

Series: THRIVE2025!

Title: Being the Evidence of the Gospel

Text: Joshua chapter 2

I. Rahab forsook her former life: (Vs 1-2)

A. The wise strategy of Joshua: (Vs 1)

1. The spies entered Rahab's house (Vs 1)
2. The spies were spotted & the king informed: (Vs 2)

B. The Courageous Decision of Rahab: (Vs 3-6)

1. The king ordered Rahab to turn over the spies: (Vs 3)
2. The first sign of Rahab's faith in God
 - She hid the spies: (Vs 6)
 - She admitted they came, but denied knowing: Vs 4
 - She stated that they had left: (Vs 5a)
 - She suggested they pursue quickly: (Vs 5b)
 - She had hid them on her roof
3. The Hot Pursuit of the Kings Patrol: (Vs 7)

II. Rahab believed the testimony about God: (Vs 8-11)

A. Her Strong Conviction:

1. The LORD gave Israel land: (Vs 9)
2. The LORD delivered Israel from Egyptian slavery
3. The LORD dried up the Red Sea: (vs 10a)
4. The LORD gave victory over Sihon & Og: (Vs 10b)
5. The result: A spirit of fear gripped them: (Vs 11a)

B. Her Strong Confession: The LORD is God: (Vs 11b)

III. Rahab Requested Salvation: (Vs 12-16)

A picture of calling upon the LORD (Ro.10:13)

A. Asked for a guarantee of safety: (Vs 12)

B. The Strong Expression of Her Faith: (Vs 13)

C. The Strong Oath of the Spies: (Vs 14)

1. Pledged their word & their lives

D. The Strong Demonstration of Her Faith: (Vs 15-16)

1. She helped the spies escape: (Vs 15)
2. She advised the spies where to find refuge: (Vs 16)

IV. Rahab's 3 Conditions for Salvation: (Vs 17-21)

A. The Conditions of her Salvation:

1. She must tie the scarlet rope in the window: (Vs 18)
Identify her's as a "house of safety"
Pictures of the blood of Christ, the Passover Lamb
2. She must bring the family into her house: (Vs 19-20)
Make sure no one leaves the "house of safety"
Pictures separation/not returning to the world
3. She must not betray them, but protect them: (Vs 20)
(Picture of not deserting the LORD'S mission)

B. The Seal of Her Salvation: (Vs 20-21) (James 2:21-26)

1. She demonstrated true faith did not betray her commitment: (Vs 20)
2. She tied the rope in the window: (Vs 21)

V. Rahab's faith saved others:(Vs 22-24)

A. The Spies: (Vs 22-24)

Enabled the spies to escape & return to give their report

1. They heeded her advice: (Vs 22)
2. They returned to camp & reported to Joshua: (Vs 23)
3. The declaration of their own faith: (Vs 24)
 - The LORD has given the land into our hands
 - The people are panic-stricken

B. Rehab's Family was Saved: (Joshua 6:22-23)