

16.4 Ruth

Use in conjunction with the Student Manual

Student Name:

Read Ruth 1:1–5, looking for what happened to each of the following individuals in this account:
Elimelech

Naomi

Mahlon

Chilion

Orpah

Ruth

What concerns might you have had if you had been in the position of Naomi, Orpah, and Ruth?

Read Ruth 1:6–9, looking for what Naomi decided to do and what she told her daughters-in-law to do.

Orpah's and Ruth's Decision		
	Stay in Moab	Go to Bethlehem
Advantages:		
Disadvantages:		

In the diagram, list what some of the advantages of staying in Moab might have been for Orpah and Ruth.

Read Ruth 1:10, looking for what Orpah and Ruth said they would do.

Based on Orpah and Ruth's response, what type of feelings do you suppose they had for Naomi?

In the diagram, list what some of the benefits of choosing to go with Naomi to Bethlehem might have been.

Read Ruth 1:11–14, looking for Naomi's response to Orpah and Ruth.

In the diagram, list what some of the disadvantages of choosing to go with Naomi to Bethlehem might have been.

In the diagram, list this and other possible disadvantages of staying in Moab.

1. What would you do if you had been in Orpah and Ruth's position? Why?

Read Ruth 1:14–15, looking for what Orpah decided to do.

Read Ruth 1:16–17, looking for what Ruth decided to do.

2. a. What do you think Ruth's response means?

b. What do Ruth's words show about the depth of her conversion and her trust in the Lord?

Read Ruth 2:1–3, looking for how Ruth and Naomi obtained food in Bethlehem.

Read Ruth 2:5–7, looking for what Boaz did when he saw Ruth gleaning in his field.

As you read Ruth 2:8–10, look for what Boaz decided to do for Ruth.

As you read Ruth 2:11–12, look for two reasons why Ruth had been blessed.

Complete the following principle based on what you learned from Ruth's experience: When we show love and kindness to others...

3. a. When have you, or someone you know, received the Lord's blessings after showing love and kindness to others?

b. What effect did this experience have on you?

4a. How might the young woman in the scenario choose to trust in the Lord?

b. What are some ways in which she could be rewarded for her faith?

5. a. When have you felt that the Lord rewarded your faith because you chose to trust in Him, and what effect did that experience have on you?

b. What will you do in the next week to show that you trust in the Lord?

6. Additional questions, thoughts, and insights I would like to share with my teacher:
