

## **Heb 11:5-6**

### Enoch – Walking by Faith

- I. **Introduction:** The author of Hebrews commended the faith of Enoch because he walked closely with God for over three hundred years and was taken home to heaven.
- II. Enoch – Walking by Faith (**Heb 11:5-6; Gen 5:21-24**).
  - A. He Pleased God (**Heb 11:5; Gen 5:21-24**).
    1. Enoch walked with God, which is a phrase that indicates that he pleased God by the way that he conducted himself in life.
  - B. He Previewed Heaven (**Heb 11:5; Gen 5:24**).
    1. Enoch was eventually taken straight to heaven as a prototype of the hope of heaven that every believer will enjoy in the coming future.
  - C. He Pictured Faith (**Heb 11:6**).
    1. Enoch believed in God and that the Lord would reward him for his faithfulness, and he was taken to heaven as proof that God’s promises are real.
  - D. He Preached Judgment (**Jude 14-15**).
    1. God testified that Enoch had faith in Him because he preached a message of judgment that would come upon the earth if those in his own time did not repent.
- III. **Conclusion:** The author encouraged his Jewish audience to live by faith, just as Enoch had pleased God by walking with Him faithfully for three hundred years.

## **Study Questions: Enoch – Walking by Faith**

1. How can a sinner please a holy God? What does it mean to walk with God by faith? Why does the author of Hebrews use Enoch as an example of faith? What happened to Enoch?
2. Who is Enoch, and what does his name mean? (**Gen 5:21-24**) When did Enoch start walking with God? (**v. 21**) How long did he walk with God after the birth of his son? (**vv. 23-24**)
3. What does it mean that Enoch walked with God? (**Heb 11:5; Gen 5:21-24**) Why does the author of Hebrews translate “walking” as pleasing God? Why does faith please God?
4. What does it mean that God took him up? (**Heb 11:5; Gen 5:24**) How does this pre-figure the church’s rapture? (**1 Thess 4:13-18**) How does faith deliver sinners from death? (**Eph 2:8-9**)
5. What does the author say about faith? (**Heb 11:6**) Why is it impossible to please God apart from faith? What are some deeds people trust in to please God? Why don’t they win His favor?
6. What must people believe about God? (**Heb 11:6**) What does it mean that someone must believe that “God is”? Why is it important to God that we believe that He is a rewarder? (**v. 6**)
7. What does the book of Jude tell us about Enoch? (**Jude 14-15**) What was society like in the days of Enoch? (**Gen 6:5-8**) What message did he preach? (**v. 15**)
8. What are the spiritual lessons that we are meant to learn from Enoch? (**Heb 11:5-6**) How does Enoch demonstrate how a person is saved? What is the message we are to proclaim?

### **Prayer**

1. Ask God to help you walk closely with Him by faith, pleasing God in all you do.
2. Pray that God would give you the confidence to proclaim God’s judgment against ungodliness.