



Heroes of the Faith: Rahab
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Hebrews 11:31; Joshua 2:1-14

“By faith the Prostitute Rahab, because she welcomed the spies, was not killed with those who were disobedient.” Heb.11:31

1. Why Would They Go to a Prostitute’s House?

- It was a good place to gather information
- Rahab’s house was an ideal location for a quick escape
- God directed the spies there because He knew she’d help

2. How Could God Honor the Lie of a Prostitute?

There are several explanations offered:

- God forgave Rahab’s lie because of her faith
- Rahab was simply deceiving the enemy
- Rahab was not a Jew, therefore was not under God’s law
- Rahab traded the truth for protecting God’s people

3. Why Would God Use a Prostitute for His Plans and His Purpose?

- Because she had heard of God’s power, His sovereignty, His provisions, and His love for His people
- Because she was willing to risk everything for Him

God works through people – like Rahab – whom we are inclined to reject.

God saw Rahab for her faith, not her profession.