# <u>GENESIS 5v21-24 2025 - ENOCH WALKED WITH GOD</u> – He Walked with God... and God Took Him!

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<u>GENESIS 5:21-24</u> So all the days of Jared were nine hundred and sixty-two years; <u>and he died.</u> [21]Enoch lived sixty-five years, and begot Methuselah. [22] After he begot Methuselah, <u>Enoch</u> walked with God three hundred years, and had sons and daughters. [23] So all the days of Enoch were three hundred and sixty-five years. [24] And <u>Enoch walked with God; and he was not, for</u> <u>God took him.</u>

<u>**Trust and Obey**</u> – Sammis/Towner – Maranatha Praise Band {2:32}

 When we walk with the Lord in the light of His Word, What a glory He sheds on our way!
While we do His good will, He abides with us still, And with all who will trust and obey. Refrain: Trust and obey, for there's no other way To be happy in Jesus, but to trust and obey.
Not a shadow can rise, not a cloud in the skies. But His smile quickly drives it gway.

 Not a shadow can rise, not a cloud in the skies, But His smile quickly drives it away; Not a doubt or a fear, not a sigh or a tear, Can abide while we trust and obey. (Refrain)
Not a burden we bear, not a sorrow we share, But our toil He doth richly repay; Not a grief or a loss, not a frown or a cross, But is blessed if we trust and obey. (Refrain)
But we never can prove the delights of His love Until all on the altar we lay; For the favor He shows, for the joy He bestows, Are for them who will trust and obey. (Refrain)
Then in fellowship sweet we will sit at His feet, Or we'll walk by His side in the way; What He says we will do, where He sends we will go; Never fear, only trust and obey. (Refrain)

**<u>BIBLICAL CONTEXT</u>**- Here in Genesis, chapter 5, we have an account of a man walking closely with God. "*And he died.*" *Gen. 5:5-31* Eight times we see the end of each man – "and he died" But now in this account there is found one exception to the "*and he died*"; <u>one man of whom it is not said</u>, "*and he died.*" This is evidently the highlight of this chapter, the reason why all this is given to us:

#### [21]Enoch lived sixty-five years, and begot Methuselah. [22] After he begot Methuselah, <u>Enoch</u> <u>walked with God three hundred years,</u> and had sons and daughters. – ENOCH WALKED WITH GOD!

- When Enoch had lived sixty-five years, he became the father of Methuselah. Enoch walked with God after the birth of Methuselah three hundred years, and had other sons and daughters.
- Evidently this is designed to draw our focus, our interest. Instead of saying, "and he died," it says, "and he was not, for God took him."
- (Heb 11:5) By faith Enoch was taken away so that he did not see death, "AND WAS NOT FOUND, BECAUSE GOD HAD TAKEN HIM" (translated in the physical flesh directly to heaven, not yet glorified, as of the coming rapture of the church, since Christ had not yet been glorified); for before he was taken he had this testimony, that he pleased God.

#### Is your life characterized by "he walked with God"?

• Walk, walking, walked is mentioned 343 times in the Bible. What does it mean to walk with God? Here is a man who, during a brilliant but godless generation, walked with God. What does it mean? It is the same today as it was then.

First, it means <u>he went in the same direction</u> God went.

- He was moving the way God was going. The man who walks with God is the man who knows which way God is going and goes the same way. Now what is that?
- What direction is God moving? God moves always in unswerving hostility toward sin. <u>He is</u> <u>opposed to that which destroys</u> and <u>wrecks human life</u>. No matter how good it looks, no matter how attractive it seems, how luridly it is painted, <u>God is against it</u>.
- The man who walks with God is the man who walks in unswerving hostility toward sin in his own life and refuses to make up with it or permits it to rule or to reign. That is the first thing in a walk with God. Are you and I going in the same direction as God?

#### Second, it means to keep in step.

- You cannot walk with somebody if you do not keep in step with him. We tend to want to sit down after we have taken a step and rest for a while. Do you ever feel like God is pressuring you to do something -- take a new step, stop this, start that, or venture out in a new direction?
- After God pushes us awhile, we do it. Perhaps we have been resisting for quite a while before, but then we take the step, and we feel good. We have accomplished something. Then God comes along and says, "Now I want you to take another step." And we say, "Oh, no, Lord. I had a hard enough time taking this one. Just leave me alone now for a while. You walk on for a bit and then come back." But the worst thing that can happen to us is for God to do exactly that. That is what he did with the children of Israel when they came to the edge of the Promised Land and ended up in unbelief. He said, "I want you to walk with Me into the land." But they said, "No, not us. You go by Yourself but we're not going." But Enoch was a man who had learned to move as God moved, and to walk in step with Him. Are you, am I, keeping step with God?

