

REAL BIBLE HEROES

Ruth

Part 1: Counting the Costs

Do you give the best to others or give them your second choice? It is hard to lend someone your new pencil rather than your used pencil. In "Ruth, Part 1", we learn from Ruth's big heart and willingness to go the extra mile, forsaking everything else.

(A) MATERIAL:

Read Ruth 1:1-16

Talk it Out

- Ruth had a choice to either follow Naomi, or go back to where she came from. Either way, she would have to give up something in order to gain something else. From what we know, when Ruth decided to follow Naomi, she was doing God's will.
- Just like Ruth, we all have a choice. We can either choose to follow the World and give up all the blessings which God has meant for us, or follow God and forsake all the World has to offer (which may include unhealthy friendships, temptations, excessive gaming, cigarettes, drugs, etc). Would you choose God, or choose the World?
- In the path that you have chosen, what are some things that you have to sacrifice for God? What are some of the actions that you have to do in school?

(B) MISSION:

God has always called us to be a blessing to others. Most times, being a blessing to someone requires us to give up something of ours in turn! **Next week**, why not you **sacrifice something of yours to bless someone else**? (It could be in the form of a packed lunch, money, or even time to hear someone out!) Let them know that you gave something to them because God first gave His best to us!

(C) PRAYER:

Dear Lord, please teach us to know what must be given up in order to follow you fully. Help us to let go of things that are holding us back, and to even be a blessing to the people around us. In Jesus' name, Amen!