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# The 2:10 Effect

IGNITING KINGDOM IMPACT

*For we are what  
he has made us, created  
in Christ Jesus for  
good works, which  
God prepared beforehand  
to be our way of life.*

*Ephesians 2:10*

## AT HOME AND IN THE MARKETPLACE

For some time we at VantagePoint3 have sensed the Lord prompting us to stretch our imagination. And yours.

We have sensed that God is up to something good among developmentally minded Christian leaders who sense the Spirit nudging them to launch our processes in settings

beyond the local church setting.

In this edition of the 2:10 Effect we share the stories of two facilitators who are casting a vision for us of what's possible when our traditionally church-based processes are put into practice at home and in the marketplace. Our hope is that their stories will stretch your imagination for what God may be inviting us all to consider.



Wendy Delcourt  
Kelowna, BC

Wendy Delcourt, Kelowna, B.C., is a bright star in any room. Her love for Jesus and others wins you over quickly. In their late 20s, Wendy and her soul mate husband, Grant, had just been baptized and God had set a fire in both of them.

### "WE WERE LOOKING FOR A PATH TO MAXIMIZE OUR LIFE WITH CHRIST."

"We had a bunch of energy for Jesus. We like templates and goals and were looking for a path to maximize our life with Christ. We had 'paths' in other areas of our lives, but not yet in our life of faith. And *The Journey* did that for us, and it does it for others," describes Wendy.

"I have a trusting, beautiful relationship with a lot of people. It's easy for me to invite adults to go deeper. I thought to myself, 'I'll just run a *Journey* group in my home,'" recalls Wendy. That was about 10 years ago and multiple groups ago.

"Our pastor is very thankful I do this," declares Wendy. And she continues, painting a picture that inspires us, "There are friends here from several churches in the city and they are all going back and creating front line leadership and impact. It takes time. A slow, steady investment that cycles back to Kingdom service in the church and in the local community."

"What I'm doing now, in my home, has a natural rhythm to it that's better than what could happen in the church," she emphasizes. "Home removes expectation. Home is safe, warm, and gentle. Meaningful conversations come easily." Wendy has had co-ed groups meet in the evenings, but during her current stage of life, Thursday mornings work best.

"The corporate world excites me for this, too," imagines Wendy. "Grant and I would love to host a group together through our connections in his financial world. We sense God aligning us for this now."

**Interestingly, while Wendy has been home-based in her applications of *The Journey*, Mick Conlin has been leading groups in the marketplace.** Conlin has been inviting Sioux Falls businessmen around the luncheon table for almost five years. And though he would be too humble to speak of the life-changing impact the groups are having on every man involved, the steadfast involvement speaks for itself.



Mick Conlin  
Sioux Falls, SD



"Most of the men in my groups are in their 30s and 40s and are interested in understanding better what God desires to do through them. I am encouraged by their desire to 'seek first the Kingdom of God,'" notices Mick.

"I also notice the frustration they have dealing with the busyness of life and the limited space for what they might think is Kingdom work," continues Conlin. "As they have each trusted the VP3 processes, they have discovered together that in this stage of life their family, work, and kids' activities ARE their mission field and their immediate calling, and that this is the most important investment they make."

Speaking of investment, Conlin's steady investment in marketplace groups for multiple years and going strong, raises the question to Mick, "What are you noticing happening to you?"

**"I have experienced more growth in these few years than at any time in my life. The more I focus on investing in others, the more I grow myself,"** says Mick with deep joy. "I also notice that the best things in life take time. That's not easy for me. I want things to happen fast. But as I remain actively patient, I see progress all around me."

If you find yourself resonating with these "at home" and "in the marketplace" options for delivering the VP3 processes, we encourage you to join us around the VP3 facilitator preparation table this summer. You will find like-minded friends. We would love to talk with you via email or phone. Our summer facilitator training schedule is available on our website, [vantagepoint3.org](http://vantagepoint3.org).

## LET US RUN WITH PERSEVERANCE THE RACE THAT IS SET BEFORE US, LOOKING TO JESUS...

Hebrews 12:1-2



**A** Faithful Run 2018 is an opportunity to pay attention to "the race that is set before you" and to raise funds for the life-deepening and life-empowering mission of VantagePoint3. **Where is the Spirit currently poking and prodding at you to pay attention more intentionally?** What is God wanting to whisper in your ear? Could A Faithful Run be for you?

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## GRATEFUL

**W**e are so grateful for the many of you who financially partnered with us in our 2017 year-end matching gift opportunity, intended to raise funds for a focused re-writing project of *The Journey* Stage 3. Your generous investment of over \$55,000 exceeded all our expectations, doubling both our participation and financial goals for the initiative. Thank you.

We are now hard at work strengthening Stage 3: *Relational Foundations*, eager to share with you the newly redesigned process. Our hope and prayer is that these educational improvements to *The Journey* will even more effectively serve developmentally minded leaders like Wendy and Mick as they help other men and women discover more deeply who God is, who they are, and what God wants to do through them.



Thanks for joining with us on the journey. May the Spirit of the living God continue to lead us...

grace and peace,

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