

Sermon Discussion Questions

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Joshua 2

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1. Had you ever heard of the Corrie ten Boom story, or read the book *The Hiding Place* (or seen the movie by that same title)? Why do people who seem to go through adversity with great courage inspire us?
2. The first point was – Courage is displayed by righteous risk-taking. What is the difference between righteous and unrighteous risk-taking? How can we tell the difference? Can you think of any righteous risks you have taken?
3. How would you have felt if you were Rahab when those men came from the king to ask about the spies (Joshua 2:2-3)?
4. Let's talk about Rahab's lie (Joshua 2:4-6). Was it wrong of her to lie (cf. Exodus 20:16; Leviticus 19:11; Number 23;19; Colossians 3:9)? Discuss what it means to be righteous and honest and if lying is ever okay, and why.
 - a. Have you ever been conflicted in your heart in discerning what is the right thing to do (or what is the lesser of two evils to do)? How do you navigate those times in life when things don't seem to be black and white?
5. How has your faith strengthened your courage?
6. Joshua 2:11 – do we believe this about God (that He is the God in heaven and on earth beneath)? What does that mean that He is the God of both places? How does that impact your daily life...if at all?
7. How would you feel being Rahab's parents (Joshua 2:13) given Rahab's reputation? What application can we draw from the relationship they probably had with their daughter?
8. Courage inspires courage. How can we inspire each other to have courage (even in the normal, every-day living)?