

RESOLUTE

Dec 17, 2017

I. Ruth 1:1-18

A. **Resolute** - Marked by firm determination: resolved; bold, steady

B. **V7** - Went out from where she was.

1. Two questions I believe God wants us to answer in 2018:

a) What do You (God) want me to want?

b) What do You (God) want me to stop?

2. **“On the way”** - Road, course of life, mode of action

a) Direction not Intention determines your destination

(1) **John 14:6** Jesus said to him, "I am *the way*, the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through Me.

b) If you don't change your course of life you will never change the destination of your life.

C. **V8-9 - Along the way - Voice saying to go back**

1. **Return** - *shuwb* - To turn back, retreat; back to the point of departure.

a) The desire for change has to be greater than the difficulty of change.

D. **V10** - “Surely **WE** will return with you...” Both said they would return.

E. **V11-13 - Rational discouragement**

1. **Turn back** - *shuwb* - Return, retreat; back to the point of departure

a) “*To go somewhere else you have to leave where you are.*”

b) “*To step into your destiny you may have to step away from your security*”

F. **V14 - Same feelings, different response**

1. Orpah kissed, Ruth clung

2. **Clung** - *dabaq* - To cling, stick to or adhere (noun form for glue); hold tightly or tenaciously

a) **Gen 2:24** Therefore a man shall leave his father and mother and ***be joined*** (*cleave*) to his wife, and they shall become one flesh.

