

Ruth

Chapter 1

Most of us may have heard a sermon or two about Ruth. Before reading this chapter what did you remember of the story?

If your Bible has an introduction about each book what did it say about Ruth?

Verses 1-5 sets the backdrop to the story. What significant things are in the story here?

If you were to tell your story what one or two background things from years ago might you say?

As you read these verses are there any details missing that you would like to know in the back story?

In verses 6-14 the story continues with Naomi heading back home with her two daughters-in-law with her. Why did she plan to return?

Why do you think the daughters-in-law did?

Have you ever moved away and then later move back home, and why?

Why do you think Orpah changed her mind?

And why do you think Ruth didn't?

In verses 19-22 what is the new name Naomi wanted to be called? What did each name mean in English? Did the new name stick?

What about your name?

Has it ever changed?

What does your name mean?