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For if the trumpet give an uncertain sound, who shall prepare himself to the battle? 1 Cor. 14:8





### Enoch — The Discipline of the Witness of Hope

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It is plain that in an evil world a righteous man must either die in it, or be in the power of translation in passing through it. Enoch was this latter and he walked with God. Nothing can purify us from this world but hope, and the hope too of being with the One whom Enoch saw. "My Lord cometh and ten thousand of His saints with Him". The Lord personally engaging the heart, dissociates more from the earth than anything else. "For their sakes [He says] I sanctify myself that they also may be truly sanctified". For the heart linked with Him outside it would be the most perfect sanctification. Saints pass through much discipline from outward circumstances, because their hearts are only set on being justified ones in the earth, a blessed position beyond all question; but ours is one incompatible with everything earthly; and hence, if the soul does not know this it must be taught it; as Paul was taught to surrender Jerusalem and all the associations there his heart clung to. He passed through every

affliction ere he was morally delivered from his earthly hope. Heavenly hopes exposed him no doubt to other sorrows, but if they did, death could not be one of them, for death would only have realized them, and therefore he longed to depart. If our hope was really translation to see the Lord, beyond doubt the casualties of this life would but little distress us. They never could touch our hope, and our sufferings from present things are not so much from their actual influence and value to us as that they are connected with our real hopes. It is our hope that lends an interest to everything about us and belonging to us. The only discipline that an Enoch publishes is a long walk with God and a prophetic testimony; and therefore it is the path that the welldisciplined child will walk in, and the better he adheres to it the less will he need either a "weight" to be removed, or his unbelief to be admonished. The end of all the Father's discipline is to render us these services.

# Chapel Happenings

### **Meetings**

Sunday - 9:15 a.m. Breaking of Bread10:05 a.m. Refreshments10:30 a.m. Sunday School11:05 a.m. Family Bible HourWednesday - 7:00 p.m. Prayer Meeting & Bible StudyWebsite - www.ngchapel.org

Speakers - "Open thou mine eyes, that I may behold wondrous things out of thy law." Psalm 119:18

March 2 - Bobby March 9 - Micah March 16 - Mark March 23 - Scott March 30 - Roger

#### <u>Manassas Rehab Ministry</u>

We were thankful to be back with the Rehab residents after missing the month of January. We had a wonderful time of ministry with Mark giving the message and all of us visiting and singing. Many of our "regulars" were there as well as some new folks. Please continue to pray for them and for us. If you would like to join us, please do on Saturday, March 8<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 p.m.

#### Youth Meeting and Bible Study

Join the young people as they continue their study of *Parables* by John MacArthur on Friday, March 7<sup>th</sup> and Friday, March 21<sup>st</sup>. Questions? Please contact Micah.

#### Ladies' Bible Study and Prayer Time

Although snow kept us from meeting in February, Lord willing we will meet March 11<sup>th</sup>, 3 p.m. at the Chapel. We will be looking at Proverbs 31:21, 25 and 27 and talking about fear in a woman's life. It is a time for us to gather and pray for each person in our assembly. All are welcome!

#### It's a Wedding Shower...

... for Mick and Lilly. Please join us on Saturday, March 1<sup>st</sup> at 3:00 p.m. at the Chapel. We wish them God's richest blessings as they begin their life together and seek to serve the Lord.

### <u>Pray</u>

Those with ongoing physical/medical problems: Bejoy & Sharmila, George & Deepa, Amelia, Jerry & Era, Beulah, Isobel, Bob & Cathy,	College students Youth fellowship Students/Teachers
Mr. Roy, Millie, George, Mrs. Mathai	Rehab (Manor) ministry
Those seeking employment	Missionaries
Van der Hoeks - Beth, the family and Beth's	Our families
Mom	
Wisdom for those caring for elderly parents	Unsaved friends and loved ones
Young married couples and upcoming marriage	Our elders
Joe and family - traveling ministry	Our nation and its leaders
Viju - traveling to India and Singapore	

# **Bible Quiz**

## Kings in the Bible

- 1. What king built pagan temples to please his foreign wives?
- 2. What Persian king was embarrassed by his disobedient wife?
- 3. What king is believed to have written Ecclesiastes?
- 4. What future king of Israel was looking for his donkeys when Samuel came to anoint him?
- 5. What king had the apostle James executed with a sword and had Petr arrested?
- 6. What king made a famous judgment about a baby that two women claimed was theirs?
- 7. What king ordered Daniel thrown into a den of lions?
- 8. What cruel king had the boys of Bethlehem that were under two years old slain?
- 9. What king called on a witch to bring up the spirit of Samuel? 1 Sam. 28:3-19

10. What king was referred to as "that fox" by Jesus?

Answers: 1. Kings 11:1-8; 2. Esther 1:10-12; 3. Eccl. 1:1; 4. 1 Sam. 9:15-20; 5. Acts 12:1-4; 6. 1 Kings 3:16 – 4:1; 7. Dan. 6; 8. Mat. 2:16; 9. 1 Sam. 28:3-19; 10. Luke 13:31-32

# MISSIONARY PAGE

#### PRAY FOR SUE PFAFF IN PAPUA NEW GUINEA

I arrived back in Papua New Guinea October 29<sup>th</sup>, hardly believing that I finally did make it back here. Five Nali speakers came from Manus within my first week back to spend two weeks with me at Ukarumpa. We all met with Consultant Duncan Kasokason, who examined and evaluated the Nali translation of Hebrews and James, suggested valuable improvements, and approved the two books for publishing. Seventy-three percent of the Nali New Testament is now consultant checked.



While Nali translators Thomas and Naomi were at Ukarumpa for the consultant check of Hebrews and James, Long-time friend and translation advisor John Nystrom met with us and showed us how AIassisted Scripture drafting can help us get a head start on translating Old Testament books. We are really thrilled with how the use of this Draft

Zero could speed along this work!

I feel strongly that I should get re-established living part-time in Karun village on Manus Island. That's where my entire translation team lives and where I can interact with the Nali people. I haven't been there for five years; not since Jerry and I made a sudden departure with twelve hours' notice in March 2020 when the world was shutting down international travel.

I will be going back to Manus Tuesday, February 18<sup>th</sup>, but I won't be going alone. An auto mechanic (Chris Bousman), a carpenter (Joe Foate), and an electrician (Andrew Good) will fly out with me to help get me started with repairs.

Thankfully, my village family found a way into my locked house last week to clean up five years' worth of dust and mildew, allowing me to return to a clean cottage. Unfortunately, they found that termites have invaded the house. Without being there to spray annually, the house probably didn't stand a chance against the voracious pests. Even so, seeing the severity of the damage—which looks like the termites were on steroids—has been a hard gut punch.

Once I get to Manus for the first trip, I expect to stay there until about April 6<sup>th</sup>. It will be a good test to see how well I can manage the house in this remote location by myself. After the house repairs and renovations get under control, I look forward to meeting with the whole Nali translation team, catching up with them, strategizing how we'll reach this year's goals, and getting some work done. Thank you so much for your love, prayers, encouraging words and verses, and support! I am truly blessed by all of you!

Love to you! Sue