

Kev's sermon notes for eGroups

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Sermon Title: "Room to Receive – Part 2 – "What God Left Out – The Grace Space – We all Need Flatbread Faith – Some Things we need to Leave out - Make some uncluttered Room to Receive – The Disappointment, The Deficit, and The Deletions - Going Back to Who You are Really Are – Stop introducing your next season with a resume of all of your prior failures – Everything that is being removed from your life is creating capacity for God – Praise God for What He Took Out

Elevation Worship:

- Walk on Water - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tTeuW-1XduU>
- Man of Your Word
- (Dang!!) "One Sound One Voice" - Tribute to MLK – Lyrics (*Kev note: This is worth another look*):
"One Sound, One Voice - Tear down these walls - That keep us apart - Tear down these fences - Unite our hearts - Recover the nations Into your arms - And we'll hear your voice - And we'll have one heart One love, One father, One blood - Your creations gather together - With one sound, one song, one voice, ahhh - How can we say we love you - When we wont speak to our brother - We abuse our sisters - And won't take care of our mothers - Father, Father, Father help us - Your sons and daughters cry - Your sons and daughters cry - One heart, one love, one nation - (We all are) one blood, (your creation) - Your creation gather together - Lifting one sound, one song, one voice - Heaven hear our prayer - Take away the bad - That are separating us from your light - We will stand united - With our hearts together - We'll show the world your love - One heart, one love, one nation - Were all one blood (one blood) - Your creations gather together - Lifting one sound, one song, one heart - One heart, one love, one nation, one blood - Your creations gather together - Lifting one sound, one song - One heart, one love, one Father, one blood - Your creations gather together - Lifting one sound, one song, one sound - One song, one sound, one song, one voice - One voice (we are one) - Father make us one - One voice" – **Source:** Full Gospel Baptist Church Fellowship International Ministry of Worship feat. Vaughan Phoenix & Benita Washington – Credits: Lyrics powered by www.musixmatch.com
- Available: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mTSQun6B66E>
- Make Room
- There is a Cloud - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MOKXye0a4MY>

Scripture for this week:

- Ex 12: 37-41: 37 The Israelites journeyed from Rameses to Sukkoth. There were about six hundred thousand men on foot, besides women and children. 38 **Many other people went up with them,** and also large droves of livestock, both flocks and herds. 39 **With the dough the Israelites had brought from Egypt, they baked loaves of unleavened bread. The dough was without yeast because they had been driven out of Egypt and did not have time to prepare food for themselves.** 40 Now the length of time the Israelite people lived in Egypt was 430 years. 41 At the end of the 430 years, to the very day, all the Lord's divisions left Egypt. 42 Because the Lord kept

vigil that night to bring them out of Egypt, on this night all the Israelites are to keep vigil to honor the Lord for the generations to come.

