Inductive Study Questions for Ruth 1

* Identify the genre.[[1]](#footnote-0)
* Divide into paragraphs and give titles to each paragraph.

1. Who are mentioned? When and where do the events take place?
2. Which words are repeated? What comparisons and contrasts can you find? Do you note any relationships that are significant? What does the author emphasize?
3. What is the meaning of Naomi’s decision to return to Bethlehem?
4. How did Naomi try to persuade her daughters-in-law not to follow her, but to remain in their home country?
5. What do you think Ruth’s main reason for following Naomi was?
6. What do you learn about God, Naomi and Ruth in this chapter?
7. What key verse would you choose? What title would you give?

1. Identifying the genre is important to correctly understand the Bible passage. Biblical genres include: historical narrative, law, poetry, prophecy, gospel, epistle, apocalyptic etc. [↑](#footnote-ref-0)