GIVING & RECEIVING

Ruth 1:1-5, Judges 21:25, Ruth 1:6-13

While we would recognize the deep despair that Naomi rightly would be suffering, it's a different thing – maybe even razor thin – to think that God is <u>opposed</u> to you versus Him <u>allowing</u> tragedy into your life.



Three responses to loss from three different women:

-loss that leads you <u>away</u> from God, not towards Him.



-loss that leaves you bitter, questioning God' faithfulness.

-loss that leads you to embrace God as your refuge and strength.

Ruth 1:19-21





We cannot evaluate God's faithfulness or lack thereof based solely upon our <u>circumstances</u> because they change constantly.

Ruth 1:22