- Luke 15: The Parable of the Lost Son - 11 Jesus continued: "There was a man who had two sons. 12 The younger one said to his father, 'Father, give me my share of the estate.' So he divided his property between them. 13 "Not long after that, the younger son got together all he had, set off for a distant country and there squandered his wealth in wild living. 14 After he had spent everything, there was a severe famine in that whole country, and he began to be in need. **15 So he went and hired himself out to a citizen of that country, who sent him to his fields to feed pigs. 16 He longed to fill his stomach with the pods that the pigs were eating, but no one gave him anything. 17 "When he came to his senses, he said, 'How many of my father's hired servants have food to spare, and here I am starving to death! 18 I will set out and go back to my father and say to him: Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you. 19 I am no longer worthy to be called your son; make me like one of your hired servants.'** 20 So he got up and went to his father. "But while he was still a long way off, his father saw him and was filled with compassion for him; he ran to his son, threw his arms around him and kissed him. 21 "The son said to him, 'Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you. I am no longer worthy to be called your son.' 22 "But the father said to his servants, 'Quick! Bring the best robe and put it on him. Put a ring on his finger and sandals on his feet. 23 Bring the fattened calf and kill it. Let's have a feast and celebrate. 24 For this son of mine was dead and is alive again; he was lost and is found.' So they began to celebrate. 25 "Meanwhile, the older son was in the field. When he came near the house, he heard music and dancing. 26 So he called one of the servants and asked him what was going on. 27 'Your brother has come,' he replied, 'and your father has killed the fattened calf because he has him back safe and sound.' 28 "The older brother became angry and refused to go in. So his father went out and pleaded with him. 29 But he answered his father, 'Look! All these years I've been slaving for you and never disobeyed your orders. Yet you never gave me even a young goat so I could celebrate with my friends. **30 But when this son of yours who has squandered your property with prostitutes comes home, you kill the fattened calf for him!'** 31 "'My son,' the father said, 'you are always with me, and everything I have is yours. 32 But we had to celebrate and be glad, because this brother of yours was dead and is alive again; he was lost and is found.'" Luke 15: 31 to 32: 31 "'My son,' the father said, 'you are always with me, and everything I have is yours. 32 But we had to celebrate and be glad, because this brother of yours was dead and is alive again; he was lost and is found.'"
- (Being ready to receive) Acts 1:13: 12 Then the apostles returned to Jerusalem from the hill called the Mount of Olives, a Sabbath day's walk from the city. 13 When they arrived, they went upstairs to the room where they were staying. Those present were Peter, John, James and Andrew; Philip and Thomas, Bartholomew and Matthew; James son of Alphaeus and Simon the Zealot, and Judas son of James. 14 They all joined together constantly in prayer, along with the women and Mary the mother of Jesus, and with his brothers.
- 1 Cor 5:7: 6 Your boasting is not good. Don't you know that a little yeast leavens the whole batch of dough? 7 Get rid of the old yeast, so that you may be a new unleavened batch—as you really are. For Christ, our Passover lamb, has been sacrificed. 8 Therefore let us keep the Festival, not with the old bread leavened with malice and wickedness, but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth.

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- Here Comes Church:
 - Profile of Eleanor in the UK: “Activate your faith and join an eGroup.”
 - Sermons available in Spanish, Portuguese, and Russian.
 - *What is God going to do through you?*
 - Elevation Worship has launched a new quieter & softer version of the “Graves to Gardens – Morning and Evening”
 - On the occasion of MLK weekend, Elevation Outreach is giving \$400K USD to outreach partners this week – to Channel Partners like Hope Haven, Urban Ministry of Wake County, and Safe Passage – Per Pastor Furtick: *“And we are grateful for this – because if we don’t celebrate it and appreciate it, God might stop sending it.”*
- This week we celebrate and thank God for the life and legacy of Martin Luther King:
 - Quotes from Cortney at the Ballantyne Campus that leads girls eGroups: Sometimes I don’t think MLK is appreciated and recognized for what he fully did – not just the water down idea that he is just a peacekeeper – sometimes the best way to use your voice is to recognize that you have one – and no one can take that from you – it was a student organization that started the civil rights movement in the United States – my parents grew up in a small Southern town and they never wanted me to experience what they saw – the time to do the right things it is always right – and sometimes what you do does not look right with the people around you – in this requires a very strong understanding of your calling – this is what I learned from Dr. King – part of us wants to hate and be angry – however we are call to a greater purpose – we do not become thing that you hate -
 - Quote by MLK: *“I am personally the victim of deferred dreams – however I still have a dream this morning - that one day everyone will be measured by the content of their character and not the color of their skin – I have a dream today that every valley will be exalted in every mountain and hill will be made low – the rough places will made plane – and the crooked places straight - and the glory of the Lord will be revealed – and all flash shall see it together – and I still have a dream.”*
- Opening Prayer #1 by Pastor Steven Furtick on 1/17/2021: *“Here is your seat lord – this is your moment and we are your people – you are the headliner – this is a holy encounter – Lord we are casual and we are comfortable however we are also expectant and reverent – and we recognize that some things deserve our attention and some things deserve our focus – and a lot of things don’t – and we expand our energy by paying attention on the wrong things – Lord, what you are*

doing in my life matters more – the sufferings of this present time are not worthy to the glory that will be revealed – so God, remove what you want to remove – to reveal what you want to reveal – so that we can receive what you want us to receive – Lord do what you want to do – have your way – or how you taught us to pray – your kingdom come – your will be done on earth as it is in heaven – in Jesus name we pray – Amen.”

