JUST A WALK WITH THEE

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GENESIS 5:21-24 NKJV – (21) When Enoch had lived 65 years, he became the father of Methuselah. (22) After he became the father of Methuselah, Enoch walked faithfully with God 300 years and had other sons and daughters. (23) Altogether, Enoch lived a total of 365 years. (24) Enoch walked faithfully with God; then he was no more, because God took him away.

The word "walk" is the biblical expression for "fellowship and obedience with God that results in divine favor." It refers to the manner of life a person living in nearness to God. Enoch walked with God ... a walk of dedication and devotion. His walk lived up to His name ... Enoch means "Dedicated.

HEBREWS 11:5-6 NKJV – (5) By faith Enoch was taken away so that he did not see death, "and was not found, because God had taken him"; for before he was taken, he had this testimony, that **he pleased God**. **(6)** But without faith *it is* impossible to please *Him*, for he who comes to God must believe that He is, and *that* He is a rewarder of those who diligently seek Him.

What pleases God is a simple, honest, clean, and refreshing relationship with Him. Enoch pleased God because of his relationship with God, and the Lord said, "**Enoch, this is what pleases Me most. Let's walk into eternity together**." What's interesting is that this is exactly what the Lord said about His Son, Jesus.

Enoch walked with God even though he lived in a wicked worldly culture. If we have faith we too can overcome a wicked world to walk with our Lord. We are going to see that this an absolutely amazing man who is a huge example to you and me. Hebrews 11:5-6 - "By faith Enoch was taken away so that he did not see death, "and was not found, because God had taken him"; This is an amazing statement. This verse tells us that Enoch did not taste death. God just took him. In other words, he didn't even die, he was just translated to heaven with God.

Why did God take him? The Word tells us again in **Hebrews 11:5-6**. Enoch walked with God and that pleased God. He obviously was a person of faith. He believed that God existed. He believed in the inherent goodness of God that he was a rewarder of those who diligently seek him. The Apostle James tells us that faith without works is dead. Enoch was a walker of faith. Not a talker of faith. Therefore, because he was about God's business in an authentic way, he and God became very close in relationship. You and I can do the same. Just follow the standards demonstrated by Enoch and taught and demonstrated by the Holy Spirit.

SCRIPTURE READING: 2 CORINTHIANS 5:9

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK: "To seek God is a lifelong pursuit."

