

Study Notes and Questions for Ruth Chapter 2

- **Study Note:** A single woman had few ways to support herself in those days. She could beg, sell herself into slavery, become a prostitute, look for a husband among the eligible men of the village, or seek support from her nearest male relative. Or, during the two months of harvest, she could glean.
- Consider the risks of gleaning and the alternatives facing Ruth and Naomi. What do you learn about Ruth from the fact that she undertook to glean to support both herself and her mother-in-law?
- What else do you learn about Ruth's character? (see 2:7)
- How does God care for Ruth after she decided to take refuge under His wings?
- Read 2:12. How would you define “**taking refuge under God's wings**” to a new believer?
- What do you learn about the moral character of Boaz in this chapter?
- How did Boaz show Ruth that he wanted to provide for her and protect her?
- What is unique and refreshing about Ruth's statement in 2:10?
- What is significant about Boaz being a kinsman redeemer to Elimelech's family?
- What character traits from this chapter should believers seek to emulate?
- How does reading chapters like this one encourage you to trust the Lord more deeply?