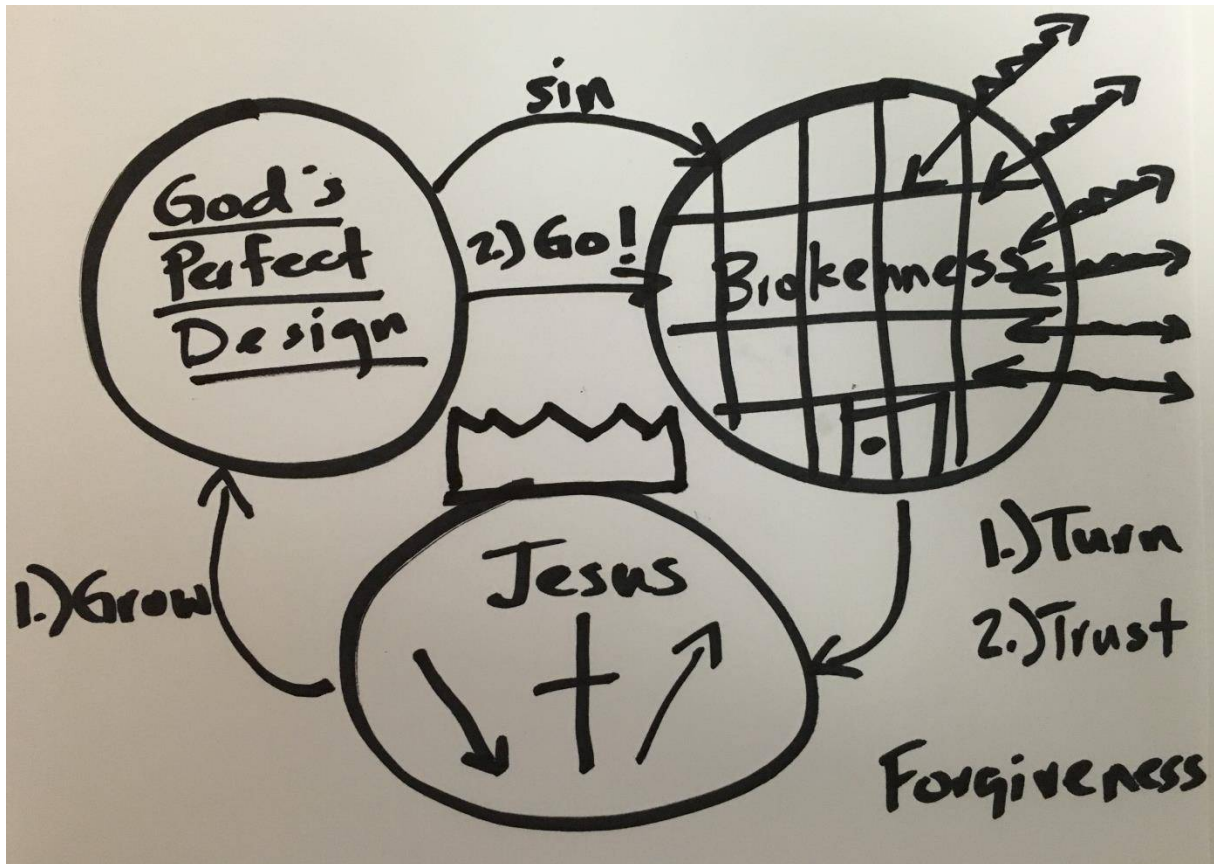
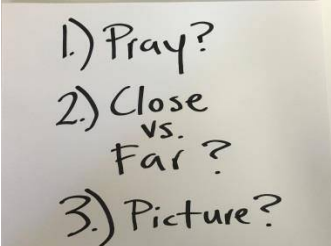


