



THE STORY OF THE KINGDOM OF GOD

Some of the aims of this particular diagram are as follows: We are trying to be faithful to the narrative arc of the Bible while not overwhelming the listener with information. A second purpose of the diagram is for the listener to not only be exposed to their own sinfulness but recognize that the world is under the curse of sin and in need of the Gospel. Thirdly, we are also trying to make multipliers so it is important to not only share the substitutionary atonement of Jesus' death and resurrection but also invite them into the Kingdom of God which begins in this life and continues for eternity.

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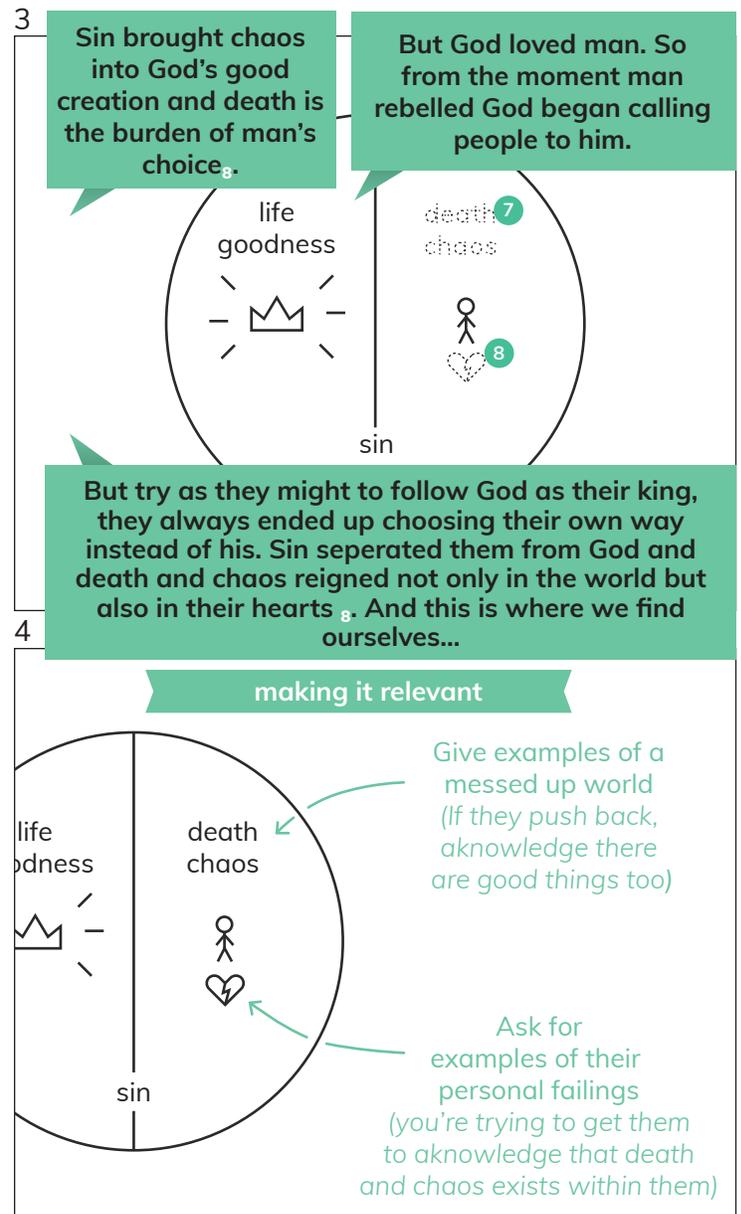
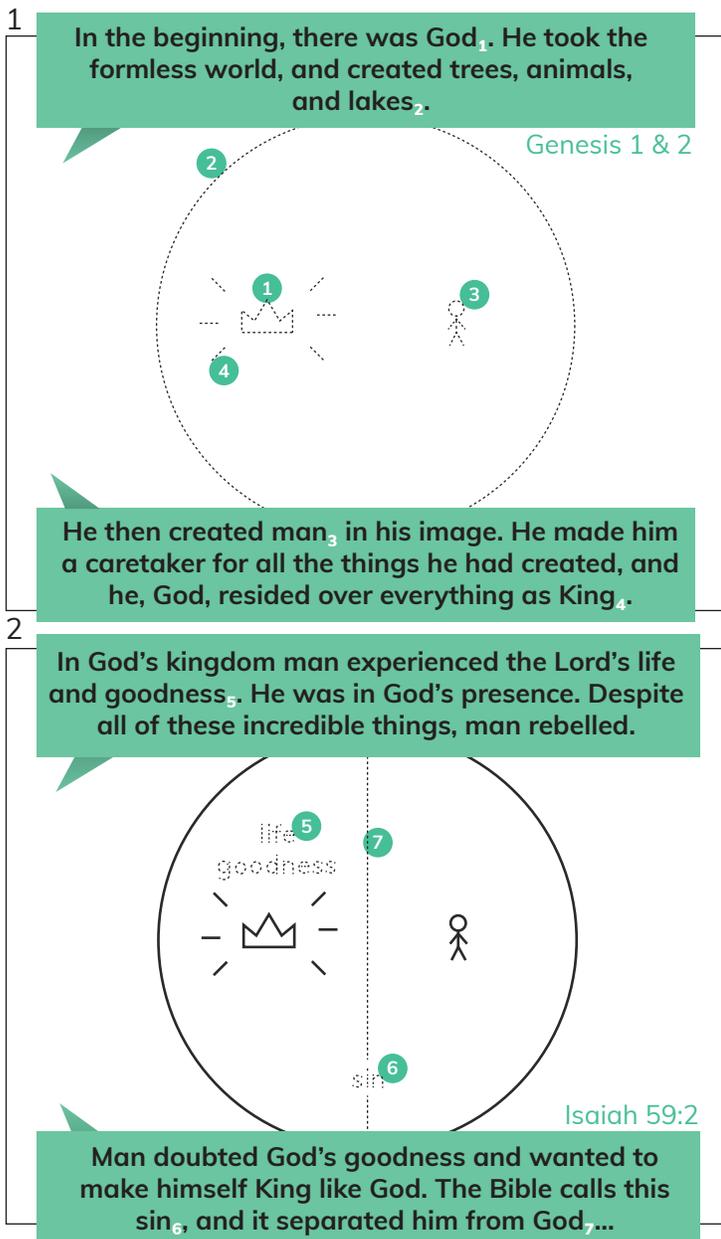


