

# A Righteous Lie?

Answer the first two questions below on your own, and then work with your group, using the questions and the following passages of Scripture, to assess Rahab's actions.

1. Before you begin, do you believe Rahab did the right thing by lying to hide the spies?
  
2. When is it right or acceptable to tell a lie?
  
3. For each of the following passages, summarize what we learn about Rahab:
  - a. Joshua 6:17, 6:25 –
  
  - b. Matthew 1:5 –
  
  - c. Hebrews 11:31 –
  
  - d. James 2:25 –
  
4. For each of the following passages, summarize what we learn about lying:
  - a. Exodus 20:16 –
  
  - b. Proverbs 12:22 –
  
  - c. Revelation 21:8 –
  
  - d. Colossians 3:9 –
  
  - e. Titus 1:2 –
  
5. Is Rahab ever praised for telling a lie?
  
6. How have these passages influenced your thinking about the lie Rahab told?
  
7. Is there such a thing as a righteous lie? Explain.