

**The Book of *Ruth***

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**The Ties That Bind**

**Crisis on the Road to Bethlehem**

**The Dark Night of the Soul**

**Reflection**

Three classes in the course, how would you now compare (and contrast) Naomi and Job?

What would a childless widow like Naomi's future prospects be in a patriarchal culture compared to her prospects in the contemporary United States?

How does this underscore the problem of viewing the Bible through American eyes instead of through the lens of the ancient near east patriarchal culture?

How does Naomi's honesty invite you to be honest with God about your grief, doubts, and anger?