

Heal the Man, Heal the Land

Mountain View Community Church

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Feast of Tabernacles

Pastor Rob Gross

October 16, 2022

The Jewish celebration Succoth, also called the **Feast of Tabernacles**, begins on the fifteenth day of the Jewish month Tishri. The people build temporary shelters for the feast to remember the faithfulness of God in delivering them from Egypt and providing for them through their wilderness season. It is a reminder to us that He is faithful through whatever season or journey He has us go through.

It is also called the **Feast of the Ingathering**. This is when the harvest ends in the fall and all the crops are brought in. This feast has not yet been fulfilled, but is a feast that we believe has begun.

We experienced the joy of the Lord this morning. It is the **joy of the Lord to save people, to bring them into His family, into a community of faith, to set them free of their bondages, to set their minds and emotions right, and set their generational line right.**

God sees a dying world and he notices it is going down the tubes. But God is saying, **“One more time!”**

Jesus is walking across America one more time. He’s here. He’s here in the nations. We have to believe that.

Suddenly there came from heaven a sound like a mighty rushing wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. (Acts 2:2 ESV)

SOUND LIKE A MIGHTY RUSHING WIND

It is time! It is Kairos time! For the Lord is going to reverse the curse.

There are many heroes right here in this garage. Do you believe it?

Stand and arise before the Lord! You are to receive your sword as you walk through the gate of the Lord. As you walk through the vault, you will do a somersault.

For there is **provision for the vision** for the people who are waiting in the valley of decision. **It is time for the sons and daughters of the Lord to arise.** It’s time to start talking. It’s time to start walking. Then you will run and sprint and there will be a marathon. **We will see the islands change. Fire! Fire! ...The earth will quake with the sign. We will see the Lord come as never before.**

The Lord says no more fear, no more anxiety. Just as you have stood, **it is time to arise for the Lord’s light is shining on the islands.**

“Will you go?” I hear the Lord saying, **“Will you go? Will you be my hands and my feet? I could do it all without you, but you are my heart.** Your heart will burn when you come through this gate. **I will put fresh volcanic fire on you. It’s the lava of my love that will burn in you for the lost.”**

For the lion of Judah will lead you. I hear the angels saying on behalf of the Lord, **“Let my people go!”**

There’s a turbine. **There’s a wind. The islands shall rise above the ashes.** The Hawaiian Islands shall arise!



From Eight to Zero
Leimomi Grimes
October 9, 2022

On Sunday, Pastor Rob asked us to raise our hand if we were experiencing or feeling some type of pain in certain areas. I was **feeling pain in my lower back/spine**. I had a spinal tap done about two years ago from a concussion that caused my optic nerves to swell and my right eye to go crooked with double vision. I was awake throughout the whole procedure and it was painful!

As I walked up to get prayer, Pastor Rob asked me where I was feeling pain. I explained my lower back and he expressed that's where he felt it! He just kept commanding the pain to leave my body and **I could feel the pain go from an eight to a zero!** It felt like the fire was fading and now when I sit down, I don't feel uncomfortable anymore.

Praise the Lord for giving me full healing and complete victory! For Jesus is truly a Mighty Physician who has NEVER lost a case!



**Doctor said,
"It was a Miracle"**
Lisa Figueroa
October 13, 2022

I just want to give the prayer team a praise report. My husband had his surgery yesterday on his left shoulder rotator cup. Today he had his post-op visit with the surgeon and the surgeon showed us pictures of his shoulder. My husband had three tears but the **doctor said, "It was a miracle how the surgery went."** He was amazed. So I want to thank you all for **coming into agreement with supernatural healing and recovery. There is power in prayer!**



God Set Me Free!
Kevin Wada
October 29, 2022

After 30 years of being a Christian and suffering from insomnia for most of my life, **God set me free!**

