

TIGARD COVENANT KIDS'
Sunday School Online Lesson Plan
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RAHAB, A FRIEND OF THE ISRAELITES
(God's Chosen People)

Dear Parents,

This lesson shows us that an unsaved sinner, like Rahab, can be used by God to complete His plan. And let us not forget that a sin is a sin... and that ALL sinners are redeemable once they believe that God is who He says He is.

To God be the Glory!

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References: The Word of God; Amazing Stories for Young Believers by Dave Strehler

Materials Needed: Tablet/Computer and Bible

BEFORE WE GET STARTED, GOD WANTS ME TO TELL YOU SOMETHING:

"I love you with an everlasting love because you are a part of me. I created you and breathed life into your lungs. You are not an accident. I know everything about you... when you sit down, and when you stand up, when you laugh and when you cry. You are more important to me than you will ever know, and I have great plans for your future. I will never stop doing good to you. I am for you and never against you. I loved you so much that I sent my only son Jesus to be your savior. You are my special child and your names are stamped on my heart for all eternity." Love from your father in Heaven.

INTRODUCTION:

After Moses died, the Lord spoke to Joshua, the new leader of the Israelites. *"Get the people ready to cross the Jordan River into the Promised Land (Israel). I have given to you and all My people the whole land."* The first city the Israelites would have to conquer was the city of Jericho. Joshua sent two spies to explore the city. The spies managed to get into the city without being seen, and they met a woman named Rahab who hid them from the King's soldiers.

Let's watch a video about what happened next. A

For older children, ask them to read JOSHUA 1:1-9<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tWkbq50tH5>

QUESTIONS:

1. **What city did Joshua send the two spies to?** (Jericho, which was located in the Promised Land).
2. **Why do you think Joshua did that?** (Joshua knew that his army (with God's help, of course) would have to fight Kings and their armies that already lived in the Promised Land, so he sent two spies to gather information on how best to attack the city of Jericho.
3. **Who did the spies meet in town?** (A woman named Rahab).
4. **Was she a friend or enemy of the Israelites?** (She was a friend.)
5. **How do you know that she was a friend?** (she hid the spies from the King's soldiers).
6. **Why was Rahab willing to help the Israelite spies?** (Rahab knew the city would be attacked by God's Army, and she wanted protection for her and her family.)
6. **What was the color of the cord she hung in the window for the Israelites, so they could rescue her and her family?** (red or scarlet)

Here is a poem about Rahab:

*Joshua sent two spies,
To view the terrain,
With their own eyes,
And see what insight they might gain.

Rahab hid them under stalks of flax,
The king of Jericho asked,
"The spies went which way?"
She said, "Oh they decided not to stay."

For God's people she had cared,
And trusted her life would be spared,
Rahab put faith in the Lord,
Then she hung a scarlet cord.

Oh, how could she know,
Her faith in the scarlet string,
Was merely a shadow
Of the saving power Christ's blood would bring.*

Author Unknown

CONCLUSION: Rahab did not live a Godly life, but she had heard the stories about the power of the God of Israel and believed in Him. Even so, God used Rahab to protect the spies, and He rewarded her by saving her and her family. The lesson here is that God can use ANYONE (**even YOU and ME**) to protect His people and carry out His plans for the future.

*The Lord does not look at the things man looks at.
Man looks at the outward appearance, but the Lord
looks at the heart.*

1 Samuel 16:7

Let's pray together. Repeat after me.

Dear God,

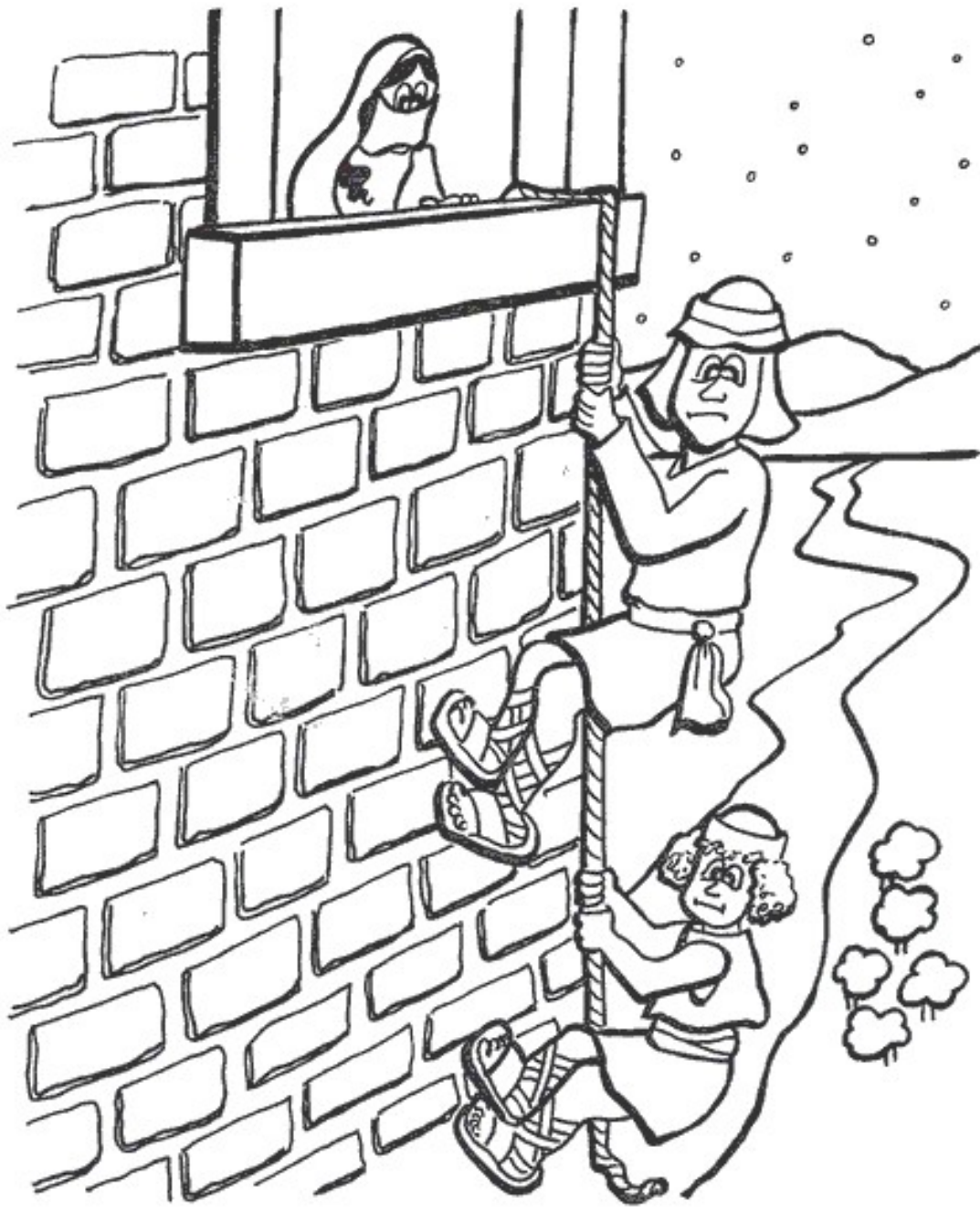
Thank you for your awesome love.
Thank you for the ways you look out for us and protect us.
Show us the plans you have for our lives,
and keep your loving hand on me and my family always.

And Thank You for sending Jesus to die for our sins,
so that we can one day be in heaven
with you and our families, forever and ever.

You are an amazing God, and
thank you for always keeping your promises!

In Jesus' Name, Amen

Activity below:



A woman named Rahab hid the two Israelites in her house. At night, she helped them escape through a window.