

Retelling Ruth

Print one copy for your use. Have students bring the listed characters to the front of the classroom to re-enact the account of Ruth. Encourage the students to “act” with their character as you read the statements below. Students can switch characters so everyone gets an opportunity to act. If the students have difficulty, give them direction on how to act out the scene appropriately.

RUTH CHAPTER 1

Characters: Elimelech, Naomi, Chilion, Mahlon, Ruth, Orpah

Elimelech took his family, his wife Naomi, and his sons, Chilion and Mahlon, to Moab because there was no food in Israel.

Naomi’s husband Elimelech died in Moab, and she was very sad.

Naomi’s son Chilion married Orpah.

Naomi’s son Mahlon married Ruth.

Ten years later, Chilion and Mahlon died. Naomi, Orpah, and Ruth were sad and alone.

Naomi decided to go back to Israel because there was food there now.

Orpah returned to her home, but Ruth went with Naomi to Bethlehem.

RUTH CHAPTER 2

Characters: Naomi, Ruth, Boaz

Naomi told Ruth to go work in Boaz’s field so they could have food.

Ruth went and picked up grain in the field. Boaz noticed Ruth working in his field.

Boaz told Ruth to come back to his field every day.

Ruth told Naomi how kind Boaz had been to her.

RUTH CHAPTER 3

Characters: Naomi, Ruth, Boaz

Naomi told Ruth to go to Boaz at night and lay down by his feet.

Ruth asked Boaz to take care of her.

Boaz agreed.

RUTH CHAPTER 4

Characters: Naomi, Ruth, Boaz

Boaz married Ruth.

Then they had a son, Obed.

Ruth and Boaz loved their son, Obed.

CONCLUSION

Refer to the board work. This baby, Obed, had a son, Jesse. Jesse had a son, King David. And after many generations, Jesus was born!