## **YEAR OF VALUES**



## **PROVOCATION NO. 5**



A lie doesn't

become truth, wrong doesn't become right, and evil doesn't become good just because it's accepted by the majority

– Rick Warren –

We have all read the headlines of the Atlanta Public Schools cheating scandal, the opening of unauthorized customer accounts by Wells Fargo, and data misuse by Facebook. We were left wondering how things within these organizations got to such a point.

Wasn't anyone there to stop them?

## Two things can help us avoid ethical slips:

self-reflection and support

Many of our lives are overscheduled and hyperconnected, heightening our risk of committing ethical slips. Even worse, we may be too distracted to notice when we've acted in a way that lacks integrity.

The best way to prevent this is to allow ourselves time to mentally unplug and look within.

Self-reflection provides an opportunity to reconnect to our values. It allows for decisions and actions that do not align with our values to surface. Meditation, journaling, and quiet walks are all ways we can engage in selfreflection. Having a strong support network is another critical element for avoiding and recovering from ethical slips. It's essential to get feedback from trusted friends, family, and colleagues.

People who understand you and your values can help you stay aligned with them to prevent ethical slips and realign with them when ethical slips occur.

Our Executive Leadership Team is a great resource for gaining feedback and support at SK as you navigate ethical dilemmas. For this week's provocation, you'll spend some time recalling ethical dilemmas you have either had or avoided at Stable Kernel.

You will have time to reflect on these dilemmas and to prepare to navigate future difficult situations with success.

Click the link on the next page to submit your reflection.

## LET'S GET STARTED!

Estimated Time Commitment: X 10 minutes

What You'll Need:

X a quiet space and some time

to reflect

Click here to begin.