

# CALVARY CHAPEL OF DOWNEY LADIES' BIBLE STUDY

## *Women of the Bible*

### *Lesson 9 "Ruth" A Story of Loyalty and Love*

#### **Text: The Bible**

*Before you begin each day:*

- 1. Confess any known sin and pray for the mind and heart of the Lord as you read His Word.*
- 2. Pray for the will to love God more than this life.*

#### **Homework for Lesson Nine**

*Read Ruth Chapters 1-4*

- Answer the following questions using your Bible.*

*Ruth was poor, a foreigner, and a woman, all this counted against her. Ruth was married to one of the sons of Naomi. Naomi's husband and two sons die in Moab. Now Naomi wants to return to her homeland, Bethlehem. Ruth, also a widow decided to migrate to Bethlehem with Naomi. What unfolds is one of the most beautiful stories in the Bible.*

- 1. What was Naomi and her family doing in Moab? (see Ruth 1:1-2)*
- 2. How does Naomi meet Ruth the Moabitess? (see Ruth 1:3-4)*
- 3. Why does Naomi want to return to Bethlehem? (see Ruth 1:5-6)*
- 4. When Naomi tells her daughters-in-law to go back to their homes, what does Ruth say to Naomi? (see Ruth 1:16-17)*
- 5. Naomi has a wealthy kinsman. What is his name and what is a kinsman? (see Ruth 2:1)*

6. So Ruth starts to work for Boaz. How does he make sure Ruth and Naomi are cared for? (see Ruth 2:2-9)

7. Love is in the air!!! Naomi devised a plan to prod Boaz to propose to Ruth. Lying beside Boaz, Ruth suggested to him to “cover her with his skirt”, a euphemism for marriage. What does Boaz say to Ruth when he finds her at his feet? (see Ruth 3:10-11)

8. This is a strange custom, but it is in no way a sexual one as Boaz calls Ruth a virtuous woman. What does Proverbs 31:10-12 say about a virtuous woman?

9. So Boaz takes this foreign woman to be his bride. What kind words does Boaz say to let Ruth know she is now an Israelite? (see Ruth 4:11)

10. Ruth is now named with the mother's of Israel, Rachel and Leah. What does Ruth 4:13 share with us?

11. Naomi is blessed in her old age. What do the women of Bethlehem say to her? (see Ruth 4:14)

12. To officially verify Ruth's status in Israel, the book closes with a genealogy. Who is some of Ruth's descendants? (see Ruth 4:17-22 and Matthew 1:5-6 and Matthew 1:16)

13. Ruth had no idea how God would bless her when she told Naomi “your God will be my God”. Like Ruth, we have also renounced the world and other gods. Write out a prayer of thanks to the One who has set your feet on a solid rock. Read it to your group, to Him be the glory --- Amen---

