

## **Reassurance of Faith Joshua 2**

### **I. Spies' Mission - 2:1-7**

1. Joshua sends 2 spies – 2:1  
As Moses sent 12 spies into land  
So Joshua sent 2 spies to Jericho  
This is before they cross the river  
They are to gather information  
They are directed to Rahab's house  
This harlot provides lodging for them
2. King of Jericho becomes aware – 2-3  
Someone informed the King of the spies  
He requires Rahab to turn them over
3. Rahab provides security – 4-7  
She hid the two men from the king's men  
Admitted they came to her house  
But when it got dark they went out  
She did not know where they were  
If you pursue quickly you can catch them  
But she hid them among grain on the roof  
King's men pursued them to the Jordan  
Gates of the city were then locked

### **II. Rahab's Testimony – 2:8-11**

1. Rahab went to spies on the roof – 8  
God would reassure their faith through her
2. She told them what she knew – 9  
She knew God had given Israel the land  
Knew her people were filled with terror  
Knew their resistance was weakened
3. She told them what she heard – 10  
Heard how God had dried up the Red Sea  
Heard how they defeated 2 Amorite kings  
On the other side of Jordan – Sihon & Og
4. She reported the impact – 11  
As soon as we heard our hearts melted  
Our courage to resist was gone  
We were made aware of your God  
The LORD (Jehovah) is your God  
He is God in heaven and on the earth

### **III. Rahab's Request – 12-21**

1. Please spare my family – 12-13  
She asked for an oath in Jehovah's name  
Since she protected them  
Would they protect her family  
Asked for a sign to seal the oath
2. Her request was granted – 14  
On condition she continue to help them  
Help us to escape from Jericho
3. Escape from Jericho – 15-16  
She lowered them down over the wall  
It is stated that her house was on the wall  
She gave them directions for escape  
Hurry to the mountain before they catch you

- Hide there for three days  
After your pursuers return you can go
4. Promise to Rahab – 17-20  
There were conditions to their promise – 17  
Unless conditions are met the promise is void  
Conditions are stated – 18-20  
You must hang the red cord in your window  
This would mark Rahab's house  
You must gather your family in your house  
No promise to any not in Rahab's house  
You must not tell this to anyone else
  5. Rahab accepts the conditions – 21  
She is in agreement with what is said  
She places the scarlet cord in her window

### **IV. Spies Report – 22-24**

1. They followed Rahab's plan – 22  
They went to the mountain  
They hid there for three days  
Their pursuers did not find them
2. They returned to Joshua – 23  
They gave a full report to Joshua
3. They reassured Him of victory – 24  
God has delivered this land to us  
The people are in fear of us  
Compare this with the report of 12 spies