

# How to Study the Bible and Enjoy It

## You can learn to use a simple Bible study method

Perhaps you've wanted to study the Bible, but didn't know how to begin. Or, perhaps you have studied the Scriptures before, but would like to dig deeper. If so, then this is for you! This workshop will be...

### Instructive

You will learn the basics of Bible study:

- ◆ Observation
- ◆ Interpretation
- ◆ Application

### Encouraging

During sharing times, we will encourage one another with what God is personally teaching us in His Word. You will be amazed how much fun Bible study can be.

### Practical

During the sessions you, yourself, will actually study through a short book of the Bible.

### In-depth

You will learn to identify:

- ◆ "Road signs"—words and phrases to guide you through a passage
- ◆ "Themes"—those threads which tie passages and chapters together

This "hands-on" workshop could be the beginning of a wonderful, life-long habit of studying the Scriptures. This workshop can utilize different books of the Bible, including....

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## RUTH: The Romance of Redemption

What have been the most bitter disappointments of your life? What have been the greatest losses you have experienced? For most of us, relationships are our greatest source of joy but also our greatest source of pain and disappointment. Many of us have experienced the death of a family member, or the splintering of an important relationship, or the estrangement of friends or relatives. How are we to cope when we lose the people closest to us? Where is God in the midst of our grief?

The story of Ruth and Naomi explores the expanse of human emotions: the tragedy of death and the rebirth of life, the joys of intimacy and the sorrows of being alone, the security of belonging as well as the insecurity of being a stranger in a strange land.

The book of Ruth speaks to two of our most profound personal needs: romance, our need to be loved, and redemption, our need to be highly valued, to be sought out by another.

This study will unfold a tender, human drama of love, security, and redemption, and at the same time, reveal a God of love and compassion who is sovereignly orchestrating the events of our lives for His glory and for our good.

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