## God's Grace For Sinners Joshua 2 (Part 2 - Rahab)

## I. <u>Rahab's Faith</u>: Rahab put her faith in God instead of her own country (Hebrews 11:31).

- A. Rahab knew and acknowledged the true God of Israel (Joshua 2:8-11).
- B. Rahab survived because she pursued and trusted in the "grace" of God through the spies ("loving-kindness Joshua 2:12).
  - (Hebrews 11:31) "By faith <u>the prostitute Rahab</u>, because she welcomed the spies, was not killed with those who were disobedient."
- II. <u>Rahab's Good Works</u>: Rahab demonstrated her inward faith in God outwardly by protecting the spies (James 2:25).
  - A. Rahab gave the spies safe lodging (Joshua 2:1-7).
  - B. Rahab righteously spared their lives (Joshua 2:14-21).
    - (James 2:25) "In the same way, was not even <u>Rahab the prostitute</u> considered righteous for what she did when she gave lodging to the spies and sent them off in a different direction?"
- III. <u>Rahab's Reward</u>: God used and blessed Rahab in spite of her past (Matthew 1:5).
  - A. In spite of her past God saved Rahab and her family because He saves the least likely (Joshua 2).
  - B. In spite of her past God made Rahab an ancestor of Jesus Christ because God blesses the least likely (Matthew 1:5).
    - (Matthew 1:5) "Salmon the father of Boaz, whose mother was <u>Rahab</u>, Boaz the father of Obed, whose mother was Ruth, Obed the father of Jesse."

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