 So Naomi returned from Moab accompanied by Ruth the Moabite, her daughter-in-law, arriving in Bethlehem as the barley harvest was beginning.

Big Idea: