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Dear Grace Church Family and Friends,

I love sports.

Always have.

One of the ways I experience God is through sports, watching Bryce Harper hit one over the fence, Serena Williams overpower an opponent; LeBron James drive to the hoop. In their athleticism, I see God-given gifts honed through years and years of practice and training. And, for me, it is deeply spiritual to see these incredible athletes perform. There is a beauty and poetry to it.

Last week, I had that experience once again, as I watched a video of Katelyn Ohashi's floor routine.

If you have not heard of Katelyn Ohashi, don't worry, you're not alone. Until last week, most people hadn't, me included.

But, then, the 21-year-old UCLA gymnast scored a perfect 10 on her floor routine in a college meet. A video of her routine went viral, and before she knew it, Katelyn was an internet sensation.

I watched the video Friday and was deeply moved, not only by Katelyn's performance, but by her joy and enthusiasm, and by the support of her teammates, who can be seen laughing, smiling, and dancing in the background.

If you have not seen the video, you can view it by following this link: [insert link here]

I think it will make you smile, maybe even bring a tear to your eye, because it is, in one word... perfect.

See you in church,  
*Andrew*