

Story 10: The kind daughter – in – law, Ruth

Main Bible verse
[Rut 1:16b]

Where you go I'll go. Where you stay I'll stay.
Your people will be my people. Your God will be my God.

A long time ago, there was a famine in the town of Bethlehem.

So a man named Elimelek, who lived in Bethlehem, took his wife and two sons and moved to the country of Moab.

But a few years later, Elimelek died from an illness.

Soon after, his two sons married Moabite women. Ten years passed.

After about ten years, the two sons also died, leaving just Naomi and her two daughters-in-law: Orpah, the elder and Ruth, the younger. Soon after, Israel was no longer suffering a famine.

Naomi wished to return to her homeland.

Before returning to her homeland, Naomi called for her two daughters-in-law, Ruth and Orpah.

"Go back, each of you, to your mother's home. I will return to my homeland."

The three of them cried together. Orpah, still weeping, left for her own home.

But Ruth, the good daughter-in-law, held onto Naomi and said to her,

"Where you will go, I will go. Your God will be my God. So please don't tell me to leave you."

And so, Ruth left with Naomi for the town of Bethlehem in Israel.

The people of Bethlehem were very surprised to see Naomi and Ruth.

It was time to harvest the barley. People went out into the fields to gather the grain.

But Naomi and Ruth had no field and no one helped them.

Ruth, the good daughter-in-law, went out into the fields to find food.

When Ruth was collecting grain from the field, Boaz, the owner of the field, saw Ruth.



Boaz asked one of his servants, "Who is that young woman?"

The servant answered, "She is the Moabite who came back from Moab with Naomi. She is a very good daughter-in-law."

Boaz told the servants: "Pull out some stalks for Ruth from the bundle and let her gather as much grain as possible."

When Ruth returned, her mother-in-law asked, "Where did you gather so much grain?"

"Mother-in-law, I worked in the field owned by a man named Boaz."

Naomi said, "He is a close relative. Be sure to glean in his field only."

Naomi thought to herself about how wonderful it would be for Ruth and Boaz to marry.

Boaz was pleased with Ruth who worked diligently in the field every day.

And so, Naomi blessed the two of them and their marriage to one another.

Finally, Boaz and Ruth got married

God blessed Boaz and Ruth and gave them a son. Naomi was also pleased with them.

Boaz named his son "Obed".

Obed was the grandfather of David who was Israel's greatest king.



Activity 1. Answer the following questions.

a. What are the names of Naomi's daughters-in-law?

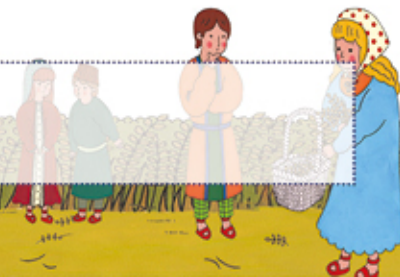
b. Who returned with Naomi from Moab to Israel?



c. Read Ruth 1:16 and respond. What did Ruth say to Naomi when she told her to return to her mother's home?

● Read and memorize the Bible verse. (Ruth 1:16b)

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Activity 2. Cut out the characters and make finger puppets.





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