

Rahab, Valiant Woman of the Scriptures
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Besides the Book of Joshua – Rahab is referenced
3 times in the New Testament.

Rahab is listed in the lineage of Jesus



Abraham begat Isaac; and Isaac begat Jacob; and Jacob begat Judas and his brethren; and Judas begat Phares and Zara of Thamar; and Phares begat Esrom; and Esrom begat Aram; and Aram begat Aminadab; and Aminadab begat Naason; and Naason begat Salmon; and Salmon begat Booz of Rachab; and Booz begat Obed of Ruth; and Obed begat Jesse; and Jesse begat David the king.

Matthew 1:2

Hebrews Hall of Faith

Rahab is remembered with Noah and Abraham

*By faith the harlot
Rahab perished not
with them that
believed not, when she
had received the spies
with peace.*

Hebrews 11:31



Faith without works is Dead references Rahab

Even so faith, if it have not works is dead, being alone.

Therefore wilt thou know, O vain man, that faith without works is dead and cannot save you?

Thou believest there is one God; thou doest well; the devils also believe, and tremble; thou hast made thyself like unto them, not being justified.

Was not Abraham our father justified by works, when he had offered Isaac his son upon the altar?

Seest thou how works wrought with his faith, and by works was faith made perfect?

And the scripture was fulfilled which saith, Abraham believed God, and it was imputed unto him for righteousness; and he was called the friend of God.

James 17-22 (Cont.)

Faith without works continued Rahab referenced

Ye see then that by works a man is justified, and not by faith only.

Likewise also **Rahab** the harlot was justified by works, when she had received the messengers and sent them out another way.

For, as the body without the spirit is dead, so faith without works is dead. James 2:23-25



*Faith is a choice to trust God
even when the future seems
uncertain.*

I think of Rahab's life as broken then healed,
God Redeemed her.



Kintsugi (/kɪnˈtʃuːɡi/, Japanese: 金継ぎ, [kʲintɕuɡi], lit. "golden joinery"), also known as *kintsukuroi* (金繕い, "golden repair"),^[1] is the Japanese art of repairing broken pottery by mending the areas of breakage with urushi lacquer dusted or mixed with powdered gold, silver, or platinum

As a philosophy, it treats breakage and repair as part of the history of an object, rather than something to disguise.

Wikipedia

God uses our brokenness to make us into something beautiful. He promises to give us Beauty from Ashes too!

God gave Rahab Beauty from Ashes



To appoint unto them that mourn in Zion; to give unto them beauty for ashes, the oil of joy for mourning, the garment of praise for the spirit of heaviness; that they might be called trees of righteousness, the planting of the Lord, that he might be glorified.

Isaiah 61:3



And the blood shall be to you for a token upon the houses where ye are; and when I see the blood, I will pass over you Exodus 12:13

The crimson cord hanging from her window was her visible sign that she had made an alliance with the Lord. It was a declaration of her alignment with the God of Israel. The color was not random.

In the scriptures, scarlet represents blood, sacrifice, cleansing and redemption.

The cord was like the blood of the lamb.

The Scarlet Thread Runs All Through the Scriptures

- The ram that took Isaac's place on the altar of Moriah ,
- The Passover lamb ,
- The institution of the sacrificial system ,
- The scarlet rope of Rahab ,
- The Garments of the High Priests



FROM THE BLUE, PURPLE, AND SCARLET
YARN THEY MADE SPECIALLY WOVEN
GARMENTS FOR MINISTRY IN THE
SANCTUARY, AS WELL AS THE HOLY
GARMENTS FOR AARON, JUST AS THE
LORD HAD COMMANDED MOSES.
- EXODUS 39:1



I feel like Rahab looking to the future



Jericho was part of the Amorite kingdom, a grotesquely violent, totally depraved, thoroughly pagan culture so hell-bent on the pursuit of everything evil that God Himself had condemned them and ordered the Israelites to wipe them from the face of the earth. Deut 20:17 John MacArthur Twelve Extraordinary Women

I think as we look at our culture we can see a civilization that is crumbling. A nation that is ripe in iniquity. We need to trust like Rahab did that God has a plan.

For the day shall come that the Lord God will speedily visit the inhabitants of the earth; and in that day that they are fully ripe in iniquity, they shall perish. 2 Nephi 12:20

Tie the Rope. Trust the Blood. Tell the Story

When the trumpet sounded and Jericho crumbled, Rahab stood redeemed because she held on to the rope.

So must we. Though the world trembles and walls collapse, though judgment comes and nations fall—there is a scarlet rope still offered. It is the blood of Jesus Christ. It reaches backward to Eden and forward to eternity.

*For they have overcome him by the blood of the Lamb, and by the word of their testimony;
— Revelation 12:11*

So tie it in your heart. Hang it in your home. Preach it from your life. And never, ever let go.
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