Since I was a kid, I've always had a difficult time going to sleep. It didn't help that I was a night owl and already had a hard time getting up in the morning. It was very frustrating when I would let my parents know and they wouldn't know what to do. They didn't understand or believe me when I would tell them I couldn't sleep. As an adult, I was tested for sleep apnea and the doctors ran many different tests, but nothing seemed to help. Basically I **tried everything, from chiropractors to specialists, to changing my diet and exercising more, but nothing was able to help me to sleep. After multiple deliverance sessions, SOZO, prayers of healing and going deeper with the Lord, I finally had a major breakthrough after my last deliverance session on October 1st with Dr. Cox as he was led by the Holy Spirit with Tobias and Lisa interceding** and assisting. My sleep improved from 1-2 hours to 4-6 hours and I had one night where I slept for 10 hours, which was unheard of for me before this. Currently, **I am able to sleep between 5-9 hours every night.**

Even though it didn't happen right away, **I want to encourage everyone to persevere for their breakthrough** as it may not happen instantaneously, but **keep trusting and believing!** I feel more relaxed and less irritated! I thank God and all those who have been part of my journey for helping me to be set free from sleepless nights all these years! **God is amazing!**

Bless the Lord, my soul; and all that is within me, bless His holy name. Bless the Lord, my soul, and do not forget any of His benefits: who pardons all your guilt, who heals all your diseases. (Psalm 103:1-3 NASB)



GREAT JOY
Paul L. Cox
October 16, 2022

What is the point of church?

My sermon actually comes out of a man named Jim Wilder who is a therapist and an expert in the brain. With things that he has discovered we look at the Bible in a new way and we realize **we have been created for joy.**

Joy is relational, contagious and transforming. Joy helps our brain grow better than any health food. It reduces stress and improves our immune system more than exercise. Joy protects marriages and raises brighter, more resilient children. Joy improves resiliency after disasters, and spreads to transform lives. Joyful relationships are essential.

Everything that the enemy does is to crush joy.

Joy is a high-energy state for the brain, and how much joy we experience with others **establishes our emotional capacity to deal with life.**

Shaping my brain's abilities, chemistry and strength is more a matter of practicing joy than genetics. **Joy is essential for healing and growing our identity. The practice of joy builds brain strength and the capacity to engage life with energy, creativity, and endurance.** With a high joy foundation, our brain tends to regulate dopamine and other neurotransmitters well; and we **manage pleasure, pain, and emotions effectively.** This foundation of joy also helps us learn to **stay connected with others when either we or they are distressed.** A foundation of high joy is necessary for our brain to **develop healthy emotional and relational skills and a strong, stable identity.**

With joy, we are empowered to find creative, mutually satisfying solutions for problems; and we love to create simply because we can. Joy is the excitement around the exchange of everything that is good for life.

When we create relationship around us, we are growing a network of joyful relationships. **JOY is UNITY.** Joy is linked with grace and shalom (peace – no parts missing).

Genuine joy draws people together, strengthens relationship and forms lasting connections.

A true love bond is characterized by joy, appreciation, encouragement, independence creativity, flexibility, rest and the ability to risk.

Only God can give joy.

*For the kingdom of God is not a matter of eating and drinking, but of **righteousness, peace and joy in the Holy Spirit.** (Romans 14:17 NIV)*

The purpose of the apostolic is **maturity**; and a **mature person lives in joy.** There is **no shortcut to maturity. Experience is necessary.** Mature identity means being everything God means us to be at any given age.

*Consider it **pure joy,** my brothers and sisters, whenever you face trials of many kinds, because you know that the testing of your faith produces perseverance. **Let perseverance finish its work so that you may be mature and complete, not lacking anything.** (James 1:2-4 NIV)*

This is the **kingdom of God:**

- A joyful group identity **invites new people** to join, **adapts with change, respects the weak,** and **recovers from pain and distress.**
- When the kingdom of God becomes our tribe and our people, then **joyful relationships help everyone grow.**
- **Spiritual maturity grows in mentoring relationships** between spiritual parents and their children as a multigenerational community.
- In a multigenerational group identity people continue to **delight in one another, remember who they are under distress and live according to their values in good times and bad.**

So the **kingdom of God** is not a list of performances but a **life of joy.**

What is the point of church? Apart from the diversity of God's family, we will remain immature and unstable, and miss the kind of love that is supposed to characterize disciples. **The life of God can never be fully developed in us apart from strong relationships in His beautifully diverse spiritual family.**

