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**After the death of righteous Abel at the hands of his brother, Cain, Cain departed from the presence of the Lord to live in the land of Nod. Soon after, Adam and Eve had another son, Seth. Genesis 4:25-26**

The lineage of Christ continued from Adam through Seth. Genesis 5 records Seth's lineage (the godly seed) in contrast to Cain's lineage, recorded in (C4), the seed of the wicked one.

What is notable is the reign of death. Sin brought death; death now reigned in the world. Romans 5:12-14, 1 Corinthians 15:21-22

Most in Seth's lineage lived almost 1,000 years, but eventually, it is written of each one "AND HE DIED".

THAT IS until Enoch, who was the 7<sup>th</sup> from Adam, the son of Jared and father of Methuselah. Genesis 5:21-24

For the 1<sup>st</sup> 65 years of Enoch's life, he appears to have been an unbeliever, a point of emphasis made by Moses was... IT WAS AFTER Methuselah was born, that Enoch BEGAN TO "WALK WITH GOD" ..... and He walked with God for 300 years, which was the rest of his life!

BTW, Enoch is the first human that we see walking with God AFTER the fall. Before the fall, only Adam and Eve had walked with God.

What a testimony and witness to us as believers in Christ that a Christian is DEFINED as one who WALKS WITH GOD! Enoch believed God, therefore, he walked with God! This same should be true of each of us as Christians!

What does it mean that Enoch walked with God?

The word walk here means "to live with" or "alongside" or to live in "fellowship, communion, and agreement" with... "How can two WALK TOGETHER except they be agreed". There was communion, agreement, and oneness between Enoch and God!

Noah, Genesis 6:9

If you're a Christian, one thing that SHOULD DEFINE you is, your walk with God in every facet of your life. At home, at work, when you do business, when you converse in the world...

Genesis 17:1, Micah 6:8, Galatians 5:16, 25, Romans 8:1, 12-14. For those of us in Christ, who walk with Christ now? Revelation 3:4

They shall walk with me in white, for they are worthy!

But this was no easy walk or life for our brother Enoch, he walked by faith against the massive tide of resistance and rebellion of most of fallen humanity against God. Genesis 6:5-8.

But what an encouragement and example to us as Christians, that even amid such wickedness, Enoch walked with God by faith and obedience right in the middle of it all!

Jude tells us of the ungodliness of Enoch's day, and what he prophesied to them and how he warned them of the judgment to come! Jude 1:14-16

**So, back to Genesis, it was right after Methuselah was born, that Enoch's life changed, and I want you to see... HE STAYED CHANGED!**

And then in the 365<sup>th</sup> year of his life, HE DID NOT DIE like all the others in Seth's line, but God took him into heaven!

Hebrews 11:5-6

Enoch was translated or as it means taken up by God! BUT BEFORE he was taken up, he had this testimony and witness, "that he pleased God"! Every one of us should DESIRE to have this same testimony before God! What was it about Enoch that pleased God? Hebrews 11:6

If you remember, in the days of the Lord Jesus's humanity, one of the things that amazed Him, astonished Him, or made Him marvel was "great faith"! Beloved, Enoch's faith pleased God!

This begs the question in my soul to me, does my faith in God please God?

**Finally, let me remind you of what we noted in Genesis 5, that every one of Seth's line died, death reigned until it came to Enoch.**

When God took Enoch, when he was taken up by God "that he should not see death", God gave the believers in Enoch's day (and us) a glimpse into the next world and eternal life!

For those that believed God, had faith in Him and His promises, and walked with Him, there would be deliverance from death! There was defeat on the horizon for death! The power of death would be taken!

But also, there was eternal life beyond life in this fallen world! Enoch's translation gave hope to the believers that they would PASS from death unto eternal life! John 5:24, 8:51-52, 11:25, 10:27-29

But God also gave the believers in that day, and today, a glimpse into what believers will experience in that day when Christ returns... Enoch prophesied of it in Jude..... Behold the Lord cometh with "ten thousands" of His saints to judge the world!

The believers in that day will be taken up like Enoch was... they shall not see physical death!

Are you walking with God? If you believe Christ to the saving of your soul, your life should be defined as one who walks with God!

But without faith it is impossible for us to please God. Does your faith please God? God delights when His people trust and believe in Him.

Finally, there is eternal life beyond this earthly life, beyond this fallen and sinful world. Set your affection on

things above, on ETERNAL LIFE! We believe in Christ who through death destroyed him that HAD the power of death, that is the devil.

Death no longer reigns over you Christian; you are passed from death unto life!