

GROUUPS

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JOSHUA: 04/19/2026 - Geoff Smith

MAIN IDEA

REVERENCE OF RAHAB

TALK ABOUT IT

- **ICEBREAKER:** “When have you made a decision based only on what you heard, not what you personally experienced?” What made you trust (or doubt) that information?
- 1. What stood out to you most from Joshua 2:8-14 and why?
- 2. **RECOGNIZE.** Rahab believed in God based on what she had heard about Him. What’s the difference between knowing about God and truly recognizing Him?
- 3. What have you heard about God that has impacted or grown your faith?
- 4. Many in Jericho feared God, but only Rahab responded in faith. Why do you think the same information leads to different responses in people?
- 5. **REPENT.** Rahab declares that God is over “heavens above and earth beneath.” What does it look like to fully surrender to God’s authority in your life?
- 6. Rahab asks for deliverance for herself and her family. How does humility play a role in real repentance?
- 7. Where is God inviting you not just to believe in Him—but to turn fully toward Him?
- 8. **RESPOND.** Rahab didn’t just believe—she acted by hiding the spies. Why is action such an essential part of real faith (James 2:17)?
- 9. What risks did Rahab take by helping the spies? What does that teach us about courageous faith?
- 10. What is one practical way you can respond to God this week—not just think or feel, but do?
- 11. **REPEAT / PURSUIT OF HOLINESS.** Reverence is lived out daily, not just in big moments. What practices help you stay consistent in your faith?
- 12.1 John 4:18 says perfect love casts out fear—yet Rahab begins with fear of God. How do fear and love work together in a healthy reverence for God?
- 13. How does knowing that God chooses and uses imperfect people (like Rahab) shape the way you see yourself?
- 14. **CLOSING.** What is one step you feel challenged to take this week in response to this passage?

KEY SCRIPTURES

JOSHUA 2:8-14

NEXT STEPS

- **ENCOUNTER:**
 - Join us on any of our Sunday Services
 - 8:30am, 10am, and 11:30am
 - Childcare is available
 - Translation to Spanish at 10am
- **EXPERIENCE:**
 - SEASONAL GROUPS REGISTRATION 4/12 - 4/26
 - Group Offerings:
 - Alpha, Rooted & Sermon Based Life Groups
 - REGISTER [HERE](#)
- **EXPAND**
 - Summer Days - June 29th - July 30th
 - Monday - Thursday at 9am-12pm
 - Ages 4-6
 - [Click HERE](#) for more information
 - Contact Jill Thayer about School Appreciation Lunches - Email: jillt@sagehillchurch.com.

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