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tops of houses or to the summits of the hills, for the raging waters followed them and they were drowned. ALL of them were drowned. All excepting the little handful who were in the ark. And why did they escape the fate that overtook the many thousands that perished in the waters? BECAUSE THEY WERE IN THE AUX.

At a much later date the children of Israel crossed the Jordan and entered the promised land under the command of Joshua. But the strong city of Jericho. manned by the sons of Anak, and fortified by lofty walls reaching to heaven, seemed to bar their way. Spies were sent unto that city and the king of Jericho learning of this sent soldiers to take them, who came to the house of the harlot Rahab where they were hid and demanded them from her. But Rahab had faith in God, and believing that Israel was His people. she evaded the king's commands and entered into an agreement with the spies by which she bound herself to endeavor to save them on condition that the Israelites would spare her household when they took the city. And this was the agreement, that she was to bind a line of scarlet thread in the window of her house that it might be known and thus be sheltered from the judgment impending over the doomed city. And because it was thus placed under the shelter of the scarlet line all its tenants were saved from death. while all the other inhabitants of Jericho were slain with the sword. THEIR SALVATION WAS OWING TO THEIR POSITION.

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