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## Generations: How Will God Use Your Family's Story?

Part I: When Tragedy Strikes Does Your Family Have a Plan?

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1. What is your gift and how do you use it?
2. Have you ever had an "I didn't see that coming" moment?
3. When you were growing up, how did your family shape or influence you?
4. Ted said, "There will always be people, pressures, and problems pulling your family away from the living God. What has pulled you away from God in the past?"
5. This week's text was the first chapter of Ruth. Naomi's family left Bethlehem for Moab during a famine. Bethlehem means "House of Bread." That might be ironic in this story, but how is it fitting that Jesus was born in the "House of Bread"?
6. What decision have you made because of a biblical truth?
7. How have your parents dealt with tragedy?
8. Ted said our children have a front row seat to our faith. What do you hope they've seen?
9. Do you have a hard time letting go of the pain of yesterday? What can help?
10. How has your faith been strengthened through tragedy?
11. How is God working in your family? What do you hope God will do in your family this year?
12. At what point in your life did your faith become your own? Do you feel like your faith has been a journey? What has God shown you lately?