## The 3 Circles



## The Process

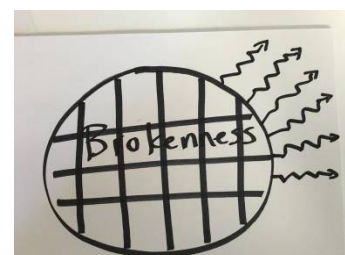
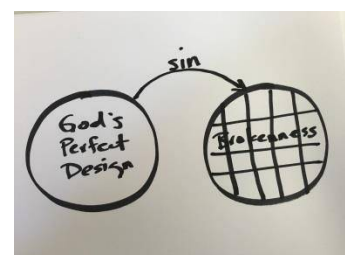
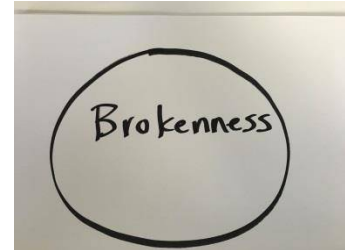
1. There are 3 Questions you can ask whenever you engage in a spiritual conversation. The 1<sup>st</sup> question is: Can I pray for you? Then you just simply pray for that person right then and there. The 2<sup>nd</sup> Question is: Would you say you are close to God or far from God? Then listen to their story, **don't try to interrupt, just listen**. The 3<sup>rd</sup> question is: would you mind if I show you



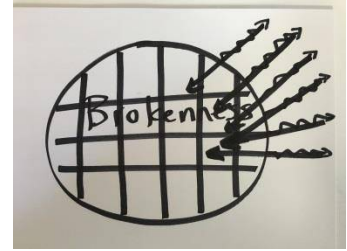
1.) Pray?  
2.) Close vs. Far?  
3.) Picture?

a picture that helps me understand what it means to be close to God? If they say yes, begin to walk them through The 3 Circles on whatever you can find to write on. The way you begin is:

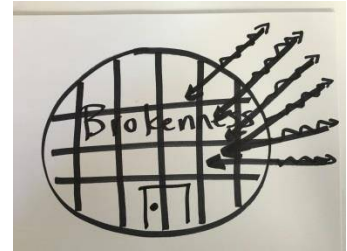
2. We live in a world filled with brokenness (DRAW A CIRCLE AND "WRITE BROKENNESS" INSIDE IT). Our world is messed up and it doesn't take too long to figure that out – just look at all the problems around us with government, war, disease, and all the division. Our world is broken. But it's not just that our world is broken, it's that we as individuals are broken as well. Just think about the thoughts you have that you don't want anyone else to know about. We're all broken, and that brokenness leads us to being trapped inside a prison of our own making...and we're all there. (DRAW PRISON BARS OVER THE CIRCLE)
3. But when God created the world that wasn't always his plan (DRAW ANOTHER CIRCLE TO THE LEFT OF THAT ONE). In the beginning, God had a perfect design in mind (WRITE "GOD'S PERFECT DESIGN" INSIDE THE CIRCLE) based on a perfect relationship He wanted with us.
4. But we went from God's perfect design into brokenness because of what the Bible calls sin (DRAW AN ARROW ON THE TOP PART OF THE CIRCLE FROM THE "GOD'S PERFECT DESIGN" CIRCLE TO THE "BROKENNESS" CIRCLE AND WRITE "SIN" ON TOP OF THAT). Sin is simply anything that keeps us from God's best. It's that rebellious nature we all have within us and it separates us from each other and from God. It leads to that brokenness that we're all in.
5. And in that brokenness we have this feeling of emptiness. So we try do all kinds of things to get out of our brokenness and emptiness, like trying to live a good life, or have the perfect family, or get enough money, or trying to escape through addiction, or for some it's even going to church (AFTER MENTIONING EACH OF THE ISSUES ABOVE, DRAW A SQUIGGLY LINE OUTSIDE THE UPPER RIGHT OF THE CIRCLE GOING UP –



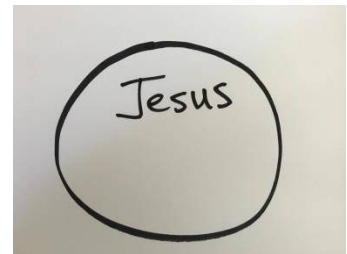
Share the first part of your 15 second testimony here - make sure you ask them if they've ever experienced anything like that). But none of those things get us out of our brokenness, in fact, they are all like bungee cords that let us feel like we're out for a little while before they pull us right back in. (DRAW LINES BACK INTO THE BROKENNESS).



6. But God made a way out for us (DRAW A DOOR IN THE BROKENNESS CIRCLE HERE). He had a plan to restore us and that's what we learn about in the 3<sup>rd</sup> circle.



7. (DRAW 3<sup>RD</sup> CIRCLE IN BETWEEN AND UNDER TOP 2 CIRCLES) God's plan is Jesus (WRITE "JESUS" INSIDE THE CIRCLE).



