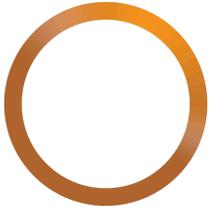


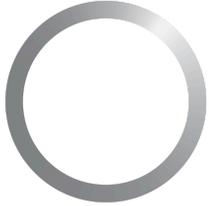
**Would you consider yourself far from God or near to God?  
The 3 Circles Illustration helps us become near to God**



**Bronze Circle = Brokenness**

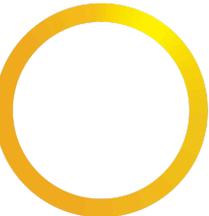
Question: How did the world become so broken?

Answer: sin.



**Silver Circle = God's Perfect Design**

The brokenness we experience personally and in our world is not the way it was supposed to be. This was not God's perfect design.



**Gold Circle = Jesus**

Because God loved the world, He sent His Son, Jesus, to pay the penalty for sin.

Jesus, who is God, entered our broken world and took the penalty for our sin. He died on the cross and rose from the grave and returned to Heaven so that we could be restored to God's perfect design.

*Through Jesus, we can move from living as a broken person in a broken world back into God's perfect design of an intimate relationship with God.*



***Everyone in the world is in one of two places:  
brokenness or God's Perfect Design.  
Which place are you?***

***What can I do to experience God's perfect design?***

1. **Turn** from doing things my way, repent of my sin and ...
2. **Follow** Jesus  
**THEN**
3. **Grow!** As you follow Jesus, you grow to act more like Him and then...
4. **Go** back into the brokenness of the world and tell them how they too can experience God's Perfect Design through faith in Jesus.

**Ready to Turn and Follow Jesus?** Talk to God (pray). Say something like this, from your heart: Dear God, I am sorry for doing things my own way and rejecting you. Please forgive me of my sin as I turn my life over to you. I want to follow Jesus. Beginning right now, I make Jesus my Lord, my boss, THE leader in my life. Help me learn more each day what that means and then lead me to tell others about what you have done for me through Jesus. Amen.

**Got Questions?** We're here to help you in your faith journey!  
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