Three Circles Gospel Tool

"A Simple, Reproducible way to share the Gospel"

- DRAW CIRCLE ONE - GOD'S PERFECT DESIGN -



- We live in a broken world, surrounded by broken lives, broken relationships, and broken systems. This brokenness is seen in suffering, violence, poverty, pain, and death around us. Brokenness leads us to search for a way to make LIFE work.
- In contrast to this brokenness, we also see beauty, purpose and evidence of design around us. The Bible tells us that God originally planned a world that worked perfectly – where everything and everyone fit together in harmony. God made each of us with a purpose – to worship Him and walk with Him.

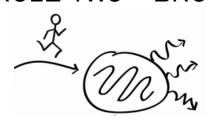
- "And God saw everything that he had made, and behold, it was very good." (Genesis 1:31).
- "The heavens declare the glory of God, and the sky above proclaims his handiwork." (Psalm 19:1).

- DRAW ARROW - SIN -



- Life doesn't work when we ignore God and His original design for our lives. We selfishly insist on doing things our own way. The Bible calls this sin. We all sin and distort the original design. The consequence of our sin is separation from God in this life and for all of eternity.
 - <u>The Bible says:</u>
 - "for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God" (Romans 3:23).
 - "For the wages of sin is death" (Romans 6:23a).

- DRAW CIRCLE TWO - BROKENNESS -



- Sin leads to a place of brokenness. We see this all around us and in our own lives as well. When we realize LIFE is not working, we begin to look for a way out. We tend to go in many directions trying different things to figure it out on our own. Brokenness leads to a place of realizing a need for something greater.
 - <u>The Bible says:</u>
 - "because they exchanged the truth about God for a lie and worshiped and served the creature rather than the Creator" (Romans 1:25).

- DRAW CIRCLE THREE - GOSPEL -

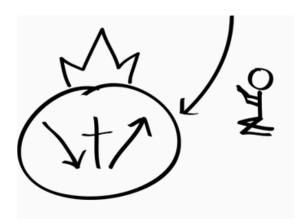


At this point we need a remedy - some good news.
Because of His love, God did not leave us in our brokenness. Jesus, God in human flesh, came to us and lived perfectly according to God's Design. Jesus came to rescue us - to do for us what we could not do for ourselves. He took our sin and shame to the cross, paying the penalty of our sin by His death. Jesus was then raised from the dead - to provide the only way for us to be rescued and restored to a relationship with God.

■ The Bible says:

- "For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life." (John 3:16a).
- "by canceling the record of debt that stood against us with its legal demands. This he set aside, nailing it to the cross." (Colossians 2:14).
- "For I delivered to you as of first importance what I also received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the Scriptures, that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures," (1 Corinthians 15:3-4).

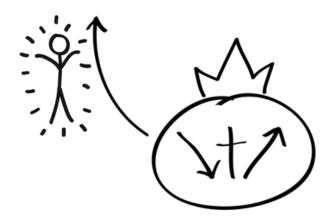
- DRAW ARROW - TURN AND TRUST -



• Simply hearing this Good News is not enough. We must admit our sinful brokenness and stop trusting in ourselves. We don't have the power to escape this brokenness on our own. We need to be rescued. We must ask God to forgive us — turning from sin to trust only in Jesus. This is what it means to repent and believe. Believing, we receive new life through Jesus and God turns our lives in a new direction.

- "repent and believe in the gospel." (Mark 1:15b).
- "For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, not a result of works, so that no one may boast." (Ephesians 2:8-9).
- "because, if you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved." (Romans 10:9).

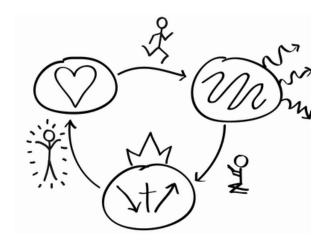
- DRAW ARROW - NEW CREATION -



 When God restores our relationship to Him, we begin to discover meaning and purpose in a broken world. Now we can pursue God's Design in all areas of our lives. Even when we fail, we understand God's pathway to be restored – this same Good News of Jesus. God's Spirit empowers us to recover His Design and assures us of His presence in this life and for all of eternity.

- "for it is God who works in you, both to will and to work for his good pleasure." (Philippians 2:13).
- "For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them." (Ephesians 2:10).

- FULL DRAWING - CALL TO DECIDE! -



- Now that you have heard this Good News, God wants you to respond to Him. You can talk to Him using words like these:
 - My life is broken I recognize it's because of my sin. I need You.
 - ∘ I believe Christ came to live, die and was raised from the dead to rescue me from my sin.
 - Forgive me. I turn from my selfish ways and put my trust in You. I know that Jesus is Lord of all, and I will follow Him.

- "because, if you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved." (Romans 10:9).
- "For everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved." (Romans 10:13).