

# *PARENT'S DISCUSSION GUIDE*

## *HEBREWS 11 - FAITH AT WORK*

### *Rahab and the Battle of Jericho – Joshua 2, 6*

- Read Joshua 2:1-24 and 6:1-27 for the story line referenced in Hebrews 11:30-31 and/or watch the “creative story telling” video using the link provided.
  
- **Discuss with your kids the following truths:**
  - Hebrews 11:30 speaks of the walls of Jericho. It took faith for the people of Israel to believe that God’s way was going to work when it came time for them to get into Jericho. What God told them to do did not make any sense, but they still listened because they trusted God. God always has a good reason for the things he asks his followers to do; only those with faith in God will get to see God’s plans work out.
  - Hebrews 11:31 talks about Rahab and her faith. We are told that Rahab was friendly to the spies and helped them out. Now it took faith for the people of Israel to believe God about the walking in circles around Jericho, but they had seen God do amazing things before. Rahab did not know God before this story. For her, this was all new. She still showed great faith in God, even though she had never personally seen him work before. Rahab is considered to be a hero, but it was her faith in God that made her stand out, not anything she did but something that God did.
  
- **Questions:**
  - What did Rahab do to help out the spies who came from Israel into Jericho?
  - Why did Rahab help the spies?
  - What happened to Rahab at the end of the story? Why did the Israelites rescue her?
  - What do you think about God’s “silly” plan for tearing down the walls of Jericho? If you were trying to knock down some walls what would you try first?
  - Why do you think that Israelites were willing to follow God’s crazy plan? What made them trust him to help them?
  - What happened at the end of the story to Jericho? Did God’s plan work? Does this help us to have faith too?