

Food for Thought

For the week of June 21, 2009
(Questions and Scriptures for further personal study)

*Community Groups are on summer break, but they'll resume the week of September 20th!
If you enjoy open discussions about the scripture and how they relate to your everyday life,
then you need to come to the Sunday Adult Class - Sunday mornings @ 9am.*

1. Read Joshua 2:1-2. Have you ever misjudged others because of their reputation?

2. Read Joshua 2:3-7. Lying always wrong (Ex. 20:16). Is Rahab's lie justified in this case? - Does the end justify the means?

3. What do you do when you feel forced to tell a lie?

- What should you do?

4. Read Joshua 2:8-14. What's the significance of swearing by the LORD? (12, 17, 20)

5. Read Joshua 2:15-24. What is the significance of the scarlet cord?



FROM JOSHUA
Sermon #3
Joshua 2:1-24

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Rahab & the Spies

WHY WOULD GOD USE AN IMMORAL WOMAN TO FULFILL HIS **PURPOSES**? (1-2)

It emphasizes His **mercy & grace**

[see: Matthew 21:32; Luke 15:1; Luke 19:10]

- Rahab is honored 3 times in the New Testament
[Matthew 1:5; Hebrews 11:31; James 2:25]

WHY DOES GOD **HONOR** RAHAB FOR LYING TO THE KING'S MEN? (3-7)

- See what Rahab is commended for in Hebrews 11:31, James 2:25

HOW DID RAHAB HAVE **FAITH** IN GOD? (8-24)

[see: Numbers 21:21-35; Exodus 23:27 & Deuteronomy 2:25]

5 women in Jesus' lineage - Matthew 1:2-16

- Tamar who posed as a **prostitute**

- Rahab who was a **prostitute**

- Ruth who was a non-**Jewish** Moabite

- Bathsheba who committed **adultery** with King David

- Mary accused of committing **adultery**

Why is the story of Rahab included in the Bible?

It emphasizes God's mercy & grace - it extended to all of us

OVERVIEW OF THE BIBLE

a summer reading challenge

Read the chapters listed each day, and you'll get to know the important events & topics from Genesis to Revelation.

Before you read, always ask the Lord to help you understand & apply His Word into your life, for His glory.

**** There are only 61 readings. Those who finish by September 6th will be treated to a ~~F~~^F~~i~~ⁱ~~s~~^s~~h~~^h ~~T~~^T~~r~~^r~~a~~^a~~c~~^c~~e~~^e ~~F~~^F~~i~~ⁱ~~e~~^e~~s~~^s~~t~~^t (or chicken) on Sept. 13th ****

- Genesis 1-3, 12, 15, 22
- Exodus 1-5
- Exodus 12-14, 20
- Leviticus 1, 10, 16, 25
- Numbers 3-4, 6, 11-14
- Deuteronomy 5-8, 28-31, 34
- Joshua 1-6, 23-24
- Judges 1-4, 13-16
- Ruth 1-4
- 1 Samuel 7-10, 12
- 1 Samuel 15-20, 28, 31
- 2 Samuel 5-8, 11-13, 15, 18
- 1 Kings 3, 6-12
- 1 Kings 17-19, 21
- 2 Kings 1-2, 6-7, 11-12
- 2 Kings 17-23
- 1 Chronicles 15-17, 21-22, 28-29
- 2 Chronicles 5-10, 14-16
- 2 Chronicles 24-26, 29-35
- Ezra 3, 6-7
- Nehemiah 1-2, 4, 6
- Esther 1-4
- Job 1-3, 38-42
- Psalms 1, 8, 19, 23
- Psalms 51, 100, 103, 139
- Proverbs 1-3
- Ecclesiastes 1-5, 12 and Songs 1-2
- Isaiah 1-2, 6, 40, 52-55
- Jeremiah 1-5 and Lamentations 3
- Ezekiel 1-3, 18, 33
- Daniel 1-2, 4-6
- Hosea 1-4 and Joel 2
- Amos 3, Obadiah, and Jonah 1-4
- Micah 1-2 and Nahum 1
- Habakkuk 1, Zephaniah 3, Haggai
- Zechariah 1-2 and Malachi 1
- Matthew 1-2, 5-7
- Matthew 17, 26-28
- Mark 1-4, 10, 15-16
- Luke 1-2, 4-6
- Luke 8-10, 22-24
- John 1, 3-4
- John 13-17, 19-21
- Acts 1-4
- Acts 8-10, 12-15
- Romans 5-8, 12
- 1 Corinthians 1-2, 13
- 2 Corinthians 4-5, 8-9
- Galatians 5-6
- Ephesians 4-6
- Philippians 2, 4
- Colossians 1, 4
- 1 Thess 2, 4 and 2 Thess 3
- 1 Timothy 1, 3
- 2 Timothy 3-4
- Titus 2 and Philemon
- Hebrews 10-13
- James 1-3
- 1 Peter 1, 5 and 2 Peter 1
- 1 John 1-2, 2 John, and 3 John
- Jude, Revelation 19-22
- TELL PASTOR BILL THAT YOU FINISHED BY SEPT. 6TH!**