



At-A-Glance: Ages 2-3  
Kings & Kingdoms Part 2: Judges–Esther  
Unit 7, Lesson 36

## Ruth and Naomi

Lesson Aim: To know God gives us special friends who worship Him with us.

### THE WELCOME TREASURE CHEST

#### CENTERS

- COLORING CENTER: Ruth and Naomi
- PLAY-DOUGH CENTER: Going on a Trip
- PUPPET CENTER: Friends from God
- GAME CENTER: I Have a Good Friend

### THE WORSHIP THE KING WHO WATCHES OVER US

I'm so glad you came to church today! God loves when we come together to worship Him. Let's thank Him for our friends. Have children bow their heads and close their eyes. Dear God, we come together to sing Your praises, to hear Bible stories, and to learn about You. Thank You for the friends You have given us. Amen.

Sing the Bible Memory Verse Song and other related songs.

**OFFERING:** Collect the offering.

**WORSHIP ILLUSTRATION:** *The Adventures of Delbert & Lello* puppet script or storybook

**BIBLE MEMORY VERSE:** Practice Bible Memory Verse with the motions.

### THE WORD RUTH AND NAOMI CLASSROOM PROMISE

Show the picture of friends to the children. The people in this picture look very happy. What do you think they were doing that made them so happy? Well, whatever they were doing, I know one thing that would make them happy—they are friends! Do you have a special friend whom you like to spend time with?

In our story today, we will hear about two women named Ruth and Naomi. They were family but they were also very special friends. Let's listen. Handle the Bible as a special treasure, leaving it open to Ruth 1:16.

#### WATCH THE WORD: RUTH 1:8-18

Read poem. Display visual.

- Ruth grew up in Moab.
- Naomi came from Bethlehem.
- Naomi missed her home and family.
- Naomi and Ruth were friends.
- When Naomi went back to Bethlehem,
- Ruth wouldn't let her go alone.
- "Your people will be my people,"
- Ruth said, "Where you go, I go."

Did Ruth want to go with Naomi? (Yes.) What did Ruth say to Naomi? ("Where you go, I go, and where you stay, I stay.")

### THE WAY GOD GIVES US FRIENDS

**CRAFT:** Ruth and Naomi Magnets

**GAMES:** Traveling Friends, Worship God with My Friends

**SNACK:** Traveling Treats

#### FINAL FIVE MINUTES

- BIBLE MEMORY VERSE
- PRAY
- PLAY
- DISMISSAL (Coloring page, craft, Ponder, Pray & Play)

### GOT TIME?

**SAY & DO:** Ruth 1:8-18

**BIBLE MEMORY VERSE ACTIVITIES:** Jesus Gives Me Strength!, Memory Verse Echo

#### STORY TIME