

# Joshua 2:4

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

And the woman took the two men, and hid them, and said thus, There came men unto me, but I wist not whence they were:

## Analysis

Rahab's deception to protect the spies raises ethical questions about lying to evil authorities. Some view her faith as praiseworthy despite flawed methods; others see justified deception when protecting innocent from evil.

## 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

**1 Corinthians 13:4** — Characteristics of love

**John 15:13** — Greatest form of love

## 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

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וְאָמַרְתָּ וַתַּצְפָּנָה וְאָנָשִׁים שְׁנָנִי אֶת־בָּאֵשׁ הַיְמָנִית וְתַקְרַב  
took And the woman the two and hid them and said  
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מִאָן בְּאֵלֶיךָ וְאָנָשִׁים אֲלֵיכָם לֹא אָנָשִׁים עַתָּה וְאָנֹכִי מִאָן  
thus There came unto me but I wist not whence  
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## Additional Cross-References

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**2 Kings 6:19** (Parallel theme): And Elisha said unto them, This is not the way, neither is this the city: follow me, and I will bring you to the man whom ye seek. But he led them to Samaria.

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