

## **Blessing: Food in Judah**

### **Ruth 1:6-14**

#### **I. HOPE: "return to the land of Judah" (vv.6-9)**

##### **A. Food:** "the LORD had visited his people" (vv.6-7)

1. Truth: "she arose...that she might return"
2. Travel: "she departed...went on the way"

##### **B. Favor:** "Go, return..." (vv.8-9)

1. Depart: "Go, return...to...mother's house"
2. Depend: "May the LORD deal kindly"
3. Despair: "she kissed them...they...wept"

#### **II. HELP: "Orpah kissed...Ruth clung" (vv.10-14)**

##### **A. Pledge:** "we will surely return with you" (v.10)

##### **B. Plea:** "Return...Go" (vv.11-13)

1. Dead-end: "Have I yet sons in my womb?"
2. Delay: "would you therefore wait?"
3. Distress: "it is harder for me than for you"

##### **C. Parting:** "lifted up their voices...wept" (v.14)

1. Farewell: "Orpah kissed her"
2. Fidelity: "Ruth clung to her"

*Next Week: "Pledge: Return to Bethlehem"*

*Read: Ruth 1:15-22*