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*Where does courage come from?*

Principle: Fear drives behavior

-Rahab’s courage was rooted in her fear of God.

We can behave courageously simply by doing what seems less dangerous.

*So the important question is: What are you afraid of?*

**We are courageous when we fear God above everything else**.

Finding Our Courage:

What have you heard: the voices we listen to

What do you know: the resources we consult

What do you feel: the emotions we evaluate

What do you believe: the values we hold

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Courage is faith lived out. Courage is faith on display in how we live.

Hebrews 10:31, It is a terrible thing to fall into the hands of the living God.

Fear: realizing how powerless we are in comparison to His presence.

We want God to be fear-inducing- to others!

If we fear Him, we won’t fear anyone else.

So if courage comes simply from being more afraid of disappointing God than anyone else, we love unconditionally.

Vs. 12-13 Rahab strikes a deal with the spies to save her and her family. (our choices ripple)

Vs. 14-16 The men guarantee to protect her if she keeps them safe; Rahab helps them escape.

Vs. 17-20 The spies give terms to guarantee her safety.

Vs. 21-23 Rahab agrees, the spies escape back to Joshua

Vs. 24; *The Lord has given us the whole land for all the people in the land are terrified of us!*