

Genesis 5:22 & 6:9

After he begot Methuselah, Enoch walked with God three hundred years, and had sons and daughters.

This is the genealogy of Noah. Noah was a just man, perfect in his generations. Noah walked with God.

Reading today's verses about Enoch and Noah, I wanted us to focus on one thing that it says about both of them, which is:

† *“Enoch walked with God.”*

† *“Noah walked with God.”*

But even though the bible says that they both “*walked with God*” they both “*walked with God*” in a unique way, so to speak.

We should all know who Noah was, but who was Enoch? Well, Enoch was Noah's Great Grandfather, because Enoch's son was Methuselah, who lived for 969 years, and Methuselah's son was Lamech, who was Noah's dad. But not only was Enoch, Noah's great grandfather, it also says this about him.

† **Genesis 5:23-24** *So all the days of Enoch were three hundred and sixty-five years. And Enoch walked with God; and he was not, for God took him.*

So Enoch was one of two people in the bible that have not died, because God took them. The other person who did not die in the bible is Elijah.

So, Enoch pleased God so much with his faithfulness and relationship (*walked with God*) with God, that God simply took Enoch to heaven. But Noah “*walked with God*” just like his great grandfather Enoch did, yet God did not take Noah. “*Why not?*” you may be thinking? Good question, and the answer is simply that God had a work for Noah to do here on this earth, so it was not time for him to go to heaven yet.

† **Hebrews 11:7 (MSG)** *By faith, Noah built a ship in the middle of dry land. He was warned about something he couldn't see, and acted on what he was told. The result? His family was saved. His act of faith drew a sharp line between the evil of the unbelieving world and the rightness of the believing world. As a result, Noah became intimate with God.*

So looking at this, we must remember that as we walk with God, and we see our brothers and sisters in the Lord walk with God, we don't all walk the same walk, or let me put it another way;

We are all walking that straight and narrow path that leads to heaven with God, but we are doing different things in that walk.

Example: I am on the worship team at church, and there are others who serve in the church as well, some are ushers, or greeters, or serve in the coffee shop, or pray with others, or teach the kids in Sunday school, or Elders and even our Pastor. We are all walking with God but have different gifts. But I can't say my walk with God is any better or different than anyone else's, simply because I am on the worship team. No, we all serve in the capacity that the Lord has given us to do. Yet, our walk is the same with God.

Also, we never read of Noah saying to God that he should be taken to heaven like his great grandfather, Enoch was. The same should be for us, we should not seek to be like everyone else or do what others are doing if God has given us each a specific calling on how we are to walk with Him.

We are all walking with God and are all headed to the same place, Heaven. Simply walk in the calling God has called you to walk in and encourage those in their walk with the Lord and the calling God has called them to.

† **Ephesians 4:1-3** *I, therefore, the prisoner of the Lord, beseech you to walk worthy of the calling with which you were called, with all lowliness and gentleness, with longsuffering, bearing with one another in love, endeavoring to keep the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace.*

† **Ephesians 4:1 (MSG)** *In light of all this, here's what I want you to do. While I'm locked up here, a prisoner for the Master, I want you to get out there and walk—better yet, run!—on the road God called you to travel. I don't want any of you sitting around on your hands. I don't want anyone strolling off, down some path that goes nowhere.*