

**Hebrews 11:1-6** Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen.<sup>2</sup> For by it the people of old received their commendation. <sup>3</sup> By faith we understand that the universe was created by the word of God,

## **Hebrews 11:1-6**

so that what is seen was not made out of things that are visible. <sup>4</sup> By faith Abel offered to God a more acceptable sacrifice than Cain, through which he was commended as righteous, God commending him by accepting his gifts. And through his faith, though he died,

**Hebrews 11:1-6** he still speaks. <sup>5</sup> By 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.

# **Hebrews 11:1-6** <sup>6</sup> 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.

# The Faith of Enoch1. The Nature of Faith2. The Character of God

The Faith of Enoch Faith isn't living in perfection, but walking in the right direction. Faith fuels our obedience and our endurance. Faith enables us to obey God's Word and to live a life that is congruent with the world that God has promised.

## **The Faith of Enoch**

Biblical faith starts with believing in God and causes us to believe God [because His character evidenced in His works] and His promises, and we live lives based upon those promises, even if those lives look like sheer folly unless the future He has promised is real.

## The Faith of Enoch

Our faith is strengthened when we come to know and experience the character of God.

**Genesis 5:21-24** <sup>21</sup> When Enoch had lived 65 years, he fathered Methuselah.<sup>22</sup> Enoch walked with God after he fathered Methuselah 300 years and had other sons and daughters. <sup>23</sup> Thus all the days of Enoch were 365 years. <sup>24</sup> Enoch walked with God, and he was not, for God took him.

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The Faith of Enoch What does it mean to walk with God? Walking implies agreement Walking implies reconciliation Walking implies fellowship

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# The Faith of Enoch God finds pleasure in those who believe Him, seek Him and draw close to Him.

## Colossians 1:21-22

<sup>21</sup>And you, who once were alienated and hostile in mind, doing evil deeds, <sup>22</sup> he has now reconciled in his body of flesh by his death, in order to present you holy and blameless and above reproach before him,

## The Faith of Enoch

Enoch is a model of faith that walks with God and because he walks with God, he is rewarded with God's presence and pleasure that culminates in eternal life.

