Joshua 2:16

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

> And she said unto them, Get you to the mountain, lest the pursuers meet you; and hide yourselves there three days, until the pursuers be returned: and afterward may ye go your way.

Analysis

Rahab's instruction to hide three days in mountains shows local knowledge aiding God's servants. Her guidance proves valuable for their safety.

Historical Context

This verse appears in the Jordan crossing narrative, one of Joshua's most significant events demonstrating God's power and faithfulness in bringing Israel into the Promised Land.

Related Passages

Psalm 19:1 — Heavens declare God's glory

Genesis 1:1 — Creation of heavens and earth

Study Questions

1. How does this passage demonstrate God's faithfulness to His covenant promises?
2. What application does this truth have for your walk with Christ today?

Interlinear Text

וַתֹּאמֶר לָהֶם הָהָרָה לֵכוּ פֶּן יִפְגְּעוּ בָכֶם
And she said H0 **you to the mountain** H1980 H6435 **meet** H0
H559 H2022 H6293

עַד יָמִים שְׁלֹשֶׁת שָׁמָּה וְנַחְבֵּתֶם הָרֹדְפִים
lest the pursuers **you and hide** H8033 **yourselves there three** **days** H5704
H7291 H2247 H7969 H3117

שׁוּב הָרֹדְפִים וְאַחַר תֵּלְכוּ לְדַרְכְּכֶם:
be returned **lest the pursuers** **and afterward** H1980 **your way**
H7725 H7291 H310 H1870

Additional Cross-References

James 2:25 (Parallel theme): Likewise also was not Rahab the harlot justified by works, when she had received the messengers, and had sent them out another way?

1 Samuel 23:14 (Parallel theme): And David abode in the wilderness in strong holds, and remained in a mountain in the wilderness of Ziph. And Saul sought him every day, but God delivered him not into his hand.