**Series: Aim to Please**

**Today: Pleasing God**

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***2 Corinthians 5:9 (ESV)***

*So whether we are at home or away, we make it our aim to please him.*

**Your noblest ambition is to please God … that’s good for you!**

***Hebrews 11:5-6***

*5By faith Enoch was taken from this life, so that he did not experience death: “He could not be found, because God had taken him away.” For before he was taken, he was commended as one who pleased God.*

***Genesis 5:21-24***

*21When Enoch had lived 65 years, he became the father of Methuselah. 22After he became the father of Methuselah, Enoch walked faithfully with God 300 years and had other sons and daughters. 23Altogether, Enoch lived a total of 365 years. 24Enoch walked faithfully with God; then he was no more, because God took him away.*

***“…he was commended as one who pleased God.”***

**Pleasing God is very possible.**

***Hebrews 11:6***

*6And without faith it is impossible to please God, because anyone who comes to him must believe that he exists and that he rewards those who earnestly seek him.*

**Trust in the Fact that Christ Pleased God Fully for All.**

***Romans 4:2-8***

*2If, in fact, Abraham was justified by works, he had something to boast about—but not before God. 3What does Scripture say? “Abraham believed God, and it was credited to him as righteousness.”*

*4Now to the one who works, wages are not credited as a gift but as an obligation. 5However, to the one who does not work but trusts God who justifies the ungodly, their faith is credited as righteousness. 6David says the same thing when he speaks of the blessedness of the one to whom God credits righteousness apart from works:*

*7“Blessed are those
    whose transgressions are forgiven,
    whose sins are covered.
8Blessed is the one
    whose sin the Lord will never count against them.”*