## **BIB104 OT2 Life & Literature of Israel**

Unit 6 Devotional Ruth

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# CREATE A DEVOTIONAL- RUTH

RUTH - An addendum to the Book of Judges. A brochure of beauty. A bright picture on the black background of the judges.

WRITER: Samuel could have been the writer

KEY VERSE: Ruth 3:18

THEME: The kinsman-redeemer

#### FEATURES:

- 1. A love story without using the word "love."
- 2. The story of a prodigal family who went to the far country.
- 3. The only example of the law of the kinsman-redeemer (Hebrew goel) in action. Also shows how other laws of the Mosaic system operated.
- 4. Furnishes the link between the tribe of Judah and David. The genealogy at the end of the book becomes a most important document. It is found again in the first chapter of Matthew.
- 5. A lovely picture of Christ and the church.

COMMENT: We prefer not to break up this beautiful love story with notes and outlines of extended length. However, we refer the reader to our book, Ruth and Esther: Women of Faith in which we attempt to tell this love story with all of its tenderness, sweetness, and loveliness.

### INSTRUCTIONS:

Use any of the above points to create a devotional based on the book of Ruth. You may use any format, but the following outline is suggested for your use.

- 1. Devotional Title
- 2. Key Verse. Chose one or two verses as you focus verse for the devotional
- 3. Full Reading. Identify a passage or compilation of verses as the foundation for your devotional. For best results the choose between 6 and 18 contiguous verses. Or, choose a compilation of related verses, again totaling between 6 and 18 total verses.
- 4. Scripture Insight. In 3 to 6 sentences give the setting or contextual analysis of these Scriptures.
- 5. Add an Illustration. Create an illustration to explain or illumination the Scriptures you have chosen. Typically, this is a story or experience that clarifies or expounds on the verses. Your illustration should lead to an understating of the verses in today's culture and provide an application of the verse in our lives today, while at the same time remaining true to the meaning and context of the Scripture.
- 6. To end the devotional, write a short prayer for both understanding and application from the passage.