

# *Oasis Sunday School*

## **LEARNING CONTENTMENT CHAPTER 10**

PHIL. 4:11-13 NOT THAT I SPEAK FROM WANT, FOR I HAVE LEARNED TO BE CONTENT IN WHATEVER CIRCUMSTANCES I AM. I KNOW HOW TO GET ALONG WITH HUMBLE MEANS, AND I ALSO KNOW HOW TO LIVE IN PROSPERITY IN ANY AND EVERY CIRCUMSTANCE I HAVE LEARNED **THE SECRET** OF BEING FILLED AND GOING HUNGRY, BOTH OF HAVING ABUNDANCE AND SUFFERING NEED. **I CAN DO ALL THINGS THROUGH HIM WHO STRENGTHENS ME.**

JUDGES 21:25 IN THOSE DAYS THERE WAS NO KING IN ISRAEL; EVERYONE DID WHAT WAS RIGHT IN HIS OWN EYES.

### **BEING CONTENT DOESN'T MEAN WE DO NOT GRIEVE.**

### **GRIEVING DOESN'T MEAN WE ARE NOT CONTENT.**

ISAIAH 53:3 A MAN OF SORROWS AND ACQUAINTED WITH GRIEF.

HEB. 4:15 FOR WE DO NOT HAVE A HIGH PRIEST WHO CANNOT SYMPATHIZE WITH OUR WEAKNESSES, BUT ONE WHO HAS BEEN TEMPTED IN ALL THINGS AS WE ARE, YET WITHOUT SIN.

JOHN 14:1-3 DO NOT LET YOUR HEART BE TROUBLED, BELIEVE IN GOD, BELIEVE ALSO IN ME. IN MY FATHER'S HOUSE ARE MANY DWELLING PLACES; IF IT WERE NOT SO, I WOULD HAVE TOLD YOU; FOR I GO TO PREPARE A PLACE FOR YOU. IF I GO AND PREPARE A PLACE FOR YOU, I WILL COME AGAIN AND RECEIVE YOU TO MYSELF, THAT WHERE I AM, THERE YOU MAY BE ALSO.

#### **STORY OF A JEWISH FAMILY:**

- THE HUSBAND-ELIMELECH- MEANS GOD IS MY \_\_\_\_\_
- THE WIFE- NAOMI- MEANS \_\_\_\_\_
- SON 1- MAHLON – MEANS \_\_\_\_\_
- SON 2-CHILION- MEANS \_\_\_\_\_
- 2 SON'S WIVES NAMED ORPAH AND RUTH – WERE FROM \_\_\_\_\_

RUTH 1:6-8 THEN NAOMI AROSE WITH HER DAUGHTERS IN LAW THAT SHE MIGHT RETURN FROM THE LAND OF MOAB, FOR SHE HAD HEARD IN THE LAND OF MOAB THAT **THE LORD (YAHWEH) HAD VISITED HIS PEOPLE IN GIVING THEM FOOD.** SO SHE DEPARTED FROM THE PLACE WHERE SHE WAS, AND HER TWO DAUGHTERS IN LAW WITH HER; AND THEY WENT ON THE WAY TO RETURN TO THE LAND OF JUDAH.

#### **FACING LIFE AFTER TRAGEDY:**

- WE CAN BE CONTENT IF WE KNOW THE \_\_\_\_\_ OF THE STORY

- \_\_\_\_\_ IS BREAKING THROUGH INTO THE STORY OF THEIR LIVES
- HE IS CREATING A \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_ IS CRITICAL TO CONTENTMNET

RUTH 1:14 AND THEY LIFTED UP THEIR VOICES AND WEPT AGAIN; AND ORPAH KISSED HER MOTHER IN LAW, BUT RUTH CLUNG TO HER.

WEEP WITH THOSE WHO WEEP ROMANS 12:15

**A LAMENT:**

- IS A PRAYER THAT IS BRUTALLY \_\_\_\_\_ WITH GOD
- IT GRIEVES AT THE GAP BETWEEN REALITY AND GOD'S \_\_\_\_\_
- GODLY LAMENTING DOESN'T DRIFT INTO CYNICISM OR \_\_\_\_\_
- ENGAGES GOD PASSIONATELY WITH WHAT IS \_\_\_\_\_
- IS JUST A PRAYER THAT IS A PLEA FOR \_\_\_\_\_

RUTH 1:13 "FOR IT IS HARDER FOR ME THAN FOR YOU, FOR THE HAND OF THE LORD HAS GONE FORTH AGAINST ME."

V. 19 SO THEY BOTH WENT UNTIL THEY CAME TO BETHLEHEM, AND WHEN THEY HAD COME TO BETHLEHEM, ALL THE CITY WAS STIRRED BECAUSE OF THEM, AND THE WOMEN SAID, "IS THIS NAOMI?"

V. 20 SHE SAID TO THEM, "DO NOT CALL ME NAOMI, CALL ME MARA (BITTER), FOR THE ALMIGHTY HAS DEALT VERY BITTERLY WITH ME.

V. 21 I WENT OUT FULL, BUT THE LORD HAS BROUGHT ME BACK EMPTY. WHY DO YOU CALL ME NAOMI, SINCE THE LORD HAS WITNESSED AGAINST ME AND THE ALMIGHTY HAS AFFLICTED ME?"

NAOMI USES 2 WORD PICTURES:

1. A CLAY \_\_\_\_\_
2. A LAW \_\_\_\_\_

**THINGS TO SEE FROM NAOMI:**

- SHE IS BEING \_\_\_\_\_ AND REAL WITH GOD
- HER \_\_\_\_\_ IN GOD DRIVES HER FRUSTRATION WITH GOD

**OPTIONS WHEN WE SUFFER:**

- \_\_\_\_\_ IN GOD
- DRIFT INTO \_\_\_\_\_
- BECOME \_\_\_\_\_

**GRIEF:**

- CAN BE \_\_\_\_\_
- DWELLING THERE IS THE BREEDING GROUND FOR \_\_\_\_\_

**HOW WE CAN PREVENT BECOMING BITTER IN OUR GRIEF:**

- SPEAK TO \_\_\_\_\_ AND NOT TO \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_

**BITTERNESS OPENLY EXPRESSED TO GOD + OBEDIENCE = A RAW PURE FORM OF FAITH**

**BITTERNESS OPENLY EXPRESSED TO ALL + DISOBEDIENCE = REBELLION**