

“THROUGH THE BIBLE”

Union Chapel M.B. Church

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BOOK OF RUTH: (PART 1)

Ruth 1:1-22

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INTRODUCTION

It has been said, “To understand the health of a society, look at the women!”

Our point of study now centers on the sacred story of Ruth, who stands as a representative figure in the book. The setting of the story is the second part of the *Book of Judges*. By the way, the institution of the Judges is beginning to break down. Remember, **Judges** still need God’s “divine as well as political support.” Attention will not only be given to the content of this biblical book, but emphasis on her character. The text is divinely, and uniquely inspired (*God tells our stories- 2 Tim. 3:16-17*). **“Write this down!” (Ex. 17:14, Rev. 14:13). The very Word of God, under the supernatural influence of the Holy Spirit Himself! God wants us to know Him, His Will, and Jesus Christ, His Son.**

- I. Understand, God is calling His people to Service
 - a. **Lesson Text: (Ruth 1:3-8, 14-18, Ruth 1:1-22).** Note: Ruth left Moab for the sake of being in “God’s World”, and she valued God **first**. (**Luke 18:28-30**). This has been called the “hundredfold blessing,” meaning “you have reached the maximum!” (**Gen. 26:12-14, Mark 10:30, Matt. 13:23**). God did not allow Ruth to come up short-she went where God directed her for a blessing; and honored Him as the “God of the Covenant.” (**Deu.28:1-2**).
 - b. Understand, that challenging, evil/godless, difficult, dark times/painful days are nothing new (**Judges 1:1, 28b, 21:25, Ruth 1:1**). The LORD will teach and show us how to overcome grief, because He knows that **trauma** will silence us!

HOW ARE YOU HEARING GOD’S CALL?

NOTES: