

# KIDS CLUB BY POST

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## Rahab and the spies

Story and activities to do at home  
while we are unable to meet.

Dont worry if you don't do everything in here.  
Just do what you fancy and have fun!



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# Story

*After 40 years walking around the desert, they arrived once again close to the land God had promised them. Moses died and his assistant Joshua became the new leader.*

## New Living Translation

Joshua secretly sent out two spies from the Israelite camp at Shittim. He instructed them, "Scout out the land on the other side of the Jordan River, especially around Jericho." So the two men set out and came to the house of a woman named Rahab and stayed there that night. But someone told the king of Jericho, "Some Israelites have come here tonight to spy out the land." So the king of Jericho sent orders to Rahab: "Bring out the men who have come into your house, for they have come here to spy out the whole land."

Rahab had hidden the two men, but she replied, "Yes, the men were here earlier, but I didn't know where they were from. They left the town at dusk, as the gates were about to close. I don't know where they went. If you hurry, you can probably catch up with them." (Actually, she had taken them up to the roof and hidden them beneath bundles of flax she had laid out.) So the king's men went looking for the spies along the road leading to the shallow crossings of the Jordan River. And as soon as the king's men had left, the gate of Jericho was shut.

Before the spies went to sleep that night, Rahab went up on the roof to talk with them. "I know the Lord has given you this land," she told them. "We are all afraid of you. Everyone in the land is living in terror. For we have heard how the Lord made a dry path for you through the Red Sea when you left Egypt. And we know what you did to Sihon and Og, the two Amorite kings east of the Jordan River, whose people you completely destroyed. No wonder our hearts have melted in fear! No one has the courage to fight after hearing such things. For the Lord your God is the supreme God of the heavens above and the earth below. Now swear to me by the Lord that you will be kind to me and my family since I have helped you. Give me some guarantee that when Jericho is conquered, you will let me live, along with my father and mother, my brothers and sisters, and all their families."

"We offer our own lives as a guarantee for your safety," the men agreed. "If you don't betray us, we will keep our promise and be kind to you when the Lord gives us the land." Then, since Rahab's house was built into the town wall, she let them down by a rope through the window. "Escape to the hill country," she told them. "Hide there for three days from the men searching for you. Then, when they have returned, you can go on your way." Before they left, the men told her, "We will be bound by the oath we have taken only if you follow these instructions. When we come into the land, you must leave this scarlet rope hanging from the window through which you let us down. And all your family members—your father, mother, brothers, and all your relatives—must be here inside the house. If they go out into the street and are killed, it will not be our fault. But if anyone lays a hand on people inside this house, we will accept the responsibility for their death. If you betray us, however, we are not bound by this oath in any way."

"I accept your terms," she replied. And she sent them on their way, leaving the scarlet rope hanging from the window. The spies went up into the hill country and stayed there three days. The men who were chasing them searched everywhere along the road, but they finally returned without success. Then the two spies came down from the hill country, crossed the Jordan River, and reported to Joshua all that had happened to them. "The Lord has given us the whole land," they said, "for all the people in the land are terrified of us."

*Joshua 2*

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## Simple version

Joshua sent two spies into Jericho; they came to a house of a woman named Rahab for a place to stay the night. Someone told the King "Some Israelites have come to spy on the land" The King sent some soldiers to Rahab's house "where are the men that were staying here, they are spies" asked the soldiers.

Rahab answered, "they have gone, I don't know which way they went."

The soldiers went to look for the men. The gates to the city were closed.

But The men were really hidden on the roof of Rahab's house. Rahab went to see the men before she went to sleep "I will help you escape if you promise to keep me and my family safe when you take the city".

They agreed and told Rahab to tie some red cord to her window to remind them not to attack her house. The two men escaped through the window on a long rope and went to the hills to hide from the soldiers



# Questions to discuss

After reading the story together, you could discuss these questions as a family:

1. Have you ever promised someone something important? Or maybe you have been promised something important?
2. Why is it important to keep a promise?
3. Who promises something in the story about land they went to spy on?
4. What promises has God made to us?



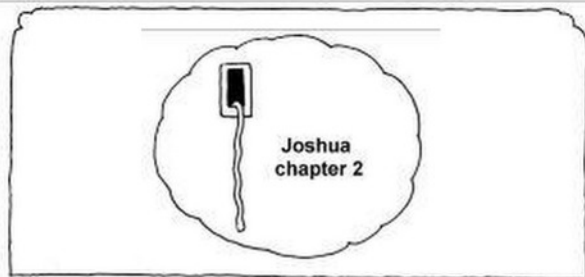
# Story to colour

## RAHAB and the spies

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After Moses had died Joshua became the new leader of the children of Israel and led them into the land God had promised them.



