



Morningside Church

Sermon Discussion Guide

Title: Walking with God

Date: October 25, 2026

Scripture Text: Genesis 5:1-32

Notes:

As we ended Genesis 4, two things are highlighted, the genealogy of Cain ([Gen. 4:17-24](#)) and the birth of his brother, Seth ([Gen. 4:25-26](#)). We can see those descendants of Cain were motivated by selfishness. As chapter 4 closes, Seth and his son “began to call upon the name of the Lord”. As we transition to Genesis 5, the descendants of Seth are listed, down to Noah. Amongst his descendants is Enoch, who walked with God ([Gen. 5:21-24](#)), our focus in today’s sermon. Let’s look and see what it looks like to “walk with God” ...

I. Evident in Way ([Hebrews 11:5](#))

“In the rather dull genealogies of Genesis 5, the brief comment on Enoch shines like a jewel and is hardly paralleled elsewhere in Scripture for concise effectiveness.” (Guthrie). “The simplicity of the repeated *walked with God*, suddenly breaking the formula that had begun to close round Enoch like the rest, portrays the intimacy that is the essence of Old Testament piety. This, rather than the harsh moralism popularly associated with the Old Testament, is Enoch’s common ground with Noah (of whom alone this particular phrase [walked with God] recurs, [6:9](#)), with Abraham the friend of God, Moses who spoke with him ‘face to face’, and such men as Jacob, Job and Jeremiah who wrestled with Him” (Kidner).

- [Genesis 5:24](#) says that “Enoch walked with God”. What does it look like to *walk with God*?
- [Hebrews 11:5](#) clarifies and says Enoch *pleased* God. What are things we can do to please God?
- Enoch shares the distinctive place of not experiencing death with one other individual in the Bible, the prophet Elijah ([2 Kings 2:11](#)). What characteristics does the Bible describe in Elijah that may have been shared by Enoch?
- Describe a ‘work of God’ in your life?
- Who is someone you know who ‘walks with God’ (pleases God)?
- What are some things you can do to help your ‘walk with God’?
 - How does spending time in God’s word help your walk with Him?
 - How consistent is your time in His word, prayer, fellowshiping with fellow believers?
 - Each of these help you walk with God!



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II. Evident in Words (Jude 14-15)

The writer of the book, Jude, references a prophecy given by Enoch of unavoidable judgment, the judgment which will accompany the return of Christ. As part of Enoch's walk with God, he also spoke for God. God trusted him to deliver His inspired words to his contemporaries, and Jude, hundreds of years later, saw that it was still applicable in his day, as it is also still applicable in our day. The ungodly will indeed experience God's judgement.

- Many times, we may view someone who walks with God based on their actions, but how are their words relevant as well?
- What elements of someone's words are evidence that they walk with God?
- How would you describe the degree of influence our words have?
 - What is an example of a bad use of words?
 - [James 3](#) describes the power and influence of the tongue. It's by the Holy Spirit it can be tamed.
- Enoch showed himself available for God by walking with Him. How can we make ourselves available for God to use?
- Enoch's obedience showed he could be faithful with little things, so God gave him bigger things ([Luke 16:10-12](#))? How do you show God your faithfulness with the things He has given you?
- As we walk with God, we increase in Christian maturity, becoming more and more like Him (sanctification). What is an area in your life you are maturing in (patience?, joy?, self-control?, etc.)?
- In [Galatians 5:16](#) we are told to "walk by the Spirit, and you will not carry out the desire of the flesh". The term 'walk' is to 'to walk with a purpose in view'. How do you walk with "a purpose in view"?

"A life of faithful fellowship with God can lead to extraordinary outcomes beyond our understanding... Enoch's close relationship with God led to a life so in step with God that death never touched him... This moment stands as one of the first hints in Scripture that death doesn't have the final word"

"Enoch's story teaches us about the intimacy of a personal relationship with God. Through his faithfulness and obedience, Enoch developed a deep connection with God... His example encourages us to prioritize our spiritual journey and to seek a close connection with God above all else" (Rev. Michael Johnson)