

**The God Who Can Turn Nothing into Something...**  
**...is the God Who Can Turn Nobody into Somebody (Ruth 1:1–22)**

**MY STORY, YOUR STORY AND THE STORY OF RUTH**

Chapter One, Early Childhood & Grade School

Chapter Two, Middle School & High School

Chapter Three, Post High School

Chapter Four, A Season of Equipping

Chapter Five, The Pastorate

Chapter Six, Tragedy Strikes

Chapter Seven, Tragedy Strikes Again

**PERSONAL APPLICATION:**

- Know the promises of God and **BELIEVE!**
- When hard things happen, we don't lie down as victims, we rise up as **CONQUERORS** through the power of Christ in us. (*Rom. 8:37*)

Like any good movie, **the opening scene frames the story and prepares us for what is about to unfold. Ruth Chapter 1** gives us four scenes.

**Scene One** is the big **PICTURE**.

**Scene Two**, the **CAMERA** moves away from the chaos of a divided nation to the sorrow of one woman and her family:

In those days, a woman with no husband and no sons had no security, no protection, and no obvious **FUTURE**.

**Scene Three**, brings **RUTH** into focus:

**Ruth is a Moabite, not an Israelite**; yet we see that God's faithfulness often shines through the most **UNLIKELY** people.

**Scene Four**, it's **HARVEST** time! "They came to Bethlehem at the beginning of the barley harvest." (*Ruth 1:22*)

Ruth reminds us that there is always **HOPE** when God is still at work.

Our God can turn nothing into something and anybody into **SOMEBODY**.