

VICTORIOUS FAITH BRINGS VICTORIOUS LIVING

LAST WEEK'S MESSAGE

No matter what our past is, God can transform us from the inside out and give us new life. We see this timeless truth come true in the life of Rahab, the pagan prostitute. Rahab encountered the grace of God, and her life was never the same. That is real faith! It is putting our trust in who God is, what He has done, His character, and His promises. In Joshua 2, we learn four aspects of Rahab's victorious faith.

CENTERED ON TRUTH (Joshua 2:1-11)

Joshua sent out 2 spies to survey the land of Jericho. He wants to come up with a strategy to conquer the land, but God had a higher purpose – to save Rahab and give the people of Israel victory! The king of Jericho found out that the spies stayed at Rahab's house. But Rahab hid and protected them. Why did she do this? Rahab knew about God's power. She knew He led the Israelites out of slavery from Egypt and how He gave them victory through their journey towards the Promised Land. Rahab was impacted by this truth. She acknowledged and believed that the "LORD is God in heaven above and on earth beneath". Like Rahab, we can have victorious faith when we trust in the reliable truth of God's character and His word.

COURAGEOUS

Rahab displayed courageous faith when she acted and risked her life to hide the spies. Hebrews 11:30-31 commends "Rahab the prostitute" for not siding with those who were "disobedient". The entire land of Jericho heard about God. They knew the same things that Rahab knew, but they did not acknowledge Him. James 2:24-26 uses Rahab as an example of faith in action. The evidence of genuine faith is transformed life, changed behavior, and fearless acts in obedience to God. Every act of obedience to God – to be honest, to keep our integrity, to refuse bribes, to stand against the tide and choose righteousness – takes courage! It is not the absence of fear, but a demonstration of complete trust in God (Psalm 56:3-4).

CONCERN FOR OTHERS (Joshua 2:12-16)

Rahab was concerned for the welfare of her family. She made sure that her family would be safe when the army of Joshua attacked Jericho. Do we have the same concern for others? If we genuinely love and care for our loved ones and other people, we will live in such a way that we point them to Jesus Christ. We need to intentionally reach out, pray for them, and share the gospel to them!

CONTINUING (Joshua 2:17-21)

The spies made a covenant with Rahab to spare her whole household when they attacked Jericho. She was asked to tie a scarlet cord at the window, so that all who lived in her house would be saved. This is symbolic of the blood on the doorposts during the Passover (Exodus 12:23), and ultimately, the blood that Christ shed for all of us for our salvation. Rahab tied a scarlet cord in the window and was saved (Joshua 6:22-23). Rahab's faith was enduring. She is part of Jesus' genealogy (Matthew 1:1-6), becoming one of Jesus' ancestors!

The story of Rahab tells us no one is beyond God's transforming grace. Our part is to be willing to change and embrace a new beginning like Rahab, whose victorious faith brought about a victorious life!

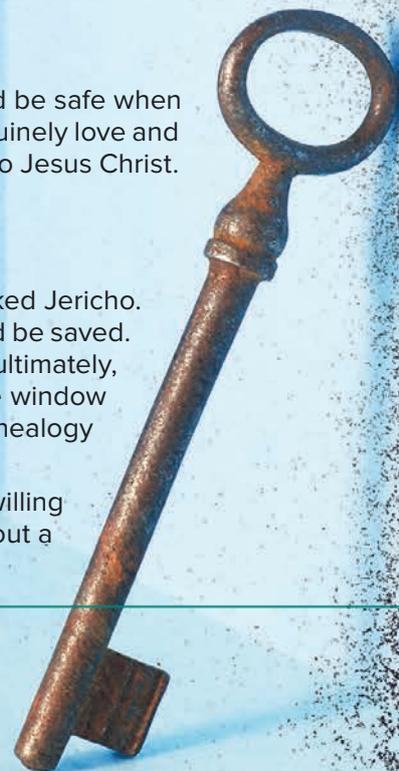
LAST WEEK'S MEMORY VERSE

the LORD your God, He is God in heaven above and on earth beneath.

JOSHUA 2:11

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

- How do you center your faith in the TRUTH?
- What is stopping you from giving your complete, total surrender to Jesus?
- How do you best express compassion to your loved ones who are not yet fully committed to Jesus?
- What can you do to make your faith enduring?



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- Book 1: One by One
- Book 2: Spiritual Disciplines

GLC Level 2 — Zoom Cycle

Book 7: Family Life

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LOOKING FOR ANSWERS? THINK YOUR VISIT IS A COINCIDENCE? YOUR BEING HERE TODAY IS NO ACCIDENT!

God brought you here for His purpose.

1 God loves you.

He desires for you to have a meaningful life with Him in the present and gain eternal life with Him in the future.

*Know therefore that the Lord your God, He is God, the faithful God, who **keeps His covenant and His lovingkindness** to a thousandth generation with those who love Him and keep His commandments —Deuteronomy 7:9*

2 God is holy.

We are sinful, and our sin separates us from Him.

Everyone has sinned and is far away from God's saving presence. — Romans 3:23

3 God is merciful.

In His love, He made the only way for us to be reconciled to Him: through His son, Jesus Christ. Jesus had to die on the cross for our sins and be raised to life for eternity.

But God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us. Much more then, having now been justified by His blood, we shall be saved from the wrath of God through Him. — Romans 5:8

I am the way, and the truth, and the life; no one comes to the Father but through Me. — John 14:6

4 God is gracious.

By placing our faith in Jesus Christ, we are forgiven of our sins and saved from eternal death.

For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him shall not perish, but have eternal life. — John 3:16

For by grace you have been saved through faith; and that not of yourselves, it is the gift of God; not as a result of works, so that no one may boast. — Ephesians 2:8-9

5 God keeps His promises.

You can be sure that you have eternal life when you trust in Jesus.

And the testimony is this, that God has given us eternal life, and this life is in His Son. He who has the Son has the life; he who does not have the Son of God does not have the life. These things I have written to you who believe in the name of the Son of God, so that you may know that you have eternal life. 1 John 5:11-13



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