

## **Sovereign Grace Church**

### ***“Enoch” outline***

**April 23, 2017**

### **Hebrews 11: 5-6**

*As we continue with our study of Hebrews 11 we come to the example of faithful Enoch. Enoch has provoked much interest among people despite the brevity of anything said about him. The reason for this is because he is one of two people in Scripture who never died. This is not to say that he and Elijah are still alive somewhere in the world today but that their lives were translated miraculously from earth to heaven without going through the normal process of dying.*

*The reason for Enoch's translation had something to do with his pleasing God or “walking” with God both of which resulted from his faithful heart. This morning we will take a closer look at Enoch and see if we can learn something from someone so faithful that he evaded death and went immediately into the presence of God. We generally look upon such “perfect” people as a bit out of our league and so beyond anything we can ever hope to attain. But Jesus appeared to think differently about this....so we shall see.*

#### **1. Enoch and death v. 5a**

- **Sin and death Rom. 6:33; 3:23**
- **Sin and Jesus' death Rom. 5:8; 4:3**
- **Why do believers die?**  
**I Cor. 15:54b-57; Jn 5:24; 8:51-52; 11:23-26; Lk 9:23-24; II Tim. 1:10**

2. **Enoch and walking with God v.5b; Gen. 5:24  
Gen. 3:8; Deut 6:6-7; Micah 6:8; Gal. 5:16; I Thess 5:17**

3. **Enoch and faith v. 6**

- **Genuine Faith believes that God IS. Ex 3:14**
  
- **Genuine Faith trusts that God will reward those who truly seek Him.  
Deut 4:29; Jer. 29:13; Matt 6:33**

**Questions for Conversation and Reflection**

1. **Have you ever desired to escape death? Do you think Enoch desired to escape death? Or did he embrace it? What did his embracing it have to do with his escaping it?**
2. **What are the different kinds of death that are indicated in Scripture? What do they all have in common? Do they all include an idea of separation? How is it that death can be a good thing? Why do we perceive it as bad?**
3. **What does it mean to “*walk with God*”? Have you ever experienced such a state of being? How do you think your life would be different if you “walked” with Christ throughout the day? Is walking with God different than walking with a friend? How is it different and how is it similar? What does walking with God have to do with God's law? How does it contrast with the Pharisees relationship with God's law? How does it reflect Psalm 1?**
4. **What lesson stands out for you concerning the life and faith of Enoch? Do you find yourself being satisfied with less than God desires to give you? How can we live in such a way that we are simultaneously living in Christ's kingdom and in this world.**