

# Explicit Grace: Rahab's Testimony

Scripture: Matthew 1:6 and Joshua 2

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## Full Study

Read Matthew 1:6 and Joshua 2

## Let's Study

*The Faith of a Harlot*

*Joshua 2:1-11*

1. Why do you think Rahab hid, lied, and protected the two spies?
2. What is the significance of Rahab using the covenant name of God, Yahweh? How may Rahab have heard about this name? (Jos 2:10)

*Rescue from Destruction*

*Joshua 2:15 & 6:20-22*

3. How do the two men respond to Rahab? What do they promise her?
4. Rahab's faith in Yahweh made her exempt from God's judgment on Jericho. What parallels do we see in the New Testament?
5. We assume that a prostitute wouldn't escape judgment. What does this say about God's grace and our sin?

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6. Why do you think the Bible continues to refer to Rahab as the prostitute? Is it to 'drag her name in the mud' or something else? What are the biblical authors trying to tell us about God's grace?

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7. A hymn writer wrote, "the vilest offender who truly believes, that moment from Jesus, a pardon receives". Is it our righteousness that saves us? (Isaiah 64:6) How should we view ourselves and others who have sinned in light of God's grace?

## Let's Pray

- Reflect on Rahab's testimony and say of prayer of thanks that we who have likewise sinned against God can find mercy, forgiveness, and redemption in Christ.
- Pray that we wouldn't harden our hearts to God's promises to turn from sin and place our faith in Christ.

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3. Why does the Bible refer to Rahab as the prostitute? What are the biblical authors trying to tell us about God's grace?
4. How should we view ourselves and others who have sinned in light of God's grace?

### Let's Pray

- Thank God for the mercy, forgiveness, and redemption we have in Christ.
- Pray that we wouldn't harden our hearts to God's promises to turn from sin and place our faith in Christ.