# **Kids at Table Life**

Children ages 3 and up remain in the sanctuary for our musical worship and are then dismissed during the sermon for an age appropriate teaching time.

Kids 2 and under are welcome in the sanctuary or in the staffed nursery

#### The Tater Tots

Age 3 - Preschool Kids learn about God's love and Bible through play, song, and hands on experiences

#### The Fries

School Aged Kids dig into the sermon topic with their own age appropriate lesson

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Order of Worship 4 June 2023 First Sunday after Pentecost/Trinity Sunday

## We Gather to Worship God

Welcome Worship in Song Call to Worship Worship in Song

### We Listen to the Word

Prayer Sermon Series: Different Sermon: "Part 1 - Different Identity"

## 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 Prayer

## We Go to Live in the Reign of God

Community Life Gossiping the Good Stuff Doxology Blessing and Sending

\*Words to music, responsive readings and The Lord's Prayer will be on the screen\*



#### HITABLELIFE State of the Church CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

Sunday, June 4th • 5pm • In the Sanctuary

Come celebrate all God has done and hear where we are going!



For a complete list of ongoing ministries and upcoming events, please visit <u>tablelifechurch.org</u>.

#### Doggy Bag-Some questions to chew on:



- In your own words, why should followers of Jesus be different? How do you know if someone is trying to be "different for different's sake" or truly different?
- 2. How does seeing yourself as "chosen for God's purposes" affect your view of yourself and the world around you? Why is it also important to remember you are a "sojourner" too?
- 3. What are some ways that you have felt like an outsider because of your faith?
- 4. How does remembering you are a recipient of God's grace and generosity affect how you treat others and what you do with your resources?
- 5. Being honest, would you say your faith is genuine, inherited, shallow, or conditional? What has helped strengthen it?
- 6. Think back to some of the suffering or trials you've faced. How did you react toward your circumstances and why? How should this truth about your identity in Christ shape the way you respond to suffering and hostility in the future?

If you'd like to talk personally and confidentially w/ Pastor Kris about your relationship with Christ, please email pastorkris@tablelifechurch.org or call 717-774-6444 to set up an appointment.



# Different "Part 1 - Different Identity" Pastor Kris Beckert

Who are you? Is Christ part of your identity- and are you different because of it?

#### I. The Identity of 1 Peter:

1 Peter 1:1-2 Peter, an apostle of Jesus Christ, To God's elect, exiles scattered throughout the provinces of Pontus, Galatia, Cappadocia, Asia and Bithynia, <sup>2</sup> who have been chosen according to the foreknowledge of God the Father, through the sanctifying work of the Spirit, to be obedient to Jesus Christ and sprinkled with his blood: Grace and peace be yours in abundance.

Identity of author: \_\_\_\_\_\_

A. W. Tozer: "Peter was a bundle of contradictions."

Identity of recipients:

#### II. A Reminder of Our Identity in Christ as:

- 1.\_\_\_\_\_
  - Peter does not start off by referring to their social, economic, or moral status
  - eklektos—
- 2
- parepidémos-- Exiles, foreigners, aliens, strangers

3.

- Christians under persecution in 65 AD
- Emperor Nero blamed Christians for

1 Peter 1:3-5 Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In his great mercy he has given us new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, <sup>4</sup> and into an inheritance that can never perish, spoil or fade. This inheritance is kept in heaven for you, 5 who through faith are shielded by God's power until the coming of the salvation that is ready to be revealed in the last time.

- 4. \_\_\_\_\_ • Of a \_\_\_\_\_ (v.3)
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N.T. Wright: "Becoming a Christian means that what God did for Jesus at Easter. He does for you in the very depth of your being."

#### • Of an (v.4)

1 Peter 1:6-9 In all this you greatly rejoice, though now for a little while you may have had to suffer grief in all kinds of trials. <sup>7</sup> These have come so that the proven genuineness of your faith-of greater worth than gold, which perishes even though refined by fire—may result in praise, glory and honor when Jesus Christ is revealed. <sup>8</sup> Though you have not seen him, you love him; and even though you do not see him now, you

believe in him and are filled with an inexpressible and glorious joy, <sup>9</sup> for you are receiving the end result of your faith, the salvation of your souls.

