



Part 3: The Label Makers

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Introduction:

- ♦ Velma's Diner
- ♦ Fun (and not so much fun) with labels

For I have come to call not those who think they are righteous, but those who know they are sinners."

Matthew 9:13b

Rahab the _____...

This is a record of the ancestors of Jesus the Messiah, a descendant of David and of Abraham: Abraham was the father of Isaac. Isaac was the father of Jacob. Jacob was the father of Judah and his brothers. Judah was the father of Perez and Zerah (whose mother was Tamar). Perez was the father of Hezron. Hezron was the father of Ram. Ram was the father of Amminadab. Amminadab was the father of Nahshon. Nahshon was the father of Salmon. Salmon was the father of Boaz (whose mother was Rahab).

Matthew 1:1-5a

1. _____ in Jericho

- Rahab's amazing _____
- _____ with the spies
[Joshua 2:8-15]

2. _____ of Jericho

- _____ battle plan
- _____ of the _____
- Rahab and her family _____

Joshua said to the two men who had spied out the land, "Go into the prostitute's house and bring her out and all who belong to her, in accordance with your oath to her."... But Joshua spared Rahab the prostitute, with her family and all who belonged to her, because she hid the men Joshua had sent as spies to Jericho—and she lives among the Israelites to this day.

Joshua 6:22, 25

3. My _____

- From my _____?
- From my _____?
- From my _____?
- Finding _____

Next Steps:

- ☐ Memorize Matthew 9:13b (series memory verse)
- ☐ Read the story of Rahab in Joshua 2 & 6
- ☐ Give myself and all of my labels to God and allow his love and mercy to begin the work of transforming me
- ☐ No longer approach God based on what I've done. Instead, base it on what God did for me
- ☐ Invite a friend to Christmas Eve Service