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Charles Vogl is an adviser, speaker, and the author of three books, including the international bestseller *The Art of Community*. He worked with Google in several capacities, including as a trusted thought leader for the Google School for Leaders, which develops over 20,000 Google managers. He is also a founding member of the Google Vitality Lab which works toward innovating healing strategies. His work is used to advise and develop leadership and programs worldwide within organizations including Airbnb, LinkedIn, Amazon, and the US Army. His first book, *The Art of Community*, won the Nautilus Silver Award for Business and Leadership. The work lays out seven time tested principles for growing enduring, effective, and connected communities. His most recent book, *Building Brand Communities* (with Carrie Melissa Jones) won an Axiom Business Book Gold Medal. The work speaks directly to organizational leaders that seek to connect people in ways that serve both members and larger organization goals. Charles began his life-long study of change making while a volunteer living in a Santa Ana, CA homeless shelter. He then worked on human rights in Sub-Saharan Africa as a Peace Corps Volunteer, and later built teams to create high social impact media as a New York documentary filmmaker. His PBS film work won several international awards, including the Amnesty International Movies that Matter Award. All the work served as crucibles in which to learn the importance of and how to bring people together around shared values and purpose. His work draws on three thousand years of spiritual traditions to understand how individuals build loyalty, strengthen identity, and live out shared values. He holds an M.Div. from Yale, where he studied spiritual traditions, ethics, and business as a Jesse Ball duPont Foundation scholar.