

*“By faith Enoch was translated (taken up to God) 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.’ 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.” Hebrews 11:5-6 KJV*



We can always tell if someone is pleased by their reaction to our words and deeds. But how can we know if the invisible God is pleased? How can unbelievers know? Enoch was known as “the man who pleased God.” How did they know? Stop and ponder this. How do you know anything about anyone? We know by their words and deeds. If words and deeds don’t

match, we know them to be liars. Jesus said, *“Beware of false prophets, which come to you in sheep’s clothing, but inwardly they are ravening wolves. Ye shall know them by their fruits. Do men gather grapes of thorns, or figs of thistles? Even so every good tree bringeth forth good fruit; but a corrupt tree bringeth forth evil fruit. A good tree cannot bring forth evil fruit, neither can a corrupt tree bring forth good fruit. Every tree that bringeth not forth good fruit is hewn down, and cast into the fire. Wherefore by their fruits ye shall know them.”* Enoch was known to please God by his words and deeds lining up with God’s Word. Men know what God wants, because, after all, their laws almost always mimic His Laws. The trouble starts with man when they disobey out of a sinful heart. Look at Adam, he started it all! Little has changed since Eden. We still know what God wants and we still follow our own lusts. *“Then when lust hath conceived, it bringeth forth sin: and sin, when it is finished, bringeth forth death.”* Death is the absence of Life. God is Life.

Pleasing our God in word and deed,  
Is all we really ever need,  
For if we live by Holy Word,  
We will forever please our Lord. –CGP

Enoch was known by his words and deeds of, for, and about God. We are given a brief glimpse of his life by a short passage in the book of Jude, *“And Enoch also, the seventh from Adam, prophesied of these, saying, ‘Behold, the Lord cometh with ten thousands of His saints, To execute Judgment upon all, and to convince all that are ungodly among them of all their ungodly deeds which they have ungodly committed, and of all their hard speeches which ungodly sinners have spoken against Him.’”* Enoch lived by God’s Word and it was known. Can the same be said of us? Faith is the defining difference between unbelievers and children of God! You’ll not be pleasing to God by fulfilling your sinful lusts! Obedience is the evidence of faith and faith is the evidence of God!

*“For whatsoever is not of faith is sin.” Romans 14:23b KJV*