

“Step In the Right Direction - Rahab”

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Whitneyville Bible Church, Alto, MI

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Joshua 2:1-24

BIG IDEA: When we do the “possible”, God does the impossible.

*“With man this is impossible,
but with God all things are possible.”
Matthew 19:26 (CSB)*

[?] [?] Faith’s Opportunity. (SEE IT!)

- Vision helps me make difficult decisions.
- Vision helps me overcome fear.
- Vision helps me live for tomorrow, not just today.
- Vision helps me develop conviction.
- Vision helps me obey God.

[?] [?] Faith’s Word. (SAY IT!)

- Confession takes confidence. (Knowing it.)
- Confession takes commitment. (Doing it.)
- Confession takes communication. (Showing it.)
- Confession takes conviction. (Feeling it.)

[?] [?] Faith’s Accomplishment. (SEIZE IT!)

- Accomplishment requires discipline.
- Accomplishment requires action.
- Accomplishment requires time.

***Faith* sees the invisible.**

***Faith* hears the inaudible.**

***Faith* believes the incredible.**

***Faith* thinks the incomprehensible.**

***Faith* accomplishes the impossible.**

***Faith* inherits the indestructible.**

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READ: Read Joshua 2:1-24

THINK: Think about Rahab’s story, then ask yourself these questions: *If you went undercover as a spy, what kind of identity would you want? Why do you suppose Rahab felt safe harboring two spies? Other than safety and an escape plan, what does she provide for the spies? Why do the inhabitants of Jericho feel the way they do about the Israelites (v9-11)? How would you summarize Rahab’s request of the spies? Is it OK to lie as long as you’re doing something for God? What agreed upon conditions do the spies place on Rahab’s request? Given her disreputable occupation and obvious lie, what details in this story substantiate Rahab’s reputation as a woman of faith (see Hebrews 11:31 & James 2:24, 25)? How do you react to Rahab’s becoming part of the Nation of Israel (Joshua 6:22-25) and becoming the mother of Boaz and an ancestor of Jesus Christ (Matthew 1:5)?*

DO: What did Rahab’s faith accomplish on her behalf? What did her faith accomplish on behalf of others? With whom do you identify most in this story?

Rahab? The spies? The people of Jericho? How does Rahab's faith challenge and inspire you?