

Before Engagement

I. Sending Spies (1-7)

Joshua assessed before he moved in the next step of his calling.

II. Seeing the Signs (8-14)

God gave signs that He was working for Israel.

III. Striking a Settlement (15-21)

Acts of faith and integrity were essential.

IV.. Spreading Solidarity (22-24)

Joshua received confirmation that God was going before him in his calling.

God will give victory to those who respond to His call in faith.

Application Questions - These questions are provided for your further study and application of the subject of today's message. Thoughtfully writing out answers to these questions will help drive home the point. They are designed to be discussed in your home, with other believers, and in a Life Group for even more benefit.

1. Read Joshua 2:1-7. Spies, lies and harlotry are key features in this section of the account. Were these things ok? Why and how would God work through them?

2. What did Rahab reveal about herself and her people, then ask of the spies in Joshua 2:8-14? How would the spies understand this concerning their mission?

Think about what is said in these two sections in relation to God's calling in your life. What lesson or lessons do you see for yourself?

4. Read Joshua 2:15-21. Was it ok for the spies to agree to spare Rahab and her family when God had ordered Israel not to spare any of the inhabitants of the land? Explain. (See Deut. 7:1-4)

5. What message would Joshua have received from the report of the spies in Joshua 2:22-24?

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What lesson about God can you see from Rahab's actions?