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Hebrews 11:5-6

January 18, 2026





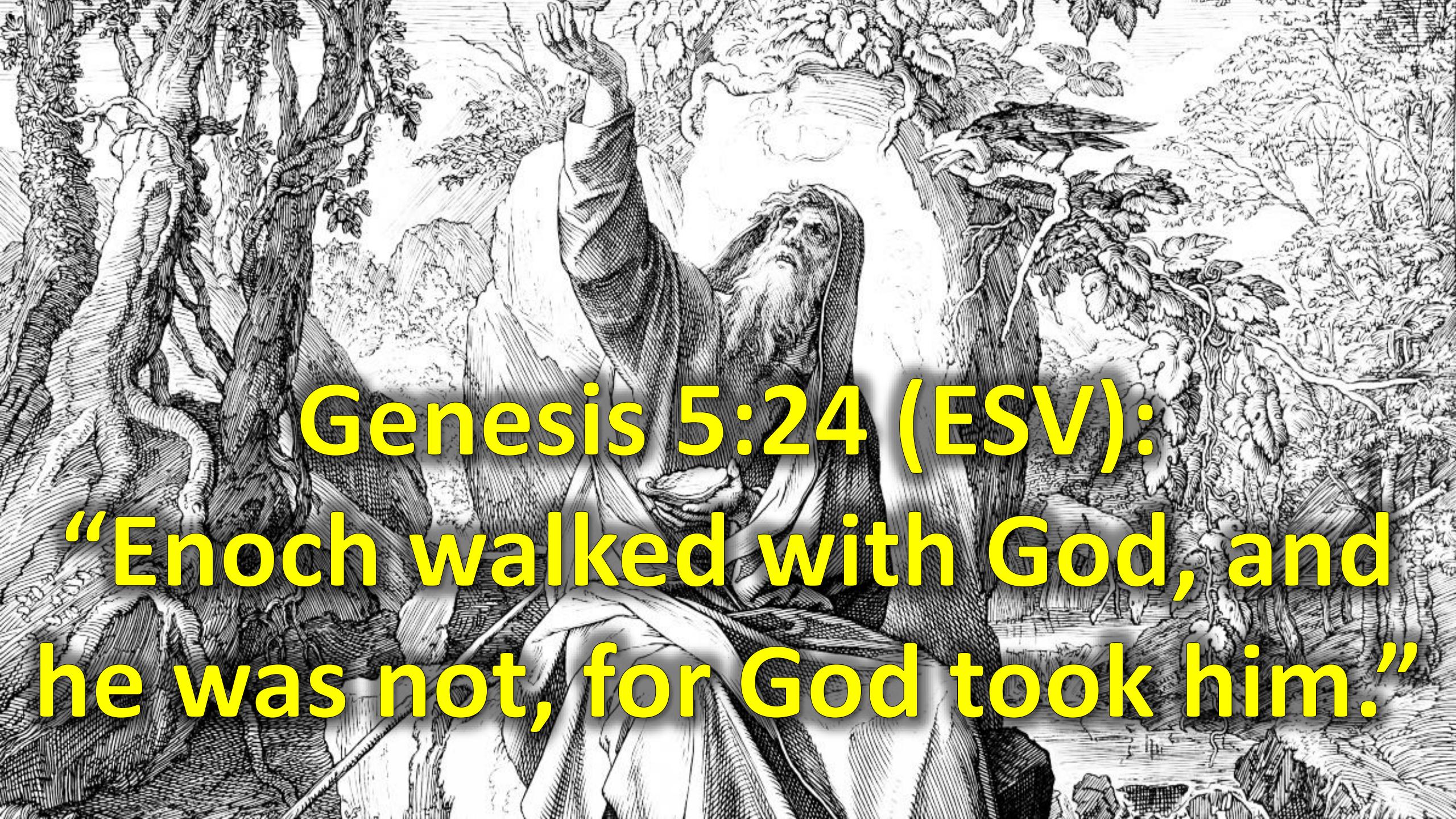












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NEW HEIGHTS
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Hebrews 11:5-6 (ESV): “By faith Enoch was taken up so that he should not see death, and he was not found, because God had taken him. Now before he was taken he was commended as having pleased God. 6 And without faith it is impossible to please him, for whoever would draw near to God must believe that he exists and that he rewards those who seek him.”

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Jude 14-15 (ESV): “Enoch, the seventh from Adam, prophesied, saying, ‘Behold, the Lord comes with ten thousands of his holy ones, 15 to execute judgment on all and to convict all the ungodly of all their deeds of ungodliness that they have committed in such an ungodly way, and of all the harsh things that ungodly sinners have spoken against him.’”