- How many of you have a praise on the inside that you need to express it right now? This is the place where you can do this and they won't haul you away for doing it. Celebrate it if you are carrying a secret blessing – to thank The One that did it for you.
- Is a survival instinct to celebrate – Recall in Luke 15, the father told the older son to celebrate as well – on the return of his younger son.
- **Reconciliation of both racial and economic inequality is not something we just sing about - it is also something we work toward – and it is good to remember this while we celebrate the life and legacy of Martin Luther King.** (Kev note: See the inauguration ceremony prayer by Leo J. O'Donovan in my detailed sermon notes).
- **We have a lot that is going on in this church and we have a reason to celebrate – we are not paralyzed by the things we can't do – but rather we are active in the ways in which God has gifted us – and we need to be part of the solution wherever possible – thank you for your spirit Lord – we are participators – and not spectators – Lord lavish Your word on us and permit us to access it now.**
- See Ex 12: 37-41:
- Do you smell the bread?
- The Lord kept vigil – this means we can get some rest now and then – and for some of us, the storm will still be there when we wake up.
- **Focus on vs. 39: “39 With the dough the Israelites had brought from Egypt, they baked loaves of unleavened bread. The dough was without yeast because they had been driven out of Egypt and did not have time to prepare food for themselves.”**
- I have two titles for this sermon: “What God left out” and “Flatbread Faith.”
- **We never really tell everyone everything – we always leave things out – even to ourselves – self-awareness is an ongoing process – we tell ourselves the stories that we can live with – the version of events that we can live with – in our own little way we are revisionist historians – so when we compile how things went down in our lives, we do it in a way that will accommodate our pain or fear.**
- Revisionist history means that we leave certain things out – and we stack things in a way that make us feel better about it – we all do this – because we are all working off of our own point of view.
- To this point we are also reductionist – this is where we take something that is incredibly complicated and make it sound so simple – trying to boil things down so that we can understand them – this also means that we over-simplify something that's actually very complicated.
- We also over complicate what is in fact quite simple.
- **The biggest mistake we make when reading the Bible is to know what we are reading – we miss important things when we take out the parts of the Bible that make us uncomfortable – or we try to boil some concept in the Bible down so that it's more palatable – we cannot take all of the tension out of the truth – if something happens that does not clearly align with our version of the truth, we won't have the proper shield to protect us from the attacks by the enemy.**

- Recall the humorous story of Pastor Furtick co-preaching at a location with Adrian – to tag team preach at a “Hobo” camp – but Adrian left out a few details.
- Today, I want to talk to you about what God left out while they were leaving Egypt – not all of the good stuff that God did for the Israelites – the stuff you already know:
 - The bringing of the Israelites through the Red Sea.
 - That God struck down the firstborn of Egypt so that Pharaoh would let the Israelites to leave
- Recall that the Israelites were in Egypt for 430 years – also recall they were in Egypt because this allowed them to survive a famine (with the help of Joseph).
- As their situation changed from provision (during a famine) to imprisonment, God got them out.
- The Bible says that the Israelites were such in a hurry to leave Egypt that the bread they had was without yeast – and they did not have time to prepare food for themselves.
- **If God had the foresight & planning ability to launch 10 plagues on Egypt - that facilitated getting His people out, surely God could’ve afforded the Israelites enough time to bake the bread the night before. So the only thing that I can think is that God didn’t want them to take yeast from Egypt into the place of their promise.**
- As we focus on a new year, I want to spend some time talking about making room to receive.
- This is why we should give God a great big praise – in order to give him a lot of room to do what he wants to do in our lives.
- Even when we have a big room for God, it might still be cluttered with stuff that we don’t need.
- We all can have a big gift from God that is still filled with clutter.
- We can also have a smart mind that is still cluttered.
- We all can have a good relationship it’s still filled with clutter.
- **Here is the key point in Exodus 12: Rather than God demonstrating his supreme power through what he adds – God gives his people a lesson on leaving things out – God says leave it out – quickly leave Egypt and don’t even let the bread rise – they didn’t even have time to prepare for the exodus (or the global pandemic).**
- **Ask this question today: What is God leaving out in our lives right now to lead us to where he called us all along? And I want to discuss this from three perspectives: through disappointments, through deficiencies, and through deletions.**
- They left Egypt with bread that had no yeast and they entered an area where they did not know how to survive – and God was awesome by providing the manna (Kev note: per our discussion last week)
- In our lives the obvious things won’t necessarily provide us the greatest clues. We learn a lot of important things in the spaces where nothing is written down – here are a few examples of that:
 - When God told Moses that His name is “I am _____.” – God did not get tongue-tied as to what was going to happen next – God wanted to keep things open – our tendency is to want to limit God – to be a picture of God that we can hang in our kitchen and keeping at a distance – but when God left things blank with Moses, God did not want to confine his existence to something that could have easily be explained by human language or a picture that our eyes could perceive.
 - Acts 1 is sort of like Exodus 12 because both are pictures of a nation in transition – Jesus is leaving and the Holy Spirit is coming – and life is happening in this transition – Life happens

