

**Key Scripture:** 

2 Timothy 1:8 NKJV

Therefore do not be ashamed of the testimony of our Lord

#### Ready to leave a bad place.

Ruth 1:6-7 NLT

6 <u>Then Naomi heard in Moab that the Lord had blessed His people in Judah</u> by giving them good crops again. So <u>Naomi and her daughters-in-law got ready to leave</u> Moab to return to her homeland. 7 With her two daughters-in-law she set out from the place where she had been living, and they took the road that would lead them back to Judah.

#### Hearing A Good **Testimony** can...

- ✓ Get you ready to leave a life of famine.
- ✓ Get you ready to leave a life of emptiness and loss of identity.
- ✓ Get you ready to leave a life of feeling alone.

What did it take to get you ready to leave your old way of living?

What is your testimony?	What	is v	our	testim	onv?
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Psalm 107:2 NLT	

I was - but now I'm .

Has the Lord redeemed you? Then speak out!
Tell others He has redeemed you from your enemies.

An encounter with God today...will be your testimony for others tomorrow.

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# My Testimony

#### **Speaks of Redemption**

## **Get Ready for Redemption**

#### 1. Welcome people back with excitement.

Ruth 1:19 CEV

They reached Bethlehem, and <u>the whole town was excited to see them</u>.

The women who lived there asked, "Can this really be Naomi?"

## 2. Remind others of the redemptive power of **Christ**.

Ruth 1:21b CEV

21b "How can you still call me Naomi,

when God has turned against me and made my life so hard?"

# 3. Make friends and allow them to be part of your life.

Romans 12:16 CEV

**Be** <u>friendly</u> with everyone. Don't be proud and feel that you are smarter than others.

<u>Make friends</u> with ordinary people.

Ruth 1:16 NCV

But Ruth said, "Don't beg me to leave you or to stop following you.

Where you go, I will go. Where you live, I will live. Your people will be my people, and your God will be my God.

## 4. Help others go to work to gather the harvest.

Ruth 2:2-3 TEV

2 One day Ruth said to Naomi, "Let me go to the fields to gather the grain that the harvest workers leave. I am sure to find someone who will let me work with him."

Naomi answered, "Go ahead, daughter."

3 So <u>Ruth went out to the fields and walked behind the workers,</u> picking up the heads of grain which they left.

## God knows your story...And still wants to redeem you!

Ruth 2:10-11 CJB

10 She fell on her face, prostrating herself, and said to him, "Why are you showing me such favor? Why are you paying attention to me? After all, I'm only a foreigner."

11 Bo'az answered her, "I've heard the whole story, everything you've done...

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