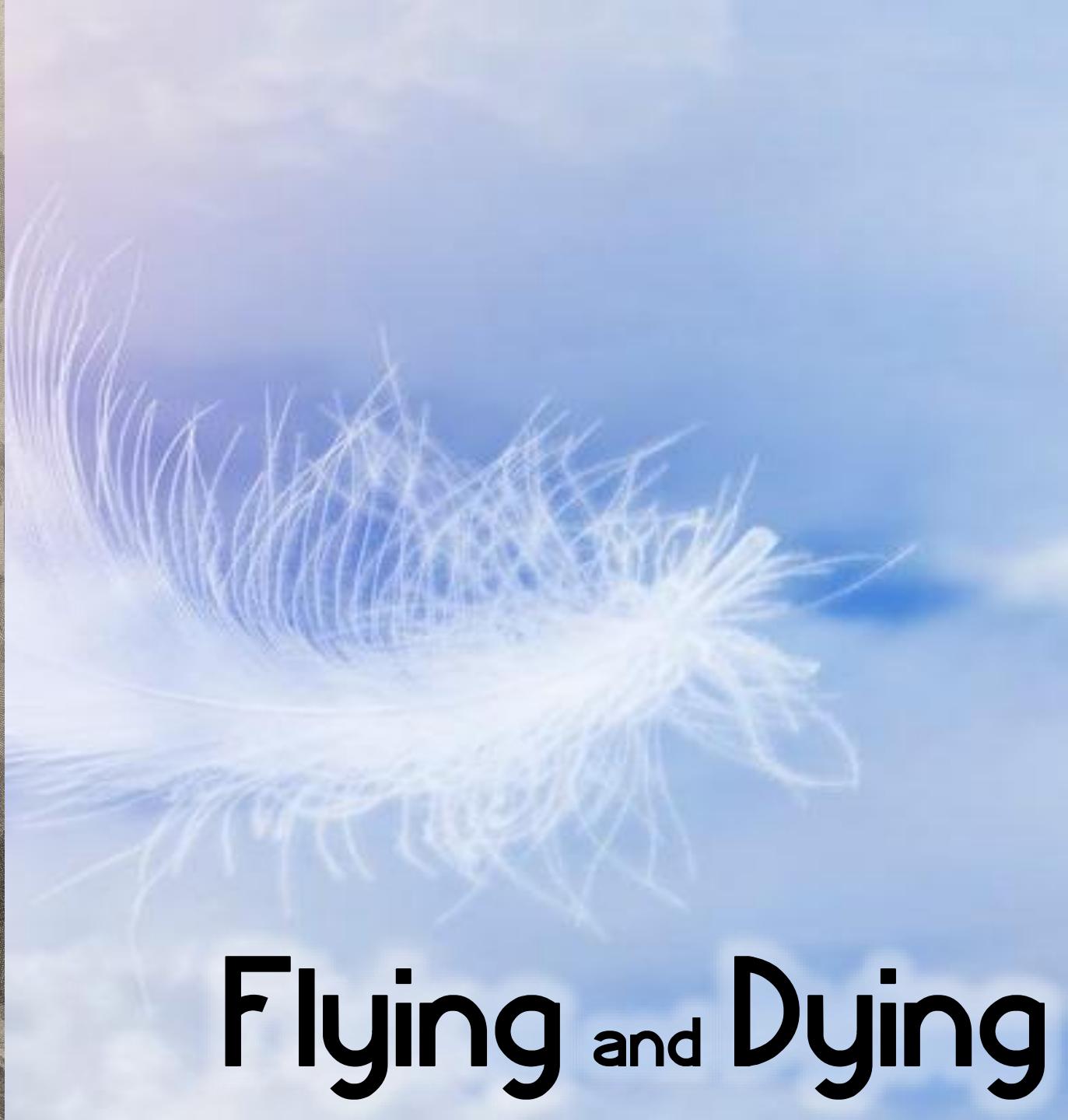
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Genesis 6:5 (ESV): “The Lord saw that the wickedness of man was great in the earth, and that every intention of the thoughts of his heart was only evil continually.”

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**Genesis 5:24 (NIV): “Enoch walked
faithfully with God; then he was no more,
because God took him away.”**

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THE VALUE OF
YOUR PRESENCE
BECOMES MOST OBVIOUS IN
YOUR ABSENCE.

