

## Reference Scriptures

Ruth 1:16-17 <sup>16</sup> But Ruth replied, “Don’t urge me to leave you or to turn back from you. Where you go I will go, and where you stay I will stay. Your people will be my people and your God my God. <sup>17</sup> Where you die I will die, and there I will be buried. May the Lord deal with me, be it ever so severely, if even death separates you and me.”

John 16:33 “... In this world you will have trouble...”

Matt 24:12 “Because of the increase of wickedness, the love of most will grow cold,”

Ecclesiastes 7:2 “... death is the destiny of everyone...”

Num 23:19 God is not human, that he should lie, not a human being, that he should change his mind. Does he speak and then not act? Does he promise and not fulfill?

Ps 145:18 The Lord is near to all who call on him, to all who call on him in truth.

Hebrews 13:5 "Never will I leave you; never will I forsake you."

John 5:24 I tell you the truth, whoever hears my word and believes him who sent me has eternal life and will not be condemned; he has crossed over from death to life.

Ps 23:4 Even though I walk through the darkest valley, I will fear no evil, for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me.

Prov 3:5-6 Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways submit to him, and he will make your paths straight.

## Unshakeable – Fred Hennes

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### #671 “Promises” (Ruth 1)

#### What Promises Can Do:

1. Promises leave a \_\_\_\_\_ impression.
2. Promises may conceal \_\_\_\_\_ intentions.
3. Promises unkept may cause \_\_\_\_\_ disappointment.
4. Promises made by a promise \_\_\_\_\_ bring hope.

#### A Promise Requires:

1. Pure \_\_\_\_\_
2. Clear \_\_\_\_\_
3. Unrestricted \_\_\_\_\_
4. Focused \_\_\_\_\_

When trouble comes: (1) You can \_\_\_\_\_ it.

When trouble comes: (2) You can \_\_\_\_\_ it.

When trouble comes: (3) You can \_\_\_\_\_ it.

Faith activates God’s \_\_\_\_\_.

## Life Group Ice Breaker

1. What is a favorite candy bar that your mother enjoyed?

## Discussion Questions

2. Regarding this sermon, is there any truth that stands out as being particularly helpful, insightful or difficult to grasp?
3. Have the most memorable promises made to you been more beneficial or more harmful? Explain.
4. What promise(s) of God mean the most to you?
5. What trouble is present in your life? Which best describes your reaction to it: (a) you are enduring it, (b) you are escaping it, or (c) you are embracing it? Explain.

## Application Questions & Prayer

6. How could you become a better promise keeper?
7. What promises would be appropriate for you to make to God, to yourself, to the ones you love?
8. Pray as the Holy Spirit leads you in follow up to all you discussed in your group.