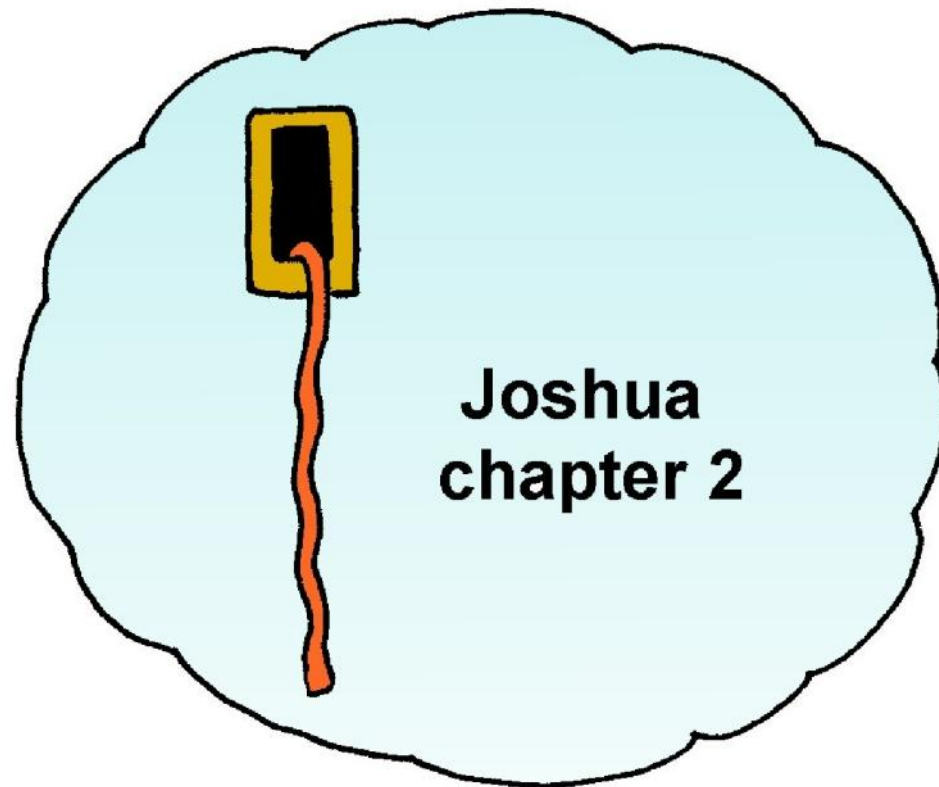


Rahab And The Spies

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It was time to go into the new land
God had promised to the children of Israel.
So Joshua sent two men to spy out the city of Jericho
to find out how strong their army was.



The two men pretended they were just visitors,
but they were looking to see how
strong the walls and gates of the city were
and how many soldiers they would need to fight.



But someone recognized who the men really were
and told the king that the spies were at
Rahab's house, near the wall.
The King sent soldiers to find them.



Rahab knew that God had saved
the children of Israel from King Pharaoh
and that God was powerful and mighty.
Before the soldiers came she hid the two men.



“Hide up here on the roof,
under these flax stalks I have drying.
When God gives you this city,
remember to save my family,” said Rahab.



The soldiers searched the house,
but they didn't find the two men.
They thought they must have left the city
and they chased after them.



That night Rahab let the men down,
outside the wall, on a red rope.
“Be sure to keep a red rope hanging out of your window
and we will remember to save you,” the spies said.