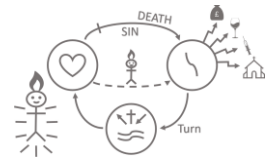


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Hi, today I'm going to share the gospel and show you a picture that helps sum up the Bible.

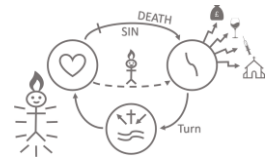
Here's our world. We know it's a **broken place**. People are fighting, killing each other, there's disease, famine, war, the environment is crumbling. There's suicide and depression. For most people, God feels far away. **Because** of this brokenness, we're doing many different things to try and escape.

- For some people, it might be trying to make **money**, look after themselves, their families, and have a comfortable life.
- For others, it might be having **fun, partying**, or sleeping around.
- The pain might be so great that they turn to **drugs** to take the pain away.
- For some people, it can even look like **really** good things, like charity work or religion, to try and make the world a better place.

But whichever approach we take in life, we wake up on Monday morning, and the world is still a broken place. It doesn't actually change anything.

It was never supposed to be this way. **If you** know the story from the beginning, when God created the world, it was a perfect place. The environment was literally a paradise. Adam and Eve had good self-esteem because they had a job to do, and a purpose. There was no fighting between them, and God literally walked with them in the garden. The thing that took us from that paradise **into brokenness**, the Bible calls sin. That sounds like a religious word, but it's just anything we do that takes us away from what God had set up for us in the beginning. Whether it's a little white lie on one end of the scale or murder on the other end, it's that sin that causes a **barrier**

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between us and God and prevents us from coming back into a relationship with Him.

It even says in the Bible that the **consequence** of sin is death. If we're going away from God, who made us and gave us life, the natural consequence of that is death. But that's not what God wants for us because He created us for relationship. **His solution** to that was to send Jesus, who was God's son, who had never sinned. **The religious** leaders had him crucified, and He died on the cross. But because He had never sinned, death could not hold Him, **so He** was raised to life again, showing that He conquered death and defeated our sin.

The Bible says we need to **repent**, turn our lives back to God, and turn away from what we know is wrong towards Jesus, **and if** we get baptized in water, **the promise** is that we shall be filled with the Holy Spirit and given a new life.

This time, it's not about trying to live a good life in our own strength, but it's a brand-new life with the Holy Spirit, with God Himself coming to live inside of us. That's what restores us back into a relationship with God. As we get to know His heart for the world, we realize that His plan for us is to **go into** the brokenness and share this message of hope that we can be restored back into a relationship with God.

Questions:

1. Does this make sense?
2. Where would you say you're at on here?
3. Where would you like to be?
4. Is there anything stopping you from taking those steps right now?'