

# Profiles In Courage: Ruth

"And when Naomi saw that she was determined to go with her, she said no more." Ruth 1:18 (English Standard Version)

Luke 2:7; Genesis 19:36,37 - Ruth was the \_\_\_\_ between these.

## Ruth: The Story We All Know Well

A. How Ruth came to be connected with Israel:

1. 1:1-5 - \_\_\_\_'s husband and two sons all \_\_\_\_ in \_\_\_\_.
2. 1:7-9 - Naomi urged \_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_ to return home.
3. 1:14,15 - Orpah \_\_\_\_ Naomi, but Ruth would not \_\_\_\_.
4. 1:16-18 - "Do not \_\_\_\_ me to \_\_\_\_ you ..."

B. \_\_\_\_ is known for his faith in leaving his \_\_\_\_, but did Ruth do any less?

## How Ruth's Decision Was A Courageous One

A. **Ruth was leaving family identity behind:**

1. 1:22 - From this point she was known as "Ruth the \_\_\_\_" (also 2:2,6,21; 4:5,10).
2. 2:10,11 - Ruth knew she was a \_\_\_\_; Boaz said she had \_\_\_\_ her father, mother, and "your \_\_\_\_ land".
3. Leviticus 24:21,22 - Laws like this show that \_\_\_\_ were often at \_\_\_\_.

B. **Ruth was putting herself in financial insecurity:**

1. 2:2 - She immediately went to \_\_\_\_ in the \_\_\_\_ harvest.
2. 2:23 - She worked through the \_\_\_\_ and the \_\_\_\_ harvest, a period of several \_\_\_\_.
3. 2:11 - Would she have been more \_\_\_\_ at her \_\_\_\_?

C. **Ruth was putting herself at physical risk:**

1. 2:8,9 - \_\_\_\_ charged his young \_\_\_\_ not to \_\_\_\_ her.
2. Deuteronomy 22:23-27 - Women were often at risk in the \_\_\_\_ country.
3. 2:22 - Naomi knew Ruth might be \_\_\_\_ in other fields.
4. 3:8,9 - Even with \_\_\_\_, Ruth would have been \_\_\_\_, had he not been a \_\_\_\_ man.
5. Genesis 12:10-14 - \_\_\_\_ felt this risk when he and \_\_\_\_ went to \_\_\_\_ during a famine.
6. Genesis 19:9 - The men of \_\_\_\_ saw \_\_\_\_ as a sojourner.

D. 1:16,17 - Words often heard at \_\_\_\_ are words of \_\_\_\_!

Hebrews 11:8,9 - Would the name of \_\_\_\_ also work here?

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