

Praying through the week 6<sup>th</sup> October 2025

Rahab – Doing the Right Thing



Rahab – prostitute – deceiver – betrayer - liar

An unlikely person for God to love? Perhaps we might think so?

But God saw a different person, a woman who had peered out over the city walls of Jericho and seen and recognised in the weary besieging Israeli army, their great faith in their God. And chose, in faith, to risk her life and that of her family, to betray her own citizens of Jericho, all to follow this God, our God, and to eventually become an ancestor of Jesus. Reflecting on Rahab's story, could we perhaps pause for a moment and

- ❖ thank and praise God that He sees us, not as we see ourselves or as we are, but as His beloved "children" for whom He has His "plans to prosper and to save us"
- ❖ we may never have to signal our faith and presence in the Lord with a scarlet cord, as Rahab did. But how else do we, could we, signal our faith in God to others. Do we? Daily? To all with whom we come into contact? It isn't easy is it, but our Lord is with us, isn't He?
- ❖ Rahab took risks for God, do we? Perhaps little risks when we choose to witness for the Lord; when we choose to speak of our love for Him...and in so many other ways. How wonderful when we do.
- ❖ Rahab, became an ancestor of Jesus, perhaps reflect again on her earlier life and praise and thank God again that He sees in each of us, wonders that we can never see in ourselves.

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As we journey through our Vicar Vacancy, times can be rich, times can be tough, perhaps these words from the Lord to Joshua and the Israelites as they journeyed might help.

"Be strong and courageous. Do not be terrified; do not be discouraged for the Lord your God will be with you wherever you go." (Joshua 1:9)

Perhaps Rahab too, in her faith and trust in the Lord, heard those encouraging words...and you? Me?

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