Ψ Unsheathing the SWORD Ψ

RUTH

MEMORIZATION - Ruth 1:16b - "Where you go I will go, and where you stay I will stay. Your people will be my people and your God my God."

Chapter 1

- 1. Why do Elimelech, Naomi and their two sons leave Bethlehem and move to Moab?
- 2. Only when Naomi insists, does Orpah leave her. In Naomi's words, Orpah goes "back to her people and her _____."
- 3. Naomi pleads for Ruth to return to her own family. Ruth's answer has become a classic passage used at weddings. Write it out.

Chapter 2

1. Ruth returns to Naomi with her abundant harvest. Naomi informs Ruth that Boaz is a close relative. What is the term Naomi uses?

Extra credit: Learn more about the role of a kinsman-redeemer in Leviticus 25:47-49. One of the responsibilities of a kinsman-redeemer is to buy back a relative who has become a slave. Think about Jesus as your kinsman-redeemer.

Chapter 3

1. Naomi tells Ruth to make a pass at Boaz. Describe his reaction.

Chapter 4

1. Reread 1:20-21 and compare it with 4:14-17. Has there been a time in your life when God has turned bitterness into joy?
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