Complete Great Joy sermon notes can be found: www.kingdominstitutehawaii.com/sermon



Receive My Joy!
Karen Lewis
October 16, 2022

My sons and daughters, I adore you! Each and every one of you is dear and special to me and **each one of you is my favorite!**

You have been through a long season of hardship and difficulties. There are reasons for the seasons as each one prepares you for the next and so builds one upon another. **I am now bringing you into and through breakthrough and great joy.** As you break through there will be **an explosion of my power in your lives.** And so it is important that you **continue to cleanse and purify yourselves in every arena of your lives such that my power and giftings and blessings can flow through you.**

To be a conduit of the Holy Spirit you must let go of all that holds you back and clogs up the flow of power, giftings and blessings. I am **calling you to be light rods of my power and carriers of my glory.** I am **releasing upon you a quickening of your spirit, cleansing and purification, visions and revelation, explosive power along with great joy!**

This is an **end time tool** to equip you to rise up and laugh as I do in the face of the enemy. For the **joy of the Lord is your strength so enter into the joy of the Lord!** These things have I spoken to you that **my joy might remain in you and that your joy might be full for the kingdom of God** is not meat and drink but **righteousness, peace and joy.**

I laugh in the face of my enemies and so shall you for **count it all joy when you fall into trials.** Rejoice in me I say rejoice for I am teaching you to laugh in the face of the enemy. **Receive my joy—one of the greatest warfare tools to equip you. I say again, “Receive my joy!”**

These things I have spoken to you, that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be full.
(John 15:11 ESV)



God is Faithful!
TC Vegas
October 23, 2022

One of my favorite stories about God’s faithfulness is when the Israelites had just come out of forty years in the wilderness and were on the cusp of entering into the Promised Land and needed to cross the river Jordan (Joshua 3).

Normally, the river was about 100 feet wide by 3-10 feet deep. But at that time, melted snow from Mt. Hermon **made the river swell making it dangerous and almost impossible to pass.**

Joshua ordered the priests to carry the ark of the covenant that was God’s dwelling place on earth to go into the water first. **The moment the priest stepped into the river, the water was held back** all the way to Adam which was **some 20 miles upstream.** The water flowing downstream to the Dead Sea was **completely cut off allowing the entire nation to safely make their way across.**

After they got to the other side, Joshua instructed each of the twelve tribes to select one man to pick up a stone from the riverbed to **build a memorial so they would remember and teach their children about His faithfulness.**

Isaiah 43:2 says, *When you pass through the waters, I will be with you, and when you pass through the rivers, they will not sweep over you. When you walk through the fire, you will not be burned; the flames will not set you ablaze.*

Whatever you are walking through or believing Him for, even when it feels like you don’t know how you’ll cross your river Jordan, **you can trust Him because He is faithful. His word and His promises do not change.** And just like how His presence in the ark went before them, **He goes before you.**

If you need encouragement, go back and pick up your memorial stones of the times **where He delivered you, came through for you and showed himself faithful.** Recount them out loud if you need to. **He did it before and will do it again.**



Radical Discipleship

Pastor Rob Gross

October 23, 2022

This morning the Lord has been speaking to me through the apostle Paul from Ephesians 3:7-10. *Of this gospel I was made a minister according to the gift of God's grace, which was given me by the working of his power* (verse 7). **We have to depend on Him to give us the grace and gifts to impact the world.**

Paul continues in verse 8: *To me, though I am the very least of all the saints, this grace was given, to preach to the Gentiles the unsearchable riches of Christ.* Paul was a murderer. He rounded up Christians and carted them off to jail. He was standing on the side when Stephen was being stoned. Then the Lord knocked him off his horse and changed the very trajectory and journey of his life like He does with each of us. **Paul could testify that just as Jesus came to change his life, Jesus can change your life and mine.**

Sometimes in the body of Christ we think we have to be elite, special, and must know things for God to move through us. God wants to break, shatter, destroy, and dissolve that paradigm because God wants to work through each of us.

