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“Faith walks”
The Faith of Enoch
Hebrews 11:5,6

SERIES: “Real Faith in an Unreal World” (3)
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**Introduction**
We continue our series on authentic faith and take look at another perspective of faith – our walk with the Lord.

**William Carey** and how his walk of faith energized his life and ministry

 ***“Expect great things from God, attempt great things for God.”***

Do you WALK with the Lord?

*“Faith is a living, daring confidence in God’s grace so sure and certain
a man could stake his life a thousand times on it.”*--Martin Luther:

 *“True faith is obeying God in spite of feelings, circumstances and
 consequences.”* -- Warren Wiersbe

A DESCRIPTION of Faith: Hebrew 11:1-2

* Counterfeit faith is theoretical, true faith is “being sure”.
* Counterfeit faith is temporary, true faith is filled with an eternal hope
* Counterfeit faith is ‘blind’, true faith is full of trust & certainty.
* Counterfeit faith is based on emotions, true faith is based on understanding.

Heb 11:3 – Faith makes a declaration that we trust in the creator God.

The starting point of faith is WORSHIP, as seen in Abel’s life

**Reading: Hebrews 11:5-6 Faith Walks**

Abel and Enoch’s faith compared: Faith worshipping & faith walking

Genesis 5:18-24

The key to Enoch’s life – v24 – Enoch WALKED with God
 – he had FELLOWSHIP with God!

**What makes for a meaningful walk with God?**

 **1. A point reached**

 Enoch turned to the Lord around the time of Methuselah’s birth.

**2. A practice revealed**

* **Enoch was WALKING at the same PLACE as God**

In fellowship with God
Amos 3:3
* **Enoch was WALKING on the same PATH as God**Going to the same destination
* **Enoch was WALKING at the same PACE as God**

In step with the Spirit
Galatians 5:25

**3. A passion rewarded**

A deeper walk with the Lord

Martin Luther King: *“God only shows you the next step, not the whole staircase.”*

* **Enoch was CONVINCED about God’s PRESENCE**Hebrews 11:6 (b)

Enoch believed: that God existed
 that God can be found
 in God’s abiding presence

John 15:5

Psalm 1:3

Is God real to you?
* **Enoch was COMMITTED to God’s PROMISES**
Hebrews 11:6 (c)

Enoch saw, sought and savoured God’s promises.

**What was the result of his walk with God?**

* **Remained righteous**
* **Received a revelation from God**Methuselah’s name = “**When he is dead it shall be sent”**God speaks primarily through His Word and prayer
* **Revealed the judgement of God**Jude 14-15

**Application: putting it all together**

**1.. Have you grasped the NATURE OF FAITH?**

Hebrews 11:6

At the root of faith is your desire and hunger for more of God. It is conscious of God’s presence and longs for a walk with Him.

**2. Does your faith HONOUR the Lord?**

Without faith it is impossible to please God, but with faith we are pleasing to Him. We were created to be a DELIGHT to God.

*“Faith gives God His place & His glory; faith wills what God wills, faith lets God have His own way, and makes HIM all in all*” -- Andrew Murray

**3. Do you KNOW you are PLEASING to the Lord?**

The very essence of a healthy faith is that God does not leave Himself without a witness of one who COMPLETELY TRUSTS IN HIM.