in the car – Life happens on the way to stuff – Life happens when you get a call from someone with no caller ID – Life happens (both good and bad) in places you did not know where to look – here is the parallel that God provided to me: the Israelites were coming out of Egypt – just like the disciples are exiting a religious system in Acts 1. **See Act 1:6: Is Jesus going to restore the kingdom of Israel? Answer: Jesus tells him that it's not for them to know the time or place. Jesus is going to replace it with something much better. God is not going to restore the earlier version of your life – he does not do that – that is not His thing – similar to the fact that Jesus never performed the same miracle twice – Jesus does not reveal his power based on the details that he puts in – Jesus reveals His power on the details of what is left out.**

- **The blank space is where we learn to believe. We do not have to believe what I know – We have to believe what God spoke.**
- **God is often revealed on what he leaves out and not what he puts in.**
- Abraham is referred to as the father of faith – the Bible says that Abraham believed God in righteousness was credited to him – But, if you study this a bit, you also know that Abraham did a lot more than believe God – Abraham also lied about who his wife was and had sex with Hager who was supposed to be cleaning in the house. (Kev note as quoted in Wikipedia: *“Ishmael, a figure in the Tanakh and the Quran, was the first son of Abraham according to the Bible (the story is repeated in the Quran). Ishmael was born to Abraham and Sarah's Egyptian handmaiden Hagar (Hājar) (See Genesis 16:3). According to the Genesis account, he died at the age of 137 (Genesis 25:17). The Book of Genesis, and the Christian and Islamic traditions consider Ishmael to be the ancestor of the Ishmaelites (Hagarenes: Arabians or Muslims).”*
- Do you just want “the airbrushed Bible” and leave out the stuff that you don’t like?
- And why did Paul leave this out in his letter to the Romans?
- Here is what I think: Abraham’s life was not defined by his failures – it was defined by his faith – Abraham believed in God and this is what really mattered – even with all of the ups and downs.
- Last week I preached about the prodigal son in Luke 15. And I was mad at the dad – because the younger son took his money and waste it.
- **When the devil temps you, he leaves a lot of stuff out – concerning to the real cost.**
- **Recall from last week: the Israelites wished they were back in Egypt eating fish – they also had an unreasonable quota of bricks to make without a sufficient amount of straw. Our memory often gets selective when we remember the good ole days. They remembered how good the fish tasted but they forgot how bad King Pharaoh treated them.**
- See Luke 15: 11 to 32.
- Going back to your father means going back to who we truly are – our true identity – not seeking to add status - and stuff - and layers and busy-ness – all that stuff that will never fill us.
- **And the younger son had a whole speech ready when he was returning to his father – “father I have sinned against heaven and you – and I’m no longer worthy to be called your son – and treat me like you’re hired servant.”**
- **See Luke 15:20.**
- **Before the younger son could get all of these things out of his mouth, His father told his servants to bring the best robe and put a ring on this finger.**

