#### Good News Ambassadors

Inside Out Week 2 2 Corinthians 5:11-21

#### Week One

We looked at the essential content of the Gospel, and how we can share our story in under 30 seconds. We were encouraged that God is close to those who feel far from Him.

Let's remind ourselves that when we participate in sharing the Good News of Jesus with another person, we are exercising a great privilege and joining the work God is already doing. Only God can save another person.

1. God is The True Seeker- John 4:23, "...true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and in truth. <u>The Father is looking for those</u> who will worship him in that way."

2. The Unbeliever/Pre-believer is under conviction from God-Jesus said regarding the Holy Spirit, "When he comes, he will convict the world of its sin, and of God's righteousness, and of the coming judgment. The world's sin is that it refuses to believe in me." John 16:8-9

3. God's Will is for people to repent and believe- Time will cease as some point- "The Lord isn't really being slow about his promise, as some people think. No, he is being patient for your sake. <u>He does not</u> <u>want anyone to be destroyed, but wants everyone to repent.</u> But the day of the Lord will come..." 2 Peter 3:8-9

Let's pick up 3 points from 2 Corinthians 5:11-21, knowing God is at work in His world and He has sent us as His Ambassadors into it, to embody and share His message of reconciliation.

1. Ambassadors for Christ love and live for Him.

A. 2 Corinthians 5:15, "[They] will no longer live for themselves. Instead, they will live for Christ, who died and was raised for them." Who are we living for? J.O.Y.= Jesus, Others, Yourself.

B. Sharing Jesus with another must be motivated by love for God and compassion for them.

2. Ambassadors for Christ see others according to who they can become. We see all through the free offer of new life!

A. "How differently we see him now! This means that anyone who belongs to Christ has become a new person." 2 Corinthians 5:16-17

B. Remember how close the Gospel is to the person you are sharing with. Express confidence they will accept the free gift of new life.

3. Ambassadors faithfully carry God's message to the world He so loves.

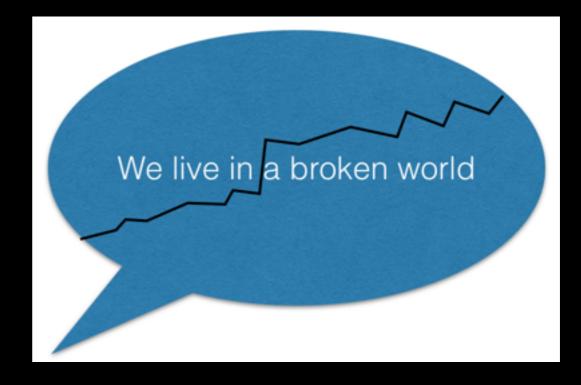
A. "And he gave us this wonderful message of reconciliation. So we are Christ's ambassadors: God is making his appeal through us." 2 Cor. 5:20

B. We are God's plan to share the Good News of Jesus with San Clemente this Christmas. Will you join in the love, compassion, and hard work?

