



Sermon Series: "Story"

Series Description: As we set out to examine the theme of 'story' over these twelve weeks, we'll be zooming in on twelve well-known Old Testament characters. In these real life, historical stories, we will see the way God takes lives filled with small successes and great failures and, as a master craftsman, turns them into a grand masterpiece of divine origin. We will also see that all of our stories and all the stories that make up our city are no less a part of God's story than any other.

Story of the Week: Rahab

Sermon Summary: *Rahab's faith in God was strong and encouraged those around her. Her story of faithfulness to God reveals much of God's grand narrative of salvation-by-faith for all people and points to a future glory of an eternal Promised Land.*

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

- 1) What's the difference between you being the hero of your story and Jesus being the hero of your story? Why do we want to be the hero of our own story?
- 2) It wasn't enough for Rahab to merely declare her faithful verbally. She lived it out. Explain what you think Pastor Ryan meant when he said, "faith leads to action."
- 3) As we learned from the sermon, Rahab retains her title, *prostitute*, whenever she's mentioned throughout the rest of the Bible. This isn't to judge her or make her small but to make God and His redemption very big! What would your 'retained titled' be and how would it point to God's work of redemption in your life?
- 4) What's an aspect of your story that has helped you become more like Jesus?
- 5) How have you seen God weave your story into His?

Prayer

Announcements

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| | | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Baptism Class is now available online anytime (adults and kids)! If you haven't been baptized, come take this next step to proclaim that you are following Jesus as your Lord! Baptisms will be held during all services on Thursday, Sept. 30 and Sunday, Oct. 3. Access the class online here: https://resonatemovement.org/baptism-class/ • Resonate Hayward is officially turning 5 years old, so it's time to CELEBRATE! And what better way to do it than by loving on the city that it calls home? All Resonaters are invited to sign up to help out with a neighborhood clean up and prayer over Hayward on September 25th. https://www.resonatemovement.org/haywardis5/ |