

FACTS ABOUT THE BOOK OF RUTH

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MAJOR THEME: Redemption through God



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“For wherever you go, I will go; & wherever you lodge I will lodge; Your people shall be my people. & your God, my God (Ruth 1:16b)

Monday (Read Ruth 1:1-7)

(1) Where was Naomi's family originally from?

(2) What was the Name of Naomi's husband & two sons?

(3) What caused Naomi to leave her home town & move to Moab?

(4) What were the names of Naomi's two daughters in law?

(5) How long did Naomi & her family live in Moab?

(6) What made Naomi decide to return to her home l&?

Tuesday (Read Ruth 1: 8-15)

(7) For what reason(s) did Naomi ultimately encourage her two daughters in law to go home to their families in Moab, as opposed to going to Judah with her?

(8) What emotion did Naomi feel for the sake of her daughters in law?

(9) How did the reaction of Ruth differ from the reaction of Orpah?



Wednesday (Read Ruth 1:16-22)

(10) According to verse 16, what does a good family do for each other?

(11) How did people react when they saw Naomi?

(12) What name did Naomi ask to be called & why?

(13) During what season did Naomi & Ruth reach Bethlehem?





Thursday (Read Ruth 2:1-7)

(14) Once in Bethlehem what job did Ruth perform?

(15) Who was attracted to the work performed by Ruth?

Friday (Read Ruth 2:8-14)

(16) What did Boaz say to Ruth to convince her to only glean on his land?

(17) Why was Boaz so kind to Ruth? (Hint- verse 11)

(18) In her time of uncertainty who had Ruth sought refuge in? (Hint-verse 12)

Saturday (Read Ruth 2:15-23)

(19) What did Boaz instruct his young men to do for Ruth?

(20) What is the first thing Naomi says to Ruth when she find out about Boaz?

(21) Did Ruth obey her mother-in-laws instructions to remain in the field of Boaz?

Character Profile: Ruth

Moab & Israel were neighbours & enemies. They shared a history of conflicts. But famine & hardships sometimes change attitudes & during an extreme food shortage in Israel, Naomi, her husband, & their two sons moved to Moab. There the boys eventually married local girls, one of whom was Ruth. Years later, after Naomi's husband & both boys died, she decided to return to her home in Bethlehem with her grief. Somewhat to her amazement, Ruth insisted on returning with her. They had not only become a family & friends; they had also grown to share a common faith.

The events that led up to Ruth's marriage to Boaz of Bethlehem were full of romance & excitement. God brought goodness out of grief. God grafted a foreign daughter into his own lineage. For we discover at the end of Ruth's story that she was an ancestor of King David. This fact also makes her part of the family tree of Jesus, the Saviour & King!

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