

# TABLE TALK



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CHURCH OF  THE NAZARENE



Order of Worship  
17 July 2022  
Sixth Sunday after Pentecost

## **We Gather to Worship God**

Welcome  
Worship in Song  
Call to Worship  
Worship in Song

## **We Listen to the Word**

Prayer  
Sermon Series: Story Time-The Parables of Jesus  
Sermon: "Laborers in the Vineyard"

## **We Come to the Table**

Prayer of Confession and Consecration  
The Lord's Prayer  
We Eat and Drink Together  
We Celebrate the Eucharist in Song

## **We Go to Live in the Reign of God**

Community Life  
Gossiping the Good Stuff  
Doxology  
Blessing and Sending



## Doggy Bag- Some questions to chew on:



1. Has there ever been a time you were angered by people getting something they didn't deserve?
2. How does it make you feel that being part of God's Kingdom doesn't have a list of qualifications? Do you find it easy or difficult to receive love and appreciation?
3. What does it mean that God "always pays in full and only pays in full?"
4. Has your understanding of the Kingdom of God been more about anticipation or participation?
5. Who do you most identify with in this story? Why? What do you think Jesus is teaching or reminding you?

If you'd like to talk personally and confidentially w/ Pastor Kris about following Christ, please email [pastorkris@tablelifechurch.org](mailto:pastorkris@tablelifechurch.org) or call 717-774-6444 to set up an appointment.

## NEW HERE? NEED PRAYER?

A white connection card for TableLife Church. It includes fields for Name, Address, Email, and Phone. Below these are checkboxes for how the person heard about the church (Drive past, Online, Social Media, Invited by, Other). There is also a section for how they would like to be helped (What it means to follow Jesus, Connecting in a group, Serving, Kids & Youth Ministries) and a Prayer Request section with lines for writing.

Please fill out a  
connection card located  
in the seats in front of  
you. Or you can fill one  
out online.



SCAN ME



## Story Time: The Parables of Jesus "Laborers in the Vineyard" Pastor Kris Beckert

**Has a story ever drawn you in because you could relate to one of the characters?**

### The Power of Parables:

- Parables were simple stories Jesus told to

- Meant to describe the Kingdom of \_\_\_\_\_

- They also call us to decide \_\_\_\_\_

*Matthew 20:1-16 "For the kingdom of heaven is like a landowner who went out early in the morning to hire workers for his vineyard. <sup>2</sup> He agreed to pay them a denarius for the day and sent them into his vineyard. <sup>3</sup> "About nine in the morning he went out and saw others standing in the marketplace doing nothing. <sup>4</sup> He told them, 'You also go and work in my vineyard, and I will pay you whatever is right.' <sup>5</sup> So they went. "He went out again about noon and about three in the afternoon and did the same thing. <sup>6</sup> About five in the afternoon he went out and found still others standing around. He asked them, 'Why have you been standing here all day long doing nothing?' <sup>7</sup> "Because no one has hired us,' they answered. "He said to them, 'You also go and work in my vineyard.' <sup>8</sup> "When evening came, the*

owner of the vineyard said to his foreman, 'Call the workers and pay them their wages, beginning with the last ones hired and going on to the first.'<sup>9</sup> "The workers who were hired about five in the afternoon came and each received a denarius.<sup>10</sup> So when those came who were hired first, they expected to receive more. But each one of them also received a denarius.<sup>11</sup> When they received it, they began to grumble against the landowner.<sup>12</sup> 'These who were hired last worked only one hour,' they said, 'and you have made them equal to us who have borne the burden of the work and the heat of the day.'<sup>13</sup> "But he answered one of them, 'I am not being unfair to you, friend. Didn't you agree to work for a denarius?'<sup>14</sup> Take your pay and go. I want to give the one who was hired last the same as I gave you.<sup>15</sup> Don't I have the right to do what I want with my own money? Or are you envious because I am generous?'<sup>16</sup> "So the last will be first, and the first will be last."

## The Kingdom of God is about:

### 1. Reception, not \_\_\_\_\_

- Landowner invites \_\_\_\_\_
- Finds laborers in middle of \_\_\_\_\_
- Point: It's never too \_\_\_\_\_

### 2. Realization, not \_\_\_\_\_

- v.2 denarius—

- Those who worked last got paid

- Point: God always pays in \_\_\_\_\_ and only in \_\_\_\_\_

### 3. Participation, not \_\_\_\_\_

v.3 ...saw others standing in the marketplace doing nothing.

v.6 About five in the afternoon he went out and found still others standing around.

- God isn't at work some day in the future but \_\_\_\_\_
- Point: Be part of the \_\_\_\_\_

### Big Idea: \_\_\_\_\_

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