- **The son had so many things he wanted to tell his father – however his father (and our Father) tells him (and us) to leave that stuff out. Our Father never wants to convict us and then crush us under the weight of all of our bad decisions – if I’m hearing God right on this - he’s telling us to leave all of that stuff out. God says I don’t know you by the way you use those things to identify yourself. Stop introducing yourself into the next season of your life with the résumé of regrets from the last season. Leave it out. Make a sandwich with whatever God said and leave out whatever you think – because this is the space for us to believe.**
- Father had every right to be disappointed with the son – but he left that out – which leaves us with this question: Why are we so quick to put stuff back on people? – that stuff that God is leaving out – Why doesn’t see others like the way God sees them – God doesn’t judge them like that – leave it out.
- And our problem is we do not know what to leave out – because we insist on so many details – and we are not willing to let go of the details – and this prevents us from receiving what God wants to give us in this moment.
- **Is God trying to call you out of Egypt – however you’re still stuck waiting for the bread to rise – waiting for everything to be perfect – waiting for everything to be convenient – waiting for everyone to cheer you on – waiting for things to make total sense – waiting for all of the facts – waiting until you have more strength – waiting until you have more wisdom – waiting until you have the trophy in your hand? You have to have faith to celebrate what you have right now. This is flatbread faith.**
- When God takes something away in your life, it’s your job to have faith to believe that something better is coming.
- See Acts 1:13. Wait for something in the room and leave a blank for anything that you do not understand. They went to the room to receive. Do you have room to receive? Do you have the right people in place in your life?
- The blank space is whatever you want to name it – a child’s future, a job prospect, etc.
- Perhaps I’ll do a sermon in their future referring to seasonal people.
- Let’s start with the place – you are the temple – make room in our hearts to receive the word of God – I have read Luke 15 many times – “all that I have is yours.”
- See Luke 15:31 “My son,’ the father said, ‘you are always with me, and everything I have is yours.”
- Recall that story of Pastor Furtick writing and producing the song “Available” where we say “Here I am – you can have it all.” – this is a song of surrender.
- I left something out important in the text: in Luke 15:31 it is something that the father said to his older son – not what God is telling us – the father says something to the older son – where the older son is wasting his life – not like the younger son that is wasting all his money.
- Our father is saying to us: you are always with me – and all I have is yours. When we tell “God all I have is yours,” it’s not really a great deal For God – because he didn’t exactly make out in the deal – God’s blood for our broken decision making.
- God is telling us that we can have it all while we are saying the same thing to God.
- The power of the point is what I left out – the father said it to the older son and we thought we were supposed to say it to the father – God is bringing us into a grace space – everything that is being removed is making room for you to receive.

- There was no yeast in the loaf – God did not want yeast from Egypt for their next season – this also serves as a reminder for the Israelites to have flatbread Faith – and the message to us is this: if we do not have enough, that’s OK. We can still eat flatbread – the same way we can show up to the battle lines with just one stone (like David) – and we have a rock that can knock out a bear – give God the praise for our flatbread faith.
- **Praise God for what he took out of our lives – what he removed – what he pruned so that we could grow more fruit. We are going into Canaan and Egypt is not our emotional home – (and as we discussed last week) the wilderness is not our destination. The stuff that God has left out makes you a masterpiece.**
- **I’m not a finance guy – however I do surround myself with people that know the numbers – and I’m amazed that even during a global pandemic this church still grew – God left out what we didn’t need and gave us what we didn’t think to ask for.**
- **Yes we are complete in Christ – the deficit and the disappointment is all how we frame it – the place of the deficit will be the place of deposit – this is why we carry the unleavened bread – to remember – to remind us that God’s presence can be found in what he left out.**
- **Yes, celebrate what God has given you – sometimes what God left out makes it special.**
- **This is the grace space – and is found in what God has left out.**
- Recall the incredible analogy of LJ playing eight keys of an entire scale on the piano – and leaving out certain keys to play a song Amazing Grace. (Wow!)
- We turned a scale of music into a magnificent song is based on what was left out - not what was put in – but rather what was left out.
- **Closing Prayer: God says I brought you out of Egypt – I brought you out of shame – I brought you out of sin – leave the rabble there – leave the regret there – For Christ (our Passover lamb) has been sacrificed – as it is written in 1 Cor 5:7 “let us eat the unleavened bread” – getting rid of the yeast – so that we may become the unleavened batch. All the other stuff is in Egypt – and is not part of us anymore – For the next season of our lives, all we need is the robe from our father’s closet – and the ring on our finger – Feast this year on the faithfulness of God – The flatbread Faith – know who I am – know that I am chosen – have a praise that is not dependent on circumstances – the grace space is where the anointing goes – the gray space is where the wisdom of the spirit goes – your uncertainty and heartbreak is the space for grace – God is bringing something better for you – don’t try to fill this space yourself – there’s always a funeral before the feast – say goodbye to Egypt and pursue the grapes of Canaan – embrace the stuff that God is removing in your life because it was just taking up space anyway – yes we cry, hurt, and struggle – however don’t let the grief of Egypt cost you the grapes of Canaan – get the resentment out this year – be prepared to lose something in the process – God gave us a great life and a great vision - but we need to let go of some stuff right now – stop trying to fill out lives with the wrong stuff – make room for what God has for you – let this be a grace space – plus flatbread travels better – don’t let the rush of things rob you of the revelation – make a praise, throne, and space for God. Thank you Lord. Amen.**

