

of successful business owners and somehow he was going to become one of them. Exactly how, he didn't know yet. But he went to sleep that night determined to find out.

The next morning it hit Steve that seeking John's advice had probably not been the wisest move. John had been handy, but that didn't make him the right teacher. After spending a few hours sifting through his list of contacts, Steve found that he had a mutual connection with Karen, one of the most successful designers in his city. Later that afternoon he spoke with Karen over the phone. After briefly sharing his story, he explained that he was reaching out to her because she was an inspiration and he needed some of that now. She said she'd be happy to talk with him and they agreed to meet at Karen's favorite café that Friday.