GOD'S STORY

RAHAB'S HELP SCRIPTURE REFERENCE: JOSHUA 2:1-15



The following are some ideas for creative ways that you can present this material.

LESSON IDEAS

ESCAPING THE SECRET POLICE

Supplies:

blankets

• rope

Bring in some blankets that can serve as flax. Choose two volunteers from the class to be the spies. Appoint another half dozen or so children to be the secret police. Have one of the teachers be Rahab and act out the scene where the police come searching for the spies.

Then take a piece of rope, lay it out on the floor and have the spies pretend they are escaping down the wall and then run away from the police. Ask the children to talk about how God provided for the spies.

THE FLAX FACTS

Supplies:

 flax purchased from a craft or fabric store

Bible encyclopedia

Pass flax around the room and tell the children that this is the same material the men hid under to escape the secret police.

Help them understand that Jericho was a real place and Rahab was a real person who actually did these things. Explain to them that the Bible is not fiction or a made-up story. The Bible is a history book of actual events. If you have a Bible encyclopedia you can bring in photographs of Jericho today to help them understand that it is a real place.

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Where is jesus?

Please use the following comments connecting today's lesson to the Gospel to help inform your understanding and serve you by aiding your preparation for class. Remember, we want to do more than present disconnected Bible stories and lessons to our young children. We want them to understand how each story in the Bible plays a part in God's greater plan of redemption.

Rahab as a forbearer of Christ. She was in David's lineage. She was Boaz's mother, Boaz was the father of Obed with Ruth, Obed the father of Jesse, Jesse, the father of David...and Jesus of course...the Son of David. The Matthew geneology intentionally includes two Gentile women, Rahab and Ruth. This is a foreshadowing of God's intention to reach the nations.

