



Running with the Giants  
Pt. 5 - Rahab  
Failure Isn't Final

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**Hebrews 12:1 (NLT)**, “Therefore, since we are surrounded by such a huge crowd of witnesses to the life of faith, let us strip off every weight that slows us down, especially the sin that so easily trips us up. And let us run with endurance the race God has set before us.”

1. It's never \_\_\_\_\_ to follow God.

**Joshua 2:1 (NLT)**, “Then Joshua secretly sent out two spies from the Israelite camp at Acacia Grove. 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 prostitute named Rahab and stayed there that night.”<sup>2</sup> But someone told the king of Jericho, “Some Israelites have come here tonight to spy out the land.”<sup>3</sup> 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.”<sup>4</sup> Rahab had hidden the two men, but she replied, “Yes, the men were here earlier, but I didn't know where they were from.”<sup>5</sup> 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.”

2. Fear of the Lord is a \_\_\_\_\_.

**Proverbs 14:27 (NLT)**, “Fear of the Lord is a life-giving fountain; it offers escape from the snares of death.”

**Joshua 2:8-11 (NLT)**, “<sup>8</sup> Before the spies went to sleep that night, Rahab went up on the roof to talk with them. <sup>9</sup> “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.”<sup>10</sup> 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. <sup>11</sup> 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.”

**Luke 12:4-5 (NLT)**, “Dear friends, don't be afraid of those who want to kill your body; they cannot do any more to you after that. <sup>5</sup> But I'll tell you whom to fear. Fear God, who has the power to kill you and then throw you into hell. Yes, he's the one to fear.”

3. God offers \_\_\_\_\_ to everyone.

**Joshua 2:17-18 (NLT)**, “<sup>17</sup> Before they left, the men told her, “We will be bound by the oath we have taken only if you follow these instructions. <sup>18</sup> 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.”

**Joshua 2:21 (NLT)**, “I accept your terms,” she replied. And she sent them on their way, leaving the scarlet rope hanging from the window.”

**Joshua 6:22-23 (NLT)**, “<sup>22</sup> Meanwhile, Joshua said to the two spies, “Keep your promise. Go to the prostitute's house and bring her out, along with all her family.”<sup>23</sup> The men who had been spies went in and brought out Rahab, her father, mother, brothers, and all the other relatives who were with her. They moved her whole family to a safe place near the camp of Israel.”

4. Your \_\_\_\_\_ is still being written.

**Matthew 1:3, 5-6 (NIV)**, “Judah the father of Perez and Zerah, whose mother was Tamar... Salmon the father of Boaz, whose mother was Rahab, Boaz the father of Obed, whose mother was Ruth... David was the father of Solomon, whose mother had been Uriah's wife.”

**John 15:16 (NIV)**, “You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you so that you might go and bear fruit – fruit that will last – and so that whatever you ask in my name the Father will give you.”

**1 Timothy 1:15-17 (NLT)**, “This is a trustworthy saying, and everyone should accept it: ‘Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners’ – and I am the worst of them all. But God had mercy on me so that Christ Jesus could use me as a prime example of his great patience with even the worst sinners. Then others will realize that they, too, can believe in him and receive eternal life. All honor and glory to God forever and ever! He is the eternal King, the unseen one who never dies; he alone is God. Amen.”

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