



Sermon Series: "Story"

Series Description: As we set out to examine the theme of 'story' over these twelve weeks, we'll be zooming in on twelve well-known Old Testament characters. In these real life, historical stories, we will see the way God takes lives filled with small successes and great failures and, as a master craftsman, turns them into a grand masterpiece of divine origin. We will also see that all of our stories and all the stories that make up our city are no less a part of God's story than any other.

Story of the Week: Naomi from Ruth 1-4

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

Sermon Summary: Naomi, along with her family, sought to take an easier way out of their troubles than remaining in them while trusting in God's salvation. Before she knew it, Naomi was surrounded by hardship and despair...which was not the outcome she had planned. Her sin and shortsightedness had brought her to a dark place.

Nevertheless, she soon experienced the lovingkindness of God through His provision and faithfulness. While she had run away from God, God had not run away from her. In the end, holding her grandson in her arms, this prodigal daughter was made whole again by the love and compassion of God.

- 1) How do you personally identify with Naomi's story and/or the sermon?
- 2) How might regret of past sin affect our relationship with God? How has regret affected YOUR relationship with God?
- 3) How do we go from seeing our story as a disaster to seeing it fitting into the story of God's glory? Share an example.
- 4) While in a place of regret or sin, what is it about Jesus that draws you back to Him?

All Church Announcements

- **YOUR STORY:** A way to share how God has worked in supernatural ways to redeem your story is through our online story page! You can submit a written or recorded story. You can even interact with our virtual story wall. It's at resonatemovement.org/story
- **BAPTISMS:** I hope you were encouraged by the baptisms last week! Each story is a miracle about a life transformed by God. If you would like to learn more about baptisms, we have an online class you can watch, and prayerfully consider taking your next step in following Jesus in baptism: resonatemovement.org/classes
- **WOMEN'S CONFERENCE:** Resonate will be hosting its first-ever Women's Conference. For more information and registration, go to: resonatemovement.org/unleashed. If you are a man and want to help serve, [CLICK HERE](#).