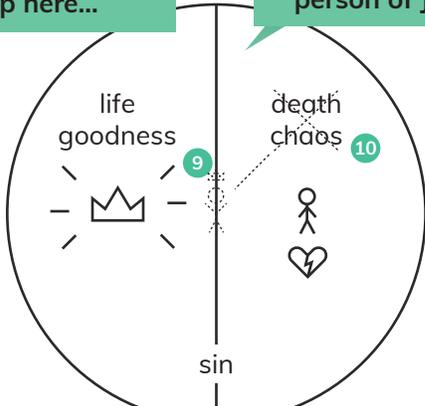
DIAGRAM CONTINUED

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So, things look bad... But the story doesn't stop here...

God invaded our kingdom in the person of Jesus⁹

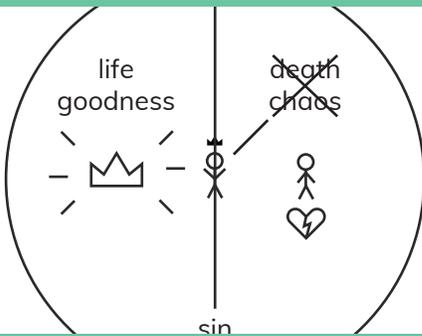
John 3:16



Jesus traveled around healing people and even raising some from the dead¹⁰. He brought life just like God did back at the beginning of the story!

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Jesus proclaimed the gospel "the Kingdom of God is near." Jesus was bringing God's kingdom to us and showing us how to live in it. But even as God was in our midst through Jesus, we still had a problem.

