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VANTAGE POINT

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SMALL GROUP STUDY GUIDE

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Vantage point is a movie that seeks to make the audience aware that there are many truths based on any situation depending on one's point of view. The seat you sit in determines your perspective.

Everyone is connected to someone else's destiny. Your steps have been ordered by God on receiving and releasing. God has set up divine connections for you to fulfill your assignment. You are assigned to someone to ensure they fulfill their purpose. God has already released a word over you. Different people are going to be there to release the resources to help make it happen. These are called divine connections.

Christ came to earth to die on the cross. Many people had to play their part to make sure Christ's assignment was fulfilled.

- Mary had to birth Christ
- Joseph had to protect Christ
- Disciples had to follow Him
- Unknown individuals had to provide certain things for Him

Zechariah 9:9 NIV - "Rejoice greatly, Daughter Zion! Shout, Daughter Jerusalem! See, your king comes to you, righteous and victorious, lowly and riding on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey."

Luke 19:28-31 NIV - "After Jesus had said this, he went on ahead, going up to Jerusalem. As he approached Bethphage and Bethany at the hill called the Mount of Olives, he sent two of his disciples, saying to them, "Go to the village ahead of you, and as you enter it, you will find a colt tied there, which no one has ever ridden. Untie it and bring it here. If anyone asks you, 'Why are you untying it?' say, 'The Lord needs it.'"

- It was spoken in the old testament and happens in the new testament
- God has already spoken what your assignment will be
- Once the word has been spoken it must come to pass
- It may take years to happen but it will come into fulfillment
- Divine timing is now
- No one has ever done what you are supposed to be doing
- It has been on hold waiting on the right season

What has God spoken to you that you are waiting to manifest? Why do you think it has not manifested yet? Are you holding it up? What tactics has the enemy used to discourage you in waiting for your promise to come to pass?

THE HELP

Luke 19:32-35 NIV - Those who were sent ahead went and found it just as he had told them.

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- You're going to find your blessing just like God showed you
- There will be no argument or fight over you blessing
- Learn to reply with what God told you to say
- Hold on to the words the Lord gave you
- Once you do what God told you to do the earth will reveal what belongs to you

How are you speaking about your assignment? What do you do when you have what is needed to help someone else get to their destiny? How can you stop looking at the opportunity to serve as being used by others?

THERE IS A RESOURCE/REWARD

Luke 19:30 NIV - "Go to the village ahead of you, and as you enter it, you will find a colt tied there, which no one has ever ridden. Untie it and bring it here.

- Asking for help shifts your perspective
- How you respond to help determines your next elevation
- Money can't buy what God gives you
- Everything you have God gave it to you
- You can't be arrogant about what doesn't belong to you
- Every good and perfect thing comes from God
- God blessed you to bless others
- All of your help comes from the Lord

Why do you resist asking for help? What are you selfishly claiming to be your possession? Why do you think it belongs to only you?

THERE IS A REQUEST

Luke 19:31 - If anyone asks you, 'Why are you untying it?' say, 'The Lord needs it.'"

- God doesn't take it from you, He asks you to release it
- The request is not always easy
- Your blessing cannot become your God
 - Abraham was asked to give up his son
 - The Young Rich Ruler was asked to give his things to the poor
 - Peter was asked to change jobs
- God only gave it to you to release it
- You have a choice to hold on to it or to let it go
- You can't hold on to temporary when you're asking for eternal blessings
- You have to support others with what God gives you - be a blessing!

What do you have that God has told you to release? Why are you afraid to release it? What will it

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take for you to be obedient? If the request is the answer to your prayers, would you let it go?

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- Your motive has to be for God's glory
- God will break you to bless you; He will humble you to ask for help
- You have to be willing to be used as a channel for God to release through
- If you don't surrender, everything will be held up
- Releasing is a necessity; it is mandatory; you can't take a breath without releasing one
- Let God get the glory from your reward and resources
- Your assignment will teach you how to use your reward and resources

What was the last thing you released that you felt? Were you conflicted in releasing it? Do you regret letting it go? Did you expect something in return for the release?

Luke 4:18 NIV - "The Spirit of the Lord is on me, because he has anointed me to proclaim good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim freedom for the prisoners and recovery of sight for the blind, to set the oppressed free"

- You're anointed but it is not for you
- Your gift is for
 - The poor
 - The prisoners
 - The blind
 - The oppressed
- We don't pour up, we pour down
- Be glad to be a pitcher holder

Where am I supposed to be using my gift? Who is your testimony/story for?

PRAYER

Lord, as we surrender to being used as a channel for you to release through, help us to remain humble. Reveal and strengthen our divine connections. Let us not become ashamed of asking for help, but rather receive the pour as we pour into others. Be glorified by our motives, words and actions. Continue to order our steps, allow manifestation of your promises and plans for us In Jesus' name, Amen.