Week of January 2nd, 2022

OVERVIEW

Happy New Year! We begin a new series called "Walking By Faith."

A new year is a fresh start to walk with God and to live out a faith that pleases Him. Like Enoch, let us walk with God faithfully and abide in Him always.

OHANA TIME!

Icebreaker: What is your genealogy? Where are your descendants from?

Ohana Time!: Create a family tree and learn about your family's heritage! Try to go back as far as possible!

PRAYER

Pray in groups of 2-3: Pray for diligent faith like Enoch. Pray a blessing and protection upon one another to walk with God faithfully.

Pray in a large group: Give thanks to God for a new year! Give thanks to God, for his He is good and His love endures forever.

BIBLE: GENESIS 5:21-24

- 1. As part of the ancient Near Eastern culture, Genesis contains a series of genealogies as in chapter 5. What purpose do you think these selective genealogies serve?
- In the genealogy, what truth is underscored by the refrain, "And then he died?" What is one exception to the reign of death? (See 5:24)
- 3. How many years did Enoch live and how many years did Enoch "walk with God?" Do you think this long-life span is literal or symbolic, or both?
- 4. What does it mean that God took Enoch away? (See Heb 11:5)
- 5. Enoch is listed as one "commended for their faith" in Hebrews 11. Though we do not know much about him, what aspect of faith is demonstrated by Enoch?
- 6. Names carried much weight and meaning during ancient times. What does Enoch's name mean? What meaning does your name carry?

APPLICATION

1. Enoch was faithful to God in his many years of living. A new year is a fresh start to walk with God and to live out a faith that pleases Him. What is your New Year's resolution? How would you like to grow as a Christ-follower or serve in the church? Create a resolution and share with your group. A resolution should be...1) Tangible; 2) Attainable; and 3) Scheduled (ex. read through the Bible every morning in an entire year using a reading guide).

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2. Walking with God is not an easy feat. It requires diligence, faith, and focus. Life and all its twists and turns can easily derail your walk with God. What is one passage of Scripture (an anthem or promise verse) that you can hold onto this year as a reminder to walk with God?