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I. Ruth’s Testimony
   A. God had plan and purpose
   B. Raised in Christian home
   C. Joined Marines and married a Jew
   D. 1952 – Converted to Judaism
   E. 1965 – Deserted by husband
   F. 1968 – Became ill
   G. Healed by God
   H. 1970 – Became ill again
   I. 10/1970 – Received Jesus Christ and Holy Spirit
   J. 2/1971 – Total surrender to Jesus Christ
   K. First call from God – intercession
   L. 1974–5 – Called to Israel/moved there
   M. 1977 – Fell and injured back; Derek prayed for her and she was healed
   N. 1978 – Married Derek
   O. 1979 – Radio ministry born

II. Truths Of God's Call—Derek
   A. God’s call is sovereign (Rom. 1:1, 6–7)
   B. How Jesus called His disciples (Matt. 4:18–22)
      1. Follow Me
      3. Challenge of uncompromising call of God
      1. Laying life down
      2. Hate mother, father, brothers, sisters, and own life and forsake all one has
      3. A life to lose and a life to find
   D. Four steps to follow Jesus
      1. Deny self, turn back on closest family relationships, material security, etc.
      2. Take up cross
         a. The place where you die
         b. The place where your will and God’s will cross
      3. Become seed that falls into the ground, dies and comes up in a new form
      4. Find new life God has created for you
   E. Three aspects of this new life
      1. Motivation of the new life is to do the will of God (1 John 2:17)
         “He who does the will of God will abide forever.
         If I do the will of God, I will abide forever.”
      2. Led by the Spirit of God (Rom. 8:14)
      3. Provision comes from God (Mark 10:28–30)
         “Lord, here I am. Send me.”

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