#### Third, there was no controversy between them.

- They agreed. "Can two walk together unless they are agreed?" (Amo 3:3). They must agree. And this is how we must be. There must <u>be no controversy between us</u> if we are going to walk with God, but we must agree with things as He sees them.
- Enoch did. For three hundred years he walked with God, and this is what we are called to. -
- We are to walk "as children of light," (Eph 5:8); We are to walk "in the Spirit," (Gal 5:16, 5:25); We are to walk "worthy of God" (1Th 2:12), through the midst of a godless generation, exactly as Enoch did.
- No mention is made that Enoch walked with God during his first 65 years. He reflected the same godless attitude as those around him. What started him walking with God then? Was it the birth of a son, whom he named Methuselah?
- Surely there is more than simply the fact that he became a father. It is revealed by the name that Enoch gave to his son. *Methuselah* is a very interesting name. It means "<u>His death shall bring</u> it," or loosely translated, "When he dies, it will come." What will come? The Flood!
- Enoch was given a revelation from God, (Jud 1:14-15) Now Enoch, the seventh from Adam, prophesied about these men also, saying, "Behold, the Lord comes with ten thousands of His saints, [15] to execute judgment on all, to <u>convict all who are ungodly</u> among them of all their ungodly deeds which they have committed in an ungodly way, and of <u>all the harsh things which</u> <u>ungodly sinners have spoken against Him</u>." He saw the direction of the divine movement, looked on to the end of the culture, the comforts, and the mechanical marvels of his own day, to the fact there must come an inevitable judgment on the principle of evil in human life. When he saw it, his baby was born, so, in obedience, evidently to God's word, he named the baby, "When he dies, it will come."
- But the grace of God is revealed here in the fact that Methuselah lived longer than any man ever lived, <u>nine hundred and sixty-nine years</u>! That <u>is how long God waited before he fulfilled the threat</u> implied in the boy's name.
- This genealogical table in chapter 5, is given to warn us of the day when evil shall ultimately be stopped, pointing us to our Savior! God cannot allow human evil to increase endlessly. He restrains it,

<u>but when it reaches a certain limit, He judges it</u>. There are differences among authorities as to the meaning of these names. One authority gives a most interesting sequence of meanings:

• The list begins with Seth (v.4), which means "Appointed." Enosh (v.6), his son, means "Mortal;" and His son, Cainan (v. 10), means "Sorrow." His son Mahalalel (13), means "The Blessed God." He named his boy Jared (v. 15), which means "Came Down," and His boy, Enoch (v.18), means "Teaching." Methuselah (v. 21), as we saw, means "His death shall bring;" Lamech (v.25) means "Strength," and Noah (v. 30), "Comfort." Now put that all together: God has Appointed that Mortal man shall Sorrow; but The Blessed God, Came Down, Teaching, that His Death Shall Bring, Strength and Comfort.

#### [23] So all the days of Enoch were three hundred and sixty-five years. [24] And <u>Enoch walked</u> with God; and he was not, for God took him. – ENOCH WALKED WITH GOD...GOD TOOK HIM!

• We are so foolish about how we try to escape the inevitability of the end. Yet everything hangs on that. It will be for us the end of our life...Only one life, 'twill soon be past. Only what's done for <u>Christ will last.</u>

## **SUMMARY:**

- What are you doing today in this godless generation? Are you walking with God? If you want to walk with God we must see things as He sees them. Do we?
- Have you learned to keep step with the Almighty?
- Have you learned to trust what He says? <u>Walking in His direction and keeping step with Him</u>, in <u>agreement with Him</u>, <u>showing</u> and <u>telling others of His great love</u> for them, and the great things He has done for you!

<u>Pray Today For</u>: Our Church, Nationally/locally; Our Nation: Police officers; Military. President & V.P.: *Donald & Melania Trump; JD & Usha Vance*. The Cabinet and all advisors. Speaker of the House, *Mike Johnson*. Senate Majority Leader, *John Thune*. Supreme Court: Chief Justice John G. Roberts, Jr., Clarence Thomas, Samuel A. Alito, Jr., Elena Kagan, Amy Coney Barrett, Sonia Sotomayor, Neil M. Gorsuch, Brett M. Kavanaugh, Ketanji Brown Jackson.

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## **OMASTER LET ME WALK WITH THEE** – Gladden/Smith Alter of Praise Choir (2:27)

*1 O Master, let me walk with thee in lowly paths of service free; tell me thy secret; help me bear the strain of toil, the fret of care.* 

2 Help me the slow of heart to move by some clear, winning word of love; teach me the wayward feet to stay, and guide them in the homeward way.

3 Teach me thy patience, still with thee in closer, dearer company, in work that keeps faith sweet and strong, in trust that triumphs over wrong.

4 In hope that sends a shining ray far down the future's broadening way, in peace that only thou canst give, with thee, O Master, let me live.

## A Few Favorite Verses From Deuteronomy & Psalm 119:

Deu\_10:12 "And now, Israel, what does the LORD your God require of you, but to fear the LORD your God, to walk in all His ways and to love Him, to serve the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul, Deu\_11:19 You shall teach them to your children, speaking of them when you sit in your house, when you walk by the way, when you lie down, and when you rise up. Deu\_11:22 "For if you carefully keep all these commandments which I command you to do—to love the LORD your God, to walk in all His ways, and to hold fast to Him—

Psa 119:1 Blessed are the undefiled in the way, Who walk in the law of the LORD!

Psa 119:3 They also do no iniquity; They walk in His ways.

Psa\_119:35 Make me walk in the path of Your commandments, For I delight in it.

Psa 119:45 And I will walk at liberty, For I seek Your precepts.

Psa 119:133 Direct my steps by Your word, And let no iniquity have dominion over me.