

Ruth 1

1. What fact (v. 1) establishes the general timeframe for the book of Ruth?
2. What happened in Judah that caused Naomi's family to leave?
 - a. To where did they go?
3. What was the *tribal* identity of Naomi's family?
 - a. Who was her husband?
 - b. Who were her sons?
 - c. Who did her sons marry and what was their ethnicity?
4. This story contains many basic relationship lessons but also holds a significant place in the scheme of redemption:
 - a. According to Ruth 4:17, who was born to Ruth and Boaz and who was her great grandson?
 - b. According to Matthew 1:5 & 16, Who was Ruth the ancestor of?
5. Over a span of "about" 10 years, who all died according to verses 3-5?
6. What then did Naomi hear about the famine situation in Judah?

7. Initially, who intended to go to Judah with Naomi?
 - a. What did Naomi tell them to do in here first admonition?
 - b. When Orpah and Ruth persisted, what reasons did Naomi give as to why it was illogical for them to go with her?
 - c. Who decided to return to Moab?
 - d. Who “clung” to Naomi?
 - e. What notable speech did Ruth make about her intentions?
 - f. What do we learn about Ruth from this speech?
 - g. What did Naomi do what she realized that Ruth was determined to go with her?
8. Thinking of *religion*, according to the statement made by Naomi in verse 15, and the statement made by Ruth in verse 16, what was the difference between Naomi’s view of God and the Moabite’s view of God?
9. Naomi asked Ruth to stop calling her “Naomi” and to start calling her “Mara.” Why? (What did “Naomi” mean? What did “Mara” mean?)