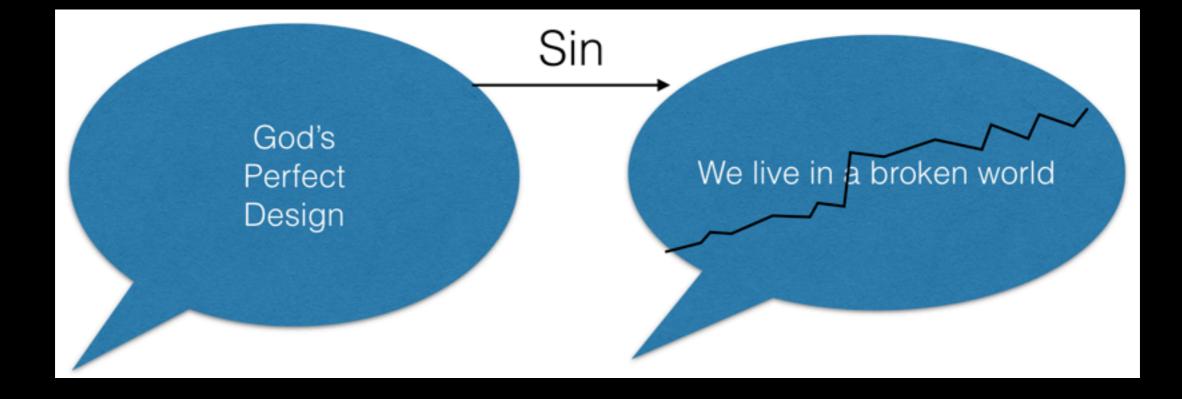
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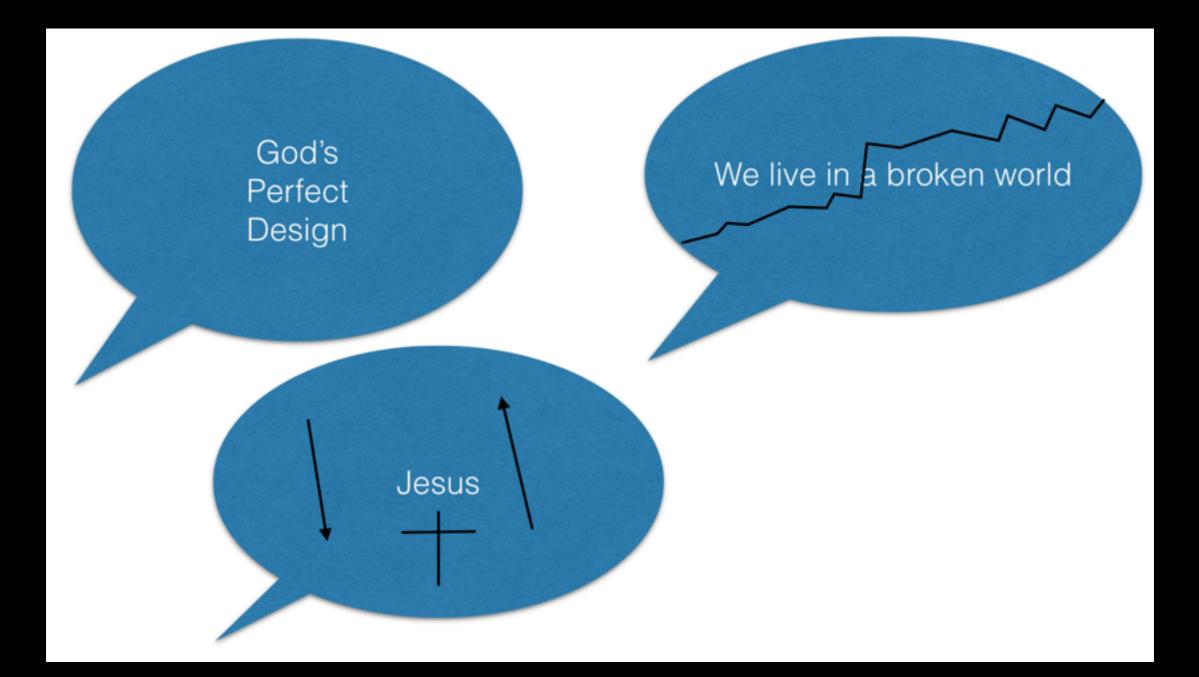
The Three Circles are a simple way of explaining the message of the Bible. Try it with a loved one!

