

BY FAITH ENOCH...

Hebrews 11:5-6

INTRODUCTION:

A. We know the necessity of faith

- 1) *"The just shall live by faith..."* vs 38
- 2) *"but if any man draw back..."* (go undercover)

B. We know what faith is to our lives

- 1) It is the foundation of our lives
- 2) It is the evidence that speaks of the invisible
- 3) By it the elders received a good report

C. We know Abel was a man of faith

- 1) By it he offered an acceptable offering
- 2) By it he obtained witness from God that he was righteous

I. By Faith Enoch... vs 5

A. *"By faith Enoch was translated that he should not see death;..."*

- 1) *"translated"* = μεταθεσις = "to put or place in another place", "to transport", "to change"
- 2) *"By faith Enoch was transferred..."* BER
- 3) Enoch had faith, he was transported from earth to heaven to avoid experiencing death.

B. *"...and was not found, because God had translated him:..."*

- 1) *"found"* = ευρισκω = "to find as by search"
- 2) *"translated"* = (same as above)
- 3) "He could not be found because God had removed him" TENT
- 4) God honored Enoch's faith and changed his residence from earth to heaven.

- C. "...for before his translation he had this testimony,..."
- 1) "translation" = μεταθεσις = "setting in another place"
 - 2) "testimony" = μαρτυρω = "the declaration which confirms or makes a thing known"
 - 3) "that he was pleasing to God"

D. The story of Enoch *Genesis 5:18-24*

- 1) There are no spectacular exploits
- 2) vs 22, vs 24 = "walked" = "a journey"
 - a> Same road
 - b> Same direction
 - c> Same pace
- 3) *Jude 14 - "And Enoch also, the seventh from Adam, prophesied of these saying, Behold, the Lord cometh with 10,000's of his saints."*

II. How To Please God *vs 6*

A. "But without faith it is impossible to please him:..."

- 1) "impossible" = αδυνατος = "deficient in strength", "inform", "weak", "feeble", "unable"
- 2) "please" = ευαρεστω = "to well please"
- 3) "But apart from faith it is impossible to be well-pleasing"

B. "...for he that cometh to God must believe that he is,..."

- 1) "cometh" = προσερχομαι = "to approach", "to come to"
- 2) "must" = δει = "it is necessary" The word speaks of the binding and logical necessity.
- 3) "believe" = πιστευσαι = "faith" That which is necessary to make us well-pleasing to God.

C. "...and that he is a rewarder of them that diligently seek
him."

- 1) "rewarder" = μισθοδοτης = "a payer in full of wages"
- 2) "diligently seek" = εκζητω = "to search for and to seek out"
- 3) "And that He will reveal Himself to those who sincerely look for Him." TAY