

רות ורעת

Complete the missing words in Hebrew using the word bank.

Naomi lived in Moab with Elimelech and their two sons. They had moved there from Beit Lechem because there was a famine, and they were looking for work. After some time, Elimelech died, and Naomi was very sad, but she wasn't completely alone. Her two sons had married Moabite women named Orpah and Ruth. Sadly, after about ten years, her sons also passed away. Now Naomi was left with only her sons' wives to keep her company.

Naomi called her sons' wives and said, "I am going back to the land where I used to live. I think you should each return to your own families. May God show you kindness, just as you have shown me." The women all cried and hugged each other, they had become such good friends. Orpah didn't want to leave Naomi at first, but Naomi gently told her not to worry, that she would be alright. So Orpah said goodbye and returned to her family. But Ruth would not leave. No matter what Naomi said, Ruth stayed by her side. "Please don't ask me to go away," Ruth said. "Where you go, I will go. Where you stay, I will stay. Your people will be my people, and your God will be my God."

So Ruth and Naomi returned to Bethlehem together. It was a good thing Ruth went with Naomi, Bethlehem was very far away, and it would have been hard for Naomi to make the long journey alone. When they arrived, Ruth decided she should find a way to help. It was harvest time, so she went out to the fields and followed behind the harvesters, picking up any barley they had dropped. This was called gleaning, and it was a way for people in need to collect leftover grain.

Luckily for Ruth, the owner of the field was Boaz. He was a kind man who believed in God. He was also a distant relative of Elimelech, Naomi's husband who had passed away. Boaz went over to Ruth and said, "Don't work in any other field. Stay here where it's safe. I've told my workers to look after you. And whenever you're thirsty, you can get a drink from the jars."

When Ruth heard this, she bowed down and said, "Why are you being so kind to me? I'm not even from here." Boaz replied, "I've heard what you did for Naomi. You left your family and came to a new place you had never known. May God reward you for your kindness."



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Ruth thanked Boaz and continued with her work in the hot . She took all the barley home and shared it with Naomi. Even though she had come from Moab, Ruth had chosen to become part of the Jewish people by staying with Naomi and following her faith.

Eventually, Ruth married Boaz, and they had a baby boy named Ovad. Ovad grew up and had a son named Yishai. And Yishai's son was none other than King David, who became one of the greatest kings of .



קילו

אֹכֶל = Food

אִישׁ = Man

בָּית = Home

בָּנִים = Sons

קָבָרֹת = Friends

יִשְׂרָאֵל = Israel

מַיִם = Water

מַשְׁפֵּתָה = Family

קָצֵיר = Harvest

שֶׁמֶשׁ = Sun

שָׁנִים = Years

Answer the following questions in Hebrew.

Where was Naomi originally from?

Who did Ruth meet in the field?

Who was Ruth's great-grandson?

On which holiday do we read the book of Ruth?