

The Scarlet Thread

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The Book of Joshua

“Joshua is the story of the kingdom of God breaking into the world at a time when national and political entities were viewed as the creation of the gods and living proofs of their power... it is the story of God dethroning the pagan idols of Canaan.”

- KENNETH BARKER



Joshua & Our Culture

Two Dangerous Approaches

Agnosticism

Dominionism

The Greater Story

Joshua is a part of the greater story centered on the person and work of Jesus in His first and second coming.



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Hebrews 11:1-2, 31 NET

Now **faith** is being sure of what we hope for, being convinced of what we do not see. ² For by it the people of old received God's commendation.

³¹ **By faith Rahab the prostitute** escaped the destruction of the disobedient, because she welcomed the spies in peace.



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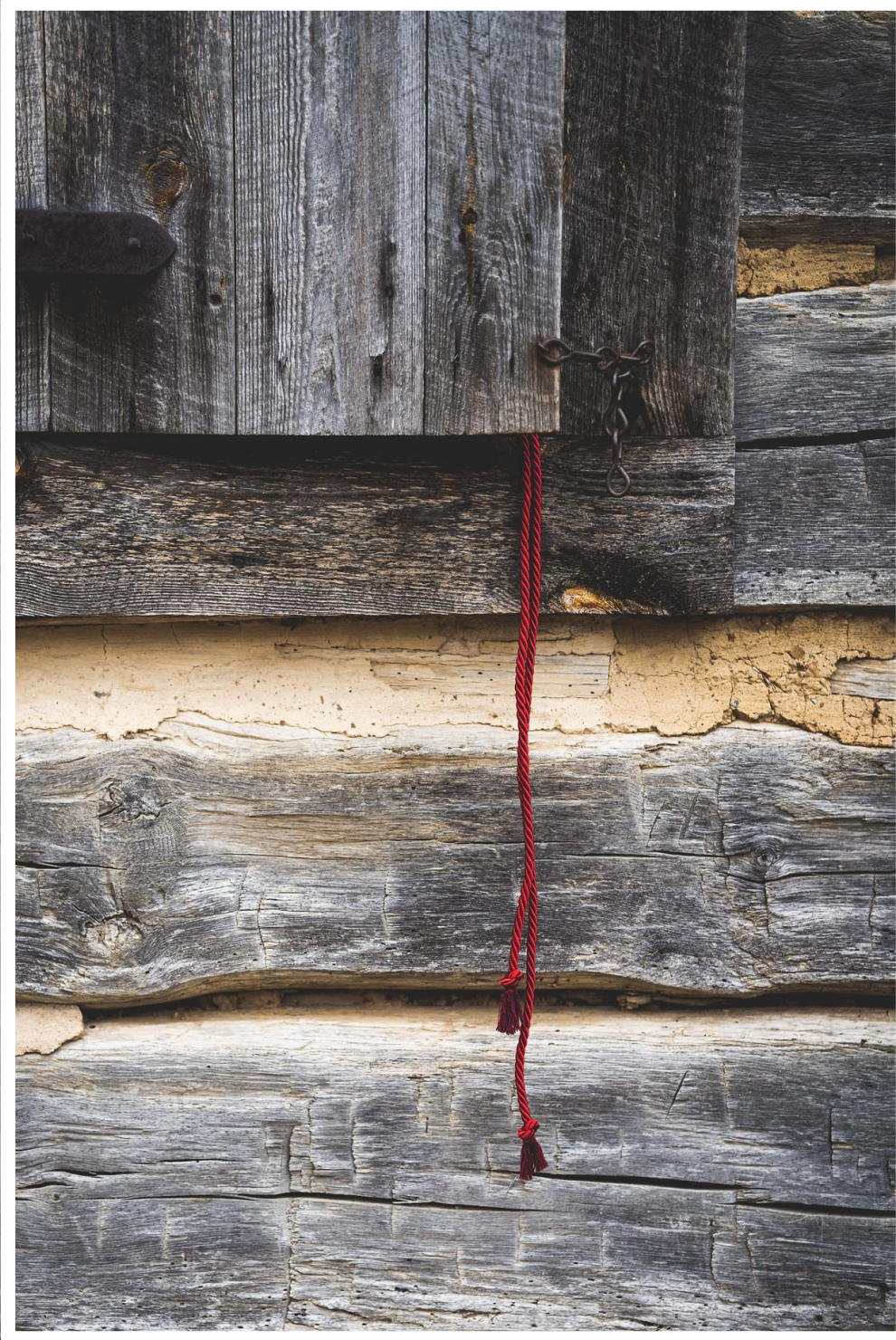
Promise of the Scarlet Cord 2:15-24



The Scarlet Cord

Joshua 2:18b, 21 NASB

“...tie this **cord of scarlet thread** in the window through which you let us down”...
²¹ So she sent them away, and they departed; and she tied the scarlet cord in the window.



The Scarlet Thread of Scripture

Garments in Eden | Genesis 3

Isaac's Ram | Genesis 22

Perez and Zerah | Genesis 38:27-30

The Passover Lamb | Exodus 12:13

Crossing the Red Sea | Exodus 14

The High Priest's Garment | Exodus 28:6

Rahab's Scarlet Cord | Joshua 2

Sacrificial System | Leviticus 4



The Scarlet Thread of Scripture

John 1:29 ESV

The next day he saw **Jesus** coming toward him, and said, “Behold, **the Lamb of God**, who takes away the sin of the world!”



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Ephesians 2:12-13 ESV


Remember that at that time you were separate from Christ, excluded from citizenship in Israel and foreigners to the covenants of the promise, without hope and without God in the world. But now **in Christ Jesus** you who once were far away have been brought near **by the blood of Christ**.

Revelation 5:6a, 9-10 NIV

Then I saw **a Lamb**, looking as if it had been slain, standing at the center of the throne, encircled by the four living creatures and the elders.

⁹ And they sang a new song, saying:

“You are worthy to take the scroll and to open its seals, because you were slain, and **with your blood you purchased for God persons from every tribe and language and people and nation.** ¹⁰ You have made them to be **a kingdom and priests to serve our God**, and they will reign on the earth.”



Christ offers us
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in His mission of redemption.
