**Three Ordinary Voices of God – Chapter Three: The Second Voice: Talent**

**Guiding scripture:** Acts 17:28 – *It is in him that we live, and move, and have our being.*

**The Two Paths**

* Describe the two paths of inside-out vs. outside in way of living. How do you currently “operate”? What is God’s desire for us?

**The Second Voice: The Basics**

* Discuss the idea that how we are made in the image of God affects our talents and how they are to be expressed.

**Everybody is a Genius**

* *“Everybody is a genius. But if you judge a fish by its ability to climb a tree, it will live its whole life believing that it is stupid.”* What does Matthew Kelly mean by “genius”? What is your genius?

**Two Truths**

* Beginning to discover your talent can be done keeping two truths in mind – what are those? What do you think about the idea that if you don’t have a talent, you don’t need it?

**Context Is a Beautiful Thing**

* How do clarity and context work together? How have you seen the Catholic Church provide this in the lives of her faithful? How have you seen the media try to provide this? Where do you listen for context?

**Unique and Universal Talent**

* Define universal talents vs. unique talents. How do we devalue the universal talents?
* Discuss - Successful people: *Boldly, with fierce determination, set out to make a difference in the world with the same energy they set out to conquer their chosen field of success.* Give examples of this.
* Knowing God has given you abundant talents, where do you think God wants you to focus in this season of your life?