

Bible Study Chapter 1

1.	Read the chapter and write down any questions and thoughts that come to you.
2.	About when does this story take place and when was it written down? Verse 1:1; 4:17-22.
3.	From who's point of view are these events related to us?
4.	What is the event going on when this book begins?
5.	Who are the Moabites? Genesis 19:30-38, Numbers 22:1-6.
6.	How would you describe the condition of Elimelech and Naomi at the beginning of these events?
7.	What happens that Naomi wants to return to Bethlehem? Verses 1-7.

8.	Why does Naomi tell her daughter-in-laws to return to their mother's house?
9.	Why does Naomi think "that the hand of the Lord has gone out against her" (ESV)? Verse 13.
10.	Do both Orpah and Ruth love Naomi? Does Naomi love them?
11.	What is the difference between Orpah and Ruth spiritually? Verses 15-17.
12.	Compare what Ruth says in verses 16 and 17 to Mark 10:29-31, Exodus 6:7, and Jeremiah 24:7
13.	How would you describe Naomi's mental, emotional, and spiritual state as she set's out and returns to Bethlehem? Verses 6-22.
14.	What stuck out to you the most in this chapter?