SERMON NOTES September 24, 2006

How The Promised Land Was Won

A Study of Joshua

Deliverance before Destruction: A Case of Grace Joshua 2:1-24

Rahab was a <u>call girl.</u> (vs. 1-7)

- 1. She was under serious condemnation
- 2. She found a source of compassion verse 10

Rahab was a converted girl. (vs. 8-11)

- 1. First she heard the word-verse 10.
- 2. Second she heeded the word. Verse 9-11

Rahab was a completed girl. (vs. 12-22)

- 1. There was evidence of a change
 - She <u>labored</u> for the Lord (vs. 1-7) James 2:25 In the same way, was not even Rahab the prostitute considered righteous for what she did when she gave lodging to the spies and sent them off in a different direction? ²⁶As the body without the spirit is dead, so faith without deeds is dead.
 - She loved the lost (vs. 12-13)
- 2. There were some effects of her change
 - She found <u>freedom</u>
 - She found a new <u>family</u> (Joshua 6:25; Matt 1:5; Ruth 4:21)
 - (1) She went from sinner to saint
 - (2) She went from being the cursed of God to being a child of God
 - (3) She went from the dying in a war to <u>participating in a wedding</u>. (Revelation 19:7-9)
 - She found a new fame. (Matthew 1:5, Hebrews 11:31)
 - (1) She went from the house of Shame to the Bible Hall of Fame.

No one lies outside the possibilities of God's grace!

Hebrews 7:25 (NIV) Therefore he is able to save completely those who come to God through him, because he always lives to intercede for them.