

Notes for Ruth 3

Hebrew pronunciations are spelled phonetically

Ruth Chapter 2 Characters

Elimelech (Ellie-Mellah) - Naomi's dead husband
Naomi (Nay-owe-me) – Ruth's Hebrew mother-in-law
Moab (Mow-Ahv) - cursed land & people descended from Lot's incest
Boaz (Bo-AHZ) - Naomi's relative & Rahab's descendant

Levirate marriage (leva-rot) - custom from Deuteronomy 25 where a dead husband's brother or nearest relative marries the widow.

Hebrew Meanings of Words

Hēn (*khane*) - Hebrew word translates as “favor” or “grace”

M^onûhâ (*men-oo-khaw*) – type of rest or security. In Ruth 1:9 and 3:1 it refers to restful, security found in marriage. It is the same word used for the rest and security God gives Believers.

Hayil (*khah'-yil*) - Hebrew word means physically or morally strong, high quality, having integrity, virtuous, valorous

Gō' ĕl (*go-el*) – Redeemer. A close relative who would buy relatives out of slavery or debt or marry a widow.

Ephah (*eff-ah*) - a unit of volume. About a 5-gallon bucket of grain weighing 30-40 lbs.

Seah (*say-ah*) - a unit of volume which equals 1/3 an ephah weighing 10 plus pounds.

Tanakh (*tuh-nakh*) - the authoritative Hebrew text of the 24 books of the Hebrew Bible (including Ruth). Similar to Septuagint or Vulgate, except former is written in Greek & Vulgate is in Latin.

K ānāp̄ (*kaw-nawf'*) - Hebrew for wings and also corner of garment

As Believers, how does our character effect our walk with God?

How we fulfill our business and personal obligations really forms our reputation. Do we do things “the way Jesus would do” or are we “tricksy” always trying to get an advantage? It can be “legal” and yet “ungodly.”

It cannot be overstated how important time in God's Word is. It is the single biggest source of our Faith. Our Faith comes by hearing and hearing by the Word of God Just as daily prayer in a Believer's life is critical.

Prayer & time in God's Word, more than anything bring us closer to God which allows the Holy Spirit to make changes in us that are incredible. However, fellowship and obeying & serving God are so important for us in our daily walk with Him.

Key Verses

John 15:6 - *If anyone does not abide in Me, he is cast out as a branch and is withered.*

Matthew 4:4 - *But He answered and said, “It is written, ‘Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceeds from the mouth of God.’”*

Joshua 1:3 - *“Every place that the sole of your foot will tread upon I have given to you, just as I promised to Moses”.*

Mark 10:4 5 - *“For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give His life a ransom for many.”*

Luke 3:16 - *John answered, saying to all, “I indeed baptize you with water; but One mightier than I is coming, whose sandal strap I am not worthy to loose. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire.*

Esther 2:3 & 4 - *“...and let beauty treatments be given to them. 4 Then let the young woman who pleases the king be queen instead of Vashti.”*

Proverbs 31:10 - *Who can find a virtuous woman? for her price is far above rubies (or jewels).*