THE LIFE You Didn't Expect

Unexpected Bitterness: Naomi
Ruth 1:19-21

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Introduction:

- Hello, My Name is Scott
- Naomi's name means _____ one, Mara means _____
- Ruth 1:19-21

Naomi teaches us . . .

I. Bitterness Can Distort Your View of _____, vv. 20b-21

- Ruth 1:20b-21
- What's wrong with Moab?
- Moab's god is _____
- Living in two (2) realities
  - "In this world you will have trouble" John 16:33
  - "In me you may have peace" John 16:33
- Getting to the Jesus reality
  1. Say Something to God through _____
  2. Read Something about God from His _____
  3. Do Something for God by serving in the _____

II. Bitterness Contributes to Missed _____, vv. 6-7

- Ruth 1:6-7
- Ruth 1:8-10
- Ruth 1:16-17
- When living with pain, don't miss the opportunity to . . .
  1. Deal with Your _____
  2. Become More Like _____ – James 1:2-4
  3. Help _____ – 2 Corinthians 1:4

III. Bitterness Isn't the End of the _____, 4:16-17

- Ruth 4:16-17
- Judges 21:25
- Ruth 1:1

Conclusion:

- Victory Highlights