

Your Reputation Proceeds Itself - Jos 2:1-3

I. Dispatch of the Spies - Jos 2:1-3

- A. M_____ of the Spies – v. 1
- B. M_____ of the Spies Mission – v. 2
- C. M_____ for the Spies – v. 3

II. Deliverance Midst Deception - Jos 2:4-7

- A. The D_____ Told – v. 4-5
5x Deceptions/lies: identity, timing, direction, location, opportunity
- B. The C_____ Action – v. 6
- C. The E_____ Upon the King's Men – v. 7

III. Declaration of Faith - Jos 2:8-11

- A. F_____ of God throughout Jericho – v. 9
 - 1. She knows that the LORD (Yahweh) is s_____ and rules over the nations. Exo 15:15-16; Deu 3:21-22,
 - 2. T_____ has fallen on her and the people of Jericho. (dread, fear, horror)
 - 3. A_____ the inhabitants of the land are fainthearted because of Israel.
- B. F_____ Basis for that Fear – v. 10
 - 40 years earlier God divided the Red Sea and they passed through the Red Sea as by dry land, whereas the Egyptians, attempting to do so, were drowned. (Heb 11:29)
 - Israel's squashing defeat of the Amorite Kings Sihon, king of Heshbon and Og, king of Bashan as Israel moved north (Due 2:26-3:11)
- C. F_____ in the Heart and Mind of Rahab – v. 11

Though hearing the same news, having the same information, she believed. All knew, but Rahab believed. Eph 2:8-10

I mentioned there are many testimonies regarding this kind of **war time** scenario. But, the testimonies we must hold with highest importance are those found in Scripture. Here are four testimonies centered on this former pagan, former prostitute Rahab...(notice, not one of these communicates in any way, that she sinned or disobeyed God when she hid the spies and lied to mislead the local authorities.)

Rahab is praised throughout the Scriptures in both Old and New Testament. I am hard pressed to find any woman held more highly by the collective testimony of Scripture than Rahab:

- 1. Heb 11:31 – Her F_____ –
 - 1) First of all, she is a woman. Do you know how many women are individually named in Hebrews 11?
T_____, Sarah and R_____.
 - 2) Secondly, she is a Canaanite. The Canaanites were the arch e_____ of the people of God
 - 3) Third, she was a prostitute – Of all occupations or roles in cultures anywhere, prostitution assumes the l_____ position of society.

Rahab's faith not only saved her, it also saved her f_____, and played a crucial role in the saving of God's p_____.

- 2. Jas 2:22-26 – Her w_____ – James writes so clearly...
- 3. Jos 6:17-23 – Her Great Reward in this L_____.
- 4. Mat 1:1-6 – Her G_____ Reward on the Grandest Scale - 2Co 5:21