32 The Salvation of Rahab, The Gentile

hapter Joshua 2:1-21, 6:22-25



- 1. To understand the faith and actions of Rahab, as well as her result.
- 2. To understand that we must throw away what is less important to gain what is most important.

Open Your Heart



Write down the possession that I treasure the most.

If I had to throw away that possession right now, would I be able to do it? What would I need to hear or be told to be able to throw that possession away? Write down your answer.

Understanding Today's Lesson

In Matthew 1, there are four women included in the genealogy of Jesus Christ. One of these women was Rahab, a gentile and morally unclean woman who lived in the city of Jericho, which would later be destroyed. How was it that such a sinner could receive the honor of being a part of the genealogy of Jesus?

When Rahab had heard that Israel had escaped the powerful nation of Egypt, crossed over the Red Sea as if it was dry land, and wiped out the many strong tribes of Canaan, she believed that the Lord was the one and only true God. And when the spies of Israel came to hide in her house, in exchange for their acceptance and safety, Rahab was promised the safety of her own life and that of her family. Rahab was able to do these things because she believed that it was wiser to stand on the side of the living God than to stand with the country that she had been living in her entire life.

Afterwards, Rahab gathered all her family members at her house. When Joshua came to conquer the city of Jericho, only those who belonged to the house of Rahab and were in the house with the scarlet cord survived as promised. Rahab later married a man named Salmon, and not only does she give birth to Boaz, but her name becomes included in the genealogy of Jesus Christ. Boaz becomes the great-grandfather of King David. It was only thanks to the grace of God and faith in the grace of God that Rahab, a great sinner, received the glory of being listed in the genealogy of Christ.

Notes:

Memorizing

Bible Verses



Likewise, was not Rahab the harlot also justified by works when she received the messengers and sent them out another way? For as the body without the spirit is dead, so faith without works is dead also.

(James 2:25-26)



On These Verses

1. After you have meditated on the following verses, give a title of the verse or write a short summary of the verse. Also, write down things you have felt about the verse, or other verses that it has reminded you of.

(Job 22:23-26)

(Matthew 10:37-39)

(Philippians 3:7-9)



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Directions

Read Matthew 19:21-29 at least three times and answer the following questions.

- 1. Jesus said that it is difficult for the rich to enter the kingdom of heaven. What do you think is the reason?
- 2. God can accomplish the work that man cannot. Write down the names of rich men from the Bible who entered the kingdom of heaven.
- 3. What did the twelve disciples throw away to be able to follow Jesus? What have I given up to follow Christ?
- 4. In verse 29, Jesus said that everyone who has left houses or brothers or sisters or father or mother or wife or children or lands, for His name's sake, shall receive a hundredfold, and inherit eternal life. However, how is it possible to receive a hundredfold for these things? What do you think is the meaning of this verse?



The Word to My Life

For as the body without the spirit is dead, so faith without works is dead also. (James 2:26)

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2. Look back and reflect on how successful you were at applying last week's lesson.



Praying

To Live According to the Word

Let us pray so that the Lord can be the most precious being in the deepest parts of my heart. And let us pray so that we can please the Lord and determine to forsake the things that do not please HIm.



Let's Praise

My Lord God Almighty

God Almighty is the Lord, You are my God There is nothing you can't do with your strength You are listening to us, Lord All our cries and thoughts you know, Lord Every single hope and dream Belongs to you my Lord

God Almighty, You are Lord the faithful One Yes, you can change all of our pain and all our sorrows For you nothing is impossible For you raise the dead to life again None can overcome the power of you our Mighty God

I believe the words of my Lord Lay my net down into the sea All will see your awesome works We life our hands to praise Your name Listen to the word of my Lord Let your net down into the sea There's nothing you can't do if you believe

By faith we understand that the worlds were framed by the word of God, so that the things which are seen were not made of things which are visible. (Hebrews 11:3)

Parable

There Is No Such Thing As Excessive Sacrifice!

"If Jesus Christ is God and died for me, then no sacrifice can be too great for me to make for him."

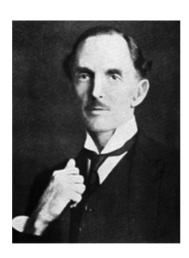
There was a student named C.T. Studd who studied in the prestigious Cambridge University of England. He studied well enough to be distinguished in the school and was an exceptionally good cricketer who won gold medals in competitions all over England. For C.T. Studd, the way to success was guaranteed.

One day, when C.T. Studd was attending a campus seminar, he was able to understand the gospel and received salvation. After this, he decided to become a missionary and preach the gospel. His decision to give up his reputation as "England's greatest cricketer" and position as captain of the 11-man Cambridge team, baffled many. Seeing Studd give up his future and career to go on the path of a missionary, someone said this:

"Hey, isn't this too big of a sacrifice for you to make?" What Studd said next is a message that is meaningful for all Christians to hear.

"If Jesus Christ truly is the Son of God, and He came upon this world to die for me to save me, then there is no sacrifice I can make that would be too great."

This is what devotion is. We cannot be satisfied devoting any less than this. C.T. Studd gave it his all to preach the gospel while neglecting his safety and that of his family. His dedication and sacrifice started the WEC International Mission, which supports 2,000 missionaries from over 80 countries today.



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