



RUTH

Introduction

Ruth lived up to her name – “friend/friendship”! Delve into the following passages from Proverbs and give three to five characteristics of a true friend:

- 1) Proverbs 18:24
- 2) Proverbs 27:6
- 3) Proverbs 16:28
- 4) Proverbs 24:26
- 5) Proverbs 17:17

Who Is She?

See if you can fill out the chart below – you may use your electronic device for assistance from the www!

Where in Scripture it tells of her life?	
Name and meaning of her name?	
When did she live?	
Where did she live?	
What is her major impact?	

Hope

The account of Naomi and Ruth help us to see that there is hope even in the most devastating times of our life. This is true in the wider context... this story is one bright ray of light within the dark days of the Judges. This is true in the narrower context... Naomi and Ruth, as individuals, go from destitute to “dreamy”.

- Relate a time in your life or the life of someone you know that is like Ruth’s – a time of hope amid devastating circumstances:

- What confidence can Ruth's story give you as you venture into an unknown future?
- Though not mentioned by name, who is behind Ruth and Naomi's change in circumstances? Why is that important?

Sacrifice

Doing the right thing can involve sacrifice. Give examples of that truth from the account of Ruth:

- 1) Ruth's sacrifice:
- 2) Boaz's sacrifice:
- 3) Naomi's sacrifice:

Give examples from life in 2023 in which doing the right thing will involve sacrifice:

- 1)
- 2)
- 3)

What motivates you to do the right thing even when it means sacrifice on your part?

Who serves as your inspiration both to do the right thing and to make sacrifices?

There is a Redeemer

Surely Ruth's story wasn't the only ray of sunshine during the period of the Judges. However, her story is highlighted for its connection to the Redeemer – first for the example of the "kinsman redeemer" fulfilled by Boaz and ultimately fulfilled by Jesus, and second, for the connection Ruth has in the line of David and ultimately in the line of Jesus, our Redeemer.

- ❖ Explain the custom of the "kinsman redeemer" and how it served as a shadow of things to come (Leviticus 25:48,49, Deuteronomy 25:5,6):
- ❖ Ruth is from Moab, and yet finds herself in the line of the Redeemer. What does this tell you about Jesus, our Redeemer?
- ❖ Relate either "big moments" in your life or the accumulation of "little moments" in which you were grateful to have the Redeemer, Jesus:

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JESUS CHRIST, OUR KINSMAN REDEEMER

New Testament
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Ruth > Boaz > Jesus

OLD TESTAMENT QUALIFICATION

CHRIST'S FULFILLMENT

MUST BE OF BLOOD RELATIONSHIP

Deuteronomy 25:5, 7-10

Leviticus 25:25

Ruth 2:1

Galatians 4:4-5

Hebrews 2:16-17

MUST HAVE NECESSARY RESOURCES

Deuteronomy 25:25-26

Ruth 2:1

1 Corinthians 6:20

1 Peter 1:18-19

MUST HAVE A WILLINGNESS TO BUY

Deuteronomy 25:7-9

Ruth 3:11

John 10:15-18

1 John 3:16

Jesus Christ is Our Kinsman Redeemer of the Ages... We Have Been Redeemed!

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