Browsing a Book

Ruth

1. Read the book of Ruth quickly in one sitting looking for general impressions (things that stick out to you.) Record them here.

2. Read through Ruth a second time in one sitting and answer the following questions:

a. Who are the main characters of the book?

b. What is happening in the book, give the Reader’s Digest condensed version?

c. Are there any clues on when these events took place?

d. What are some lessons you learn about God from the book?

3. What did you notice about the mood of the book of Ruth? Is the author concerned, angry, joyful, some other mood?

4. What words or phrases are used repeatedly in Ruth? What topics or themes are represented by these words or phrases?

5. Did you notice a verse or verses which summarized the intent of the book? We would call this a key verse.

6. Why do you think this book is included in the Bible? What part does it play in the big picture of God’s plan?

It is helpful to give titles to the chapters of the book. Read each chapter and assign a title or theme to the chapter.

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