

## I. A Disastrous \_\_\_\_\_

In the days when the judges ruled there was a famine in the land (v. 1a)

# II. A Derelict \_\_\_\_\_

and a man of Bethlehem in Judah went to sojourn in the country of Moab, he and his wife and his two sons. (v. 1b)

## III. A Dying

Elimelech, the husband of Naomi, died... and both Mahlon and Chilion died, so that the woman was left without her two sons and her husband. (vs. 3-5)

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**IV. A Dissuaded** \_\_\_\_\_\_ "See, your sister-in-law has gone back to her people and to her gods; return after your sister-in-law." (v. 15)

## V. A Distorted \_\_\_\_\_

"Do not call me Naomi; call me Mara, for the Almighty has dealt very bitterly with me. I went away full, and the LORD has brought me back empty. Why call me Naomi, when the LORD has testified against me and the Almighty has brought calamity upon me?" (vs. 20-21)

### Truths We Learn About God:

#### 1. God is

"Can you find out the deep things of God? Can you find out the limit of the Almighty?" Job 11:7

#### 2. God is

"The LORD, the LORD, a God merciful and gracious, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love and faithfulness, keeping steadfast love for thousands, forgiving iniguity and transgression and sin, but who will by no means clear the guilty." Exodus 34:6-7

Last Thought:	Our	sovereign	God	orchestrates
breathtaking			out	of seemingly
catastrophic		Thi	is den	nonstrates we
can	_ Him, regardless of the tragedy.			