

ENOCH: A MAN WHO WALKED WITH GOD

GENESIS 5:24

And Enoch walked with God: and he was not; for God took him.

Introduction

“Walk” is a biblical figure of speech for close fellowship and clear communication between friends. When it refers to a relationship of God with humans, it also includes obedience that results in divine blessings. It describes the closest communion with God - as if walking by His side. Of all the great characters of the Bible, the phrase “walked with God,” is only used to describe the life of two individuals: Enoch and Noah.

It would appear that God had re-discovered in Enoch that which had been lost in Adam. The Lord had walked among humankind in Eden, but sin intervened and a most promising fellowship had been ruined. Now God had found a new companion with which to walk and Enoch had found an invisible “Best Friend Forever.” In their intimate conversations as they walked together, God disclosed to him heavenly secrets and made him a prophet, who had a stern but loving message.

Exposition

1. Enoch Met The Conditions For Walking With God.

(He Was Acquainted With God - Job 22:21.)

(He Agreed With God - Amos 3:3.)

2. Enoch Separated Himself From The World.

(But He Did Not Isolate Himself From The World.)

(We Are Admonished Not To Walk With The Ungodly –Psalm 1:1.)

3. Enoch’s Life Was One Of Constant Progress.

4. Enoch’s Earthly Life Had A Glorious Ending.

Closing Thoughts

It is amazing that the Maker of heaven and earth finds delight in the company of mere humans. The life of Enoch expresses this amazement in two spiritually refreshing ways. First, even after the fall and after the expulsion from the Garden of Eden, we can still walk with God as Adam did before the fall. Secondly, Enoch points to the saints who will be “raptured up” and will pass from mortality to immortality without passing through

death. These two thoughts are enough to make any Christian shout “hallelujah.” Give God Glory! Give God All The Glory!

Related Scriptures

Genesis 5:18-24; Luke 3:37; Hebrews 11:5; Jude 14

End Notes

1. Most Bible readers know this already. This note is for the few that missed it. There are two individuals in the book of Genesis with the name “Enoch.” If no distinction is made, it can be confusing. The first is the eldest son of Cain (Genesis 4:17-18). The second Enoch is the son of Jared and the father of Methuselah. This sermon is about the second Enoch.

2. Allow me to use my sanctified imagination. Probably the men of the city searched high and low for the missing preacher. Probably all kinds of rumors circulated concerning his strange disappearance. Despite the thorough searching, they never found him because they were unable to look in the right place. He was in heaven with God. Although a flaming sword blocked the way to the tree of life (Genesis 3:24) after the fall, eternal life can still be a reality to all who walk with the Most High covered with the sinless blood of Jesus. (I just had to throw that in; I couldn't resist.)

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