

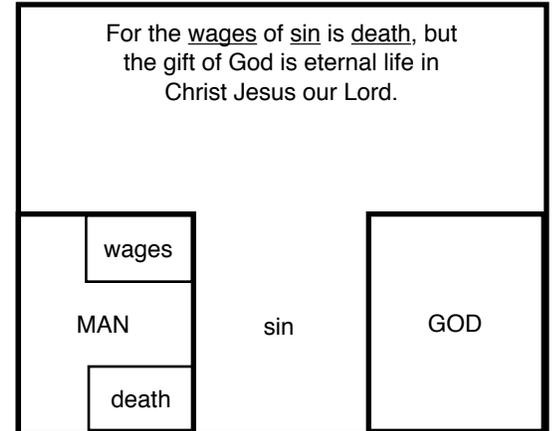
Sharing the Gospel using Romans 6:23

Share the illustration in 3 parts:

Objective in Part 1: Help them understand that they are sinful and separated from God.

Part 1

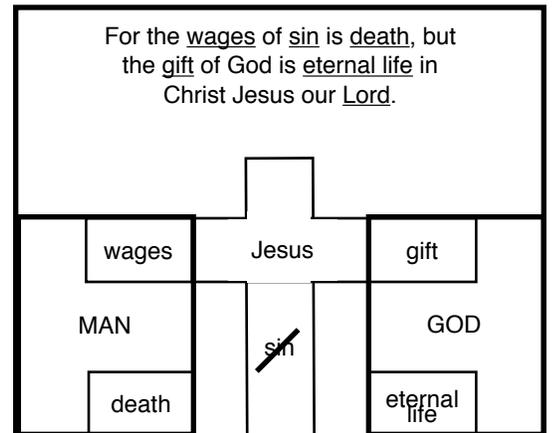
1. Pull out your phone and look up Romans 6:23. Draw two cliffs on a piece of paper from a notebook or on a napkin.
2. Write wages under the left cliff. Ask, "How would you define a wage?" Listen to their answer and summarize it as something we earn.
3. Write sin between the cliffs. Ask, "What is a good definition for sin?" Summarize and then ask, "How many people in the world do you think have sinned?" Summarize with, "That's right, we all have" and ask, "What does it say the wages of sin is?"
4. Write death. Ask, "Why do we get sad when people die?" Summarize with, "Yeah, we experience the loss of a relationship. It's the same way when we sin, we experience the loss of a relationship with God."
5. Write man on one cliff and God on the other and use it to show that we are separated from God and experience a loss of relationship with him because of our sin. Ask if that makes sense or if they have any questions.



Objective in Part 2: Help them see that God offers us eternal life as a free gift because Christ paid the penalty for our sins.

Part 2

1. Write gift and ask, "What's the difference between a gift and a wage?" Listen and then summarize that a gift isn't earned but a wage is. Then ask, "What does it say the gift of God is?"
2. Write eternal life. Ask, "How is eternal life different from a spiritual death?" Listen and then summarize that a spiritual death is the loss of a relationship with God, but eternal life is a relationship with God that lasts forever. Ask, "Who is this eternal life in?"
3. Draw the cross and explain these 3 things about Christ: He lived a perfect life without sin, He died on the cross in our place to take away our sin (cross out sin), He rose from the dead to prove He had power over death. He did this so we could have the opportunity to have eternal life. Ask if that makes sense or if they have any questions.
4. Ask, "How is Jesus described?" followed by, "What does it mean for someone to be Lord?" Listen and summarize as someone who has complete authority.



Objective in Part 3: Help them see that they must individually receive Christ.

Part 3

1. Say, "This is what God has done, now we have to respond. We talked about eternal life being a gift and just like any gift, we must receive it. In order to receive this gift, a person must do two things."
2. Write turn and trust. Explain that to receive Christ, a person must turn from sin and their own good works and trust in Jesus' life, death, and resurrection and commit to following Him.
3. Give a short testimony of how you received Christ, highlighting how your turned and trusted.
4. Ask if they have any questions and if everything makes sense. Ask if there was anything new that they had not heard before.
5. *Ask, "Would you like to turn and trust in Jesus today?"
*This last question is most important. It is imperative to give someone an opportunity to receive Christ immediately.

