

When We Go Away Full and Come Back Empty

Ruth 1*
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What to Do When Our Dreams Are Dashed

1. Consider that in our pain God _____ us for service.

^{ESV} **Ruth 1:22a:** So Naomi returned, and Ruth the Moabite her daughter-in-law with her, who returned from the country of Moab.

2. Call to mind the coming _____.

^{ESV} **Ruth 1:22b:** And they came to Bethlehem at the beginning of barley harvest.

^{HUB} **Ruth 1:22b:** *Now it happened that* they reached Bethlehem at the beginning of the barley harvest.

A Story About Glory

^{ESV} **Habakkuk 2:14:** For the earth will be *filled with the knowledge of the glory* of the LORD as the waters cover the sea.

^{ESV} **Numbers 14:21:** But truly, as I live, and as *all the earth shall be filled with the glory* of the LORD,

^{ESV} **Isaiah 11:9:** They shall not hurt or destroy in all my holy mountain; for the earth shall be full of the knowledge of the LORD as the waters cover the sea.

^{ESV} **Colossians 1:27:** To them God chose to make known how great among the Gentiles are the riches of the glory of this mystery, which is Christ in you, *the hope of glory*.

^{ESV} **Romans 8:17:** and *if children, then heirs*-heirs of God and fellow heirs with Christ, provided we suffer with him *in order that we may also be glorified with him*.

3. Commit to the one who _____ himself.

^{NAS} **Philippians 2:5-7:** Have this attitude in yourselves which was also in Christ Jesus, ⁶ who, although He existed in the form of God, did not regard equality with God a thing to be grasped, ⁷ *but emptied Himself*, taking the form of a bond-servant, *and* being made in the likeness of men

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