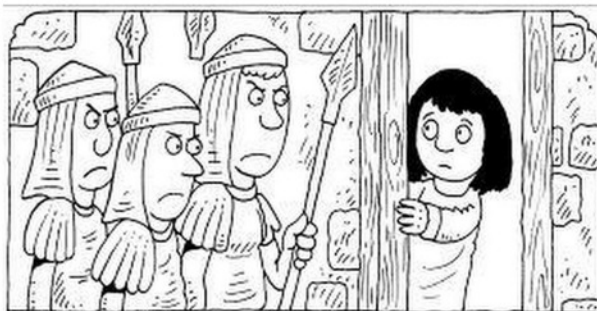
It was time to go into the new land God had promised to the children of Israel. Joshua sent two men to spy out the city of Jericho to find out how strong their army was.



The two men pretended they were just visitors, but they were looking to see how strong the walls and gates of the city were and how many soldiers they would need to fight.



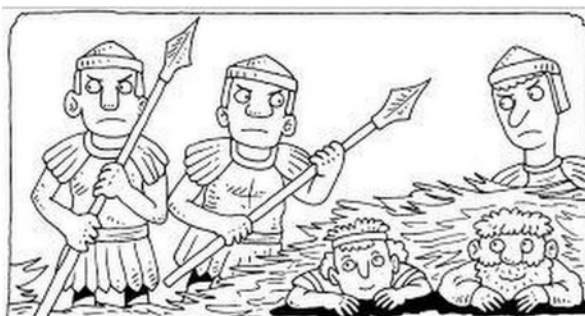
But someone recognized who the men really were and told the king that the spies were at Rahab's house, near the wall. The King sent soldiers to find them.



Rahab knew that God had saved the children of Israel from King Pharaoh and that God was powerful and mighty. Before the soldiers came she hid the two men.



"Hide up here on the roof, under these flax stalks I have drying. When God gives you this city, remember to save my family," said Rahab.



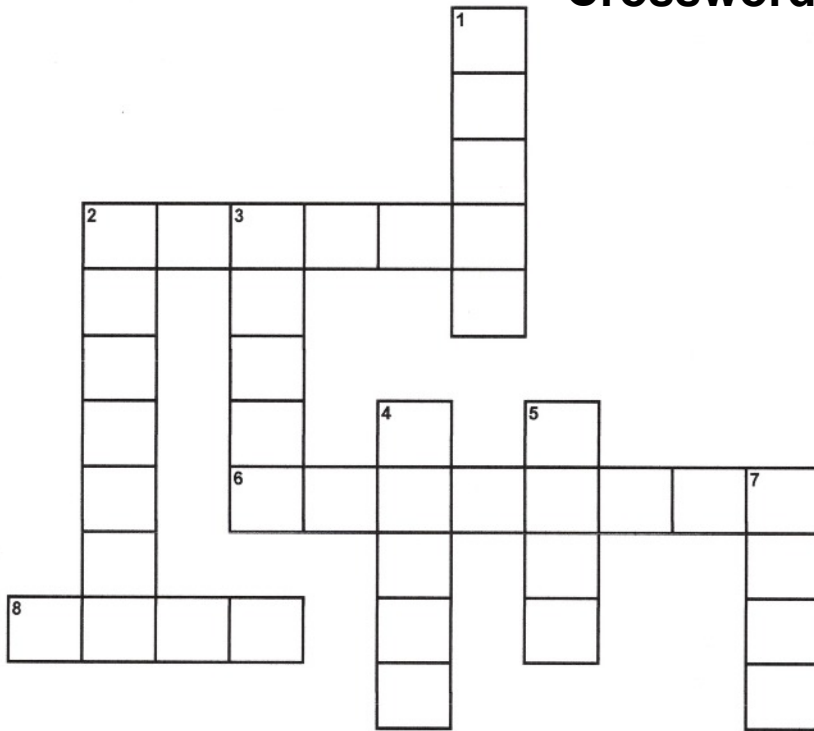
The soldiers searched the house, but they didn't find the two men. They thought they must have left the city and they chased after them.



That night Rahab let the men down, outside the wall, on a rope. "Keep a red cord hanging out of your window and we will remember to save you," the spies said.