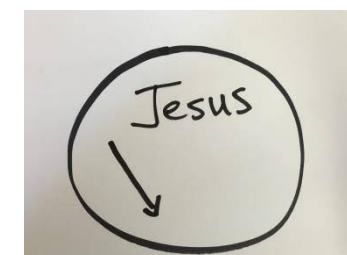
8. You see Jesus was and is God (UNDERLINE "GOD").



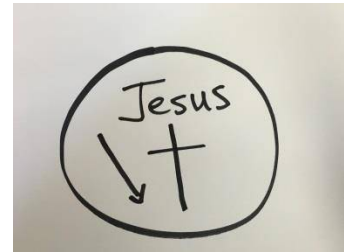
9. And Jesus was also perfect (UNDERLINE "PERFECT").



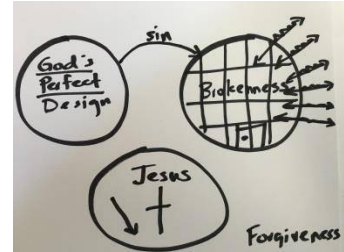
10. God sent Jesus down to this earth (DRAW DOWN ARROW UNDER THE J IN THE JESUS CIRCLE) out of His love for us, to live among us, to show us what God is like and how much we're loved, and to save us. He lived a perfect and sinless life.



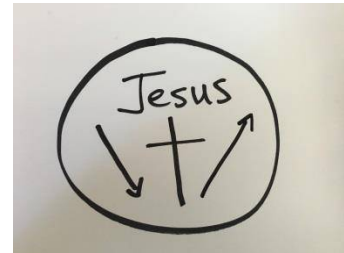
11. At the very end of his Life he died on a cross as the perfect sacrifice for our sins (DRAW A CROSS IN THE JESUS CIRCLE TO THE RIGHT OF THE ARROW). Only Jesus could be that sacrifice because of His perfect life, and only Jesus can bridge the gap between God and us.



12. But, it's because of that sacrifice that we can experience forgiveness. (WRITE FORGIVENESS IN THE BOTTOM RIGHT HAND CORNER). And that's what we all need and want. That's what I needed in my life.



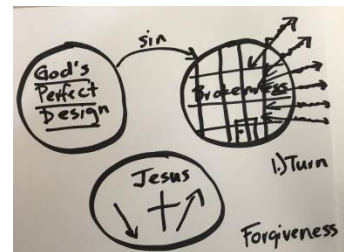
13. 3 days later Jesus rose from the dead (DRAW AN ARROW UP AND TO THE RIGHT OF THE CROSS IN THE CIRCLE)...



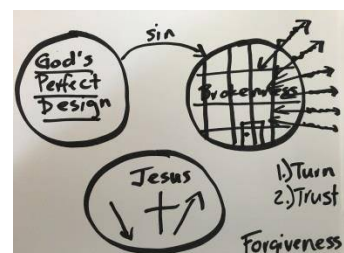
14. ...so that he can bring us back to God's perfect design. (DRAW LINE UNDER "DESIGN" IN THE GOD CIRCLE)



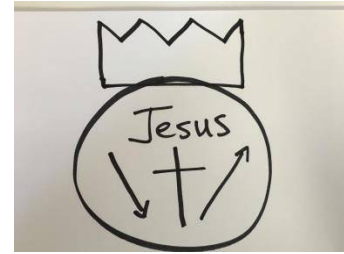
15. Now, there are 2 things that Jesus asks us to do if we want to move from brokenness back into to God's perfect design. The 1<sup>st</sup> thing He asks us to do is to turn (TO THE RIGHT SIDE DRAW "1) TURN" ). He asked us to make the decision to turn, to turn from our brokenness and our sin. The biblical word for that is repentance. This is us turning away from that old life of brokenness that we don't want anyway, and toward Jesus for help out of that brokenness.



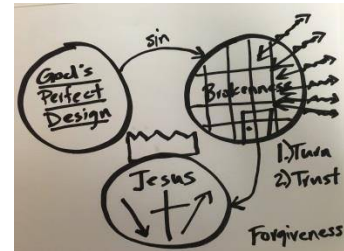
16. The 2<sup>nd</sup> thing He asks us to do is to make the choice to trust (TO THE SIDE UNDER "TURN," DRAW "2) TRUST"). To choose to give Him everything.



