

## **The Story: The Bible as One Continuing Story of God and God's People**

### **Chapter 9: The Faith of a Foreign Woman**

As you read, take note of the cast of characters. Write a short descriptive to help you remember.

Naomi-

Ruth-

Orpah-

Boaz-

Elimelech-

Mehlon and Kilion-

Obed-

Write any notes or questions you have.

Review the questions on page 477 in your book to prepare for discussion in class.

What does Ruth's story reveal about the love of God?

What does Ruth's story reveal about how God views all people groups? What does that mean for you?

These women faced tremendous loss. Why does a good and gracious God allow tragedy to come upon those who love God? When difficult times come, what causes you to continue to hope in God?

How is our perspective on life changed after difficult life experiences?

Ruth left her home to follow Naomi and to follow God. How is God asking you to follow? In what ways do Ruth's actions and responses challenge you and encourage you?