

ENOCK'S FAITH

Hebrews 11:5-6

Consider how Enoch's faith affected his transfer

I. ENOCH'S SITUATION (5)

A. THE REFRAIN: By faith

- Enoch believed God and behaved accordingly

B. THE RECORD

1. He was "taken up"
 - He was moved from one place to another
2. This transfer is perhaps in answer to Enoch's prayer
3. His is a definite distinction from others
 - Note the last words of Genesis 5:5, 8, 11, 14, 17, 20, 27 and 31 ("and he died")
4. He was unable to be found
 - They did not come upon him though they looked

C. THE REASONS: He was observed pleasing God

1. He obtained the witness
 - a. Others as well as God declared facts about him based upon their firsthand knowledge or experience
 - b. People gladly spoke as his character witnesses
2. He was pleasing to God
 - a. God delighted in him
 - b. He "walked with God" according to Genesis 5:24
 - c. He prophesied for God - see Jude 14-15

II. OUR INSTRUCTION (6)

- Application from Enoch's situation

A. CONCLUSION

1. Enoch could not have pleased God without faith
2. No one pleases God without faith
 - a. It is impossible
 - b. Faith is essential

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B. CONDITIONS

1. Coming
 - Coming on your own not through another
2. Believing
 - Having an absolute confidence in God

C. CONTENT

1. Believing that God is
 - a. Literally: That “I AM”
 - b. Believing that God is the eternal self-existing and sovereign One and therefore living accordingly, and admirably
2. Believing that God rewards seekers
 - a. He rewards: Not as payments owed but as blessings given
 - b. He gives to seeking ones

CONCLUSION:

Enoch got the best the best transfer ever!

Obviously, God does not deal with all men of faith like He did with Enoch ...

However, *some of us could be transferred like him!* - See I Thessalonians 4:16-17

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