## The Faith of Ruth

Ruth 1:6-18, 22 December 3, 2023

Unit 1: Profiles in Faith

Key Verse: But Ruth said: Entreat me not to leave you, *or to* turn back from following after you; For wherever you go, I will go; And wherever you lodge, I will lodge; Your people *shall be* my people, and your God, my God. (Ruth 1:16)

- I. Naomi's Decision to go home v. 6-7
  - a. Naomi hears about her Home v. 6
  - b. Naomi begins the Journey to Judah v. 7
- II. Naomi's Daughters Decisions vs. 8-14
  - a. Naomi's Request for her daughters to return to their homes vs. 8-9
  - b. Naomi's daughters are reluctant to leave her vs. 10-11
  - c. Naomi's second request and Orpah's departure vs. 12-14
- III. Naomi Accepts Ruth Resolve to Stay with her vs. 15-18, 22
  - a. Naomi addresses Ruth to return to her Moab v. 15
  - b. Naomi receives Ruth decision to go with her to Judah vs. 16-17
  - c. Naomi and Ruth together in Bethlehem vs. 18, 22

## Lesson Aim

- 1. Identify the three named people in text.
- 2. Summarize their situation in light of the period of the judges.
- 3. State a way that he or she can imitate Ruth's model of courage and faithfulness.