# Puzzles

## Crossword



### Down

1. Name of the woman in the story
2. Name of the leader
3. Two of these went to check out the city
4. What they settled down to do on the roof of the woman's house
5. The person who heard about them and sent people to look for them

### Across

2. Name of the big city
6. People sent to hunt for them
8. How they escaped through the window

## Solve the code

Use the table to help you solve the code and find the verse

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# Wordsearch

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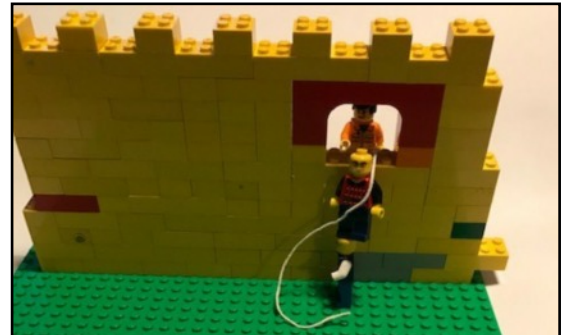
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 ROPE  
 HANGING  
 HILLS  
 REPORT  
 PEOPLE  
 TERRIFIED

## Challenges

How about inventing a secret sign for your family?  
 It could be your way of greeting one another using winking, elbows  
 or a little dance(!) Use your imagination.



Why not use a Lego  
 model to retell the  
 story?



Build a den to hide from the soldiers.  
 Remember how Rahab hid the spies and helped  
 them evade King Jericho's troops.



# Creative Prayer



## Prayer chain

In this week's Bible story, Rahab wants to keep her family safe. She puts a red rope in the window as a sign.

### You will need:

- Red paper cut into strips and black felt pen or white paper cut into strips and red felt pen.
- Glue

### What to do:

- Think about your family members.
- Write one of them on a strip of paper.
- As you write, say thank you to God for this person, and ask Him to look after them.
- Glue one end of the paper to the other.
- Do the same with the next piece of paper and make a circle to connect in the first one.
- Make your prayer chain as long as you want and hang it in your window.



## Links

Video of the story <https://youtu.be/5GxYFbGk11Y>



All they see,  
all they hear,  
all they are told  
has made  
it clear -  
our God  
is mighty!

Video of song of the week <https://youtu.be/8F77gM8U4rU>

Cartoon of the story <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tWkbq50tH5A>



# Recipe



## Rice Krispies Bars

### Ingredients

- 250g = 5 or 6 Mars bars
- 300g white chocolate
- 150g butter
- 100g of Rice Krispies
- 2 tablespoons of syrup
- Tubes of black, white and other color fondant icing

### Method

- Line the baking tin (6 x 12 inches) with baking paper.
- Break the Mars bars into smaller pieces and place them in a heat-resistant bowl.
- Add the butter.
- Place it all over another bowl containing hot water to melt it.
- Add the syrup.
- Mix it all well.
- Put the mixture in the lined baking tin and press down firmly until smooth and tight together.
- Cut the white chocolate into smaller pieces and soften by placing the bowl over a saucepan of simmering water.
- Pour the white, melted chocolate and spread over the entire Rice Krispies mixture using a spatula and allow to cool.

### Making eyes for the spies

- Decorate the white chocolate with eyes using the tubes of black, white and other fondant icing.



## Short prayer

Dear God,  
Thank You that you always keep your promises.  
Thank You for loving us with such great love and  
that you have promised that You will always be with us.  
Amen.

# Game

## Hide and seek with cups

### You will need:

- About 5 - 10 empty yoghurt pots (or cups), the number depends on the age of the children playing
- 2-7 little people - Lego, Playmobil or other small figurines that fit under the pots

### How to play:

- Place the people on the table and put a yoghurt pot over them. Then move the yoghurt pots around.
- Afterwards the players can take it in turns to guess where the people are hiding.

or

- Ask all players to turn their backs on you.
- Place the people on the table and cover each with a yoghurt pot.
- Then ask each player to turn and take turns to guess where the people are hiding.



## Sing



All we see, all we hear,  
all we are told has made it clear -  
Your God is mighty!  
All reports we receive,  
fill us with fear cos we believe -  
You have a mighty God!

The Lord your God is God of the heavens above.  
The Lord your God is God of the earth below.  
Remember all you've promised me  
when He brings you victory  
You have a mighty God!

All they see, all they hear,  
all they are told has made it clear -  
Our God is mighty!  
All reports they receive,  
fill them with fear cos they believe -  
We have a mighty God!

The Lord our God is God of the heavens above.  
The Lord our God is God of the earth below.  
We'll remember, you will see,  
when He brings us victory  
We have a mighty, so very mighty,  
We have a mighty God!

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If you'd like a copy of the sheet music, contact Andy Hughes - [Ahughes@saintygymuned.org](mailto:Ahughes@saintygymuned.org)