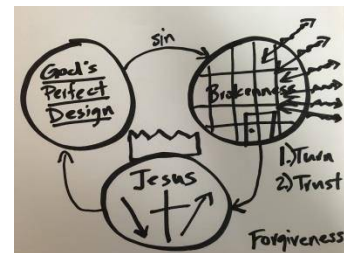
17. To surrender our entire lives to Him, and make Him our king. (DRAW A CROWN ON TOP OF THE JESUS CIRCLE). This is us making Jesus our boss essentially.



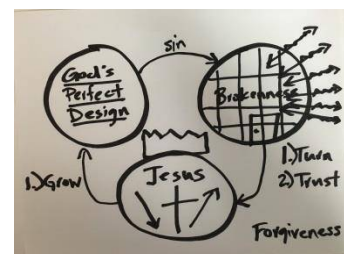
18. And when we do that, we move from brokenness into a relationship with Jesus. (DRAW LINE FROM BROKENNESS CIRCLE TO JESUS CIRCLE).



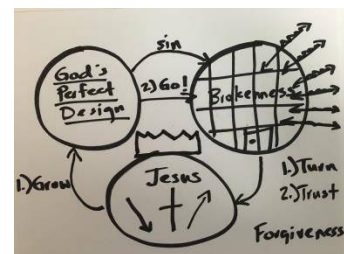
19. And then Jesus takes us **back to God's perfect design**. (DRAW LINE FROM JESUS CIRCLE TO GODS PERFECT DESIGN CIRCLE). Now as soon as you make this decision, the bible says everything changes. We are made new, and given a new identity. We are redeemed, and reconciled back to a relationship with God, and we are given purpose and hope in our life. (Share the second part of your 15 second testimony here. Make sure you ask, "do you have a story like that?"). Because we've been forgiven through Jesus, we are made right with God and **God's presence actually begins to live in us** and He begins to empower us to do 2 things:



20. The 1<sup>st</sup> thing is - we begin to grow in our relationship with God (TO THE LOWER LEFT SIDE DRAW "1)GROW"). We don't just punch our ticket to Heaven, we grow closer to God by growing more into the likeness of Jesus, and we spend our entire lives in this journey of growing.



21. The 2<sup>nd</sup> thing He asks us to do is to Go (DRAW A STRAIGHT LINE FROM THE "GOD'S PERFECT DESIGN" CIRCLE TO THE "BROKENNESS" CIRCLE, AND ABOVE IT WRITE "2) GO"). God wants us to go back into this world of brokenness and to share with others the good news of Jesus and how they can come close to God as well.



22. That is the story of Jesus. And that brings us to the question everyone has to ask themselves. Every single person is in one or two places – we are either in this **place of brokenness or we are in God's perfect design**. The question is – which one are you in?

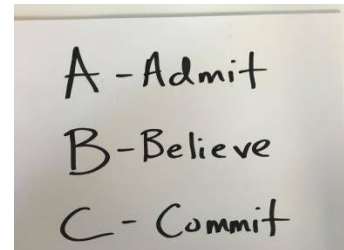
(If the person says that they are in brokenness, then simply ask them if they are ready to get out of their brokenness by turning and trusting in Jesus, and make Him the King of their life to come back to **God's Perfect Design**.)

23. If they are, tell them you would like to help them pray a prayer to receive Jesus Christ as their Lord and Savior. All you have to remember are the letters A, B, C.

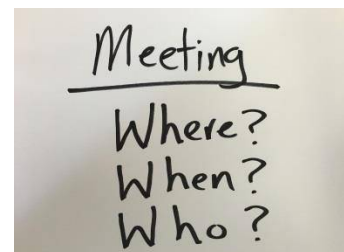
1<sup>st</sup> is A – ADMIT your brokenness and need for Jesus  
2<sup>nd</sup> is B – BELIEVE that Jesus is who He says He is and did what **He said He would do...die and rise** from the dead to forgive our sins and give us new life.

3<sup>rd</sup> is C – COMMIT your life to Jesus and make Him the King or boss of your life. Then begin to take them through that prayer.

24. After the prayer, tell them you would like to meet with them again in the next week, and before you leave, determine the WHERE, WHEN, AND WHO of that meeting.



A - Admit  
B - Believe  
C - Commit



Meeting  
Where?  
When?  
Who?



