L2L48: Rahab

Joshua 2

Joshua was preparing to lead the Israelites into the land God promised them. He knew it wasn't going to be an easy task, and there would be obstacles along the way. There were two big obstacles right from the beginning—the Jordan River and the great, walled city of Jericho. In order to cross over the river and take the city, Joshua would need a plan. So, he selected two men to be spies to go look around the city and bring important information about it back to him. The spies went into the city and found a place to stay in the house of a woman named Rahab. Unfortunately, someone had seen the spies and suspected what they were up to. The two men were in great danger, and Rahab had a risky decision to make.

Discuss:

- Why did Joshua send spies into the city of Jericho? Why was it important that they go secretly?
- What did Rahab tell the men who came to capture the two spies?
- Where did Rahab hide the spies?
 Why was it dangerous for her to do this?
- Why did Rahab want to help Joshua's spies? What was her request to them?
- It would have taken Rahab a lot of courage to do what she did in hiding the spies and requesting that they



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allow her and her family to be unharmed in the upcoming battle. What does it mean to have courage? As Christians, how can we gain courage?

Memory Challenge:

Joshua 2:11

"And as soon as we heard these things, our hearts melted; neither did there remain any more courage in anyone because of you, for the Lord your God, He is God in heaven above and on earth beneath."