To bring to light for everyone what is the plan of the mystery hidden for ages in God, who created all things (verse 9). **The mystery was that God's will and plan is to reach all people** including those who weren't Jewish. That includes all of us sitting in this room, except half of me.

So that through the church the manifold wisdom of God might now be made known to the rulers and authorities in the heavenly places (verse 10). The phrase **manifold wisdom** means the **variegated or multi-faceted giftings that are in each of us.** We are like an amazing garden filled with flowers of all colors, sizes and shapes with callings, giftings, and different purposes. **We are the manifold wisdom of Jesus.** When we begin to **move out by faith into the marketplace to touch people's lives, the giftings of God are going to flow through us.**

But the stronghold we are facing in the church today is that we don't believe that God wants to do this through us. We are always focused on sharing the gospel; how to come to Christ and get into heaven. But **we don't understand yet how to pray for people to see them get touched with His power.** When others are actually encountered by Jesus, then we can share with them how to get into heaven.

We are crossing this chasm of unbelief and fear of man. God is saying, "Will you be my disciples in this hour of power? I want to move through each of you."

The Lord wants to give us His gifts today, but there is a resistance in the spiritual realm. It's almost like this dragon has been standing next to each of us and **blocking us from receiving, not only just the gifts but overcoming the lie so we impact people wherever we are.**

It's a lie that only pastors can impact people's lives. Pastors are to equip and empower you to impact others. **God is waiting on us.**

I was a Baptist pastor and only knew the word of God. I didn't really know the Holy Spirit side and when God started giving me gifts and I actually saw people being impacted, I was so excited. I was like a kid in a candy store. Wow! Someone actually got healed. I actually heard God! I actually encouraged someone! It is so much fun! **What are we waiting for?**

When I go to the Pali lookout and look over Kaneohe Bay, I'm just blown away with the beauty of windward Oahu. But inside those houses I know there are **families who are struggling with sexual abuse, drug use, anger, etc.**

The reality is people are hurting and God says, "Will you go for me? You are my answer for the pain and the suffering that's in this world, that's in this state. You are the antidote. I have options, but I have chosen you. Will you go? Why are you holding back? When the opportunity arises, step out by faith."

There is a lie we are battling.

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I feel the **cry in my heart from the Lord for Hawaii**. So I want you to **prophetically take your sword, which is the word of God, and prophetically slash those lies**.

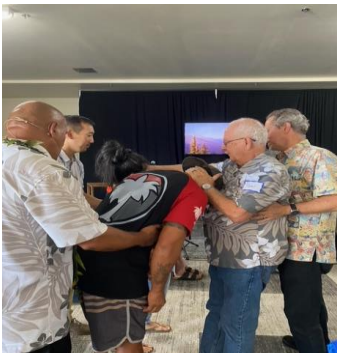
“Lord Jesus, as I stand before you in your house I renounce and repent for the following lies: I’m not good enough. It’s too scary to pray. Lord, I don’t want to be rejected. The fear of man is greater than being obedient to you. Lord, I bring to death on the cross the belief that only pastors and leaders impact the lives of others. Here I am, Lord. Send me into the harvest.”

The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to proclaim good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim liberty to the captives and recovering of sight to the blind, to set at liberty those who are oppressed, to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor.
(Luke 4:18-19 ESV)

Jesus just put the same anointing upon all of us. Did you get that? In African nations we are seeing tens of thousands of people moving towards Jesus. **Jesus has started the end time harvest. God is so proud of you for allowing Him to do what He wanted to do today.**

This is about discipleship. Being a disciple is about being a **learner and being a carrier of Christ**. A Christian is a little Christ. Jesus Christ is the Anointed One. If you are a Christian, **you are a little anointed one.**

For the kingdom of God does not consist in talk but in power. (1 Corinthians 4:20 ESV)



Eye Salve for Our Eyes

Pastor Joel Weaver

October 23, 2022

During worship these last couple of weeks, the angels were passing out something like lip balm but it was **eye salve to put on our eyes**. Many of us look back on our lives and we see clearly all the disappointments, all the places we failed, or we perceive that God who is a position to bless us has failed us.

