

Discussion Guide

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Opening Activity:

Think about a name, label, or phrase that has stuck with you—something someone said about you, something you believed about yourself, or something you have carried quietly. How has it shaped the way you see yourself?

Read:

Joshua 2:1-11

Matthew 1:5-6

Hebrews 11:31

James 2:25-26

Discussion Questions:

1. Rahab's story begins with a label attached to her name. Why are people often remembered by their worst decisions, hardest seasons, or most visible struggles?
2. One painful moment can lead us to carry a shameful title for years. What labels do people silently carry that others may never know about?
3. Rahab lived on the edge of the city wall, both physically and socially. Where do you see people today who are present, but not really welcomed or known?
4. The spies ended up in Rahab's home, a place many people would have avoided. What does this reveal about the way God works through people and places others overlook?
5. Rahab heard what God had done, and those stories awakened faith in her. What stories of God's mercy or faithfulness have most shaped your faith?
6. Rahab's past did not disappear, but it became part of her testimony. What is the difference between being defined by your past and allowing God to redeem it?
7. What part of your past do you consider too shameful to be redeemed? Why can it be hard to believe God can redeem the parts of our story we most want to hide?
8. Rahab's faith became visible through her actions. How can you tell when someone's trust in God is beginning to reshape their choices?
9. Rahab later appears in Jesus' genealogy and in New Testament examples of faith. What does that tell us about the way God sees people compared to how people often see them?
10. One of the greatest forms of redemption is when God uses your past to help someone else walk toward Jesus. What part of your story might God one day use—with wisdom, humility, courage, and the right timing—to help someone else?

Challenge for the Week:

Name one part of your story you have been tempted to hide, minimize, or believe is unusable. Bring it honestly to God in prayer. Then ask Him if there is one safe, wise, and loving way He may want to use that part of your story to encourage, strengthen, or walk with someone else.