Main Point

Matthew 5:13-16 (ESV): “You are the salt of the earth, but if salt has lost its taste, how shall its saltiness be restored? It is no longer good for anything except to be thrown out and trampled under people’s feet. 14 You are the light of the world. A city set on a hill cannot be hidden. 15 Nor do people light a lamp and put it under a basket, but on a stand, and it gives light to all in the house. 16 In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven.”

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BEFORE YOU
SING IT,
YOU BETTER
BRING IT.

Application

Titus 2:7-8 (ESV): “Show yourself in all respects to be a model of good works, and in your teaching show integrity, dignity, ⁸ and sound speech that cannot be condemned, so that an opponent may be put to shame, having nothing evil to say about us.”

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1 Peter 2:12 (ESV): “Keep your conduct among the Gentiles honorable, so that when they speak against you as evildoers, they may see your good deeds and glorify God on the day of visitation.”

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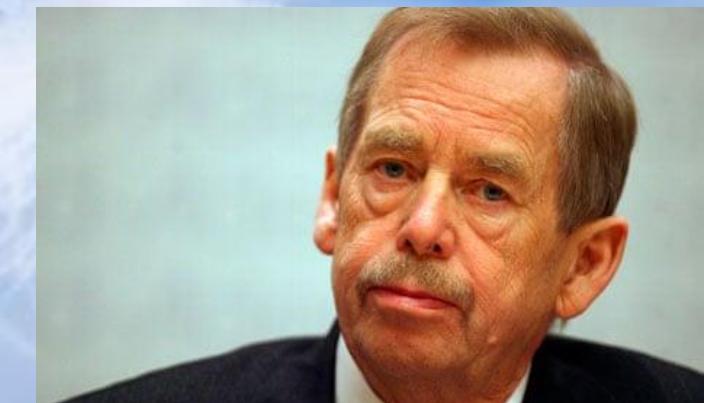
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“In 1979 Havel was offered the chance to emigrate to the U.S. to avoid a conviction for subversive activities. He refused, saying, ‘The solution of this human situation does not lie in leaving it. Fourteen million people can’t just go and leave Czechoslovakia empty.’”

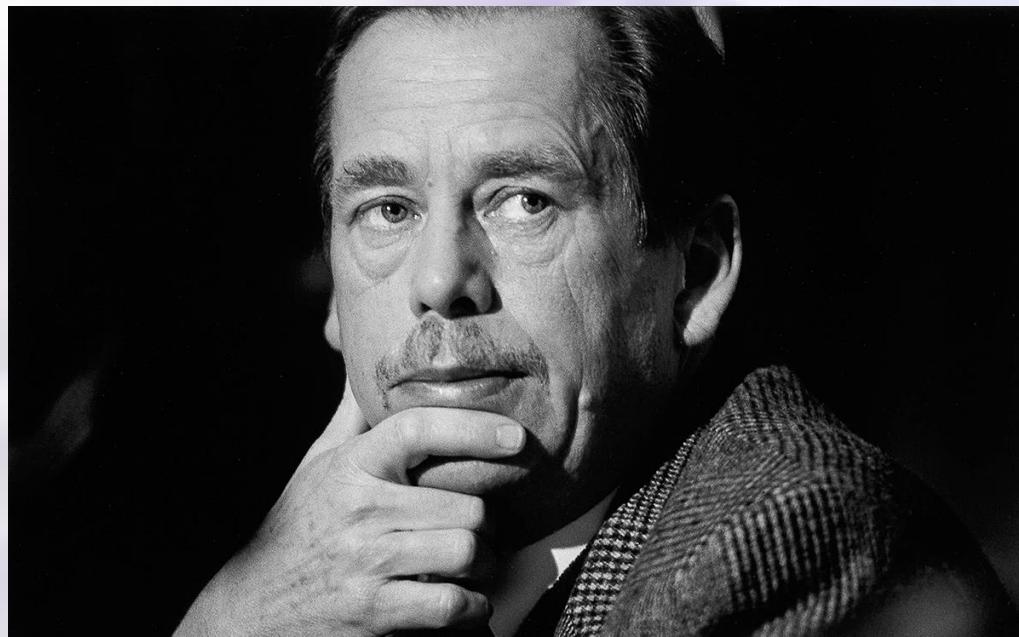
(From Time magazine’s article “Czechoslovakia Act of Artistic Unfreedom,” March 6, 1989)



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“The moment one decides to live within the truth, even in what may seem like an insignificant gesture, he steps out of the bounds of the system.”

(From Václav Havel’s essay The Power of the Powerless)



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Next Week:

Hebrews 11:7

