

CITY LG – September 20th- 21st, 2025

Bible Story: Rahab / The Promised Land • *Joshua 2 (supporting: Joshua 6:22-25)*

Bottom Line: God can give you courage to help someone in need.

Monthly Memory Verse: *When I'm afraid, I put my trust in you.* Psalm 56:3 (NirV)

WORSHIP

My God
Every Beat

SLIDE: Theme

Hello City Friends! Welcome back! This month we're 'On the Move'! We are "braving the unknown with God." You know, sometimes when we are on the move on a big journey, or even on the move in everyday life, we meet new people.

Sometimes those people need our help, and helping someone, especially if it seems a little awkward or different, takes courage. And courage is being brave enough to do hard things.

And that's exactly what we're learning today, about how to get the courage to do hard things...like helping others when they need it. When we know God is with us, we can be brave. Remember our Memory Verse? Let's say it together. Psalm 56:3.

SLIDE: Memory Verse

When I'm afraid, I put my trust in you. —Psalm 56:3

Before we go any further, I want you guys to circle up in your small group right now and talk about this for a few minutes. Talk about your answer to this question...

How can you show someone you care about them?

(walk around and listen to kids' answer is their groups. Bring them back together in a few minutes when most groups are done).

This year, we're doing something amazing! We're looking at key stories in the Bible from the beginning to the end to learn the big story God is telling in it! We're going to go through God's Big Story! *(Gesture to slide.)*

SLIDE: God's Big Story

Let's recap where we've been in God's Big Story so far!

Way back in the very beginning of God's Big Story, we learn that God made the very first people. Their names were Adam and Eve. And God made Adam and Eve for the same reason He made all people—to be His close, close friends. But they sinned, and it pulled them away from God. God wanted them to be close to Him, but they couldn't anymore! It was so sad. And everyone who was born after Adam and Eve was born with the same problem—they couldn't be close friends with God either.

And awful things happened to the world too. Pain, sickness, and death entered into it. But God didn't want to leave things that way! He wants people close to Him! He made people to be His very close friends. So He started His great rescue plan. And this great rescue was going to come through a family! So God started His great rescue with a man named Abraham. God chose Abraham and promised to bless the whole world through his family. Abraham's family grew and grew and grew—just like God had said—and became God's people. Eventually, God's people were enslaved in Egypt. But then God called Moses to lead His people out of Egypt to freedom in the wilderness. God had brought His people to freedom!

God had a beautiful land picked out for His people, and they were on their way there. But then they chose not to trust Him, and they had to wait 40 long years to enter it. And that's where we are in God's Big Story! We're journeying right along in the Bible! Our story today comes from the book of Joshua.

VIDEO: Bible Story

Rahab took a huge risk, but she chose to trust the One True God and showed incredible courage to help others. Remember this:

VIDEO: Bottom Line

SLIDE: Bottom Line

God can give you courage to help someone in need.

When we think about Rahab, we can remember that God really, really likes it when you trust Him. God was so pleased with Rahab's trust in Him that He made her a part of Jesus' family! We also saw how God helped Rahab, and He also helps us! When we choose to follow Jesus, His Holy Spirit comes to live inside of us! And God's very Spirit inside of us will help us be kind like He is!

People on God's team are like Him and help people who are in need. So, this week, let's be on the lookout for ways we can be like Jesus and help someone. Let's ask God for help with that!

Dear God, thank You for the story of Rahab and her amazing courage. Thank You for showing us that You go with us and You can help us be brave enough to help others, even when it feels risky or we feel afraid. Please help us to notice when people around us need help, and give us Your courage to reach out and show Your love. Help us to always trust in You. In Jesus' name, Amen.

CHECK THE TIME: There should be at least 25 minutes for small group. If LG is running late, skip the next part, but remind kids who have offering to place it in the container.

Our offering is going to Shady Oaks Camp. Their mission is to give these kids and adults the same kind of camp experience that kids without disabilities can enjoy. Let's check it out.

VIDEO: Missions Night 1

Wow! You can see how much fun the people who attend Shady Oaks Camp for kids and adults with disabilities have! What an amazing experience that is for them. We are raising money to support the camp in all they do for people with disabilities. Go home and see what you can do to earn money to help Shady Oaks Camp.

