



Faith Community Church
Be Rescued
(Joshua, Part 2)

Faith Group Questions
& Discussion Guide



Opening Prayer: Ask God to challenge you to hear how He wants you to apply Rahab's courage to your own lives.

Icebreaker: What's one time in your life when you had to take a courageous stand that went against the flow of those around you?

Key Takeaways:

1. God seeks the lost and unlikely. God led the spies to Rahab, an unlikely woman He had already been working on. He leaves the 99 to go after the one.
2. Saving faith is active, not passive. Rahab heard, believed, AND obeyed. Her faith was demonstrated through her actions.
3. The scarlet cord foreshadows Christ's blood.
4. Faith often requires treason against the world, its culture, kings, and gods to align with the God of Israel.
5. God does exceedingly abundantly more - Rahab not only was saved but her family was, too, and she became part of the lineage of Jesus Christ.

Discussion Questions:

1. Read Joshua 2:1-11. What risks was Rahab taking in hiding the spies?
2. In verse 11, Rahab makes a powerful declaration of faith. What does this tell us about what God had already been doing in her life?
3. How does Rahab's story challenge common assumptions about who God can save? (Matthew 9:9-13)
4. Rahab demonstrated three key characteristics: courage, compassion, and surrender. Which of these three do you find most challenging in your own walk with God? Why? (Joshua 1:9, Matthew 9:13, Proverbs 3:5)

5. The sermon mentioned that some Canaanites heard about God and believed, but only became afraid rather than surrendering. What's the difference between believing **about** God and truly believing **in** God? (James 2:14-26)

6. Rahab immediately tied the scarlet cord in her window rather than waiting. What does this teach us about obedience? Is there something God has asked you to do that you've been delaying? (Matthew 25:14-30, Acts 16:9-10)

7. "Faith and obedience to God can be a lonely road." How do you stay faithful when those around you don't understand or support your commitment to Christ? (1 Samuel 30:6)

8. The sermon challenged us to examine if we're "shaping Christ into what you want Him to be" or following Him with conditions. What conditions might you be placing on your relationship with Jesus? (Galatians 1:6-10)

Practical Applications:

1. Who is the "Rahab" in your life—someone you might consider unlikely, or impossible to be saved? Pray for them each day this week. How might you reach out to them?

2. What does it look like practically to "hang the scarlet cord in your window"—to publicly declare your faith in Jesus Christ? Determine and take one step of courage this week.

3. Identify one area where God has been speaking to you but you've been hesitant to obey. Like Rahab who immediately tied the scarlet cord, take action this week.

4. Make a list of areas where you might be following Christ with "conditions"—things you're unwilling to surrender. Write a prayer of surrender. Every day, bring these before God and each day, choose to say, "According to Your words, so be it."

Closing Prayer: Father, today we pray for courage to publicly declare faith in Christ; compassion for those who seem far from God; willingness to surrender control completely to God; and active, obedient faith. Shape us, Lord, into Your image.