

Joshua 2

2:1 – Do you remember what happened the last time they sent spies into the land? (Numbers 13:25-33)

2:2 – There was a good chance that this city was on high alert based upon Rahab's report given in 2:9-11. Jericho was not large, about 6 acres in size. It is possible that there were only 2000-3000 residences in this town. Would it have been hard to pick out who the two new dudes were wandering around the city?

2:3-7 – Why would Rahab have taken this chance with the men?

What kind of risk would Rahab have been taking by hiding and protecting enemy spies?

2:3 – What does the king's response to this report tell us about his view of Israel and their God?

2:9-11 – How has the knowledge of God spread to other nations?

What is their response to this knowledge?

How does Rahab express faith?

Hebrews 11:31 – How is Rahab honored in this passage?

James 2:25 – How do we see faith and works working together?

Matthew 1:5 – Who is Rahab's great-great-great grandson?

What does this teach us about the Lord that he would place Rahab (a foreigner and a harlot) in the lineage of Christ?

What are some examples of ways we judge people based upon their ethnicity or profession instead of their heart?

What does that communicate about the church when we wrongly judge, make assumptions, and look down on others?

What do we learn about God's heart for the nations through Rahab's faith? What were some of the reasons that God worked such miraculous wonders during this period in the history of Israel?

How was God preparing both Israel and the world for Israel's unique role of "God's people?"

2:12-14 – What was her request? How did this continue to show her faith?

2:15-21 – What was their contingency to honoring their pledge? Does this remind you of anything else you have read in the Old Testament?

2:22-24 – The first time Israel stood on the edge of the Promised Land, the spies returned downcast and doubtful. How did Rahab's faith inspire these spies?

1 Corinthians 1:26-29 – How has this story of Rahab influenced your understanding of this passage?