

Sunday School Lesson

SUNDAY, JULY 16, 1950
RUTH, A SYMBOL OF FAMILY LOYALTY
 Golden Text—Ruth said, Entreat me not to leave thee, and to return from following after thee; for whither thou goest, I will go; and where thou lodgest, I will lodge; thy people shall be my people, and thy God my God. Ruth 1:16.
 Lesson Text—Ruth 1:8, 14-22.
 EXPOSITION.—1. Ruth's Test: 1.

Ruth, the heroine of this lovely Old Testament story, and one of the most beautiful among the women-characters of the Bible, was a Moabitess by birth (ch. 2:8). The Moabites were not only heathen, but under an especial ban (Deut. 23:3). Yet Ruth was exalted by God, through faith, to become the ancestress of our Lord (Matt. 1:1, 5:6). The purpose of this story in the history of ancient Israel is to show how God even in the Old Dispensation was no respecter of persons (Ac. 10:34, 35). It serves too, as a fine example of how humanity can overlap national and racial barriers and become one in mind and spirit under one common Lord. The story belongs to the time of the Judges (v. 1), and from it we get a more pleasant view of the conditions of existence in that period in which Israel was ruled by judges, than we do from the book in Holy Scripture, which bears their name. That record presents to us the warrior side of the times; Ruth, the pastoral side, and a sweet and distinctly human side it is.

When the three women reach the dividing line between Moab and Judah, Naomi three times urges her daughter-in-law to return to their homes (vs. 8, 11, 12), not that she did not desire motives—she sought their gain. There seemed to be absolutely nothing tending to their personal advantage by going with her farther (v. 12), and Orpah reluctantly bids her farewell. But Ruth clave unto her (v. 16). The incident serves strongly to illustrate that point in human experience, when men and women

are called upon to decide whether to turn their backs on Him and go back to the pull of human ties and the friendships of the world. Large to leave home and friends and everything hitherto held dear, to go on, and forward, with Christ, or numbers of Christian believers have been called upon to face this crisis, and while some have failed, many thousands have remained steadfast so, that it could be said of them: "They clave to Christ." Ruth's loving attitude, which left all to go with Naomi, illustrates what our attitude toward the Lord Jesus should be (Matt. 10:37; Luke 14:33). From a worldly standpoint, Orpah seemed to make the wiser

choice, but, in the outcome, Ruth gained the most, became the mother of a long line of kings, an ancestress of the Christ, and one of the most honored women in all history. When we become Christian we may be called upon to suffer infinitely more than we lose (Phil. 3:8; Rom. 8:28). Orpah went back reluctantly, perhaps, but back she left her mother-in-law, but she did not enter it. Naomi would not have Ruth go with her, nor will Christ have us go with Him, without fully counting the cost (vs. 9, 11, 15; Luke 14:25-33). Ruth's answer to Naomi is one of the most beautiful that ever fell from human lips (vs. 16, 17). It shows that pure love existed in these rude days, and

illustrates powerfully what our attitude should be to Him whom we love supremely. Ruth meant every word of her beautiful utterance, and lived up to it. Do we, when we say it to Jesus? Probably it was love of any human being will draw away from Jesus one who really loves Him (2 Cor. 5:14, 15; Rom. 8:37). Orpah was "not far from the kingdom" Mk. 12:34), but she did not enter it. Naomi would not have Ruth go with her, nor will Christ have us go with Him, without fully counting the cost (vs. 9, 11, 15; Luke 14:25-33). Ruth's answer to Naomi is one of the most beautiful that ever fell from human lips (vs. 16, 17). It shows that pure love existed in these rude days, and

we also rise with Him (Eph. 2:6; Col. 3:1). Ruth would think of nothing as separating Naomi and herself but death, but even death will not separate us from Christ (Rom. 8:38, 39; 2 Cor. 5:8; Phil. 1:23). Naomi saw the wholeheartedness of Ruth's love and accepted it, and said no more about her going back. And so the two women came to Bethlehem, "the house of bread," a good place for hungry wanderers to come. We will find our Father's house a house of bread too, when we come out of Moab, the far country (Luke 15:17-24). Naomi was welcome home—the one who has been in Moab always is—and there was a great

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Colour Blindness

The common type of colour blindness is usually hereditary and affects males almost exclusively, but is transmitted by females. If a colour blind man marries a normal woman, none of the children will be colour blind. The daughters nevertheless, but not the sons, may, when they marry, transmit the affliction to their sons but not to their daughters. However, the daughters, however, can in turn, transmit it although not colour blind themselves.



All colours may be produced from three, namely red, green, and violet. Three lanterns, one emitting red, one emitting green, and the third violet, would enable us to produce white or any other colour we chose by blending one, two or all three upon a screen.

There are three types of specialized nerve endings in the eye which are affected by colour. One kind of ending is stimulated by red rays, one by green, and the third by violet rays. The colour yellow is due to equal stimulation of red and green and very few violet receptors and in fact every colour may be seen by stimulation of different combinations of receptors.

Very rarely an individual is totally colour blind and this is due to a disorder of all three types of receptors. The person only sees tones of gray. In the common type of colour blindness, not all receptors are affected and usually the subject is blind to red and green, seeing only yellows and blues and blends of these two colours. Such red-green blind individuals see red, orange and green as various tones of yellow, green-blue as bluish gray and purple as blue.

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