

Quality... Decisions! (How to make quality decisions in life.)

Quality: An essential characteristic of excellence, high grade, superiority, a personality, or character trait.

Quality decisions is the key to being resolute in your new year's resolutions!

Resolution: A opinion or intention made

Revolution: Overthrow and or replacement, a sudden complete or marked change

Resolute: Firmly resolved or determined action

Not new year's resolutions! Who will we be in 2023? it's up to us!

Quality Decisions are: 1. Based on the Word, 2. Allow no argument, 3. Permit no retreat.

Ruth: Time of Joshua, Salmon married Rahab and had Boaz, Obed, Jessy, David, The Messiah would come from the tribe of Judah but they did not know which family! Rahab was Ruth's second Mother n law.

A. Vs. 1 *Don't leave the place God put you (your assignment is geographical) because of circumstances in the natural (People or things)* Famine in the land

B. Vs. 2 *(What are you calling for?)* Names, of sons meant sick and pining.

C. Vs. 6-7 *Don't wait for tragedy to turn you around!*

D. Vs 8-15 *Temptation for a "comfort zone",* familiar even if wrong or painful a comfort zone is not always about what is comfortable but what is familiar to your senses and emotions, even if it is harmful!

E. vs 13 *Accusing God for hardship* – you will be tempted to do this!

F. vs 16-17 *Humility produces The vows to God:* Vows are not DEALS!

Ruth's (name means beauty) (Inward beauty is more valuable!) **vow- 7 fold**

Eternal consecration one of the most complete and perfect to God ever known, and it won her the lineage of Christ!

1. Not leaving (commitment, dying to self)

2. Following well (faith, honor)

3. Abiding (faithfulness, integrity)

4. One Family (unity, servanthood)

5. One God (submission, faith)

6. All in even in death (consecration, trust)

7. finishing strong (Diligence, Excellence)

G. Vs 20 *Wants others to sympathize with her and question God!* (Misery loves company)

vs 19, bitterness shows!

Naomi (pleasant one) wants a new name, Mara (bitter)

Naomi accused God 2x's w/ 5 unfounded things!

God did this to me, He had dealt wrongly with me, I stole from me, He accuses me,

He punishes me! **All untruths about God!**

Chp. 2:1 **Kinsman:** next of kin to buy back their relative's property and marry their widow.

They would redeem and take vengeance if needed, for a slain relative.

If he refused the property, he was under no obligation to marry the widow.

Jesus is our kinsman redeemer: He is our brother who bought us back and all the property with us! Salvation: Preserved from destruction, nothing lacking!

H. 2:2 *Looks for a place of service* Let me work/serve you,

I. 2:7 *Your work ethic is your character,* it is visible and therefore measurable, it was by the other workers and later by Boaz.

J. 2:10 *Humility is our protection from deception.*

K. 2:11 *Your love or lack thereof can be seen and felt.* He was shown her love (action) for Naomi, her people, and her God. Her actions proved her love.

L. 2:12 (*God speaks His blessing over us in His word, trust is rewarded*)

M. 2:8-12 *Protection & refreshment in the right place. (Your assignment)*

N. 2:13 (*Honor grants you the right to ask*) she asks for grace and favor

O. 2:14 *Provision is at your place of assignment*

He invited her to eat and he fed her by his own hand, this is a picture of Jesus to us.

P. 2:15 *One day of favor is worth a thousand days of labor* Boaz had his men drop extra for her

Q. 2:18 *She gave of her blessing* to Naomi and it was counted to her as honor

R. 2: 21 *The instruction your follow changes the outcome of your life!*

S. 2:22 *Stay with your own company* for safety, grace, favor, don't be **AWOL!**

Your associations matter!

T. Chp. 3:1-2 *God's blueprints/plans and His timing not yours!*

U. 3:3 *Prepare properly/follow protocol*, the calling, the preparation, the separation

V. 3:5 *Submission is the secret weapon*, all in, full obedience

Boaz was guarding the harvest, he was where he was supposed to be!

Boaz a man of moral character was startled by her!

Boaz says she has shown honor by not choosing her own path, will, way, feelings

X. 3:16 *Calling those things that be not, the end from the beginning! Say it!*

Y. 3: 18 *Be still and know that He is God, Patience* for her redemption, her deliverer

Z. 4:7 *Now the right to possess!* (Removing and giving the shoe)

Joshua 1:3, the sole of your foot!

Obed means serving, Ruth named her son what she wanted him to become as her service in humility had gained her honors reward!

Ruth to Naomi, Naomi to Ruth, Boaz to both, Rutha and Boaz and Obed back to Naomi and God's plan moves forward, the circle of life (not death)

Will you make quality decisions this year?

Will you make your vows and pay your vows to God?

A - Z gets you your Destiny! Just like Ruth!

What to do and what not to do!

Take time this week to ask the H.S. during your morning devotions

what vows He wants you to make?

He will give the Grace and you will bring the faith! Partnership!