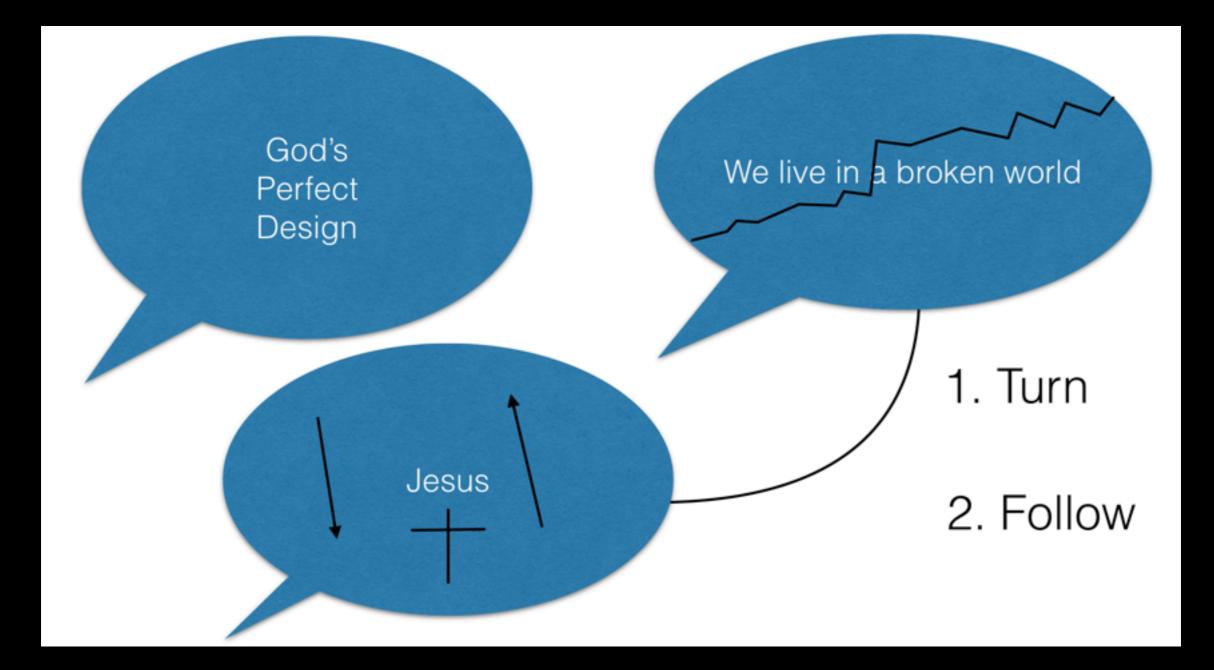
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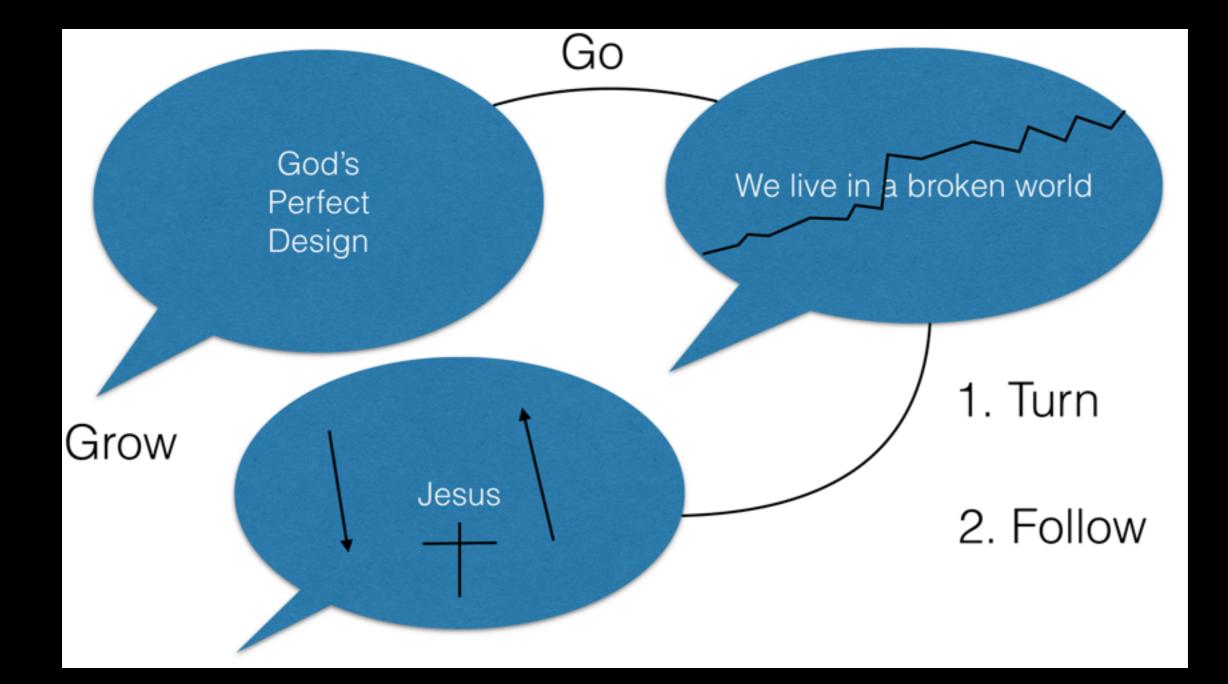












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