#### **Evaluate Your Spiritual Condition!**

Momentum: Getting Back on Track with God! Joshua 2

Numbers 14:20, The LORD replied, "I have forgiven them, as you asked. 21 Nevertheless... 22 not one of those who saw my glory and the signs I performed in Egypt and in the wilderness but who disobeyed me and tested me ten times— 23 not one of them will ever see the land I promised on oath to their ancestors.

# The Story—Rahab and the Spies:

## Joshua Sends the Spies:

<u>Joshua 2:1</u>, Then Joshua son of Nun secretly sent two spies from Shittim. "Go, look over the land," he said, "especially Jericho." So they went and entered the house of a prostitute named Rahab and stayed there.

## Rahab Hides and Protects the Spies:

Joshua 2:3, So the king of Jericho sent this message to Rahab: "Bring out the men who came to you and entered your house, because they have come to spy out the whole land." 4 But the woman had taken the two men and hidden them. She said, "Yes, the men came to me, but I did not know where they had come from. 5 At dusk, when it was time to close the city gate, they left...

## Rahab's Affirmation of Faith:

Joshua 2:10, We have heard how the LORD dried up the water of the Red Sea for you when you came out of Egypt, and what you did to Sihon and Og, the two kings of the Amorites east of the Jordan, whom you

completely destroyed. 11 When we heard of it, our hearts melted in fear and everyone's courage failed because of you, for the LORD your God is God in heaven above and on the earth below.

### **Rahab Cared About Others:**

Joshua 2:12, "Now then, please swear to me by the LORD that you will show kindness to my family, because I have shown kindness to you. Give me a sure sign 13 that you will spare the lives of my father and mother, my brothers and sisters, and all who belong to them—and that you will save us from death."

## The Spies Return to Joshua:

Joshua 2:21, ...So she sent them away, and they departed. And she tied the scarlet cord in the window... 24 They said to Joshua, "The LORD has surely given the whole land into our hands; all the people are melting in fear because of us."

## Rahab's Example of Faith:

• She Was Honest About Her SINS

Romans 3:23, for <u>all have sinned</u> and fall short of the glory of God,

<u>1 Corinthians 6:11</u>, <u>And that is what some of you were</u>. But you were washed, you were sanctified, you were justified in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ and by the Spirit of our God.

### She Acted on What She KNEW

Romans 5:8, But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us.

<u>James 2:25</u>, In the same way, was not even Rahab the prostitute considered righteous for what she <u>did</u> when she gave lodging to the spies and sent them off in a different direction?

#### She Put Her FAITH in God

<u>Hebrews 11:31</u>, <u>By faith the prostitute Rahab</u>, because she welcomed the spies, was not killed with those who were disobedient.

Romans 6:23, For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

#### • She Invited OTHERS to Join Her

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### • She Went Public With Her COMMITMENT

<u>Joshua 2:21</u>, "Agreed," she replied. "Let it be as you say." So she sent them away, and they departed. And <u>she tied the scarlet cord in the window</u>.