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# **MORE THAN A LIST OF NAMES**

## **RAHAB**

**MATTHEW 1:3-5**

**JOSHUA 2**

Matthew 1:3-5

Judah the father of Perez and Zerah,  
whose mother was Tamar.

Perez the father of Hezron,

Hezron the father of Ram,  
Ram the father of  
Amminadab,  
Amminadab the father of  
Nahshon,  
Nahshon the father of  
Salmon,  
Salmon the father of Boaz,  
whose mother was Rahab.

7 Generations  
400 years

- Relocate to Egypt for the Famine.
  - Enslaved in Egypt.
- God uses Moses to lead them out of slavery.
  - Crossed the Red Sea.
- Failed to take Jericho/Canaan the first time.
- Wandered the desert for 40 years.

## Joshua 2:1

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.

## Joshua 2:2-7

The King of Jericho was told, “Look, some of the Israelites have come here tonight to spy out the land.” 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.”

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. At dusk, when it was time to close the city gate, they left.”

“I don’t know which way they went. Go after them quickly. You may catch up with them.”

(But she had taken them up to the roof and hidden them under the stalks of flax she laid out on the roof.)

So the men set out in pursuit of the spies on the road that leads to the fords of the Jordan, and as soon as the pursuers had gone out, the gate was shut.

Exodus 1:20-21

God was kind to the midwives and the people increased and became even more numerous. And because the midwives feared God, He gave them families of their own.

## Joshua 2:8-13

Before the spies lay down for the night, she went up on the roof and said to them, “I know that the Lord has given you this land and that a great fear of you has fallen on us, so that all who live in this country are melting in fear because of you.”

“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.”

“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  
and on the earth below.

“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 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.”

1. She starts out by saying - “I know the Lord has given you this land.”

2. This isn't just  
coming out of a place  
of fear.

“The Lord your God is  
God in heaven above  
and on earth below.”

3. She ends asking  
that God's mercy be  
extended to her.

“Chesed” = mercy,  
loyal kindness,  
covenant of love and  
commitment.

A. Admit that you have sinned and can't save yourself.

B. Believe that God is real and that Jesus Christ died on the Cross to take that burden of sin and shame.

C. Commit your life to Christ.

**Joshua 2:14-15**

“Our lives for your lives!” the men assured her. “If you don’t tell what we are doing, we will treat you kindly and faithfully when the Lord gives us the land.”

So she let them down by a rope through the window, for the house she lived in was part of the city wall.

# Instructions she was meant to follow:

1. Make sure her family was together in her home when the Israelites came.
2. Tie a red cord in the window as a signal and sign to the Israelites of who she was. That she was set apart and marked for safety.

1. Sometimes we overcomplicate what we think having faith should look like.

## 2. Why the Red Cord?

Jesus is the scarlet  
cord.

Rahab is the picture of  
all of us.

A sinner saved by grace.

