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TITLE:

By Faith Enoch ...

TEXT: *Hebrews 11:5-6*

INTRODUCTION

- By faith, Enoch obtained a good report (v. 2, 39).
 - Similar to Abel testimony that he was righteous.
 - Enoch pleased God.
- Genesis 5:21-24
 - God didn't put this genealogy for us to skip over.
 - Notice the phrase "and he died" in v.5, 8, 11, 14, 17, 20, 27, 31.
 - It contradicts the lie of the serpent that "ye shall not surely die" (cf. Gen. 3:4).
 - But for Enoch, it was "and he was not."
 - It means that he was no more among people, or he was removed from the earth.
 - Paul said that he was not found.
 - For God took him. He was translated.
 - Enoch walked with God.
 - It is emphasized in v.22 and v.24.
 - For 300 years, he walked with God.
- Jude 14-15
 - Enoch's prophecy about the second coming of Christ.
 - Enoch's preaching is so much different than todays.
 - Enoch used the word "ungodly" 4 times.

BY FAITH ENOCH WAS TRANSLATED

- By faith, Enoch was translated, transferred, or carried over.
- God translated.
 - Enoch didn't experience death. Similar to Elijah (cf. 2 Kings 2).
- Enoch pleased God because of his faith.
 - It is impossible to please God without faith.
 - Do you doubt God's word and His promises?
 - Do you believe that God's ways are right?
 - He walked by faith. (Cf. 2 Cor. 5:7).
 - He was a prophet. Faith comes by the Word of God (cf. Rom. 10:17). God had spoken to him about the translation. He walked with sure confidence in God's word.
 - Walking with God by faith results in pleasing God.
 - How's your walk with God?
 - How's your faithfulness to the church of God?
 - How's your relationship with the Bible?
- Men must come to God.
 - Men are separated from God because of sin.
 - Believers must continually come to God.
 - Coming to God requires believing that He exists.
 - God's existence is never proven in the Bible. In Gen. 1:1, God appears as the Almighty Creator of all.
 - God's existence is seen everywhere. (Cf. Rom. 1:20).
 - Only fools say that there is no God. (Cf. Psa. 14:1; 53:1).
- God is a rewarder for those who diligently seek Him.
 - Not only does God exist, but He is also a rewarder (μισθαποδότης one who pays wages).
 - God rewards them who diligently seek (ἐκζητοῦσιν to seek out, search for) Him.
 - Do you seek Him? Do you come to church? Do you read your Bible? Do you pray?
 - Do you diligently seek Him? What's your motive for going to church? How do you read your Bible? How's your prayer life?
- Enoch walked with God by faith for 300 years and he pleased Him. And God translated him.