

# Notes: Risky Faith- Rahab

Faith is demonstrated by your action, not by your discussion; It's demonstrated by your walk, not by your talk.

**GOD SEES WHAT PEOPLE MISS**

**GOD DOESN'T CALL THE MOST LIKELY , HE CALLS THE MOST AVAILABLE**

**ONE MOMENT OF FAITH CAN CHANGE AN ENTIRE LEGACY**

James 2

In the same way, was not even Rahab the prostitute considered righteous for what she did when she gave lodging to the spies and sent them off in a different direction?

Hebrews 11:31

"By faith Rahab the prostitute did not perish with those who were disobedient, because she had given a friendly welcome to the spies."

## BIG IDEA

God specializes in using unlikely people with messy pasts to accomplish eternal purposes.

## CONTEXT

Rahab lived in Jericho — a wicked, pagan city opposed to God.

She was:

- A prostitute
- An outsider
- A Canaanite
- Spiritually lost
- Morally broken

Yet God saw something nobody else saw: Faith.

And before Israel ever stepped into the Promised Land... God saves a prostitute.

That is the Gospel.

## POINT 1 — FAITH HEARS ABOUT GOD BEFORE IT SEES GOD

## Joshua 2:8–11

Rahab says:

“We have heard...”

She had never seen:

- The Red Sea split
- Pharaoh defeated
- The pillar of fire

But she HEARD what God had done.

Faith often begins with hearing before seeing.

## Romans 10:17

Faith comes by hearing...”

## POINT 2 — FAITH MAKES A BREAK FROM THE OLD LIFE

Rahab risks EVERYTHING by hiding the spies.

This was treason. If caught, she dies.

Why?

Because real faith always costs something.

Rahab had to choose:

- Jericho or God
- comfort or calling
- old life or new future

## POINT 3 — Faith risks everything on God

Hiding the spies was not symbolic. It was dangerous.

**“Real faith is not proven by what you say in safety; it is proven by what you risk in obedience.”**

## POINT 4 — FAITH HANGS THE SCARLET CORD

The scarlet cord outside Rahab’s window becomes her sign of salvation.

When judgment came... the scarlet cord identified the house that would be spared.

This points directly to Jesus.