Enoch

WARM-UP

- If you could only eat one kind of food for the rest of your life, what would it be?

- What is one thing that you look forward to every day?

- Tell about a gift that you make sure to give each year.

WORD

⁵By faith Enoch was taken up so that he should not see death, and he was not found, because God had taken him. Now before he was taken he was commended as having pleased God. ⁶And without faith it is impossible to please him, for whoever would draw near to God must believe that he exists and that he rewards those who seek him.
HEBREWS 11:5,6

The author of the epistle to the Hebrews included Enoch in the hall of faith, even though there were no extraordinary events throughout the Bible attributed to him. He walked with God faithfully throughout the entire 365 years that he lived, and then he was no longer on the earth. He was described in Scripture as one who *pleased God*. How can we maintain great faith even during the mundane routines of life?

1 | Walk out the purposes of God faithfully.

²²Enoch walked with God after he fathered Methuselah 300 years and had other sons and daughters. ²³Thus all the days of Enoch were 365 years. **GENESIS 5:22,23**

God's purpose for Enoch was to be a father to his children—which is not a spectacular calling in the way we think about it. Enoch walked out the purpose of God faithfully, and being the father he was called to be became the expression of his faith. Like Enoch, we can embrace the responsibilities that God has given us in this life and walk out His purposes faithfully. What are some responsibilities that you embrace?

2 | Walk with God daily.

Enoch walked with God, and he was not, for God took him.
GENESIS 5:24

The Bible tells us that Enoch faithfully *walked with God* and *pleased God*. He was consistent to walk with God throughout his 365 years on earth. Day by day, we can commit ourselves to this relationship with God, despite the highs, lows, or plateaus. What are some things you do to walk faithfully with God each day?

3 | Walk to please God.

And without faith it is impossible to please him, for whoever would draw near to God must believe that he exists and that he rewards those who seek him. **HEBREWS 11:6**

As Enoch walked daily and faithfully with God, the Scripture tells us that he *pleased God* by his faith, for the 365 years of his life. Each day, we must live with the purpose and the desire to please God. There are a lot of ways we can please God; Hebrews 13 lists some of them. Ultimately, we please God not because we want something from Him, but because the joy of the Lord is our strength and He is our great reward. What are some of the things you do daily to please God?

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APPLICATION

- Have you committed to walking faithfully each day with God, seeking to please Him? Would you like to make this commitment today?

- Are you reminded daily of the purposes God has for you? What is one way you can remind yourself each day of the gospel and what God has done for you?

- Have you settled on a consistent time and place for your daily time with God? If you have, when and where? Stick to it faithfully. If not, this is a good starting point for seeking the will of God daily.

PRAYER

- Thank God that it is possible to please Him, even as you live day to day. Thank Him for His purposes for you that He is fulfilling in your life right now.

- Pray to have great faith even in the midst of mundane routine. Pray to walk out the purposes God has for you daily and faithfully.

- Pray not to lose the sense of urgency in making disciples and fishing for people, even through the routine of each day. Pray that you will not become complacent but always seek to follow the will of God.

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