Enoch Walked with God (Genesis 5:21-24)

Introduction:

- 1. In Genesis 5:21-24 we read about Enoch.
 - a. According to vs.21, he was the father of Methuselah [he was also the grandfather of Lamech, and the great-grandfather of Noah -- vs.25-29].
 - b. It is stated twice in vs.22 & 24 that Enoch "walked with God."
 - c. We learn from vs.23-24 that "God took him" at the age of 365 years [Enoch "was translated that he should not see death" -- Hebrews 11:5].
 - d. By walking with God, Enoch had close fellowship with God, and God blessed him.
- 2. In our lesson we are studying a number of passages that teach us what we need to know about "having fellowship with God."
- 3. Let us first examine . . .

Discussion:

- I. PASSAGES THAT TEACH US HOW TO BE IN FELLOWSHIP WITH GOD
 - A. Ephesians 2:11-19
 - 1. (vs.11-12) Without Christ, there is no fellowship with God.
 - 2. (vs.13-19) Christ has made it possible for us to be reconciled to God so we can be in fellowship with Him.
 - a. (vs.13) The Lord's blood brings us near.
 - b. (vs.16) The Lord's cross allows us to be reconciled in the one body.
 - c. When we are reconciled to God we enjoy tremendous blessings.
 - 1) (vs.18) We have access to the Father.
 - 2) (vs.19) We become members of God's household.
 - B. 1 Corinthians 1:9
 - 1. God has made it possible for us to be called unto the fellowship of His Son.
 - 2. The Bible teaches us how and when the Corinthians were called unto this fellowship (Acts 18:8b; 1 Corinthians 12:13).
 - C. Summarize:
 - 1. Before we become Christians we have no fellowship with Christ or the Father.
 - 2. However,:
 - a. Christ has made it possible for us to have fellowship with the Father.
 - b. The Father has made it possible for us to have fellowship with Christ.
 - c. We know from the Scriptures how to have fellowship with the Father and Christ.
 - D. Let us turn our attention to . . .
- II. PASSAGES THAT TEACH US HOW TO STAY IN FELLOWSHIP WITH GOD
 - A. John 14:23
 - 1. Jesus said that we must keep His words.
 - 2. Love for the Lord will motivate us to keep His words (see vs.15).
 - 3. Jesus said that He and the Father will make their abode with those who keep His words.
 - B. 1 John 1:1-10
 - 1. (vs.3) John mentioned being in fellowship with the Father and Christ.
 - 2. (vs.6) We cannot walk in darkness and have fellowship with God because there is no darkness at all in God (vs.5).
 - 3. However (vs.7), if we walk in the light as God is in the light we have fellowship with Him.
 - 4. (vs.7b) The Lord's blood continues to cleanse us.
 - a. (vs.8, 10) Those who claim to have no sin commit a grievous error.
 - b. (vs.9) If we confess our sins, God will cleanse us (Proverbs 28:13).
 - C. Having fellowship with God is conditional.
 - 1. Jesus said that keeping His words is a condition (John 14:23).
 - 2. According to 1 John 1:5-7, walking in the light is another condition.

Conclusion:

- 1. Enoch had close fellowship with God, and God blessed him.
- 2. Let us follow the Scriptures that teach us how to have fellowship with God.