

DWM Study Guide
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Read: The Book of Ruth-author unknown. (It reads like a short story and a good read!)

Side fact: Ruth is the great-grandmother of David and an ancestress of Jesus.

Background taken from NIV Bible: "The story is set in the time of the judges, a time characterized in the book of Judges as a period of religious and moral degeneracy, national disunity and general foreign oppression. The book of Ruth reflects a temporary time of peace between Israel and Moab...it gives a series of intimate glimpses into the private lives of the members of an Israelite family. It also presents a delightful account of the remnant of true faith and piety in the period of the judges, relieving an otherwise wholly dark picture of that era."

As you read, answer the following questions:

- 1. Who was Naomi's husband?**
- 2. What tragedy did Naomi experience?**
- 3. Naomi heard that the Lord had come to the aid of His people in Bethlehem. What did she decide to do? Who went with her?**
- 4. Why did Naomi repeatedly urge her daughters-in-law to go back to Moab? Did they?**
- 5. What reasons did Ruth give them for staying in Moab?**
- 6. How did Ruth meet Boaz?**
- 7. What was Naomi's suggestion to Ruth at the Threshing Floor?**
- 8. What big announcement did Boaz make in 4:9-10?**
- 9. Ruth had a son named _____ . He was the father of _____ and the father of _____ .**

Naomi was brought from emptiness to fullness through the selfless love of Ruth and Boaz.