

Enoch: The Man Who Walked with God and Never Died (Kids)

The story of Enoch in Genesis 5 teaches us that having faith in God on earth means we will live with him forever in heaven.

Video

Summary

The story of Enoch from Genesis 5 is one of the craziest stories in the Bible.

Enoch had a special relationship with God.

The Bible says that Enoch walked with God. Maybe people back then didn't do that sort of thing. But old Enoch did. He lived for God, not himself.

Genesis 5:23-24 Enoch lived 365 years, walking in close fellowship with God. Then one day he disappeared, because God took him.

Enoch's faith helped him to honor God.

Enoch had faith in God – he trusted that God would keep his promises. Because of that faith, Enoch chose to honor God. He was obedient and made God his first priority.

Enoch went to heaven without dying!?

Enoch is famous, but do you know why? Most kids would guess that he's famous because he never died. He just disappeared one day and went straight to heaven! But believe it or not, that's not why he's famous. Hebrews 11 tells us that his faith is what really made him famous:

Hebrews 11:5 It was by faith that Enoch was taken up to heaven without dying—"he disappeared, because God took him." For before he was taken up, he was known as a person who pleased God.

Did you catch that? Before he disappeared straight to heaven, Enoch was already famous. Everyone knew about him because he was a person who pleased God. When people looked at Enoch, they said, "Hey, that guy always obeys God."

We can live a faithful life for God, too.

Just like Enoch, we can choose to make God our first priority. We can spend time with him by reading the Bible, praying, and serving others. And the more we're around God, the more we will know him and want to live to honor him. And here's the best news: When we live a life of faith here on earth, we'll get to be with Jesus in heaven someday. That's the point of the story. Our faith pleases God.

Hebrews 11:6 And it is impossible to please God without faith. Anyone who wants to come to him must believe that God exists and that he rewards those who sincerely seek him.

Memory Verse

Hebrews 11:6 It's impossible to please God without faith.

Discussion Questions

- 1. Set Up: Watch the video together as a group or family.
- 2. Who are your favorite people to hang around? Why do you enjoy their company? Do you find yourself acting like them?
- 3. How would you describe your relationship with God? (close, far, unsure)
- 4. What are some things you can do to grow closer to God?
- 5. Why do you think it's easier to honor God the more time you spend with him?
- 6. What do you think Enoch's friends thought when he just disappeared one day?
- 7. Read Joshua 22:5. Why is obedience important? What are some examples of things God asks us to do?
- 8. **Takeaway:** Write a personal action step based on this conversation.

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