Kev bonus: The inauguration ceremony of President Joe Biden started with an invocation prayer delivered by Catholic priest Leo J. O'Donovan, Jesuit, a former Georgetown University President.

Here is the full text of this invocation prayer: Gracious and merciful God, at this sacred time we come before you in need - indeed on our knees. But we come still more with hope, and with our eyes raised anew to the vision of a "more perfect union" in our land, a union of all our citizens to "promote the general welfare and secure the blessings of liberty to ourselves and our posterity." We are a people of many races, creeds and colors, national backgrounds, cultures and styles - now far more numerous and on land much vaster than when Archbishop John Carol wrote his prayer for the inauguration of George Washington 232 years ago. Archbishop Carol prayed that you, O creator of all, would "assist with your Holy Spirit of counsel and fortitude the President of these United States, that his administration may be conducted in righteousness, and be eminently useful to your people." Today, we confess our past failures to live according to our vision of equality, inclusion and freedom for all. Yet we resolutely commit still now to renewing the vision, to caring for one other in word and deed, especially the least fortunate among us, and so becoming light for the world. There is a power in each and every one of us that lives by turning to every other one of us, a thrust of the spirit to cherish and care and stand by others, and above all those most in need. It is called love, and its path is to give ever more of itself. Today, it is called American patriotism, born not of power and privilege but of care for the common good - "with malice toward none and with charity for all." For our new president, we beg of you the wisdom Solomon sought when he knelt before you and prayed for "an understanding heart so that I can govern your people and know the difference between right and wrong." We trust in the counsel of the Letter of James: "If any of you lacks wisdom, you should ask God, who gives generously to all without finding fault, and it will be given to you." Pope Francis has reminded us "how important it is to dream together... By ourselves," he wrote "we risk seeing mirages, things that are not there. Dreams, on the other hand, are built together." Be with us, Holy Mystery of Love, as we dream together, to reconcile the people of our land, restore our dream, and invest it with peace and justice and the joy that is the overflow of love. To the glory of your name forever. Amen.

This week's Charles Spurgeon Moment (CSM):

Spurgeon's comments on Samuel 11:2: "At that hour David saw Bathsheba. We are never out of the reach of temptation. Both at home and away we are liable to meet with allurements to evil. The morning opens with peril, and the shades of evening find us still in jeopardy. David should have been engaged in fighting the Lord's battles, instead of himself up to luxurious repose, for he arose from his bed at eventide. Idleness and luxury are the devil's jackals and find him abundant prey. In stagnant waters noxious creatures swarm, and neglected soil soon yields a dense tangle of weeds and briars. Oh, for the constraining love of Jesus to keep us active and useful! When I see the King of Israel sluggishly leaving his couch at the close of the day and falling at once into temptation, let me take warning and set holy watchfulness to guard the door. Is it possible that the king had mounted his housetop for retirement and devotion? If so, what a caution is given us to count no place, however secret, a sanctuary from sin! While our hearts are so like a tinderbox, and sparks so plentiful, we need to use all diligence in all places to prevent a blaze. Satan can climb housetops and enter closets, and even if we could shut out that foul fiend, our own corruptions are enough to work our ruin unless grace prevents it. Reader, beware of evening temptations. Be not secure. The sun is down, but sin is up. We need a

watchman for the night as well as a guardian for the day. O blessed Spirit, keep us from all evil this night."