

YOUNG TWIGS

Ruth

Year 2, lesson 5

The Book of Ruth is a love story; the love of a woman for her mother-in-law, the love of a mother-in-law for her daughter-in-law, and the love of a man for a young woman. It is also a picture of the love Jesus has for you! ▲

Observation: *what does it say?*

Read Ruth and mark: *Lord/God, Ruth, Boaz, redeem (redemption), relative (kinsman)*.

After marking the entire book of Ruth, come up with themes for each of the four chapters.

1. Draw a family tree for the family of Elimelech. Circle the people who are still alive at the end of Ruth 1.
2. In Ruth 2, what instructions does Boaz give to Ruth?
3. In Ruth 3, what instructions does Naomi give Ruth?
4. In Ruth 4, Boaz offers the closest relative of the family a chance to buy a piece of land that belongs to Elimelech. What does the close relative decide *not* to buy it?

Interpretation: *what does the author mean?*

5. In Ruth 1, Naomi renames herself *Mara*. Why does she take a new name?
What does she mean when she says, "I went out full, but the Lord brought me back empty"?
6. In Ruth 2, why does Boaz tell Ruth to only glean in his field and not in anyone else's field?

