

Identity 3: The Church

Tedashii

[Hook 1: Rick Trotter]

(Go through the motions)

Steppin' in and I'm checkin' out the scene,
Fresh pressed, creased out, man you know yo' boy be clean (clean);
Hand claps, toe tappin' while the choir raise a song,
Folks shoutin' now the reverend's up you know it won't be long
Passa holler bout a hour and I'm thankin' bout the game
People peepin at the clock (whoop) every Sunday it's the same
Alter call, preacher's hoopin', church open up the doors
Leave a tip then I dip, next week I'm back fo' mo'
Church!

[Verse 1: Tedashii]

Steppin' out the house so fresh, clean
Tailored suites and gator boots, Italian names in the inseam
Summer heat encumber teens, forced to wear them pants with pleats
Sunday morning uniform, like we soldiers, like Marines
Off to Sunday School with mama 'nem, like it was a job for them
I'd hear the same Word but different meanings like with homonyms
Time and time again, cause I'm praying that the time would end
Man Saturday must be my crime, my Sunday's doing time again
You feel me man, I know you do, some of y'all still going through
Most of us just learn the motions just so we can make it through
I mean, no one ever showed us how this thing was vital for life
And that the church was not a building, but the body of the Christ

[Dialogue: Jacki Walker]

Man, you hear that?

Did you hear that?

It's so dope.

But we just don't get it.

Something this good... man.

[Hook 2: Rick Trotter]

(Go through the motions)

Same time each week

Jesus must know me

'Cause I'm heatin' up a seat

In the church, church

(Sunrise, eleven thirty

You can be late but don't leave early)

(Go through the motions)

The Devil is a hater

He can't touch me

'Cause I'm blessed and highly favored

Church, church

(I've got to be in that place

Sunday I'm gon' show my face in the church)

[Spoken Word: Ron Surgeon]

The Church, chosen in Christ in eternity.

The Church is not a building, it's breathing.

Maturing Christians in communal living,

Helping babes that are teething.

You can have perfect attendance in the seat of the building

And not be a part of this.

You can attend the building and not be a part of the body of Christ... it's

obvious.

I'm blessed and highly favored and because of this

Jesus Christ is blessed and highly treasured.

The greatest gift that God could give is God...

So see and savor Him!