3 Circles Evangelism

GOD'S DESIGN

We see beauty, purpose and evidence of **God's design** all around us (Genesis 1:31; Psalm 19:1).

The Bible tells us that God originally planned a world that worked perfectly – where everything and everyone fit together in harmony. This was a place of peace, love, security and life. There was no war, persecution, famine, hate or death in this place.

God made humans with a purpose – to worship Him and walk with Him in this perfect place.

BROKENNESS

Sin leads to death and brokenness (Romans 3:23; 6:23). When we selfishly insist on our own way and rebel against a Holy God, the Bible calls this sin, and sin radically distorts God's original design. The consequence of sin is separation from God – in this life and for all eternity. We see the destructive power of sin all around us and in our own lives as well.

When we realize our life is broken, we begin to look for a way out (arrows leading from brokenness). We tend to go in many directions trying different things to figure it out on our own (Proverbs 14:12). Brokenness leads to a place of realizing a need for something greater because we can't fix it on our own.

JESUS

Therefore, God provided a way out of our brokenness (John 3:16; Romans 5:8). 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 that which we could not do for ourselves. He took our sin and shame to the Cross, paying the penalty of our sin by His death (Colossians 2:14). Jesus was then raised from the dead – to provide the only way for us to be rescued and restored to a relationship with God.

So if we **REPENT** from our way and **BELIEVE** in Jesus Christ, we are saved from our sin (Mark 1:15b; Ephesians 2:8-9). When God restores our relationship to Him, we begin to discover meaning and purpose in a broken world. We are set free to pursue God's design in our lives (Philippians 2:13; Ephesians 2:10). Even when we fail, God's Spirit empowers us to pursue His design and the Spirit's presence assures us our of relationship with the Father (John 1:12; Ephesians 1:14).

