

***“The Testimony Of Enoch”***  
***“How To Please God”***  
***Hebrews 11:5-6***

**Introduction:**

1. Abel - The Beginning Of The Life Of Faith
  - A Right Standing Before God
  - Enoch - The Character Of The Life Of Faith
    - How To Please God!
2. Testimony Of Abel:
  - Now You Can Please God!
  - Testimony Of Enoch:
    - Are You Pleasing God Now?
    - Hebrews 11:6 - “Without Faith It Is Impossible To Please Him!”

**1. *The Restriction To Pleasing God!***

- Was It Easier To Please God Then Than It Is Today?
- Jude 14-15 - “And Enoch also, the seventh from Adam, prophesied of these, saying, Behold, the Lord cometh with ten thousands of his saints, / To execute judgment upon all, and to convince all that are ungodly among them of all their ungodly deeds which they have ungodly committed, and of all their hard speeches which ungodly sinners have spoken against him!”
- We Restrict Ourselves From Pleasing God!
- The World Restricts Us From Pleasing God!
- Ungodliness!
- \* By Faith, Enoch Understood The Restriction & Sought The Soul-Saving Mercy Of God!
- Are You Pleasing God Now?
  - First, You Must Be Godly, Just, Righteous Standing Before God! Only Then Can You Please Him!

**2. *The Route To Pleasing God!***

- Genesis 5:21-24 - “And Enoch lived sixty and five years, and begat Methuselah: 22 And Enoch walked with God after he begat Methuselah three hundred years, and begat sons and daughters: 23 And all the days of Enoch were three hundred sixty and five years: 24 And Enoch walked with God: and he was not; for God took him!”
- “Walk”
  - A Life Surrendered To God!
  - A Life Controlled By God!
  - A Life Lived For God!
- \* By Faith, Enoch Understood The Route To Please God & Walked With Him!
- Are You Pleasing God Now?
  - “Walking” With Him? The Only Way!

**3. *The Report Of Pleasing God!***

- Hebrews 11:5 - “For Before His Translation He Had This Testimony, That He Pleased God!”
- Key Word: “Before”
  - Enoch Had This Witness Of Pleasing God **Before** God Confirmed This Fact When He Translated Enoch!
  - How Can One Know?
    - Except From The Revelation Of God Himself!
    - Doesn’t Matter What Men Think Of You, What Matters Is What God Thinks Of You!
- It Is Not Enough To Adopt A “Wait & See” Attitude!
  - If The Witness Is Not There **Before** You Leave This World, It Will Not Be There After!
- When Did He Please God?
  - It Was A Regular Habit – A Way Of Life!
  - A Continual “Walking” With God, In Constant Communion!

- Who Do You Desire To Please?
  - Whose “Report” Do You Care More About?
- \* By Faith Enoch Received The Report Of Pleasing God!
- Are You Pleasing God Now?
  - Are You Receiving God’s Witness Through His Word & In Your Conscience?

**4. *The Reward For Pleasing God!***

- Hebrews 11:5 - “By Faith Enoch Was Translated That He Should Not See Death; And Was Not Found, Because God Had Translated Him!”
- God’s Presence!
  - “Translate” - To Transfer From One Place To Another!
    - 2 Corinthians 5:8 - “We are confident, I say, and willing rather to be absent from the body, and to be present with the Lord!”
  - God’s Presence Was With Him Before, For Sure!
  - God’s Presence Will Be Unique & Greater After!
    - 1 Corinthians 13:12 - “For now we see through a glass, darkly; but then face to face: now I know in part; but then shall I know even as also I am known!”
- God’s Preservation!
  - “Not See Death!”
  - Colossians 1:13 - “Who hath delivered us from the power of darkness, and hath translated us into the kingdom of his dear Son!”
- \* By Faith, Enoch Received The Reward For Pleasing God!
  - Where Did The Reward Come From?
- Are You Pleasing God Now?
  - These Are The Rewards For Every Believer!

**5. *The Reason For Pleasing God!***

- Hebrews 11:6 - “For He That Cometh To God Must Believe That He Is, And That He Is A Rewarder!”
- Because God Is Real!
  - Those Who Don’t Submit To & Believe This Will Soon Experience This Reality For Themselves!
- Because God Is A Rewarder!
  - A God Of Mercy & Grace!
- \* By Faith, Enoch Understood The Reasons For Pleasing God!
  - God Gave Him This Understanding!
    - 1 Corinthians 2:14 - “But the natural man receiveth not the things of the Spirit of God: for they are foolishness unto him: neither can he know them, because they are spiritually discerned!”
  - How To We Come To This Understanding?
    - The Same Way We Receive Life!
      - Genesis 2:7 - “And the LORD God formed man of the dust of the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and man became a living soul!”
      - As God Breathes Into Man The Breath Of Life, So We Breathe!
      - As God Gives Us Faith, So We Believe!
- Are You Pleasing God Now?
  - God Himself Is The Reason!

**6. *The Resolve In Pleasing God!***

- Hebrews 11:6 - “A Rewarder Of Them That Diligently Seek Him!”
- “There Must First Be The Daily, Diligent, Prayerful Striving To Please Him In All Things; This Is Absolutely Essential If We Are To Enter Into The Experience Of The Translated Life!” (Arthur Pink)
- \* By Faith, Enoch Resolved To Please God In His Life!
- Are You Pleasing God Now?
  - Is This Your Heart’s & Life’s Greatest Desire?

**Conclusion:**

1. Now You Can Please God! Are You Pleasing God Now?
  - Hebrews 11:5!
  - Do You Have This Testimony?
    - Not From Others – But From God Himself?

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