

# Hebrews 11:5

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

By faith Enoch was translated that he should not see death; and was not found, because God had translated him: for before his translation he had this testimony, that he pleased God.

## Analysis

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Enoch 'was translated that he should not see death' (Genesis 5:24), demonstrating exceptional faith. The phrase 'was not found' indicates a search was made after his translation. 'Before his translation he had this testimony, that he pleased God'—his faith was evident in his life. His translation without death foreshadows the rapture of believers and proves God can deliver from death entirely.

## Historical Context

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Enoch walked with God 300 years (Genesis 5:22-24), an extraordinary testimony in the pre-flood world's wickedness. Only he and Elijah escaped death by translation, pointing to Christ's power over death.

## Related Passages

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**Romans 1:17** — The righteous shall live by faith

**Hebrews 11:1** — Definition of faith

## Study Questions

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1. What does it look like to walk with God in a wicked generation?
2. How can your life testimony be that you please God?

## Interlinear Text

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Πίστει Ἐνώχ μετέθηκεν τοῦ μὴ οὐδεῖν θάνατον καὶ οὐχ  
By faith Enoch had translated G3588 not see death and not  
G4102 G1802 G3346 G3361 G1492 G2288 G2532 G3756

εύρισκετο, διότι μετέθηκεν αὐτοῦ ὁ θεῶ· πρὸ γὰρ  
found because had translated him G3588 God before for  
G2147 G1360 G3346 G846 G2316 G4253 G1063

τῆς μεταθέσεως αὐτοῦ μεμαρτύρηται εύηρεστηκέναι τῷ  
G3588 translation him he had this testimony that he pleased G3588  
G3331 G846 G3140 G2100

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## Additional Cross-References

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**2 Kings 2:11** (Parallel theme): And it came to pass, as they still went on, and talked, that, behold, there appeared a chariot of fire, and horses of fire, and parted them both asunder; and Elijah went up by a whirlwind into heaven.

**Jude 1:14** (Parallel theme): And Enoch also, the seventh from Adam, prophesied of these, saying, Behold, the Lord cometh with ten thousands of his saints,

**Hebrews 11:6** (Faith): But without faith it is impossible to please him: for he that cometh to God must believe that he is, and that he is a rewarder of them that diligently seek him.

**Psalms 89:48** (Parallel theme): What man is he that liveth, and shall not see death? shall he deliver his soul from the hand of the grave? Selah.

**1 John 3:22** (Parallel theme): And whatsoever we ask, we receive of him, because we keep his commandments, and do those things that are pleasing in his sight.

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