But the Lord says in this thing of discipleship that **He is training and caring for us in every one of those disappointments or failures.**

Two weeks ago our custodian showed up after missing two weeks of work. He had wrenched his back and was basically in bed for two weeks. I had a chance and **I didn’t cross the chicken line**. He was right there. I should’ve said, “Let me pray for you, brother.”

I didn’t cross the chicken line and I beat myself up every day since then. I have been praying, “God, give me another chance.” **There are always second chances.**

Jesus’s disciples screwed up many times. They were always failing. They were always doing stupid stuff. We are like that!

God is giving us eye salve so we see things/people through a different perspective—His perspective.

We take our circumstances and we interpret reality through our perspective. We think God does not like me, or people don’t love me, or I must not have done the right thing because we live in our circumstances. But God is not a God of circumstances. He is **God over every single circumstance.**

Let’s ask God for eyes and the eye salve to interpret our circumstances through His perspective. He may be training or teaching us a lesson so we can step forward stronger and not make a stupid mistake again like me. Just stop it!

I counsel you to ...anoint your eyes with eye salve, that you may see. (Revelation 3:18 NKJV)



The How of Giving
Pastor Miguel Cardona
October 30, 2022

We know the ‘what’ is the tithe and the ‘who’ is to give it to the church, but statistics show people don’t tithe because they were **never taught the ‘how’**.

Scam alert! The enemy is trying to rob us of the blessings God has for us when we tithe. He tries to make us think that tithing is a burden. **Be alert! Understanding the ‘how’ will help us know the truth that tithing is a blessing.**

Tithing is not a burden; it’s not about giving money. Tithing is about giving our hearts. It’s about worshipping and honoring God with our first fruits.

God wants to **release His blessing so His church is filled with joy and power.**

*For the kingdom of God is not a matter of eating and drinking but of righteousness and peace and **joy** in the Holy Spirit.*
(Romans 14:17 ESV)

*May the God of hope fill you with **all joy** and peace in believing, so that by the **power** of the Holy Spirit you may abound in hope.*
(Romans 15:13 ESV)

We are moving forward and God doesn’t want you to stay behind. He is up to something! In the midst of a pandemic and 8.5 % inflation, God tells Pastor Rob to buy this building. Valued at 2.3 million dollars, Mountain View got it for \$775,000.

God wants to bless us where we are sitting financially, but we are stuck when we think tithing is about money. It’s not about money. It’s about **making Him our priority.**

The ‘how’ comes with three components: the **promise, the process, and the problem.** We get into the promise but don’t want to go through the process, and end up with the problem.

The promise is of provision, blessings, abundance and protection.

Bring the full tithe into the storehouse, that there may be food in my house. And thereby put me to the test, says the LORD of hosts, if I will not open the windows of heaven for you and pour down for you a blessing until there is no more need. I will rebuke the devourer for you, so that it will not destroy the fruits of your soil, and your vine in the field shall not fail to bear, says the LORD of hosts. (Malachi 3:10-11 ESV)

The **process takes dedication** for the promise to come to pass. We need to be **obedient and hang on.** We have things inside that need to be cleaned up. We get stuck and frustrated, especially when it has to do with finances. **As we obey God, worship and put Him first in our finances, we are allowing Him to clean our hearts.**

God loves a cheerful giver. The process is a **matter of the heart, our character.**

The point is this: whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. Each one must give as he has decided in his heart, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. And God is able to make all grace abound to you, so that having all sufficiency in all things at all times, you may abound in every good work.
(2 Corinthians 9:6-8 ESV)

The **problem is in our hearts** when we take and **hold on to offenses and unforgiveness.** God wants us to **reconcile with one another.** He wants us to have **clean hearts and live in love and unity.**

So if you are offering your gift at the altar and there remember that your brother has something against you, leave your gift there before the altar and go. First be reconciled to your brother, and then come and offer your gift. (Matthew 5:23-24 ESV)

When we understand the ‘how’ and obey, go through the process and transform more into His likeness and character, we move from the problem through the process to His promises.