

Rahab

READ

- You might like to read Joshua chapters 2-6 or listen to it [here](#)
- Rahab comes from the word meaning wide or spacious.
- She is sometimes seen as a prostitute and sometimes as an innkeeper.
- By faith Rahab welcomed the spies. Hebrews 11:31
- “In the same way, was not even Rahab the prostitute considered righteous for what she did when she gave lodging to the spies and sent them off in a different direction?” James 2:25
- Rahab created a place of hospitality, safety and escape for the spies.
- Rahab is mentioned in Matthew’s genealogy of Jesus.
- As you read about Rahab, what do you notice?



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REFLECT

- You might like to read one part of the story once more and pause at a word or phrase that strikes you.
- Meditate over this word or phrase with God until you come to a point of stillness.
- What do you sense God's invitation to you might be and how do you want to respond?
- As you finish your time of prayer you might like to thank God for the life of Rahab and all women who take risks to save the lives of others.
- What God has to teach you through the story of Rahab?
- You might like to close your time of prayer by praying the Lord's Prayer.



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- At some point this week you might like to pray practically with the narrative of Rahab
- You could do this through collage, poetry, bible art journalling, or another creative approach
- You might like to make a scarlet thread with wool or find some red ribbon.
- You might like to think of all with women in the genealogy of Jesus in Matthew, adding a button or bead for each to the scarlet thread.
- A reflective guide to these women can be downloaded [here](#).



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It was to be a scarlet cord -
Suspended from the window
Through which she enabled escape.

This red thread -
Dangling down the city wall
Was to be her lifeline

An umbilical cord -
Pulsating through the generations
To the woman's seed who would squash the serpents head.