

CREATING LIVING TRUSTING

HEBREWS 10:16 

This is the covenant that I will make with them.

*After these days, says the Lord,
I will place my laws in their hearts
And write them on their minds.*

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2 SAMUEL 23:5a

Yes, my house is this way with God!

He has made an eternal covenant with me,

laid out and secure in every detail.

COVENANT TRANSLATES INTO ACTIONS—into how we behave in our everyday lives. That’s why the second module, **Living the Covenant**, focuses on how the community lives out its covenant in faithful love—how it’s applied to actual relationships in daily life.

The books included in these eight episodes examine the practical challenges of faithful covenant life. In them, we explore leadership problems among tribal chieftains, kings, and prophets during spiritual and political crises. The leaders look for practical wisdom and guidance in the teachings of Israel’s sages, the letters of Paul, and more.

And by demonstrating how people of vastly different culture come together in a common purpose, the episodes show how faithful love is the root of the covenant life.

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EPISODE 9

Ruth, Esther, Song of Songs

Leader Guide

Participant Guide

Meditation Guide



Ruth

Wherever you go

But Ruth replied [to Naomi], “Don’t urge me to abandon you, to turn back from following after you. Wherever you go, I will go; and wherever you stay, I will stay. Your people will be my people, and your God will be my God.”

Ruth 1:16

Praying the word

Reflect on this past week and on its events and activities for you. As you do, think of the people you spent time with. Allow time to recall each day, where you were, and who was with you. Now prayerfully consider who in these past days needed *you* to be with *them*. Whether this was for a few minutes or a few hours, who did you spend time with this week who really needed you to be present with them? Remember how your presence was significant to that person, and thank God for allowing you to take that time for the ministry of presence. Hold that person in God’s light for a few more moments.