

The Ruth Romance Quiz

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Memory Verse - Ruth 3:18



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Ruth was a Moabite woman, who was married or Naomi's son.

Ruth was barren ten years until the Lord opened her womb.

Ruth took place during the time of the Judges, between the death of Joshua and the first Jewish king, Saul.

Judges, when people did what was right in their own eyes.

Elimelech – God is king.

Naomi – Pleasant, lovely

Ruth - compassion for the suffering.

Socially - Moabite

Emotionally - Her husband died

Spiritually - pagan god - Chemosh

Culturally - Moabite in Israel

Moab was across the Jordan river about 50 miles from Bethlehem, where the wilderness wanderings ended, and Moses died.

Naomi's husband died and changed her name to Mara, which means bitter, and moved back to Bethlehem.

Ruth's husband died - she moved back to Bethlehem with Naomi. She said, "your people will be my people, your God will be my God."

Gleaning: the poor gathering food that the farmers dropped.

The land where Ruth gleaned belonged her relative Boaz.

Threshing floor - windy plateau.

Winnowing - The process of separating the wheat from the chaff.

Boaz provided security by telling the young men not to touch her. He also provided friendship by telling her to stay close to his women, and provided food and water.

Ruth fell at Boaz's feet because he served her before she served him, honored her before she honored him because all the people of the town knew her reputation as a virtuous woman.

Laid at his feet, submitting to his love, Naomi's husband died and changed her name to Mara which means bitter.

Ruth's husband died and she pledged her loyalty to Him.

Boaz honored Ruth because she was a virtuous woman, who did not go after young men and honored her mother in law. Boaz pronounced a blessing on Ruth.

Kinsman redeemer

Kinsman – A relative

Redeem – Deliverance from evil by payment

Kinsman Redeemer – A person who buys something on behalf of a relative.

Leviticus 25:25, 47-49

Land transaction - city gate – elders of the city, exchange land, transfer of land.

Boaz is like Jesus, our Kinsman Redeemer;

Became a husband to a pagan bride, bought her back from poverty, accepted honor from Ruth, redeemed the land for his bride, blesses his bride with provision and protection from her enemies, secures witnesses to his transaction.

Ruth's son was Obed, who begot Jesse who begot King David and eventually Jesus Christ.

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