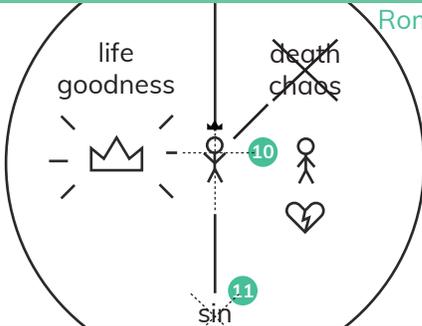


We were still rebels of his Kingdom. We were still separated by our sin, and death and chaos still consumed our hearts.

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So, Jesus did the unthinkable. He took on the burden of our sin by dying for us while we were enemies of God's kingdom¹⁰. He broke the barrier of sin by dying a rebel's death on a cross¹¹!

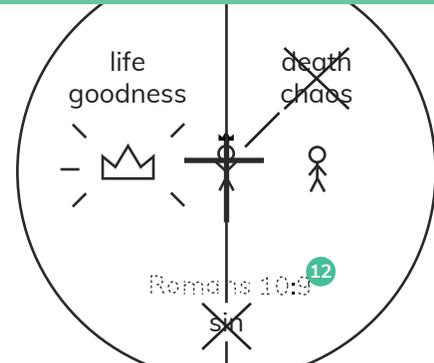
Romans 5:10



And then, to show that he was king even over death, he rose from the grave! Jesus became the gate through which we enter the kingdom of God!

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This is the gospel of the Kingdom of God! That if we believe that Jesus died and rose again to pay for our distrust, our rebellion...

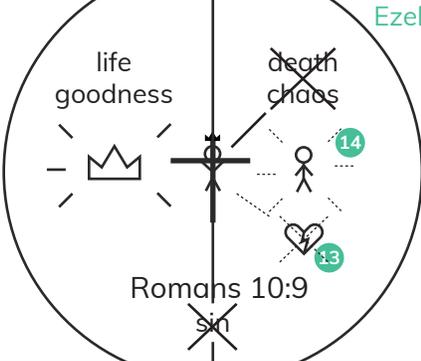


and if we confess that he is our King, we are saved from sin's death grip on us¹²!

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Jesus also promised once we make him our king, the first thing he will do is give us a new heart that is soft and place the Holy Spirit, God's own presence, inside of us¹³!

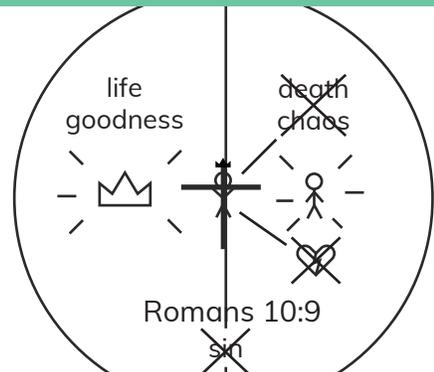
Ezekiel 36:26



So you can see the story has come full circle. Once we were in God's presence in paradise but now, through Jesus we can have God's very presence in our hearts¹⁴ and be part of an everlasting Kingdom that begins now, and goes into eternity.

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Do you want to make Jesus your king? Do you want to be part of a Kingdom of Life that never ends?



TRAINER MEETING | Plan of Action

How are you going to intentionally engage the people around you with the love of Jesus this week?

**Use your Spheres of Opportunity worksheet or simply go to the Friday Evangelism Time*

HOME WORK | Weekly Report

Were you able to stick to the Plan of Action you developed with your trainer? Yes No

If yes, what did you do? (circle all that apply)

Shared gospel presentation Invited them to Home group Invited them to hangout
Other: _____

How did it go? (for you, and for them)

Do you have a question you can ask at the class Question and Response time?

HOME WORK | Prayer Focus

Looking Back: What's one thing that happened in the past week of intentional evangelism that we should be praying about?

Looking Forward: What's one thing that you plan to do in the upcoming week of intentional evangelism that we should be praying about?