Ruth's Loyalty & Love

Ruth 1-4
Name _____ Date _____

Read & think

READ IN ORDER

1. Ruth 1
2. Ruth 2
3. Ruth 3
4. Ruth 4

MAIN POINTS

- Ruth cleaves to Naomi and commits herself to Naomi's people and God even after Naomi urges her to return (Ruth 1:8-18).

- The book credits the LORD with giving bread to Bethlehem and conception to Ruth, while Ruth, Naomi, and Boaz also make consequential choices (Ruth 1:6; 4:13).

- Boaz follows the near-kinsman process publicly, takes the right of redemption, and acts to preserve the dead man's name (Ruth 3:12-13; 4:1-10).

- The book repeatedly identifies Ruth as a Moabitess and closes by tracing her son Obed through Jesse to David (Ruth 1:22; 4:10, 17-22).

THINGS TO THINK ABOUT

1. What made Ruth's decision to stay with Naomi remarkable?
Ruth 1:8-18

2. What does Boaz's conduct show about the near-kinsman process?
Ruth 3:12-13

3. Ruth stayed with Naomi during grief and committed herself to Naomi's people and God (Ruth 1:14-18). What can faithful, wise support look like when someone you love is grieving?
Ruth 1:14-18

MEMORY VERSE / Ruth 4:14-15

The women said Ruth loved Naomi and was better to her than seven sons. Their blessing praises both the LORD's provision and the care of Naomi's daughter-in-law (Ruth 4:14-15).

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The women said to Naomi, “Blessed be Yahweh, who has not left you today without a near kinsman. Let his name be famous in Israel. He shall be to you a restorer of life and sustain you in your old age; for your daughter-in-law, who loves you, who is better to you than seven sons, has given birth to him.”

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And the women said unto Naomi, Blessed be the LORD, which hath not left thee this day without a kinsman, that his name may be famous in Israel. And he shall be unto thee a restorer of thy life, and a nourisher of thine old age: for thy daughter in law, which loveth thee, which is better to thee than seven sons, hath born him.

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Waymark 25 / Solo

Main verse _____ Bonus verse(s) _____

Passage or verse _____

NOTES

ONE THING TO PUT INTO PRACTICE

PRAYER